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Female Seminary. This Institution, under the direction of Miss S. F. Helm, commences its next Session on Tuesday the 1st day of September.

Charlestown Academy. This Institution, under the direction of the well known and approved instructor, Mr. John J. Sanborn, will commence its next session on the 31st of August.

Bath Boarding House, Berkeley Springs, Virginia. O'Ferrall & Co. This celebrated bathing and watering place, was opened for the reception of company on the 25th inst.

CO-PARTNERSHIP. The subscribers have this day entered into Co-Partnership for the purpose of conducting the Flour and General Produce Commission Business, at No. 22, Commerce street, one door from Pratt street, Baltimore.

ORDERED, by the President and Directors of the Harpers-Ferry and Shenandoah Manufacturing Company, that the Subscribers to the Stock of said Company pay to George Maury, Treasurer, or to the Farmers' & Mechanics' Bank of Frederick County, Maryland, or to the Office of Discount and Deposit of the Bank of the Valley in Virginia, at Charlestown, the following instalments, to wit:—Two Dollars per share on the third Friday in August, inst.; Three Dollars on the third Friday in September next; Four Dollars on the third Friday in October next; Four Dollars on the third Friday in November next, and Four Dollars on the third Friday in December next.

WILLIAM J. STEPHENS TAKES this method to make known to his country friends, who are indebted to him on note or book account, that he will require payment of the same by the 1st day of September next. Prompt payment is respectfully requested. Harpers-Ferry, Aug. 7, 1846.

WALTER & CO., Flour Commission Merchants and Dealers in Country Produce generally. Liberal advances made on consignments.

MALE SCHOOL. I WILL open on the 15th day of September next, a Classical and English School, at my house, near Kabletown, and am desirous of obtaining 8 or 10 Boys as Boarders in my family.

NOTICE. The subscribers, wishing to reduce their Stock of Goods, will offer to the citizens of Harpers-Ferry and the public in general, Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, Sattinets, Tailor's Trimmings of all kinds, Linens, Drillings, Domestic, Ready-made Clothing, such as Coats, Roundabouts, Vests, Pants, Shirts, Collars, Bosoms, Stocks, Cravats, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Suspenders and Gloves; also, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, at greatly reduced prices.

Gentlemen's Spring & Summer Wear. I would beg leave, respectfully, (without entering into detail) to inform my friends and the public generally, that I am fully prepared to supply their wants with every thing pertaining to their use, (leaving out Lace and Shoes of course), in the most durable, neatest, richest, and cheapest manner. Gentlemen will find it much to their advantage, I am sure, to give me a call, before purchasing elsewhere, as I am satisfied that I have the ability, as well as the disposition to please, in every particular belonging to the Merchant Tailoring Business. Come and see. T. J. W. SULLIVAN. Harpers-Ferry, March 27, 1846.

Negroes Wanted. I WISH to purchase immediately, from 15 to 20 SLAVES, of both sexes. For such an answer, the highest cash price will be paid. JOSEPH SHEWALTER. Near Charlestown, July 31, 1846.

THE subscribers have determined to give their friends and the public generally, a rare opportunity of securing bargains. They therefore offer their entire Stock of Summer Goods at Cost for Cash, among which may be found the following new and beautiful styles, viz: Lawns, in great variety; Berages, Summer Silks; Colored and White Tartans; 50 pieces beautiful new style Prints; Fancy Points, Ribbons, Flowers, &c. In short all of our stock expressly adapted to the present season, will be sold without reserve, upon the above named terms.

For the Spirit of Jefferson. THE LIFE FOR ME. BY ROBERT E. H. LEVERING. A LOAFER'S life I would not lead, Nor should I lead me either.

Drinking ardent spirits, if it do no good, is a great and wicked waste. The use of only a single glass daily by the ten millions of freemen in the U. States, would be worth \$500,000,000 a year.

General Intelligence. A letter from Gen. Twiggs to Major Howard, of Columbus, Georgia, published in the Columbus Times, dated at Matamoros, July 27th, conveys some interesting information.

BLACK WHEAT.—Mr. Landreth, of Philadelphia, has raised a crop of black wheat, which we mentioned last week as having been discovered growing in Canada, by Messrs. J. & L. Mass, of Philadelphia, in 1845.

EXCELLENT SUGGESTIONS.—On Sunday morning, before going to church, what a dressing there is among all classes, and what a stir to appear gay and pleasing! It is quite sufficient for the great purpose of our existence, to wash the outside of the platter!

ORIGIN OF THE CAP OF LIBERTY.—In former ages, old age was honorable; caps became emblems of honor. By degrees it became the badge of freedom, for none were deemed honorable who were not free, and when a slave was made a freeman, he had a cap given to him, which he was permitted to wear in public.

THE Cathedral, which occupies the site of the great idol temple of Matamoros is 500 feet long 420 wide.

Miscellaneous. An Effecting and True Story. John Burke, a prisoner, sentenced to the Connecticut State prison for life for the murder of his wife, in Hartford, a few years since, committed suicide on the night of the 1st inst., by cutting an artery in his arm, and died in a few hours afterwards.

Out Fodder for Horses. At a discussion had at a meeting of the Lexington Farmers' Club, in England, December 8th in the best and cheapest mode of keeping draught horses during winter, Mr. Trotter said: 'I have paid more attention to the subject of keeping draught horses during the winter. For the last three years I have adopted quite a different mode to what I previously followed.' Method, formerly, was to allow my draught horses each two bushels of oats per week, together with one bushel of beans, and as much hay as they could eat, generally by clover hay.

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Death of the "Old Brown Dog" Under this head all the Cincinnati papers of Saturday, have an editorial notice of the death of a remarkable dog of that city, well known to the "oldest inhabitants."

"Down Jr." on Dandies. There are few preachers in the land whose sermons are so full of pith, point, pepper and pungent sarcasm, as those of "Down Jr." of the New York Sunday Mercury. See how he "dresses down" a certain class of lazy, loafing, cut-wasp dandies, who may be found in many of our villages as thick as flies in dog days, or toads after a summer shower.

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