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TWO DOLLARS & FIFTY CTS. PER ANNUM.

Payable half yearly; but Two Dollars will be received in payment in full, if paid entirely in advance. Whoever payment is deferred beyond the expiration of the year, interest will be charged.

Subscriptions for six months, \$1.25, to be paid invariably in advance.

ADVERTISING.

The terms of advertising are: For a square or less, \$1, for three insertions—larger ones in the same proportion. Each continuation, 25 cents per square.

All advertisements not ordered for a specific time, will be continued until forbid, and charged accordingly.

B. B. LOWMEYER, ATTORNEY AT LAW.

Has opened an office in Smithfield, and will practice in the several Courts of Jefferson and Berkeley.

Code House and Hotel, AND STAGE OFFICE,

MAIN STREET.

CHARLESTOWN, VA.

THIS establishment, nearly opposite the Court House, is now in the occupancy of the subscriber, who respectfully invites public attention to its convenience, comfort, and advantage to travellers.

He has had some experience as a host, and having supplied his house with every thing necessary to make his guests comfortable, he indulges the hope that he will receive a fair proportion of patronage. His table and bar are always supplied with the best, and his stables (to accommodate travellers) is comfortable, abundantly supplied, and well attended.

This prepared, he feels a confidence that those who sojourn with him will be satisfied with pleasant accommodations.

CHARLES HILL, Charlestown, June 25, 1834.

THE subscriber, thankful to the public for their liberal patronage for the last six years, at the house kept by him on the river, between Chesburg and the District, most respectfully asks a continuance of public favor at the same house, which is still kept in its usual style, and managed by his SON.

June 25, 1834.

NATIONAL HOTEL,

85, West Park Street, between Howard and Sharp Streets, BALTIMORE.

THE undersigned, proprietor of the above extensive establishment, respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that the House is now open for the reception of Travellers. The location of the Hotel is central and healthy; the water is of the most flourishing streets in the City, and its proximity to the different Steamboats and public Wharves, will render it a desirable stopping place. The chambers and parlours are fitted up in the most modern style, with new and appropriate furniture. The table will be supplied with all the luxuries of the season, and the best selected with choice liquors of all kinds.

Board per day \$1. Livery 50 Cents.

The Proprietor hopes by his unremitting attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage.

The public's humble servant, ROBERT ROACH.

N. B.—BOARDERS taken by the Week, Month or Year.

SHANNONDALE SPRINGS.

THIS beautiful establishment, situated in Jefferson County, Virginia, about ten miles south-west of Harpers Ferry, and five miles from the county seat (Charlestown), will be open for the reception of the public, on the 1st of June.

The valuable qualities of the water are universally known and acknowledged; and the facilities now afforded for reaching this pleasant retreat, by the Fall Road and Canal, will render it a joint of pleasure and healthful recreation. The health of the neighborhood has been excellent for many years.

Two lines of Stages run daily from Harpers Ferry to Charlestown, and accommodation carriages to the Springs can be had at any time.

The subscriber will endeavour to require, in the most satisfactory manner, all those who may sojourn with him.

JOHN G. COCKRELL, May 25, 1834.

WOOL.

LYMAN REED & CO. Commission Merchants, No. 6, South Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., devote particular attention to the sale of WOOL. All consignments made them, will receive their particular attention, and liberal advances will be made when required.

Baltimore, May 8, 1834.—Gm.

TO THE Breeders of Fine Horses.

The subscriber begs leave to announce to breeders of fine Horses, that he has opened a Training Stable in the neighborhood of Winchester, and is now ready to receive and train, upon the Winchester course, any horses that may be entrusted to his care.

Mr. Washington Graves, well known to the racing community, has engaged to superintend the stables; and those who may be disposed to patronize this establishment, are assured that every attention will be paid, and that the training will be conducted upon the most approved plan.

ROBERT BRANNAN, Winchester, July 10, 1834.

COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

The members of this Society are reminded that their annual subscription of One Dollar has been due since April last, and that the Parent Society is particularly in want of funds at this time.

W. YATES, Treasurer, July 10, 1834.

Goods and Hacks,

received and for sale by J. JOHNSON, 111, Harpers Ferry, Va.

of the Valley in Va.

June 24, 1834.

Annual meeting of the stockholders is a bank, for the election of directors, will be at the banking-house in Wilson on Wednesday the 23d day of July.

HENRY M. BRENT, Cashier, 1834.—1d.

THE DEATH BELLS.

He watched her breathing through the night, Her breathings soft and low, As in her breast the wave of life Kept heaving to and fro!

So silently we seem'd to speak— So slowly moved about— As we had leas't her half our powers To eke her living out!

Our very hopes behind our fears— Our fears our hopes behind— We thought her lying when she slept, And sleeping when she died!

For when the morn came dim and sad, And chill with early showers, Her quiet eyelids closed—she had Another man than ours!

FREE PRESS.

Maj. BARRY has published a long reply to the report of the Post Office committee of the Senate. The Major exhibits a good deal of temper in his reply, but does not deny that the department is in a state of confusion.

We would not feel ourselves justified in publishing the Major's long document. One thing ought to be remembered, however: that the Senate, by a unanimous vote, (41 members present,) declared that loans had been made by the Department, to a large amount, without authority of law. The Postmaster-General says he can pay all this in three years; it may be so, but the public will naturally inquire why the debt was concealed from Congress until ferreted out by the committee, and why we were told in the annual reports that the department was prosperous, and able to meet its own expenses. These things are as difficult of explanation as are the "extra allowances."

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BOY AT CHATHAM STREET CHAPEL.

The anniversary of American Independence was selected by the fanatics to celebrate the immediate emancipation of the blacks, and David Paul Brown, Esq., of Philadelphia, a very eloquent and eccentric member of the bar, was invited to deliver a discourse in honor of the incendiary project.

The Chapel was very much crowded, and the managers designedly mingled the blacks and whites, placing ladies of color along side of elegance, and arranging them in such a manner as to resemble the keys of a piano forte, alternately black and white—a streak of fat and a streak of lean." The heat of the day, and the crowded state of the Chapel, sent forth odours only to be endured by the faithful in the cause.

The Declaration of American Independence was read, and listened to with respectful attention. Mr. Lewis Tappan then rose to read the Constitution of the Society, when groans, hisses, scraping of shoes, thumping of canes, and violent coughing ensued. The gentlemen of color were quite indignant at the interruption, which was continued without further notice, and the young gentlemen could not enlighten his auditors by developing the objects of the institution.

David Paul Brown, Esq., a neat, patty little gentleman, rose and bowed, and attempted to proceed, amidst the most unequivocal marks of disapprobation, and positive indications that they would not bear a word that he had to say, and he sat down quite perplexed and disappointed. Lewis Tappan sent off for the police, and the Mayor, with a host of peace officers at his heels, made their way to the Chapel, and were not allowed to enter until they were invited by the committee, and why we were told in the annual reports that the department was prosperous, and able to meet its own expenses. These things are as difficult of explanation as are the "extra allowances."

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thickness and length that few men were able to raise it to the eye with a steady hand.

His four brothers were all of the same gigantic mould, and two of them were employed as rangers by the Ohio company during the Indian war. His two sisters were also about six feet in height. When the colonists from New England took possession of the country about Marietta, Fleethart resided with his wife and a family of young children on an island on the Ohio river, near Belleisle, since become a classic ground as the scene of Aaron Burr's conspiracy and the abode of Blennerhassett. After the war broke out in 1791, he removed them into "Farmer's Castle," a strong stockaded garrison opposite to the island, and resided there himself; but in the most dangerous times he would hunt fearlessly and alone, in the woods, and was never seen by the rangers, who constantly scoured the woods, and the other tenants of the castle were seen hurrying from their cornfields to within its protecting walls. Fleethart would almost invariably shoulder his rifle and take to the adjoining woods, giving as a reason that he could do more service there in case of an actual attack, and also feeling himself more free and courageous when behind a tree fighting in the Indian manner, and depending on his own personal activity, than when cooped up in a garrison. During the Indian war in 1794, being tired of confinement, he determined to have a hunt by himself, and again breathe freely in the forest. Knowing, from experience, that the Indians almost invariably confine themselves to the vicinity of their towns during the winter months, he pushed immediately for their best hunting grounds. Taking his canoe, rifle, traps, &c., he late in November, ascended the Scioto river, to near the spot where Chillicothe now stands, being ten or fifteen miles from the then Indian Chillicothe. Here he built himself a bark hut, and spent the winter with all that peculiar enjoyment which is known only to the backwoods hunter. He had been very successful in his chase, and had loaded his canoe with the hams of the bear, the elk, and the deer; to which he had added numerous packages of his skins and of those of the more valued beaver. With all the precaution of an experienced warrior in an enemy's country, he had securely fastened his well-loaded canoe several miles below, behind the woods, and then bordered the shores of the Scioto. The melting of the snow, the swelling buds of the sugar tree, and above all, the flight of the wild geese, on their annual northern tour, reminded him that his last meal in his solitary hut, and he was sitting on a fallen tree in front of it, examining the priming and locking of his rifle; the sun had just risen, when looking up, he saw an Indian examining with minute attention the tracks of his moccasins, made as he crept slowly towards the white hunting shirt in the distance. He had been in the day before, his acute and practiced ear had distinguished the report of an Indian rifle at a distance. Fleethart immediately stepped behind a tree, and waited until the Indian had approached within the sure range of his shot. He then fired, and the Indian, with a yell and a bound, fell to the earth. The scalping knife had commenced its operations; but as the Indian was not quite dead, he desisted, and fell to cutting loose some of the silver bands with which his arms were profusely ornamented, and tucked them under the folds of his hunting shirt.

While thus busily occupied, he looked up and saw four or five Indians close upon him. This being too numerous a party for him to encounter alone, he seized his rifle and took to his heels. They fired upon him, but without effect; he soon left them all but two far behind, who being more swift of foot than their companions, continued the chase four or five miles, without his being able to leave them—he often stopped and tread, hoping to get a shot and disable one of them, and then kill the other at his leisure; as soon as he took a tree, the Indians did the same, and by flanking to uncover or stand the chance of a shot. In this dilemma he concluded to try the hills, and leave the level ground on which they had so long been struggling. His vast muscular power here gave him the advantage; he could ascend the steep side of the hill more rapidly than his lighter but less muscular foes. Perceiving him to be leaving them, the Indians stopped and fired; one ball passed so near that it cut away the handle of his hunting knife, as it hung at his side, jerking it so violently against it as to make him think for a moment that he was wounded. He immediately returned

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