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PROSPECTUS
OF THE
Richmond Compiler.

By M. M. ROBINSON.

Published Semi-Weekly for the Country.

The alarming crisis which the affairs of the country have been brought by the late election, and the rapid strides of the PARTY towards a despotism, founded on the rights of the Constitution, and the destruction of the rights of the whole people, has awakened every American to a sense of the danger, which now threatens the liberties of this whole people. We are, to the language of Mr. Clay, "in the midst of a revolution; not a mere change of the persons in power, but a change of the principles of government."

ANNEXED ARTICLES.
Charleston, Dec. 19, 1833.

New Book & Stationery
STORE.

JAMES FITZSIMMONS

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public, that he has opened a large and splendid assortment of

Books and Stationery,
At No. 101 Old Street, A. Market-Square, Harpers-Ferry.

Which he offers at very reduced prices for cash. Amongst the Stock will be found a choice selection of

Ancient and Modern History, Romance, Poetry and Light Reading, A large supply of School Books, Moral and Religious Tracts, Bibles, Large Albums, (Illustrated), Blank Books, viz: Ledgers and Journals, Day, Memoranda and Pass Books, Almanacs, Quills, Envelopes and Stationery, A handsome supply of Music and Musical Paper, Visiting and Conversation Cards, A large stock of Toys, Children's Sewing, Italian Blinds, Pocket Books and Wallets, Black, Red, and Indelible Ink, Ink Stands, Quills, Steel Pens, Writing and Letter Paper, plain and ruled, Fancy Colored, &c.

Large and small wrapping do. A Paper and Book Boards, Wafers and Patent Rules, Pocket Maps of the United States, Ditto of single States, Ditto of the Holy Land, Maps on Holograph and Lead Pencils, Crayons and Black Sand, Sand Boxes, &c. &c.

He hopes by attention to business, and a desire to please, to merit the public patronage, which his friends will please call and examine.

Harpers-Ferry, Nov. 15, 1833.

THE
GLOBE TAVERN,
AT HARPERS-FERRY, Va.

(On Shenandoah-St.)

IS prepared to accommodate, in the most agreeable manner, company travelling to and from this place. The House is spacious, and has recently undergone various repairs, adding to its convenience and agreeableness. The public generally will receive the most satisfactory accommodations, and a generous support is confidently expected by their humble servant.

JOHN FITZSIMMONS,
May 16, 1833.-41.

N. B.—Private families, travelling, can be accommodated.

FOR SALE.
A SET of half-pint stills, with all the appurtenances, and with a boiler, holding 250 gallons each—Worms, Stands, &c. Also, a pair of MILL BURN STONES, 4 feet, and but little water, and 30 or 30 Bushels.

Having no use for the above property, I will give great bargains, and take in payment negroes, good paper, or the cash.

WILLIAM C. BURNS,
Lectown, Jefferson Co. 3 1/2 M.
Nov. 21, 1833.

PLANK!
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THE subscriber has a quantity of seasoned PLANK for sale, of a good quality, 1 1/2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, and 20 feet.

JOIST—such as 12 feet, 14 feet, 16 feet, 18 feet, and 20 feet.

SCANTLING, pine and poplar, 3 inch, 4 inch, 5 inch, and 6 inch.

ALSO,
BUSHELS OF STONE
COAL.

The above articles will be sold low.

CHARLES HAPPER,
Shepherdstown, July 4, 1834.-14.

A Teacher Wanted.

A MAN of Classical Education, of sober and correct habits, will meet with a good situation, by applying to the subscriber, four miles west of Harpers-Ferry. None need apply without the above qualifications.

WILLIAM STRUBER,
Feb. 13, 1834.-31.

Timber and Lumber.

THE subscriber having purchased the entire interest of Messrs. Lewis Wagoner and James Cook, in the timber and lumber on hand, and rented the saw-mill, is prepared to fill bills at a short notice, for cash or approved paper. Having on hand a good supply of seasoned

PLANK AND SCANTLING
of various kinds, in the choice of which a supply will be made to suit the requirements of the trade.

Cash paid for timber of the following sorts: Yellow and White Pine, all kinds of Oak, Poplar, Birds-Eye, Curled and Sugar Maple, Wild Cherry, Walnut, Ash, Hickory and Locust, if delivered at Harpers-Ferry.

JOSEPH L. SMITH,
Virginius, July 15, 1833.

MARCH.
Earth seems to glow with renovated life—Which melts the hardened spirit to that mood, In which, to feel ourselves apart from strife, In ecstasy—with the green blushing grass, The singing birds and the translucent sky, On which the clouds in western glory lie, We own a bond of union, which, alas! Though, later years have weakened, comes at times

To claim dominion o'er us, as in youth; And, as the drowsiness spirit it subdues, We turn from noisy reveries smooth, And from the world's vain follies and its crimes, To ponder on the past and aigh for Truth!

IMMORTALITY.
Oh, gold, wrought up in the richest vein, Its thread is all that fire can burn; In this no light will we trust; 'T were folly such a loss to mourn; Souls are imperishable gold; The body's but the mortal shell; In fire, we death's sure power behold, Then why should we lament the dead?

MISCELLANEOUS.
BURNS AND HIS MARY.
"Kennedy became their mutual confidant. He bore their messages, and occasionally exercised his ingenuity in devising clandestine interviews, and separating the lovers."

One of these took place a short time before Burns, in despair, embarked for Jamaica. It was in a room of Mr. Armour's own house, who was a tailor in the small village of Mauchline. The unfortunate pair, knowing the discovery of their secret marriage inevitable, determined to throw themselves on the clemency of Mr. Armour. "Go," said Burns to Kennedy; "tell John Armour Robert Burns is with his daughter." On the delivery of this message, Mr. Armour refused to credit it, supposing himself trifled with. "John was his favorite child, and in Burns, he saw the indigent, unfortunate peasant."

After the eclat of the affair had taken place, the stern old man, with a full knowledge of all the circumstances, bade Burns begone forever.

After Miss Armour's, or rather Mrs. Burns's, confinement, Kennedy, in passing the farm where the poet and his brother Gilbert struggled to obtain a subsistence, was requested by the former to become the bearer of a gift to his "poor wife." The present was hoisted by his brawny hands to the pomel of the saddle, which consisted of a bag filled with the substantial delicacies of a farm. Penny approaching to delectation, admitted no choice of gentle souvenirs. Kennedy's ready wit to Kilmarnock, but "there was nae resting Robert," and he journeyed to Mauchline. On his arrival, Mrs. Burns, to her Kennedy attributes "all the difficulty," he violently protested against admitting him to an interview with her daughter, beside bestowing on him sundry unceremonious appellations, for befriending the "rascal, hell's incarnate." The lady, however, in this instance, was overruled by her husband, and Kennedy was permitted to proceed to the apartment where Mrs. Burns was confined to bed; and he had "nae been there about fifteen minutes," when he heard a scrambling on the stairs, and "ho! sic screaming," when Burns burst into the room, hotly pursued by the lady, who, in her infuriated husband, Burns flew to the door, and putting his face to the wall, and saying to each of the weavers, "ye're like my child; and och! had ye been there, ye'r heart would ha' burst as mine did." This only enraged the unfeeling parents. The sequel is well known. The harsh and cruel father, having obtained the documentary evidence of their clandestine marriage, destroyed it.

ADVERSITY.
It is in adversity, as in stormy weather: when the heavens are covered with clouds, and the rain pours down in torrents, we feel gloomy, not because there is no sun, because we know he shines above the tempest; not because we deem the element to be injurious; for we experience his happy effects in reviving nature, in the purification of the atmosphere, and in the health of animal economy; but we are oppressed because the cheering sunshine is not palpably felt, because the atmosphere, like a heavy weight, depresses the spirits, and because all nature is arrayed in the veil of physical darkness. When the virtuous are cast down by the storms of providential trial, it is not because there is no God, for they are sure that he reigns in unjustly supreme above the water-flood; it is not because they imagine that trials are injurious to them, for they are conscious that they subvert the same purpose in the moral as in the physical world; but they are down-cast with grief because they feel not the immediate beams of the sun of consolation, because they are oppressed and enveloped in the mysterious atmosphere of Heaven's providential dealings: so that, like the fugitive prisoner, distrustful of his master's abandonment, they wrap their faces in their mantle, till the still small voice inspires them with comfort. Adversity may be said to wipe away the ill-compacted principles and hopes of those

who live only to themselves and their depraved appetites, as the catarrh sweeps down the treasures and labors of man; but it rolls round the virtuous members of the community like the waters of the ocean that rage around the earth, which, the more they beat upon their briny foundation, tend to render it more solid, and thus strengthen the terrestrial rampart which it apparently threatens to destroy.

Dr. Franklin.—The leading property of Dr. Franklin's mind, great as it was—the faculty which made him remarkable, and set him apart from other men—the generator in truth, of all his power—was good sense—only plain good sense—nothing more. He was not a man of genius; there was no brilliancy about his mind; little or no fervor; nothing like poetry or eloquence; and yet, by the solid, untrifling co-operation of this humble, unpretending quality of the mind, he came to adorn in the world of science—a name—council—more in the revolution of empires—educated, or self-educated as he was—than five hundred others might have done, each more widely known, more honored, more venerated, and more virtuously.—[Black.]

Dutiful Widow.—The clerk of a large parsonage, perceiving a female crossing the church-yard in a widow's garb, with a watering can and bundle, had the curiosity to follow her, and discovered her to be Mrs. —, whose husband had not long been interred. The following conversation took place: "Ah! Mrs. —, what are you going to do with your watering can?" "Why, Mr. P., I have been given a few hoes, which I have in my bundle, and am going to sow them upon my poor husband's grave, and have brought a little water with me, to make them spring." The clerk replied: "You have no occasion to do that, as the grass will soon grow upon it." "Ah! Mr. P., that may be, but do you know the poor husband, who now lies here, made me promise him, on his death bed, I would never marry again till the grass had grown over his grave; and having a good offer made me, I danna wish to break my word, or to be kept as I am."—[Liverpool.]

Every man to his Trade.—A Soldier, while coming up Leitch Walk on a wet day, lately had his pure white inexpressibles, which seemed to be the very pride of his heart, completely destroyed, for one day at least, by a splash of mud from a cart going down. The man of war did not much relish the salute, and insisted that the carter must pay the damage done, or fight him.—"Fie!" said the carter with a look of supreme contempt. "D—n it, fightin' your trade; but I'll ca' a horse wi' any of ye—hup, Charlie, hup!"

Resignation of Mr. Rives.

CONGRESS.
IN SENATE—SATURDAY, FEB. 22, 1834.

Mr. TILGHAM having presented the resolutions of the Legislature of the State of Virginia, instructing the Senators and requesting the Representatives in Congress to exert themselves to effect the restoration of the public deposits to the Bank of the United States, and the resolutions having been read—

MR. RIVES rose and said—

The Senate will have perceived, from the remarks on the subject of the resolutions just read. It is very far from my intention to attempt to impugn, in any manner, the force of those resolutions, or to depreciate in the slightest degree the high and patriotic motives which actuate the Legislature. On the contrary, I recognize them as the legitimate expression of the opinion of my State, conveyed through the only authentic organ known to the world, and which, from the nature of the resolutions, that it is my misfortune to entertain, and to have expressed, on the grave question now occupying the public mind, opinions very different from those asserted by the resolutions. Notwithstanding this difference of opinion, I should feel it my duty, as one of the representatives of Virginia on this floor, to conform to the views expressed by her Legislature, if, in the circumstances in which I am placed, I could do so without dishonor. I should feel it my duty, as one of the representatives of my State, to conform to the views expressed by her Legislature, if, in the circumstances in which I am placed, I could do so without dishonor. I should feel it my duty, as one of the representatives of my State, to conform to the views expressed by her Legislature, if, in the circumstances in which I am placed, I could do so without dishonor.

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CHARLESTOWN.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1834.

The papers from all the commercial towns in the United States, continue filled with the most appalling accounts of the distress and ruin consequent upon the derangement of the money market.

Mr. Forsyth has intimated to the Senate that the Secretary of the Treasury is prepared to submit a plan for the management of the deposits and the control of the State Banks.

The house rejected a bill to establish a branch Bank at Farmville, in the county of Prince Edward; also, a bill for constructing a road through Berkeley and Morgan and for a road through Kanawha and Lewis.

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LEGISLATURE OF VIRGINIA.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Richmond, Feb. 29.

The session has now reached a period when it would be almost impossible to keep pace with the details of proceedings. I shall therefore only allude to the principal topics of the week.

On Monday, the resignation of Mr. Rice, as Senator of the United States, was received and read. Mr. Colton then proposed an election forthwith, to supply the vacancy; but after some debate, the resolution was laid on the table.

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The packet ship Pocahontas (built in Baltimore) lately made the passage from Philadelphia to Liverpool in fourteen days from land to land.

CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE.

IN SENATE, February 29, 1834.

The reference of memorials of the citizens of Portland and Concord, in the State of New Hampshire, to the Senate, was ordered.

Mr. WEBSTER rose, and addressed the Senate as follows: Mr. President: The honorable member from Georgia stated yesterday, more distinctly than I have before learned it, what that experiment is, which the Government is now trying on the revenues and the currency.

It would be to our everlasting reproach, if it would be placing us below the general level of the intelligence of civilized States, to admit that we cannot contrive means to support the benefits of Bank circulation, and of a sound and safe currency.

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THE MARKETS.

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