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NEW GOODS.

Spring & Summer Supply.

WM. S. LOCK would inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just returned from the East with a large and splendid stock of Seasonable Goods, which have been selected with great care, and purchased at the lowest cash rates, and will be disposed of on terms that cannot fail to suit purchasers.

Among the stock may be found many fancy goods for ladies dresses of entire new style;
Bonnets, Flowers, Ribbons, Dress Hdkfs;
A general assortment of gentlemen's wear, plain, barred, and fancy striped goods.
May 8.

FASHIONABLE
FANCY STORE.

THE subscribers respectfully inform the Ladies of Charlestown and vicinity, that they have turned their attention particularly to Fancy Goods, and are now receiving one of the most splendid and general assortments ever offered in the Valley. The following, among numerous other articles may be found:

FOR DRESSES.
Bl'k, blue bl'k, fig'd and striped silks
Berages and balzorines, (the most splendid)
Embroidered tarlatan and berages
Splendid goods for party dresses
White watered silks
Bl'k, col'd and plaid alpacca
Organdie, lace, Polka, and Swiss lawns
Embroidered Swiss robes
New style French and Scotch ginghams.

HOSIERY AND GLOVES.
Bl'k and white silk and cotton Hosiery cheap
French kid, silk and cotton gloves and mitts

NEEDLE-WORK.
Spendid inside handkerchiefs and capes
Needle-worked inside sleeves
Collars, Cuffs, &c.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
Linen cambric hdk'fs from 12 cents to 10 dollars
Shawls and scarfs
Crape, silk and berage shawls and scarfs
Bl'k, lead and fancy col'd fancy hdk'fs.

LACES.
Thread laces and edgings
Bobinett and lisle do
Swiss and cambric insertings
Bobinett and thread do.

RIBANDS.
Splendid assortment bonnett
" " cap do
" " for sashes

SHOES AND GAITERS.
Black kid slippers
Black kid walking do
Black and colored gaiters.

PARASOLS.
Parasols and sun-shade
Parasolettes—and a splendid assortment of FANS, some cheap, very cheap.

BONNETS.
Neopolitan, English straw, and every varity of BONNETS
Splendid assortment French and American FLOWERS
Together with every article of trimmings.
Also, cologne, Florida water, (in plain and fancy bottles,) oils and perfumery, every kind.
Fancy toilett soaps, &c.
And, in fact, every article that a Lady may desire for comfort or fashion.
☞ We most respectfully solicit a call from you.
May 8. J J MILLER & WOODS.
P. S. A splendid assortment BOOKS—with the latest and most fashionable MUSIC for Piano and Guitar. M. & W.

Harpers-Ferry Races!
Small Profits Ahead!!

THE subscribers respectfully inform their friends that they continue to *run off* their splendid stock of New Goods at very small profits for cash, and therefore invite all who would save money in making their purchases to call on A HOLLAND & CO.
Harpers-Ferry, May 8, 1845

BRASS CLOCKS,
A SUPERIOR article—price $4, for sale by
May 8 *A Holland & Co.*

Balzarines, Berazes and Lawns,
A LARGE assortment just received from Philadelphia, by *A Holland & Co.*
May 8

Summer, Tweed and Plaid Cassimeres and Vestings,
AT the very lowest prices, by
May 8 *A Holland & Co.*

Sun Shades and Parasolettes,
A BEAUTIFUL assortment for sale by
May 8 *A Holland & Co.*

1 BALE more of that 38 inch wide heavy brown Muslin at 8 cents, just received by
May 8 *A Holland & Co.*

Neapolitan, Bird Eye, Rutland Straw and Braid BONNETS,
NEW style, for sale by *A Holland & Co.*
Harpers-Ferry, May 8.

For Gentlemen.

WE most respectfully ask the attention of the Gentlemen of Charlestown and its vicinity, to our most extensive assortment of gentlemen's wear, just received from Baltimore and Philadelphia, among which are the very latest styles and fashions. The following are in part, viz:

Black and blue black French and English cloth, from $2 to $10; dahlia, olive, French, claret and rich brown do; blue ind. green and low priced fancy colors;
Single and double-milled 6-4 French twilled cassimeres; black, drap, D'Ele, cateleine and cashmerette for summer coats, 6-4 tweeds, the most fashionable colors for sack coats;
Splendid assortment single milled French Cassimeres, low priced do and tweeds, white and brown drillings, striped and fancy do. valentia, silk and Marseilles do plain, figured and striped satin;
Brown, Irish, and French linens, blk & fancy col'd satin scarfs and hdkfs. blk Italian, Madras and Polka cravats, white, black and col'd kid gloves. Do do do English silk do. cotton and silk half hose, splendid assortment silk & linen cambric hdkfs very cheap, collars and shawls latest style, silk and cotton suspenders.
! HATS—Blk beaver, silk and cassimere hats, the very latest, white and drab cassimere do. Guyaquill, Leghorn and palm do. new style oil cloth caps.
BOOTS & SHOES—Morocco and calf Boots and Shoes, made by McDaniel & Co.,
With many articles new and desirable, all of which which will be sold at a *small advance*; all we ask is a call, feeling satisfied our stock cannot fail to please.
J J MILLER & WOODS.
May 8.

New Dry Goods.

HANDSOME Spring Calicoes, &c.
Beautiful Plain and Barred Muslins,
Brown and Bleached Muslins,
For sale cheap by
F DUNNINGTON.
Kearneysville, March 20, 1845.

A CASE of 8 day and 30 hour Clocks just received, and for sale by
S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.
April 17, 1845.

BACON.
MOST superior quality. Hog round for sale for cash and cash only, by
April 24. J J MILLER & WOODS.

NEW GOODS.

To the Citizens of Jefferson County.

WE have just returned from Philadelphia and Baltimore, and have commenced receiving our supply of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, which have been selected with great care, and all bought since the great reduction of prices; and with regard to style, prices and quality, we feel confident will favorably compare with any stock that has been brought to our county. We respectfully ask all who wish to see pretty Goods to call and look through, whether they wish to purchase or not. The following is an enumeration of a part:
Cloths, Cassimeres, &c
Super French Black Cloths
Do Black English do
Do Olive Brown do light shade for frock coats
Do Blue do do
Fancy Cassimeres, beautiful styles
Tweed do
Super Black French Deer Skin do
A great variety of Single-milled Cassimeres, Gambroons, Drillings, &c., embracing almost every style of pantaloon goods.
May 8. MILLER & TATE.

VESTINGS, &c.
SUPER Black Satin, Fancy Silk, new style Marseilles, White do;
Cravats, Scarfs, Pocket Hdkfs;
Linen, cotton and Silk, &c of the real Polka style.
May 8. MILLER & TATE.

For the Ladies.

WE most respectfully ask the attention of the Ladies to our assortment of beautiful Dress Goods. The following are a part:
Super new style real French Berages
Do do French Balzarines
Tarlatans, white and colored
New style Lawns
Berage and Organdie do
Plaid Tarlelaene
White striped do
Super French Berage Shawls
Do do Scarfs
White Oriental do
Satin Berage Shawls
Plaid Berage do with a variety of other styles.
Grass skirts, linen cambric hdkfs. Polka Net Caps
Lisle lace and edgings, cambric do do
Fans in great variety. MILLER & TATE.
May 8.

GLOVES, MITTS, &c.
WHITE and colored French kid gloves
Lisle thread, colored and white silk do
Fine cotton gloves only 6
Black and colored silk mitts only 12½, formerly sold at 37½
Prints of every variety and price, from 6 to 28 cts.
May 8. MILLER & TATE.

BONNETS, FLOWERS, &c.
NEOPOLITAN Bonnets, superior qualities
English straw do
Do Rutland Braid
New style French Flowers Do inside do
Polka, shaded, and plaid Ribbons
New style cap and cape Trimmings.
May 8. MILLER & TATE.

More New Goods.

JUST received another supply of Fresh and Seasonable Dry Goods at Kabletown, this day, by *S Heflebower & Co.*
May 1.

BLACK TEAS.
BLACK, Young Hysoe, Gunpowder and Imperial Teas, just received and for sale by *S Heflebower & Co.*
Kabletown, May 8, 1845.

PLASTERING LATHS.—10,000 Plastering Laths [sawed] on hand and for sale low, by *S Heflebower & Co.*
Kabletown, May 8.

TIN WARE,
A LARGE supply just received and for sale by *S Heflebower & Co.*
May 8.

SALAD OIL.
1 BASKET Salad Oil, on hand and for sale by *S Heflebower & Co.*
May 8.

FRESH PRUNES.
6 JARS just received and for sale by
May 8. *S Heflebower & Co.*

GLOVES & HOSIERY.
SUPER Paris Kid Gloves
Gents Thread and Fancy do
Women's cotton do 6¼
Do white, black and colored hose, a large assortment
Do black and white silk do
For sale low by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 8

HUCKABACK and Birdseye Diapers for sale by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 8

ROCK POWDER for sale by
May 8 *T C Sigafoose.*

SUMMER TWEEDS.
GOLDBUG Pickwick 6-4 Tweeds for summer coats, for sale by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 8

FRESH SPRING GOODS.

I HAVE now in store, my Spring Supply of Goods, which I am running off at a small advance on cost. I would repsectfully ask the ladies and gentlemen to look through my stock before making their purchases, as I flatter myself that I can show them a more general assortment of new style goods than can be found in town. T C SIGAFOOSE.
May 1.

Straw Goods.

RUTLAND'S and English Straw Bonnets
Pedel Braids
Children's Leghorn Hats
Misses do Flats
Men's do Hats
Do Guyaquill do
Do and boys palm leaf do
Hair and Straw Gimp, &c. &c. in store and for sale low by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 1.

Cassimeres, Vestings, &c.
GENTLEMEN in want of something late in style in the way of Cassimeres, Vestings, &c. &c. can find them by calling at the store of *T C Sigafoose.*
May 1.

Splendid 8-4 Beraze Shawls,
THE most magnificent article in the way of Shawls ever offered in this market.
For sale low by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 1.

Ladies' Skirts.
HORSEHAIR and Grass Skirts
Also—Grass Skirting
For sale low by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 1.

The Lace Man Beat!
I WOULD call the attention of the ladies to my large stock of Edgings and Insertings, as they may see something of entirely new design, and at such prices as will truly astonish.
May 1. *T C Sigafoose.*

100 YARDS MATTING for sale low by
S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.
April 17, 1845.

LOVING AND FORGIVING.

Oh, loving and forgiving—
Ye angel words of earth,
Years were not worth the living
If ye two had not birth!
Oh, loving and forbearing—
How sweet your mission here;
The grief that ye are sharing
Hath blessings in its tear.

Oh, stern and unforgiving—
Ye evil words of life,
That mock the means of living
With never-ending strife.
Oh, harsh and unrepenting—
How would ye meet the grave,
If Heaven, as unrelenting,
Forbore not nor forgave!

Oh, loving and forgiving—
Sweet sisters of the soul,
In where selfishness living
The passions find control!
Still breathe your influence o'er us
Whene'er by passion cross'd,
And, angel-like, restore us
The paradise we lost.

"LONG AGO."

Long ago! Those words how thrilling
Come they with their murmur low,
The spirit's troubled waters stilling
With the music—"Long ago."

Memory's long deep-hoarded treasure
Bring they to the spirit's light;
Days of yore, with dreams of pleasure,
Rushing back upon the sight.

Long ago! Those words of sadness,
Bringing, through the mists of years,
Visions of departed gladness:
Ne'er forgotten sighs and tears.

Dreams of youth and thoughts of flowers,
Fading, but surpassing sweet;
Skies where brightly fled the hours,
Never more the sight to greet.

Long ago! Those words show dearer
Far than others we may know,
When they bring our spirits nearer
To the loved of long ago.

The key-note of a measure, filling
All the heart with harmony!
The discord of the present stilling,
Calming all its troubled sea.

General Intelligence.

THE GREAT MATCH RACE.

Peytona Victorious.

The New York Tribune furnishes an account of the great match race between Fashion and Peytona, on the Long Island Course, which is said to have been one of a most exciting character, drawing some 70,000 persons together, being a larger collection of people than ever before assembled on the Union Course. The Tribune says;—

The stands were all crowded to the utmost extent; the track was so much encumbered that a strong police force could scarcely keep it free for the running horses.

The course was not in good order, being very much cut up, and the horses sinking deep with sand and dust. This was more unfavorable to Fashion than to Peytona, the latter being the strongest horse.

The excitement was great when the horses appeared at the tap of the drum, and betting became still more favorable to the Southern horse when she was stripped. The North had been backing Fashion heavily, but there was now a disposition to hedge, and odds could be had on Peytona. Both horses appeared to be perfectly right, although Peytona had rather the most lively and gamey look.

The horses got off well together at the first start, Peytona having the inside, which she kept, as well as the lead, and won the first heat by three lengths, amid the shouts of the excited crowd. The betting was now 100 to 50, and even occasionally larger odds on the Southern horse, and few takers.

When the horses came up for the second heat, they did not appear to have cooled off well, Fashion being apparently the most distressed. After one false start they went off at a slashing pace, Fashion getting the inside.

During the first three miles, the horses ran together with scarcely a perceptible difference between them, and the interest in the race became intense. When they passed the judges' stand on the fourth mile, Peytona was scarcely the breadth of an ear behind. Both jockeys were plying spurs and crowding their horses to their utmost speed. On the last quarter Peytona made a brush and it was evident that her immense stride was doing the business.

Peytona has now won for her owners $62,600 in purses in six years, never having been beaten. She has probably won much more for them in side bets. Having conquered the victor of twenty-three fields, she may be considered the paramount horse on the turf in this country.

This has been one of the most exciting races the north has ever known, and as Fashion was freely backed until within a few days, by our sporting circles, we suppose Park Row and Vesey street are nearly cleaned out.

Coming down the straight turn to the judges' stand she gained slightly at every jump and came in (Fashion under whip and spur) winning the heat and race by half a length. The shout that rent the welkin was the signal for the transfer of at least one hundred thousand dollars from the pockets of the North to the pockets of the South.

The time, it will be seen, was not very good, the first heat being 7½ seconds longer than Fashion's first heat with Boston. The first heat was run in 7.39¾, and the second in 7.45¼.

The following is the summary of the whole affair:—

Miles.	First Heat.	Second Heat.
First	1 54	1.55
Second	1.53	1 54
Third	1.57	1 55¼
Fourth	1 55¼	1.58
Total	7.39¾	7.45¼

What's in a Name?—The Philadelphia Police records show that George Washington has been convicted of larceny; Martin Van Buren, William Penn, John M. Scott and Jno. Swift, sent to jail as vagrants, and William B. Reed locked up for stealing. They are all colored persons, who have adopted the names of distinguished statesmen or prominent private citizens.

LETTER FROM MR. CLAY.

The following letter from Mr. CLAY, in answer to the address of the Central Clay Committee of the city of New York was read on Friday evening week, at the Howard House, before the Committee and a large number of citizens who had assembled for the purpose of hearing it.

ASHLAND, 25th April, 1845.

GENTLEMEN: The Hon. Willis Green delivered to me a few days ago at this place the address which you did me the honor to make on the 4th of March last, enrolled on parchment, and enclosed in a silver case, manufactured by Mr. Wm. Adams for the occasion.

I received it with emotions of grateful sensibility which it would be vain to attempt to describe. Waiving all consideration of the causes and consequences of the recent Presidential Election, of which it treats, as a past and irrevocable event, on which I have neither inclination, nor would it perhaps be fitting for me to expatiate, I take pleasure in expressing my profound and grateful sense of the great, persevering and efficient labors of the Central Clay Committee of the city of New York during the canvass which preceded the election. And I must express also the high and lasting obligations which I feel to the Committee, and to the Whigs of New York, for the ardent attachment and generous confidence towards me, displayed at the commencement and throughout the whole progress of the campaign, and now manifested in terms of fervid and touching eloquence in the address before me.

The patriotism which animated them in the contest could never have been doubted, but this document presented after our defeat, bears conclusive evidence both of their patriotism and disinterestedness. My situation is peculiar. I have been, in spite of unexpected discomfiture, the object of honors and of compliments usually rendered only to those who are successful and victorious in the great enterprises of mankind:—to say nothing of other demonstrations, the letters, the addresses and communications which I have received since the election from every quarter, from collective bodies and individuals, and from both sexes, conveying sentiments and feelings of the warmest regard and strongest friendship, and deploring the issue of the election, would fill a large volume. I have been quite as much if not more affected by them than I was by any disappointment or personal interest of my own in the event of the contest. Among the gratifications cherished by me with the most gratified feelings, and in the durable form in which you have had the goodness to transmit it to me; it will be preserved as a precious memorial, on which my remotest decendants may gaze, as I have paused it, with proud satisfaction.

I am, gentlemen, with high respect,
Your faithful friend,
H. CLAY.

Messrs. James K. Wood, Benjamin Drake, and others.

THE EMPIRE CLUB.

Mr. Brownlow, of Tennessee, now in New York, gives a sketch of the prominent characters attached to the famous Empire Club in New York. We find the account published in the Richmond Whig. The head of the Club, he says, is a refugee from justice in Albany, for a late riot and attempt at murder. He was once arrested in Washington for stealing Treasury notes in New Orleans, by order of the President. The lieutenant of the Club was tried for the murder of a man named Londa, and was saved from the penitentiary for life by a hung jury. He was since arrested for stealing Treasury notes. One of the members was convicted of manslaughter, and served out his time for the offence in the penitentiary. Another was convicted of theft and burglary, and pardoned out of the penitentiary by Gov. Buck. Another was once arrested in New Jersey as a pick-pocket, and after escaping because of some informality in the arrest, he came and joined this Club. Another, besides being a *common thief*, was once sent to the penitentiary for the murder of a man by the name of McCoy. Another vagabond is of the low order of gamblers, and has been twice arrested for riots. Another was once arrested for stealing a pocket-book, and another time for stealing goods. Another has been once arrested for stealing, and frequently indicted as a gambler. Another never was known to commit but one capital offence, and that was stealing a clock, for which he was indicted and tried. And another has been arrested three times in the last two years for stealing good of various kinds. This statement is put forth by Mr. Brownlow to corroborate the statements to the same effect heretofore made by the New York Express and other New York papers, and by Mr. Clingman in his speech in the House of Representatives.—*Alexandria Gazette.*

A Colored Gentleman admitted to the Bar.—The Boston Post of the 3d inst., says:—"At nine o'clock this morning, S. E. Sewall, Esq., before his honor Judge Ward, moved that Macon B. Allen, who was provided with a certificate of competency, signed by Judge Merrick, be admitted to practice as an attorney and counsellor at law in the courts of this commonwealth, and, there being no legal objection to the motion, the gentleman was admitted. Mr. Allen is 29 years of age—is a native of Indiana, and his color and physiognomy bespeak mingled Indian and African extraction, in about equal proportions.

Great Performance.—On Saturday last the locomotive engine "Atlantic," weighing 15½ tons, built by Morris & Brothers, of Philadelphia, hauled on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad 156 iron coal cars, containing 740 tons of coal. This performance, even within two or three years, would have been thought impossible.

AN EXCITING INTERVIEW

In the Auburn (New York) State Prison.

Mr. J. H. Green, the Reformed Gambler, recently made an excursion through the Auburn State Prison. He gives the following account of his interview with a murderer:

"On my return to the prison office, I was introduced to the chaplain, Rev. O E. Morril, which reverend gentleman informed me that a man by the name of Wyatt, then confined in one of the cells, for the murder of Gordon, on the 16th of March, in the Auburn State Prison, had confessed to him that he had lived a gambler several years in the South and West, and he would like I should call upon him. I accompanied him to the cell of the murderer. The door was thrown open upon its grating hinges, when the reverend gentleman introduced me as an acquaintance of his who had travelled South several years, and thought that he (Wyatt) would be glad to converse with him. He said he was happy to see me and asked me to be seated. After a short discourse relative to the different classes of men then in confinement, I asked him what he followed in his travels through the South? He told me gambling. I asked him how long he had been engaged in that nefarious business? He said twelve or thirteen years. I asked him if he knew many gamblers? He said he did. I asked him if he ever knew one by the name of Green? He said he did. I asked his name? He answered 'John;' said he knew him in 1832, '33, '34, and '35, and saw him in 1842, in St. Louis. I asked him if he was intimate with Green? He said he knew him as one gambler knew another. I asked if I favored him? He said if I would stand in the light he would tell me. I did so. He said I looked like the man. I told him I was the man, but that I never knew him by the name of Wyatt. He said I did not; that Wyatt was not his real name. He then told me another, which was not his real name, and asked me if I did not hear of a man being murdered near St Louis, in the year 1841, and of two men being arrested, both tried and convicted, one having a new trial granted him, the other being hung? I told him that I thought I had. He said he was the man who had a new trial granted, and was acquitted; 'and,' said he, 'they hung the wrong man; he was innocent; I am the guilty man; but they hung him and cleared me.' 'But,' said I, 'you were under a different name still, at that time.' He said, 'Yes, by none of those names for one year; but my real name I never told; but you—the gamblers called you John, but you—is your real name.' My curiosity was highly excited at the strange management of the murderer. But you may imagine the increase of it when he told me his real name.

I looked at the murderer and could scarcely believe my own eyes; yet, he stood before me a living marvel. I have pledged secrecy as to his real name until his execution. I interrogated him on his first steps in vice and how he became so hardened. He told me to remember the treatment he had received from the Lynchers' lash at Vicksburg. I did, but my eyes could scarcely credit reality. I had known him in 1832, 3, 4, and in the early part of '35, as a barkeeper in Vicksburg. He was never a shrewd card player, but at that time considered an inoffensive youth. The coffee house he kept was owned by North, who with four others were executed on the 5th of July, 1835, by Lynch law. Wyatt and three others were taken on the morning of the 7th, stripped, and one thousand lashes given to the four, tarred and feathered, and put in a canoe and set adrift on the Mississippi River. It makes my blood curdle and my flesh quiver, to think of these unfortunate men, set adrift on the morning of the 7th of July, with the broiling sun upon their mangled bodies. Two died in about two hours after they were set afloat. Wyatt and another remained with their hands and feet bound forty hours, suffering more than tongue can tell or pen describe, when they were picked up by some slave negroes, who started with the two survivors to their quarters. His companion died before they arrived. Wyatt survives to tell the horrors of the Lynchers' lash. He told me seven murders had been occasioned by their unmerciful treatment to him, and one innocent man hung. I know his statements to be true, for I had known him before 1835, and his truth in other particulars cannot be doubted. He murdered his seventh man, for which crime he will be executed. I have another communication for your paper concerning the murderer and his prospects in the world to come.

Yours truly,
J. H. GREEN.

Auburn, April 10, 1845."

Death of a Miser.—A German paper states that the death of the rich Countess of K——, who was every where known for almost incredible meanness and parsimony, is very remarkable. She had $20,000 a year income, and died of cold, because she was too miserly to keep her rooms warm; a few hours before her death she had foddered her horses with her own hands. Every corner of her house was filled with gold and valuable papers; fifty thousand dollars have already been found.

The Dubuque (Iowa) Express says forty-one new buildings have been commenced in that town this spring, and that many of them are to be of brick, of more than ordinary dimensions. It adds: 'The prospect of a division of the Territory has given an impetus to every thing, and already enhanced the value of real estate.'

☞ The Parisian ladies wear at present a white marabout feather along the curve of each neck, so that the opera boxes seem tenanted by cats with white whiskers.

THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

The Washington Union of Saturday announces that upwards of *five millions* of acres of the public lands will be placed in market during the summer and autumn. It is stated that there will be sold 370,000 acres in Wisconsin Territory, lying on and between the Fox and Wolf rivers—378,000 acres in Iowa, on the Makoquita river and its branches, the sale to be made at Dubuque—800,000 acres on the Red Cedar, Iowa and English rivers, likewise in Iowa, and the sale to be at Dubuque. Two sales at Fairfield, also in Iowa, will comprise upwards of a million of acres, watered by the Des Moines and Checaque rivers—90,000 acres of Illinois bottom will be offered. Upwards of a million of acres in Missouri—about the same quantity in Arkansas, embracing nine townships in the new district of Champagnole 154,000 acres in Louisiana, and about 600,000 acres in Florida. The Union describes the most of this land as offering singular advantages to the purchaser. It says:

"In fact, these sales, embracing lands from the northern part of Wisconsin to the Southern extreme of the Union, present the greatest variety of soil, climate, and productions that our country possesses, and cannot fail to attract the attention of those desirous of making valuable investments, while it also affords to hosts of actual occupants of the soil a final opportunity of securing their homes, by virtue of the pre-emption privilege afforded to them by a just and beneficent legislation."

A Heavy and Dreadful War Missile.—A new implement of warfare of terrible efficacy has just been devised in England by Professor Brunsen. It consists of a liquid similar to alcohol, in which the oxygen is replaced by arsenic. It ignites the moment it is exposed to the air. If any vessel filled with it, like a glass or iron globe, should be thrown upon the decks or into the ports of a ship, it would ignite the moment the boat struck any hard substance, and the inflammable liquid instantly would be in a blaze. The atmosphere at once becomes filled with clouds of white arsenic, by which a deadly poison is evolved and exhaled. Being heavier than, and insoluble in water, it could not be extinguished, and of course, it becomes fatal to all within its influence. A dreadful implement in the art of war.

Fatal Rail Road Accident.—About 8 o'clock on Saturday morning, as the down train of passenger cars for Philadelphia had got two miles below Pottsville, on the Reading Railroad, the conductor, was crushed between the train and a wood day in consequence. It appears he was standing on the platform of the ladies' car, looking back, and not seeing the wood car on the other track, was caught up and rolled between the rapidly passing cars and those that were stationary, until he arrived at the end of the latter, when he fell senseless between the tracks. The deceased has been for eight years conductor on this road, and was very much beloved as a mild, amiable and excellent young man. He was about thirty years of age, and has a wife and two children residing in Reading.

Extensive Robbery—Presumed.—A man, who gave his name as Charles Howard, was arrested in Harrisburg, on Saturday night, charged with having stolen a cloak of Susan Webb, of Greenwich, Mass., with whom he came passenger in a packet canal boat from Pittsburg. A letter to the National Intelligencer says:—"After he was committed to jail, a search was made, and there was found in the toe of his boot a letter containing four drafts, drawn by different persons on banks in New York, and endorsed Th. M. Howe, cashier, and made payable to the order of D M. Thomson, cashier, in New York—one of which was the $1,000 draft from Washington city for the Pittsburg sufferers. The presumption is, that the drafts were enclosed in a letter from Pittsburg to New York, and that Mr. Charles Howard has succeeded in purloining it on its way.

The Western Contribution.—It appears it is true that $100,000 have been presented to Mr. Webster. It seems that his friends opened a subscription, among a very limited number of persons, with the object of raising a hundred thousand dollars, to be invested for his benefit. About sixty thousand dollars were subscribed in Boston, and the remainder in New York.—This has been or will be invested so as to produce seven per cent. The income to be given to Mr. Webster during his life, and continued to Mrs. Webster during hers, after which the principal is to revert to the original donors or their heirs.

Origin of the Fire.—Rum.—The great fire which destroyed so large a portion of Pittsburgh is said to have been caused by the carelessness of a drunken washerwoman. The Pittsburg correspondent of the American Temperance Union states that the owner of the premises informed him that as she was washing on that windy day, she made a fire in an old unsafe wooden building, which previous accounts say was a rude structure put up to cover an ice house, and the fire driven by the wind very soon enveloped in flames not only the frail and combustible shed in which it began, but also half the city.

Heart-Rending Affair.—We learn, says the Cincinnati Commercial, that a most heart-rending affair took place at Hamilton, Ohio, on Saturday last. A young man at that place was crossing the Miami river on horseback, with his intended wife, a lovely girl, when the latter's horse stumbled and she fell into the water. Her lover hastened to her assistance, when she threw her arms around his neck. The current carried them both into deep water; both were drowned, while locked in each other's arms. On Sunday the body of the young man had been recovered, and between one and two thousand persons were gathered to search for the other.

EDITOR OF THE UNION.—The following account of the editor of the official organ, is from an eye witness at Washington, who says:—

I have seen Mr. Ritchie this morning. It may be said that old January begins this year with May. Mr. R. is sixty-nine years of age, of tall, thin, spare form, rather beat, good eye, long, slim face, somewhat like Amos Kendall, but much better looking, and of considerable neatness in his dress. In his manner he is affable, and inclined to talkativeness; but this faculty, he will have to give up, after a week's company with the present *mum* Cabinet. An editor who exercises an influence in abstracted Virginia, will find himself in a strange atmosphere, when he launches unfledged on a new career at Washington. Mr. Ritchie, as the head of the Enquirer, has been accustomed to dictate to his party in his State, and was looked to there, as one of her big men; but he will soon find that even a great man's shadow is very small here. It is said that Mr. Ritchie is very fond of reading the London Punch, and it is a fact that he brought a large number of those papers with him to Washington. So the new organ will not be void of wit.

The Philadelphia American of Friday says:

We have already recorded the fact that by means of a quiet subscription—started in this city—Mr. Clay was relieved of considerable embarrassments incurred through his generous aid extended to a relative. We since learn that the amount raised for Mr. Clay is about 50,000 dollars, of which about 35,000 dollars have been appropriated to the removal of all encumbrances from his estate. Ashland therefore stands free, its noble owner has besides a moderate sum remaining from the offerings of his friends. The testimonial was alike unsought and unexpected—a tribute to worth which the donors rejoice in their ability to make.

A letter from Washington says:—"A part of the Globe contract has not yet appeared in print. It was not in the terms published by the parties, nor was it referred to in the published letters of Mr. Van Buren and Gen. Jackson, viz: that the senior editor of the Globe is to have the Russia mission. There is little doubt, however, of the fact.

The Hon. Leverett Saltonstall died at his residence in Salem, Massachusetts, on Thursday week, at the age of 64 years. He was a man of extensive learning, and great urbanity in his social department.—He graduated at Harvard University in to Congress.

Rev. Sidney Smith, notwithstanding his losses by American stocks, died worth a very large sum of money. In his will his wife was appointed executrix, and he left £30,000 to his son, £10,000 to his wife, and distributed the rest of his property, which amounts to some £80,000, among his former servants and others.

Pass Him Round.—Roswell B. Rexford, a deacon of the Baptist church in Napoleon, Michigan, left for parts unknown last week in company with a girl who had been some time in his employ, abandoning his wife and family. He conveyed most of his property, and left without the knowledge of any one. He was somewhat wealthy, and it is difficult to conceive what strange infatuation induced him to so unatural a course.

The Naughty Woman.—Mr. Holmes, of Norfolk, Va., states that his wife, Mrs. Lilly Holmes, about 40 years of age, "a remarkably pretty woman, with dark hair and eyes," during his temporary absence from home, has eloped with a man named Wm Pritchard, carrying with her about $700 of his money. She left her three children, and her husband states that up to the time of her elopement, "such was the confidence in her chastity that nothing could have induced him even to suspect such an intention." Pritchard also left a wife in Norfolk.

Something "First Rate."—The Annapolis Herald, Locofoco, says: "We rejoice to learn that President Polk has expressed his determination to remove every man from office who does not promptly pay up his newspaper subscriptions, and who is in any respect, careless and indifferent in paying his just debts."

The Elizabethtown paper states that Col. R. M. Johnson has applied to Mr. Polk for office without success. Why is not all Kentucky Locofocoism up in arms? Is this atrocious neglect of the great god of war to go unavenged?—*Louisville Jour.*

Money Digging.—The Hampden Post tells a story about the jailer in Springfield, who was pursuaded by a colored man in a prison to take him to Westfield, where he, the colored man, had concealed a large amount of treasure. They went in the night, dug in two place, of course to no effect, and at length came to a place where the colored man measured off a given distance from a certain tree, and striking a spade into the ground, exclaimed in a tone of triumph, 'Here it is. I ain't mistaken this time, no how. Now take off my hand-cuffs Boss Day, and I'll show you something worth looking at.'

The hand-cuffs were removed, and, in an instant, instead of feasting his eyes on sparkling gems and uncounted treasures, Mr. Deputy Day found himself lying upon his back and surveying the stars. When he regained his feet, there was the hand-cuffs, there too stood Deputy Day, but the prisoner had fled, leaving his old hat as security for his return. The Deputy returned to Springfield, a wiser man.

Never rejoice in the misfortunes of others—the clouds may be rising which will overshadow your own prospects.

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May 22, 1845.

THE TIME TO SUBSCRIBE.

If any person can find a better time to subscribe for the Free Press than the present, we might remind them that on the first of July papers can be sent to any distance not exceeding thirty miles, *free of postage*.

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STATE OF PARTIES,
In the 29th Congress.

The Locofocos have elected 99 members; the Whigs 58; and the natives 6, so far as the elections for the 29th Congress have taken place.—Maryland, North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Indiana, have yet to hold elections. The aggregate delegations from these States make up fifty-seven members; of these, if parties stand as in the last Congress, the Administration will have thirty-four and the Whigs twenty-three.—The administration majority in the House will probably exceed fifty.

SENATOR AND GOVERNOR.

A number of Valley prints—Loco of course—are urging the claims of Judge Pennybacker, of Shenandoah, for a seat in the United States Senate.

It will be recollected that on the eviction of John Rutherford, Esq. as Councillor, the Enquirer proclaimed him, by virtue of its inherent power, the next Governor of Virginia.

A Senator from West of the Blue Ridge and a Governor from the East, being the arrangement, the choice may probably fall upon the gentlemen above named, who we believe would be as acceptable to the Whig party as any other gentlemen of their stamp of politics.

PEYTONA AND FASHION.

An account of the Great Race which came off over the Union Course, Long Island, on the 13th, between Fashion and Peytona, the favorites of the North and South, will be found on our first page—from which it will be seen that the South has come off victorious.

The following exhibits the speed and "killing stride" of Peytona, the winner of the race, on that occasion:—

	Distance miles.	Distance feet.	Time seconds	Feet pr sec'd.	Strides pr sec.
First heat	4	21,120	459½	46	2
2d heat	4	21,120	465½	45 2-5	2

FASHION AND PEYTONA.—It is stated in the New York papers that "another match between Fashion and Peytona will come off, over which, no doubtless great numbers present, there will be no New York mob of some 100,000 to impede their progress. This will be looked to, by the admirers of good sport, with more interest than even the great affair of Tuesday week."

THE DORR QUESTION.

The General Assembly of Rhode Island adjourned on Saturday the 11th instant, to meet again on the fourth Monday in June, to which time all matters relating to the imprisonment of Dorr have been postponed. The vote for postponement was 49 to 28 in the House, and 18 to 14 in the Senate. In the meantime, committees have been appointed to be prepared to report upon all petitions, resolutions and other papers relating to the subject.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL.

The Hagerstown News states that a number of laborers with their horses and carts passed through that place last week, for the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. They wish to locate themselves with a view of being ready for work.

☞The B & O. R. R. Company have recently made an increase in their charge for the carriage of Coal from Cumberland to Dam No. 6 on the Canal, from one cent and two thirds to four cents—and on plaister and other heavy articles they now charge 6 cents from said Dam to Cumberland.

The effect of this will be the depriving the Canal of the Coal trade which she even now, only to a limited degree, possesses. The distance from Dam No 6 to Cumberland is stated to be about forty-five miles, and the former charge for tonnage on the Railroad at one cent and two-thirds per mile amounted to seventy-five cents; at four cents, the tonnage will amount to one dollar and eighty cents. A difference so serious as to drive all business of that character from the Canal.

☞Ole Bull is fiddling in Louisville to crowded houses. The papers say that in one of his pieces called the Polacca "Guerriera," he "performs the almost miraculous feat of executing one hundred notes, and distinctly appreciable by the ear, in a single second of time"—*Rich. Whig*

We think this is "going it rather strong," as the mind is not capable of the conception of that number of distinct sounds in so short a time.—One hundred sounds in a minute would be almost incredible—let-a-lone that number in the sixtieth part of a minute.

COMFORTABLE BEDDING.

See the advertisement of Mr. J. Bowling of Winchester. We have examined with some care Mr. B's process of manufacturing Mattresses, and find that he has every thing in the best possible condition. The hair is prepared in the most perfect state, and is purified thoroughly; and his Shuck Mattresses are superior to any thing of the kind we ever saw.

We are satisfied, from the fidelity with which Mr. Bowling executes his work, that he is but poorly compensated for the extraordinary labor and attention bestowed upon it. He well deserves public patronage. But few persons are aware how handsomely they can be accommodated at his establishment in Winchester.

[*Winchester Republican.*

Messrs Editors:—I have made trial of the Mattresses of Mr. Bowling, since seeing his advertisement in your paper, and have been much pleased with them. I am only surprised that any housekeeper should send to Baltimore for such articles, when supplies of a superior quality can be had in two hours from this worthy and industrious citizen.

A HOUSEKEEPER.

Charlestown, May 22, 1845.

WESTERN LUNATIC ASYLUM,
At Staunton.

We have received the Seventeenth Annual Report of Dr. F. T. Stribling, Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, which abounds with instructive and important statistics. The Tables contain many interesting facts—the causes of insanity, both physical and moral—the ages at which insanity is supposed to have been commenced with patients in the Institution in 1844—the number of admissions into and discharges from the Institution for the past year, and many other equally satisfactory statements in reference to the Asylum.

There have been admitted since July 1st, 1836, to December 31st, 1844, 227 males, and 97 females; total 324; of which number 123 have been cured; and 205 discharged, some of whom were more or less relieved from their alienation of mind,—showing a per centum of cures to admissions of 38, and a per centum of cures to discharges of 61½.

The Institution is most fortunate in having the services and attention of the present worthy, able, and efficient Superintendent, who appears to devote all his energies to this labor of love to afflicted humanity—whose heart is alive to their sufferings, and whose hands are ready to do them good. The report contains the following christian-like paragraph:

"We view them as our fellow-creatures, destined to a like immortality with ourselves, entitled to our deepest commiseration, by the sad affliction under which they come to us, and claiming our aid as well as sympathy, by reminding us that their condition but represents, what all, whatever their age, sex, or station, may, in the providence of an All-wise Creator, be called upon to endure."

Within the past year apartments have been provided for the comfortable accommodation of about eighty additional patients, by the completion of several buildings. The Asylum has apartments completed for accommodating two hundred and twenty patients—one hundred females, and one hundred and twenty males.

A recommendation is contained in the Report, for the erection of suitable buildings for the reception of the insane among the colored people of our State, inasmuch as several applications have been made for admission, which they were compelled to refuse, on account of no apartment being fitted for their reception. The late census of Virginia exhibits the fact, that the insane and idiots among the people of color, numbered three hundred and eighty-four, of whom fifty-eight were free.

Table 12 shows the counties from whence the patients in the Asylum in the course of the year 1844, were brought, and the whole number of patients who have been brought to the Asylum since it was opened, from the respective counties of the State.—We extract the statement of those from our own and several adjoining counties.

	1844.	Total.		1844.	Total.
Jefferson	5	7	Berkeley	2	4
Clarke	2	2	Frederick	6	11
Hampshire	3	6	Loudoun	4	7
Page	0	2	Shenandoah	1	4
Warren	0	2	Rockingham	7	17

The largest number of insane persons is from Augusta, 36 persons being in the Institution from that county.

There is much to encourage the philanthropist in an examination of this work, as it fully evinces that reason dethroned may be enthroned, in a per centum far beyond the credibility of the uninformed on the subject. The report shows most satisfactorily that a larger number of the insane have been admitted to the benefits of the Asylum during the present year than any year preceding, and that a larger number had been restored to reason and usefulness.

We are pleased to find the Institution in so prosperous a condition, and that hundreds of those who have heretofore been considered incurable from their lunacy are being restored to their proper reason—that husbands are restored to their families—and children to their parents. Who is there that has a heart to feel but must be rejoiced at the fruits of this ennobling institution—and where the man that would oppose liberal appropriations for carrying out still farther this work of humanity? We trust that those in power, will give with a willing heart, and lend with a helping hand, to this grand edifice of benevolence and charity, that the churlish and sordid feeling been visited with sin[illegible] the call is made, which they themselves have fortunately escaped.

☞A statement of the civil condition of the Lunatics who have been at the Asylum at Staunton, for the year 1844, shows that 37 of them have been married; 126 unmarried; 9 widowers; 5 widows; and 5 cases unknown.

THE TARIFF.

A Challenge to the new Official.

A writer in the National Intelligencer of the 13th inst., under the signature of "Madison," challenges the editor of the "Union," or any one else, to a debate on the expediency of continuing the existing Tariff of Duties on Imports. The writer promises to demonstrate with his antagonist, if one can be found to enter the lists—"that, if the Tariff be 'essentially reduced,' another commercial revulsion as disastrous as that of 1837 will follow within three years, causing every bank from New York to New Orleans to suspend specie payments; and that consequently the whole business of the country will again be thrown into 'confusion worse confounded.'"

☞A vote was taken at the late election as to the sentiments of the people residing in that portion of Shenandoah county, out of which it is proposed to form a new county, in connection with a part of Rockingham. For division, 116; against, 525.

ODD FELLOWS.—From the report of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Maryland, we learn that there are 3,337 contributing members in the State to the various Lodges—the amount paid for the relief of members amounted to $4,733—amount paid for education of orphans, $1,116—to widowed families were given $1,718—and $1,236 paid for burial expenses of Members of the Fraternity—besides several other sums for other objects. The whole amounting to nearly $10,000, paid for the relief of those who came under their charitable jurisdiction.

THE UNIVERSITY.—The Richmond Times says—"We understand that more than 100 Students are now at the University, and the lectures are proceeding regularly. Most of the remainder of those who had matriculated have been dismissed."

☞A riot occurred in Washington City last week, between the hands engaged to repair Pennsylvania Avenue, and a body of other laborers who determined to prevent those hired from working at what they considered too low wages. The price paid being 87½. Four of the ring-leaders were arrested and committed to jail.

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The correspondent of the Charleston Patriot states that the Baptist Convention at Augusta accomplished a great deal of business with the usual unanimity, but with much spirit of discussion. He thus sums up some of the proceedings of that body:

"The convention has agreed upon a constitution for its new society, which is to be entitled the "Southern Baptist Convention," &c., &c.—a name sufficiently expressive, but not altogether unobjectionable. The name was the result of great discussion. This is a triennial convention. Its first meeting is to take place in May, 1846, at Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Johnson, of South Carolina is President of this Convention."

THE MISSION TO ENGLAND.

The Ministeriship Declined by the Chivalry.

Three of the gallant and chivalric spirits of South Carolina have already refused the mission to the Court of St. James. Mr. Calhoun was offered the mission immediately after the formation of the Polk Cabinet, to heal up his wounded spirit, inasmuch as he had been supplanted by the wheel horse of "Democracy" from Pennsylvania, Mr. Buchanan. The next offer was made to Mr. Elmore, and lastly to Mr. F. W. Pickens—both of whom declined, we presume, because of the shabby treatment to Mr. Calhoun and the chivalry in having no Cabinet appointment. There appears to be a studied part in the drama which the South Carolinians intend playing toward the new Administration. They will neither touch, taste nor handle any thing that comes from the White House. They wish to be free from all restraints to the powers that be, for some cause, which has, as yet, been confined alone to themselves.

Whether their course is to be attributed to the report that Mr. Van Buren is to be the Loco candidate for President in 1848, and that Mr. Polk is disposed to favor him all in his power, we know not, but something surely is in the wind, which is involved in mystery to the uninitiated. It is stated by a correspondent, that Mr. McDuffie declared during the late election for President, that he would not be satisfied with the election of Mr Polk, if elected, as he would be, if at all, by Tariff States. The organs of Mr. Calhoun, in South Carolina, have declared perpetual warfare against the present system of revenue and protection.

A correspondent of the Richmond Whig writes that Buchanan pledged himself to his State, that the Tariff of 1844 should not be disturbed—and that orders have been given to put in office at New York and other places Van Buren's friends; Mr. Wright having written letters to Washington urging that course. The leaders of the party are all jealous of each other, but it is understood that Wright, Cass, Buchanan, and Dallas will all give way and make a "clear track" for Van Buren.

Rumors of this kind, which probably may have some truth at their foundation, have had an influence on the Chivalry of South Carolina, and thus the Mission to the Court of St. James has been sent a-begging.

Mr. Polk in his pandering to the chivalry has exhibited pretty much the feeling displayed by Mr. Cushing, when in the House, he set up the Tyler administration for sale. That is, anxious for political partizans, inducements were thrown out, that whoever gave the administration a hearty support, should 'feast on the fat of the land,' in the way of offices, which we find to have been literally carried out. Now, Mr. Polk, anxious to fetter the chivalry, is throwing the "meshes of his net" in the way of a mission to England, around those of the Southern school who have heretofore been rather refractory and unmanageable in the harness. But he has not succeeded as yet in his decoy, and we doubt much whether he will be able to use them to his liking, as he did the other factions of his party. The "Old Hunkers" are all, now, compelled to give the administration a support; but the Chivalry are determined to have no restraint on their freedom of action, in the way of a mission to England, or by any other office at the hands of the President.

A PERTINENT QUERY.

The Indiana State Journal very pertinently asks:—"Suppose England and the United States should go to war about the boundary line of Oregon, and, after spending millions of money than at present? Would it not have to be accomplished by negotiation at last? and why not now?"

☞The races over the Mount Vernon Course commenced on Tuesday last, the 20th of May, near Alexandria, D. C., and will continue four days.

☞It is stated that Mr. Croswell, editor of the Albany Argus, is to go to Washington, to aid Mr. Ritchie in editing the Washington Union.

☞Immediately after the election in this State was over, the guillotine was set in motion, and Hugh Nelson, Esq., Collector of the Port at Petersburg, was removed, *a la mode* Polk.

☞The Pendleton (S. C.) Messenger states that the Hon. John C. Calhoun is now at his residence near that place, busily engaged in agricultural pursuits.

☞The New York Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled in that city on Wednesday week. The Conference is very large, numbering about two hundred and fifty members, nearly all of whom were present. Bishop Waugh presides, assisted by Bishop Janes

☞The New York Plebeian has been discontinued, and its subscription list, &c., transferred to the Morning News. The Plebeian was the organ of the Empire Club, but had received a "crumb" or at least some countenance from Tylerism, and it now fully proves the truth of the Globe's assertion, that a "touch of political Tylerism is certain death." It is stated that Levi D. Slamm, who established it, has spent a handsome fortune in his efforts to maintain it. He is at present a hanger on at the White House after office.

☞Professor George Tucker has resigned his chair as Professor of Moral Philosophy in the Virginia University. The Visiters will fill the vacancy on the 1st of July

☞The Legislature of New York has passed a bill authorizing a Convention to revise the Constitution of the State, which Gov. Wright has since signed.

☞Let every family within thirty miles of Charlestown, avail themselves of the free receipt of newspapers through the mails, and subscribe for the Virginia Free Press.

☞Stevens Thomson Mason, Esq. of Virginia, has been appointed by the Secretary of War, Military Storekeeper at the Washington Arsenal, in the place of Marcus C. Buck, deceased.

ONE TERM.

The Executive Organ contains the following paragraph, re-affirming Mr. Polk's determination to carry out the Whig principle of a single term:

"The President has already declared more than once that he himself will not be a candidate for a second term of office. He has authorized us to declare it again in the prospectus which we have submitted to the nation as the creed of our own faith and the guide of our own course.—He goes in for one term only, to serve his country to the best of his ability, and anxious to testify his gratitude to the people who have honored him by their confidence, by devoting himself to their service, and not to his own continuance in office. He does not, therefore, design to shape his Administration to assist any aspirant, or to make his appointments to promote his own re election; but to carry out faithfully the powers which the people have placed in his hands."

THE COST OF THE GAME.

Nations often involve themselves in a pecuniary way, as well as lose all their character for honesty and probity, by pandering to the spirit of self-aggrandizement. Too often do we find this feeling rife in the councils of the great men of all ages—and no where, at present, do we find it exercising a more dangerous and undue influence, than in the Cabinet councils of the American Nation.

It is time that we were spending some reflections as to the probable cost to the nation, which the grasping spirit of our people evinces, in their endeavors to extend the 'area of freedom,' without any regard to future consequences. The Whigs have always maintained that the nation would 'pay too dear for the whistle,' if she annexed Texas to her domain, inasmuch as it was highly probable that a standing army would then be required on the frontier to prevent invasions either from the Mexicans or Indians. The Locos and "Lone Starrites" have contended with much spirit that no such force would be necessary, that peace could be maintained without cost to the U. S., and that Texas contained within herself the elements of defence. The prediction made by the Whigs is already substantiated by the New Orleans Jeffersonian, a Locofoco journal, which urges an invasion of Mexico by land. That paper says:—

"The United States should obtain the permission of Texas, and march an army immediately to the Rio Grande! And the moment that Mexico issues the first letter of marque or reprisal, that army should be marched on Durango, Chihuahua and California. The mines of Northern Mexico, the rich grain-growing vallies, and the countless herds of cattle, sheep and oxen, would soon repay us for her depredations on our commerce."

The Jeffersonian proceeds to point out the advantages that would result to New Orleans, by such a course, and concludes by saying—"*If she (Mexico) does not proceed to war, we* WILL WANT JUST SUCH A FORCE *in the event of annexation, for the* PERMANENT PROTECTION *of the frontier.*" Here then is not only a confession, but a direct avowal of what we may expect by the annexation of Texas. We are to have "an army of observation, for the *permanent protection* of Texas." Not an army for a month, nor a year, but a regular standing army, probably some five or ten thousand strong, who will be supported at public expense, and be an eye sore to the U. S. Treasury, as long as they are in service. This then, we presume, is to be one of the glorious results of the extension of the "area of freedom," about which the Loco press are eternally prating—one of the grand products of our spirit for conquest—a standing army of ten thousand regulars to be paid for and supported at the expense of the Mechanic and Farming interests.

We all recollect that when the proposition for annexation was first spoken of, it was urged as an argument in favor of it, that *then* we should have a *protective* to our south-western frontier. We ween that this is paying pretty dear for the protection promised, if we first have to raise an army, and then continue to support it from the Treasury of the United States!

THE MONSTER GUN.

We learn from Wilmer's (Liverpool) News Letter that the heavy piece of ordnance ordered some time since by the Secretary of War for the Princeton, is now approaching a completion.

It will be recollected that the heavy piece of ordnance on board the Princeton last year, burst, causing the death of several distiguished officers of government, and its is being manufactured in lieu of that.

The paper [illegible] notice of the gun, "The gun, as sent [illegible] foundry, weighed 11 tons 3 cwt 2 qrs 11 lb. In the turning and boring it was reduced in weight about 2 tons 1 cwt. The length of the cannon, now that it is turned and bored, is 13 feet, and the bore 12 feet in length and 12 inches in diameter, leaving a thickness of solid metal of one foot at the breech. In form the piece is plain and unassuming in appearance, without raised mouldings or rings, (on the Finch system,) the object being to attain the required strength at each point, without useless metal; and the whole tapering nearly equally from the breech which is 27 inches in diameter, to the muzzle, which is 19 inches—giving a thickness of metal to it as a tube of 27¾ inches at the former, and 3¼ inches at the latter."

The model for the gun was made in this country. The turning and boring alone occupied a period of three months. A twelve inch drill was the last size used. The size of the balls which she will cary will be 11¾ in diameter, a quarter of an inch being left for windoore and will each weigh in cast iron 236 pounds—so that she is in reality "a 236 pounder."

☞R. W. Middleton has retired from the Pittsburg "Spirit of the Age," and is succeeded by its former editor, J. Heron Foster.

LATE FROM MEXICO.

The schr. Creole arrived at New Orleans on the 6th inst., from Vera Cruz, having left that city on the 22d ult., one day after the Yucateca. The Bee has received by her a Diario de Vera Cruz, of the 22d ult.

A Zacateas paper mentions the explosion of a powder manufactory situated on the road to Gaudaloupe, by which the building was completely destroyed, and the proprietor and several of the operatives were killed or wounded.

A passenger on board the Creole informs the Bee, that the shocks of the earthquake were still repeated, and that the explosion of the powder magazine noticed above, was occasioned by one of these convulsions.

With respect to Texas, the Mexican Government appears disposed to recognize her independence, and is willing to select France and England as umpires. Such is the tenor of our information.

A member of the Chamber of Deputies, Don Crescentio Boves, had raised a strong excitement and irritation by a speech, in which he treated the Mexican Government with bitterness, and commented on their conduct in relation to Texas, with energy. He declared they were unable to conquer Texas, and it was no longer theirs. A motion was made to expel him.

A correspondent of the New Orleans Bulletin writes, that the arrival of the American squadron consisting of the Potomac, the Falmouth, the Somers, and the Lawrence, off the port of Vera Cruz, created much excitement.

The most interesting intelligence relates to the fate of Santa Anna and those involved in his overthrow. A proposition has been introduced into the Chamber of Deputies that Santa Anna, Canalizo and the four ex-Ministers who took part in issuing the decree of the 29th of November, closing the sessions of Congress, may avoid a trial upon the condition of expatriating themselves for the term of ten years. At the same time another proposition was submitted, to the effect that an absolute amnesty should be granted to all those generals and other officers comprehended in the circular of the 6th of January, depriving them of their commands, even though they had been already sentenced. No action had.

OPINION OF THE CHIVALRY,
Of Mr. Francis P. Blair.

In noticing the late "bargain and sale" of the Globe, the Charleston Mercury—the organ of the chivalric spirits of the South, and the mouthpiece of Mr. Calhoun—delivers itself of the following opinion as to the political honesty of one of its fellow-craftsmen in the late political contest for President:—

"Mr. Blair has been undoubtedly one of the ablest editors in the country, and attached sincerely, we doubt not, to principles,—but at the same time, in the way of his writing, coarse.—even scurrilous,—devoted to party,—prescriptive, blind to the faults of favorites, hating the very virtues of enemies. With him, party was first, middle and last,—and fidelity to it as an association of men, not an embodiment of faith, constituted his beau ideal of orthodoxy. Hence, when State sovereignty came in conflict with Jackson, it was treason; when it came to support Benton, it was the essence of pure Democracy. But let this pass. The tendency of the Globe has been to make the *interests* of party usurp the place of its *principles*,—and a very obvious result has been, to convert all the offices and expenditures of the government into a grand party treasury, out of which an army of demagogues is to be fed."

The Mercury continues at some length upon the evils which necessarily result to the country from the distribution of office to mere demagogues—men who have neither faith nor honor—who have sold themselves for gain, and with whom the worst peculation would scarcely be a loss of character. This is certainly good doctrine—such as the Whig party have been preaching for years, but which the Mercury itself has disapproved of, inasmuch as it has been battling for that party, whom Mr Calhoun, but a few years since, declared was "only kept together by the cohesive power of the public plunder."

IMPORTANT FACTS.

Education in Virginia.

The Richmond Whig furnishes some highly important as well as interesting facts connected with the subject of the ignorance of our people, as exhibited by the census of 1840. Facts which speak loud for efficient and prompt legislation upon the subject. By the census of 1840, the white population of Virginia was as follows:

Free white males,	371,223
" " females	369 745
" " both sexes,	740 968

By the same census, it was ascertained that the number of free white persons, over 20 years of age, who could not read and write, was 58,-789, nearly one-twelfth of the whole free white population of the State. Thus, if the School-master were to go abroad through the land, in search of pupils, over 20 years of age—one man out of every twelve would have to begin his letters, and he would gather, in this A B C class, the astounding number of fifty-eight thousand seven hundred grown men and women, fathers and mothers, housekeepers and voters, grey heads, and persons in the prime of life and vigor!

This fact has been long known—now nearly 5 years; has been often spoken and written; but its true import has not been fully appreciated. It may be well to dwell upon and expand it, that men, legislators particularly, may feel its weighty importance.

It will be recollected that the above number of 58,789 was composed only of those over 20 years of age, who could not read and write; and that though thus limited according to age, they form one-twelfth of the entire white population of Virginia. But comparing them with the entire white population makes their ratio too little. They should be compared with the population also of 20 years of age.

How many under 20 years of age are left to grope in mental darkness?

THE LAND MONEY.

☞The New York Legislature has resolved to accept that State's quota of the Land Fund, viz: $84,000. The bill for its acceptance now only needs the approving signature of Gov. Wright.

How long will Virginia "play the fool" in continuing her refusal to receive the $41,000 which have been lying in the vaults of the Bank at Richmond, for years, subject only to her order? We think it high time that the people were becoming sensible upon this subject, and that they would give some manifestation of returning saneness in reference to its reception.

☞John S. Pendleton will be the "Lone Star" of Whiggery in the 29th Congress from Virginia.—Though "lone," the orb will be a brilliant one—reflecting effulgent rays from the apex of the Whig citadel.

☞The New Orleans Republican, speaking of the probability of war with Mexico, says 'that there are vessels now in port awaiting letters of marque and reprisal which are daily expected from Vera Cruz.'

The late arrival from Mexico states that the appearance of three of the vessels belonging to the American Squadron, off Vera Cruz, produced much excitement there.

☞The U. S. Gazette says that proposals have been issued for publishing in Jerusalem, a paper to be called "The Day Break." The project is a new one, as we believe there never has been a newspaper published in the Holy City.

☞The President has appointed Benjamin A. Bidlack, Charge d'Affaires to the Republic of New Grenada, vice Wm. M. Blackford, recalled.

☞Wednesday the 21st inst. was the day appointed for the meeting of the Virginia Episcopal Convention in Fredericksburg.

The Directors of the Lancaster (Pa) Bank have accepted the new charter granted by the Pennsylvania Legislature. The Carlisle Bank has rejected it, and is now winding up its affairs. The new charters contain an "individual responsibility" clause, and hence the opposition.

☞The Baltimore Sun mentions the singular fact, that Worcester county, Massachusetts, has the honor of being the birth-place of three members of the present Cabinet, viz: Messrs Bancroft, Walker, and Marcy—the two former, were natives of Worcester, and the latter was born in Southbridge.

P. S. It appears that Mr. Walker was born in Pennsylvania—but Messrs. Bancroft and Marcy were born in Worcester county.

An intimate friend of Gen. JACKSON, writing from Nashville, under date of 14th inst., to a gentleman in Washington, says—

The impression of the General's nearest friends now is, that the 'time honored' veteran's life is rapidly drawing to a close. Symptoms of dropsy have intervened.—His legs are swollen from his feet up to his abdomen, and his respiration is feeble and difficult.

The New York Morning News of Wednesday has the following paragraph:

It has been announced that the London creditors of Illinois have loaned $1 600,-000 to the State for the prosecution of the Illinois Canal. When it is remembered that one party to this loan (Mr. Baring) is a member of Sir Robert Peel's government, the fact of the loan being decided on at this juncture, is very significant of peaceful intentions.

THE TRUE WHIG SPIRIT
In Tennessee.

The patriotic Whigs of Tennessee are arraying for the great political battle to be fought this fall in their State for Governor. And with equal zeal are they "contending for every inch of ground," in the way of Members of Congress, and the Legislature. Whether weal or woe betide them, they deserve the highest praise for the noble spirit now animating them; a feeling which should find a reciprocal beat in every Whig breast in the Union.—Let this be the case, and we will arise like another Phœnix from the ashes, and stand forth unconquered and unconquerable. Indomitable courage, and a self-willed determination to succeed, for the sake of the cause, will overcome apathetic spirits, and they too may be induced to inscribe on their pendants, 'Push on—push ever!'

A most magnanimous instance of devotion is exhibited in the course of the late Gov James C. Jones, who had been nominated by a Whig Convention, for Congress, in the 7th Congressional district, and after some hesitation, had accepted the nomination. The district is strongly Whig, and no man of the opposite party could hope for success. Gov Jones was about to enter upon the contest, when Mr. Gentry, (a Whig,) announced himself as a candidate, but pledging himself to retire if a Locofoco was brought out. Mr. Gentry thought there might be a contest between two Whigs without endangering the harmony of the party. Not so, thought Gov. J. No sooner did he learn that Mr. Gentry was in the field, and that the Locofocos were anticipating much evil to the Whig cause from this division, than at once he determined to disappoint them, by retiring from the contest.

However alluring a seat in Congress might be, it was not such an one as could induce Gov. Jones to sacrifice the union and harmony of the party to procure. "To make war on my friends," remarks Gov. Jones in his address, "is what I have never done: it is a work for which I have neither the head nor heart."

After stating the reasons which induced him to become a candidate, and invoking "Union and harmony for the sake of our principles and the honor of Tennessee," he thus concludes:

"One word as to my future course touching this matter: I am now, and ever have been, a Whig from principle. If I know myself I prefer the success of Whig principles to the elevation of any individual. I have never been very solicitous to obtain office, and whenever I have sought it, it has been in obedience to the wishes of the great body of the party with which I am identified, and to whose principles I am ardently attached. When called to vindicate the principles, whether I have done it with fidelity or not, I leave others to determine. I have seen and tasted enough of the pleasures and toils—the sweets and bitters of public stations, to have chastened my young ambition, and to satisfy me that *office* is not essential to my comfort or happiness. I have never sought office at the hazard of Whig principles, or the harmony of friends; I regard the success of these principles, and the union and harmony of the party, of infinitely more importance than the elevation of any individual. I have fought and suffered too long and too much with this party—have had too many evidences of its kind regard, now to be the means of endangering its success, or producing confusion or discord in its ranks."

SOUTHERN M. E. CONVENTION.

The Methodist Episcopal Convention was still in session at Louisville, at our latest advices. Much business of an interesting character has been transacted.

On Monday the 12th, the Rev. Mr. Brock rose and said that the citizens of Memphis had entrusted him with the presentation of a number of documents in relation to the establishing of a Book Concern in Memphis. The documents represent that the citizens will raise a sufficient sum of money to purchase property valued at $30,000, provided the Convention shall deem it advisable to establish a Book Concern in that city.

A Committee was appointed to take the subject into consideration.

On Wednesday, the twelfth day, the resolution offered by Dr. W. A. Smith—which we published last week—was passed.

The resolution instructs the committee on organization to report in favor of a separation from the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the General Conference, if they find no reasonable ground to hope that the Northern majority will recede from their position on slavery.

On the passage of the resolution, Bishop Soule observed that the vote was very remarkable for its unanimity.

PEYTONA—The N. York Herald says: It is stated that Peytona is going to England, to contend for some of the great cups there. Wherever she goes, success to gallant Peytona!

FASHION—Another race came off on Saturday, over the Union Course, N. Y., between the celebrated Northern mare Fashion and the Southern mare Jeannetteau, for a purse of $1,000, in which Fashion was victorious.

☞The Washington papers announce the death of Reuben M. Whitney. He died in that city last week, aged 57.

THE NEW POSTAGE BILL.

We give, in a condensed form, the rates of postage upon letters, newspapers, and pamphlets, as regulated by the new bill, by the last Congress, which goes into operation on the first day of July next:

On Letters.

Single letters, or any number of pieces not exceeding half an ounce, 300 miles or less,	5 cents.
If over 300 miles	10 "
Drop letters (not mailed)	2 "
For each additional half ounce or part thereof, add single postage thereto.	

On Newspapers.

Newspapers of 1900 square inches or less, sent by editors or publishers, from their offices of publication, any distance not exceeding 30 miles	Free.
Over 30 miles and not exceeding 100	1 cent.
Over 100 miles, and out of the State	1½ "
All sizes over 1900 square inches, postage same as pamphlets.	

On Pamphlets.

Pamphlets, magazines, and periodicals, any distance, for one ounce or less, each copy	2 cents.
Each additional ounce or fractional part thereof	1½ "

On Circulars.

Quarto post, single cap, or paper not larger than single cap, folded, directed, and unsealed, for every sheet any distance	2 cents.

Melancholy Death of a Clergyman.—We have been shown a letter written by the Rev. W. F. Halsey, of Columbus, Mississippi, bearing date April 14th, in which are detailed the circumstances of the death of the Rev. JOHN HENSHAW, son of the late Capt. Levi Henshaw, deceased, of this County. It appears that he had been at a place called Brooklyn, in Noxubee County, in discharge of his pastoral duties on Sunday, the 30th of March, the day previous to his death—on his return on Monday to Macon, he was obliged to cross a small creek, which had become very much swollen, and it is supposed, in attempting to ascend the bank, on the opposite shore, which was very steep, he was thrown from his horse and drowned.

[*Martinsburg Gaz.*

RIGHTS OF AMBASSADORS.

We have read with much pleasure, a Lecture delivered by the Hon. C. J. Ingersoll, before the Philadelphia Law Academy, which is published in the National Intelligencer of the 16th inst. The production displays a perfect mastery of the subject handled, and a thorough knowledge of the views of the great men of the present and past age, on the rights and privileges of those sent on Foreign missions. At this day it is certainly an invaluable document, as men are now appointed, who have neither the requisite knowledge nor the capacity to fill the high stations and important functions which their rank and position would seem to demand.

In the Lecture, we find a sentiment from Mably's Principles of Negotiation, which is worthy of adoption, and which, if practised by some of our Foreign Ministers, would show both their wisdom and discrimination.

"Foreign ministers should be truthful, taciturn, prompt, and loyal; defenders of treaties, bonds of peace queliers of disputes, seeds of amity, foes of strife, and antagonists of war.

He adds, that if people were their own legislators, wars would be few, sharp and short, instead of long and ambitious; and that steady politics and able diplomacy most flourish where merit, not birth or chance, leads to promotion, and accident or intrigue regulate events as they elevate men."

There can be nothing juster than the above remarks, says the Intelligencer, for no nation can have its foreign affairs conducted with either success or honor, that permits its rulers to entrust them to men utterly without the parts or merits or knowledge appropriate to diplomatic occupations. There is no employment that demands higher or more various qualifications; and the Government which keeps up the ablest diplomatic corps must get the better of all others in its public dealings with them.

ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

An ineffectual attempt was made in the State Convention now in session at New Orleans to incorporate in the new constitution of Louisiana a section abolishing capital punishment.

In connection with this, it is proper to state that a National Society for the Abolition of the Punishment of Death was formed in New York on Friday the 9th instant.

The reasons which induced the formation of this Society, are set forth in the following resolution:—

Resolved That the great and increasing difficulty of getting juries for capital cases, and of obtaining convictions from them—the number of Governors in the Executive chair, Judges on the bench, Lawyers at the bar, (even including prosecuting officers) witnesses on the stand and Editors of the press, all opposed to the punishment of Death—unite in admonishing us that the day is near at hand, which shall witness the triumph of Christianity, reason and humanity, over this lingering remnant of old barbarity; and in encouraging the friends of this cause to more vigorous and combined efforts than have yet been made to expedite its consummation.

Hon. Geo. M. Dallas was elected President of the Society.

The first regular meeting of the National Society will be held in Philadelphia, in October next.

A resolution was adopted, inviting the friends of reform in all the States of the Union to form Societies immediately, for the discussion of the subject of the punishment of death, as auxiliaries to the National Society.

ANOTHER CONFLAGRATION!

Destructive Fire in Allegheny City—Thirty Dwelling Houses, and Four Large Warehouses Destroyed!

We regret to learn from the Pittsburg Chronicle of Saturday last, that another destructive conflagration has taken place, and that Allegheny City, separated only by the Allegheny River from Pittsburg, has been visited with a like calamity which so lately befell Pittsburg.

The fire broke out about 12 o'clock on Friday night in a carpenter's shop, and before it was arrested, destroyed over 30 valuable dwellings, and four very large warehouses. The fire was happily checked about 3 o'clock, by the exertions of the firemen of both cities.

The loss by the fire is estimated at *One Hundred Thousand Dollars*—the warehouses being at the time full of valuable goods. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

The circumstances under which this calamity has come are truly distressing, and is a sufficient appeal of itself, to the benevolent and humane, not only for their sympathies, but for something of a more tangible character.

Disastrous Conflagration in Boston—Boston, on Sunday afternoon the 11th, was the scene of a most destructive fire which destroyed some thirty buildings. The Atlas says:—It commenced about half past two o'clock, in the carpenter's shop owned occupied by Mr. Charles Nowell, at the foot of South Cedar street, on the East side, on the brink of Back Bay. The shop was burnt down in a few moments, and the flames spread to all the adjacent buildings and the devouring element coursed up both sides of the street, which is quite narrow, levelling everything in its way.

Santa Ana—The last accounts from Mexico render it quite certain, that Santa Ana's *life* is in no danger. The harshest proceeding against him will probably be banishment for a few years—and that will be but a small punishment to one of his reputed wealth; if it could be a punishment at all to any one—to be forced to quit a country so wretchedly governed as that of Mexico.

It strikes us, that with 12 millions of dollars—the amount of pocket money, which Sana Ana has about him—he could cut quite a figure, and spend a much more delightful life of it, in London and Paris than among the half savages of Mexico.—*Rich. Whig*

MARRIED.

On Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Wheeler, Mr. JACOB STARRY to Miss DRUSILLA LAURETTA L. GIBBS, daughter of the late Charles Gibbs, Esq., of this town.

On the 8th inst., by the Rev. Mr Light, Mr. JOSEPH FLEMMING to Miss ANN JANE MCALLISTER, daughter of Mr. Christopher McAllister, dec'd, all of Little Georgetown, in Berkeley.

On the 1st inst, by the Rev. Dr. Baker, Mr. HENRY AUGUSTUS MUHLENBUR

THE MARKETS.

Office of the Baltimore American,
May 19, 5, P. M.

CATTLE —The offerings at the scales to-day amounted to 200 head, of which 65 remain unsold, and of the balance, comprising 135 head, 115 were sold at prices ranging according to quality from $3 to $5 50 per 100 lbs. on the hoof, equal to $5 50a6.75. A small lot of 23 head from South Branch, of extra quality, were sold to butchers at $3.75 on the hoof, equal to $7.25 per 100 lbs. nett.

HOGS.—The demand is rather limited in consequence of the high rates asked by holders, viz: $5 to $5 25 per 100 lbs. according to quality.

FLOUR.—The demand for Howard st. Flour continues limited, and we are not advised of any important transactions. Sales of small lots of common mixed brands from stores are made at $4.50 at which rate holders are firm. We note a sale of 200 bbls. at this rate. The receipt price from cars is $4.37½.

GRAIN.—We quote Md. Wheats at 100 a 102 cents for prime reds—receipts very trifling. Sales to-day of 4000 bushels Penna. reds at 95 a 97 cents Sales of Md. Corn at 38 a 39 cts. for white, and 41a 42 for yellow. A sale of Penna. yellow at 41 cts. We quote Oats at 26 cts.—sales.

PROVISIONS.—The following are the rates now asked by holders for Western Bacon, viz: Shoulders 6 6½ cents; Sides 7a7½ cents; assorted 7a7½; and Hams, according to size and quality, from 7½ to 8½ cents.

WHISKEY.—The market continues very dull, and the sales confined to very small lots at 21 cts. for hhds and 22 cts. for bbls.

Alexand'a Canal Commerce

ARRIVALS.

May 12. Canal boat Eagle, Hancock, to load with Fish and Groceries.

Frank Thomas, Knoxville, Flour and Oats to M Keefer & Co.

Hornet, Dam No. 6, Coal to Thomas M. Maccubbin.

Col. Crockett, Dam No. 6, Coal to Thos. M Maccubbin.

May 13. Caledonia, Dam No 6, Coal to T M. Maccubbin.

Dolphin, Leesburg, Corn to Lambert & McKenzie.

Eliza Ann. Antietam, Lime to order.

Mary Elizabeth, Edward's Ferry, to load with Plaister.

May 14 Sam Patch, Clear Spring, 150 barrels Whiskey to E Steel.

May 16 Elizabeth. Harpers Ferry, 261 barrels Flour and 500 a 600 bushels Wheat to Wm. Fowle & Sons.

Daniel Webster, Harpers-Ferry, to load with Bricks.

Notices.

THE NEEDFUL.

We are really reluctant to call upon those indebted to us to make payment at this season of the year, but our *necessities* compel us to do it. We therefore hope that *every one* in arrears will at least pay a *portion*, if not *all* due us. We desire that this notice be not disregarded, as we want and must have MONEY.

☞The Rev. JOSEPH BAKER will preach at Zoar Meeting House, on Sunday next at 11 o'clock.

JAMES McSHERRY, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Smithfield Jefferson County, Virginia,

PRACTISES in the County and Superior Courts of Jefferson and adjoining Counties.
May 22, 1845 —tf.

Millinery & Mantua-Making

MISS McDONALD respectfully announces to her friends and the Ladies generally, that she still carries on at her old stand, the *Millinery and Mantua-Making Business*, in all its various branches, and is prepared to make and trim BONNETS in a manner not surpassed any where, and on reasonable terms. The most fashionable work will be executed by her, and at the shortest notice. She returns her grateful acknowledgments for the very liberal patronage heretofore extended to her, and hopes by prompt attention to business, and an assiduous desire to please, to receive a continuance of the same.
Charlestown, May 22, 1845.—3t

THE LADIES

ARE respectfully invited to call and examine my materials for making and trimming Bonnets, the most fashionable and beautiful ever offered in Charlestown. My assortment is small, but *select*—therefore an early examination of them is solicited.

My grateful thanks are tendered for the very liberal patronage I have received in the *Millinery and Mantua-Making Business*, since my commencement. I will endeavor to merit a continuance of favors. MARIA HOOPER.
Charlestown, May 22, 1845—3t

Refreshments.

Confectionary, Ice Creams, Pound Cake, &c. &c. to be had at
NO. 4, MILLER'S ROW.
☞Call around, gentlemen.
May 22 1845

To Farmers of Jefferson County.

Kip Collars.

THE subscriber has now on hand about 200 KIP COLLARS, made of the very best material, being of the best Kip and Upper Leather. Among them may be found a few Scotch Collars, a new article, and very superior.—They will be offered very low for cash, or on a credit to punctual dealers.

A new supply of TRAVELLING TRUNKS, just manufactured, in the most approved style, and of the best materials
JOHN BROOK, *Agent.*
May 22, 1845—3t

Servant Woman Wanted.

I WISH to employ a good steady servant woman, capable of doing all kinds of house work. A white woman of good character, steady and industrious habits, would be preferred. To one that will suit, a permanent home and liberal wages will be ensured.
SAMUEL H. ALLEMONG.
May 22, 1845 —3t

LIQUORS.—Cognac Brandy, Apple Brandy, Sherry, Lisbon, Port and Madeira Wines, Old Rye Whiskey, super quality; Corn do., by the gallon or barrel,
Always on hand at
May 22 *Harris Hammond & Co's.*

STRAW MATTING for sale by
May 22. *Harris Hammond & Co.*

SECOND SUPPLY.

HATS! HATS!!

WE are now receiving a second supply of fashionable Hats of the latest style, viz:
1 case superior pearl coloured
1 do sec'd qual do
1 do fash'le black silk
1 do double rim palm leaf do
We say to the gentlemen, if they want a really fashionable and handsome hat, call at
Miller & Tate's.
May 22.

NEW STYLE CASSIMERES.

SOME new styled Fancy Cassimeres expected from Philadelphia this week, by
Miller & Tate
May 22

Harpers-Ferry Cheap Store.

1 HHD Linseed Oil; 200 bbls Lithrage; 200 bbls Spt Turpentine;
1 bbl Venetian Red; 2000 lbs White Lead in Oil.
Pure Sallad Oil in Baskets, 2 dozen each.
For sale by *Adam Young, Agt.*
May 22.

MAY.—French Cassimere, Black Summer Cloths, Scotch Ginghams, Linen Drilling, Silk Vesting, Satin Scarfs, Gum Elastic Suspenders, Embroidered Hose, Linen Hdkfs. splendid French Lawns, Green Barage, Mourning Calicoes, &c.
HATS.—Leghorn, Palm Leaf, Silk and Fur Hats. *Adam Young, Agt.*

30 BAGS Green Coffee; 10 hhds N O & Porto Rico Sugars;
8 chests Teas, assorted qualities;
15 boxes Bunch Raisins,
For sale at Baltimore prices, by
J. ADAM YOUNG, *Agent.*
Harpers-Ferry, May 2, 1845.

SELLING OFF
AT COST!

THE Stock of Goods, belonging to the Estate of the late Henry Snyder, at Elk Branch, will be SOLD OFF AT COST. It consists of every thing useful—

Dry Goods, Hardware, Queensware, &c.

All Fresh. These Goods, at cost, *for cash*, will be found to be great Bargains.
JOHN SNYDER, Sen.,
May 22. 1845—tf *Executor.*

OFF AGAIN.

THE undersigned would respectfully remind those indebted to him, particularly for accounts made at Elk Branch, that their several obligations are left in the hands of Daniel Moler, near the Old Furnace, who is authorised to receipt for Monies paid to him for me And that I expect payment according to their several promises. WM. ANDERSON.
May 22, 1845—3t.

Duffield's Depot.

Reduction in Transportation.

THE rate of transportation of Flour from this Depot, to Baltimore, has been reduced to 27 cents. Farmers and others will not fail to avail themselves of this important reduction.
ALFRED DUFFIELD.
May 22, 1845.

NEW GOODS.

JUST received and for sale low for cash—
SPRING & SUMMER WEAR.

Bonnets & Hats:

Full assortment Straw and Braid Bonnets, latest style,
Chip Hats for men and boys, all prices,
Beaver, Russia and Cassimere Hats.
WOODWARE.—Horse and Painted Buckets, Half Bushel and Peck Measures,
Washing tubs, Barrel-churns, Butter-bowls and Sugar-boxes.
Groceries—A good stock on hand.
Hardware and Tinware—A full assortment of all descriptions
Glass and China Ware—A new and complete assortment.
Boots and Shoes—For men, women and children, cheap and good, by
F. DUNNINGTON.
Kerneysville, May 22, 1845.

SCYTHES.—Mowing and Grain Scythes of superior quality,
Scythe Rifles and Whetstones, Oilstones,
Do Sneads, for sale by
May 22. F DUNNINGTON.

SALAD OIL.

FRESH Oil for the table, superior quality, in small bottles, for sale by
May 22. *F Dunnington.*

FRESH & SUPERIOR TEA.

GUNPOWDER, Imperial and Black Tea, of fine flavor, for sale by *F Dunnington.*
May 22.

FRESH HERRING & SHAD.

A SUPERIOR article for sale for cash.
May 22. *F Dunnington*

STRONG VINEGAR.

WARRANTED pure cider vinegar, just received and for sale by
May 22. *F Dunnington.*

MOLASSES.

BALTIMORE Sugar-house Molasses, best article, New Orleans Syrup, just received by *F Dunnington.*
May 22.

Home Manufacture.

A GOOD supply of that very desirable article on hand.
May 22 S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.

To the Public.

10 BARRELS pure Cider Vinegar, just received and for sale, low, by
May 22 S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.

Tuscaloosa Molasses.

A FEW barrels of that very favorite brand of pure old Tuscaloosa Molasses, just received and for sale, by
May 22 S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.

12 *Dozen Bottles.*

JUST received 12 doz bottles Houck's Panacea, with various other nostrums, for sale by S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.
May 22.

Richardson's Mixture.

A GOOD supply in quart bottles, constantly on hand, by S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.
May 22.

To the Farmers & Millers
OF
BERKELEY & JEFFERSON.

I BEG leave respectfully to inform the Farmers and Millers of Berkeley and Jefferson Counties that I am still engaged at my Old Stand, Tabb's Cross Roads, 5 miles from Martinsburg, on the main roads leading to Charlestown and Shepherdstown, in the manufacture of *Threshing Machines of all descriptions.*

Also—Wagons, Ploughs, Harrows, Grain Cradles, and all other Agricultural Implements,

generally used in this section of country.

☞Repairs of every description done at the shortest notice and upon the most reasonable terms.

I am also prepared to execute at the shortest notice, and in a workmanlike manner,

The Turning of Iron and Steel—such as Mill Spindles, Machine Irons, &c.

I take this occasion to return my thanks to my old customers for the liberal patronage bestowed upon me, and am determined, by close attention to my business, and moderate charges, to merit a continuance of the same. I also ask all who are in want of any article in my line of business, to give me a call, and I am sure they cannot fail to be pleased with my work—and, what is a very important consideration in *these hard times—my charges*

I take pleasure in referring to the following gentlemen—all of whom have tried my work.

Col. Thomas Hite,
Edward Lucas, Jr., of Edw'd,
William Moore, Esq. } Jefferson.
Jacob Morningstar, Esq.
Jacob Newcomer,
John P. Walters, Esq.
Abraham Williamson, Esq } Berkeley.
James H. Burns, Esq
JOHN J. HENSHAW.
May 22, 1845.

$30,000!!!

Alexandria Lottery.

CLASS 22, for 1845.
To be drawn in Alexandria, D. C.,
On SATURDAY the 31st MAY, 1845.
SCHEME

1	*Prize of*	30 000	*dollars*
1	*do*	10 000	*dollars*
1	*do*	6 000	*dollars*
1	*do*	4 000	*dollars*
1	*do*	2 500	*dollars*
1	*do*	2 000	*dollars*
1	*do*	1,747	*dollars*
25	*do*	1,000	*dollars*
25	*do*	500	*dollars*
25	*do*	400	*dollars*
&c.	&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—Halves $5—Quarters $2½.

For Tickets and Shares, or Certificates of Packages in the above Splendid Lotteries,—address
J. G. GREGORY & CO.,
MANAGERS,
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SILKS, BARAZES, GIMPS, &c.

WE expect to receive from Philadelphia in a few days, some handsome Silks and Barazes, new style, to which we invite the attention of the Ladies.
May 22 *Miller & Tate.*

NOTICE.

THE late Partnership of Lucas & Bedinger has been dissolved by mutual consent.—All suits and other unsettled business of the late firm will be attended to and closed as speedily as possible. Persons holding receipts for claims which have been collected, are requested to return them, and it is expected that all fees due the firm will be paid or settled
WM. LUCAS.
HENRY BEDINGER.
May 22, 1845.—3t
Spirit of Jefferson and *Martinsburg Republican* insert 3 times.

HENRY BEDINGER, Attorney at Law,

WILL practise in the Courts of Jefferson, Clarke, Frederick, and Berkeley counties.
May 22, 1845—3t
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WOOL.

I WISH to purchase a large quantity of common and fine Wool, for which I will give a fair price payable in goods.
B. T. TOWNER.
Shepherdstown, May 22, 1845.

FRENCH BALZARINES.

A FEW dress patterns splendid rich Paris Balzarines (latest style) just received by
May 22. S H ALLEMONG.

Farmers, Attention!

THE undersigned has supplied himself with a lot of elegant timber for *GRAIN CRADLES*, and is now prepared to fix farmers out for "clean work" the coming harvest. Those who wish Cradles made or repaired, will do well to send in their orders early, so that there may be no disappointment when the busy season arrives. *ALFRED O'BANNON.*
Charlestown, May 22, 1845.

BEALLAIR
AT
PRIVATE SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale this desirable estate, situated 3½ miles from Charlestown, 5 from Harpers-Ferry and ½ mile from the Smithfield and Ferry Turnpike, bounding on the Winchester and Potomac Rail Road, and

Containing about 530 Acres,

About 380 cleared, and the residue in Timber. The cleared land lies compact and nearly in a square; the timber contiguous. This has justly been considered one of the *most desirable Farms* in the county of Jefferson, as regards location, fertility, and exemption from broken or waste land, every field being accessible to running water. There is a never failing well of good water in one of the back fields, and several fine springs contiguous to the buildings.

The improvements consist of a comfortable

Stone Dwelling House,

STONE STABLE, STONE SMOKE HOUSE, with cement floor, Stone Dairy, with cement floor. Frame Stable and Carriage-house, (stabling for 24 horses,) superior Corn-crib with Granary attached, Overseer's House, (new,) Quarter for servants, blacksmith and carpenter's Shops, Bath house, Ice-house, and there is a large ice-pond of spring water in the meadow. There have been a large number of choice Fruit Trees of every variety set out within the last few years and beginning to bear.

Any one desiring further information can address the subscriber on the premises, near Halltown, Jefferson county, Va.
LEWIS W. WASHINGTON.
Dec 12, 1844—tf.

P S. The taxes on the above Land for 1845, only amount to $20.82, which is an inducement to capitalists of other States to purchase. L. W. W.
May 22, 1845.

Overseers of the Poor.

THE annual meeting of the Overseers of the Poor of Jefferson County will be held in Charlestown, at Carter's Hotel, *on the first Monday* (2d day) *in June next*, according to law—The levy for the present year will then be laid. All persons having claims against the County will bring them in at that time. JOHN P. BROWN,
May 15, 1845—*Spt Jeff copy.*

☞The Sheriff will be required to settle his Delinquent Lists, and pay over the balance of the Depositum of 1844. The members of the Board are requested to meet at half past ten o'clock. *By order of the President.*
May 22, 1845—*Spirit copy.*

Regimental Orders.

THE Training of the Officers of the 55th Regiment, V M., will commence on Wednesday the 28th instant, and continue for 3 days, and the Regiment will be mustered on *Saturday the 31st instant*, the line to be formed at 10½ o'clock, A. M., in front of the Court-House.

The Commandants of Light Companies are notified that an inspection of the arms in their possession will be made on that day.

The Commandants of armed companies will make a full report of the number and condition of the arms, &c. that may be in possession of their respective companies.

The Commandants of Companies are requested to hand in to the Adjutant on the 1st day of the Training, the strength of their respective commands.

There will be elections held on the day of Regimental parade to supply all vacancies now remaining in the Regiment.

The Brigadier General of the 16th Brigade will review the Regiment on same day.

Pursuant to Brigade Order, No 27.
THOMAS HITE, *Lt. Col. 55th Regt. V. M.*
May 15, 1845.—*Spt. copy.*

PUBLIC SALE.

THE subscriber will sell, at the late residence of Adam Wever, dec'd, [Leetown,] on *Tuesday the 20th instant*, sundry

HOUSEHOLD & KITCHEN
FURNITURE,

Cows, Hogs, Oats, Corn in the ear and shelled, and other articles.

Sale to commence at 9 o'clock. Terms made known on the day of sale.
CASPAR W. WEVER, *Ex'r.*
May 1, 1845.

POSTPONEMENT.

The above sale is postponed to *TUESDAY the 27th inst.* C. W. WEVER, *Ex'r.*
May 15. 1845.

Fresh Groceries.

I HAVE just received a lot Fresh Groceries:
N O and P R Sugars,
Loaf and Lump do
Fine and Coarse Salt,
No 1 Gross Herring,
Molasses, and all the small articles in the grocery line, for sale by
May 15 S H ALLEMONG

Tin & Cedar Ware.

A LOT of Tin and Cedar Ware, assorted, Just received by
May 15 S H ALLEMONG.

NOTICE.

THE Stockholders in the Shepherdstown and Smithfield Turnpike Company, are requested to meet at the house of Daniel Entler, *on Saturday the 7th day of June next*, between the hours of 2 and 6 o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of electing a President, five Directors and a Treasurer, to manage the affairs of the Company for the ensuing year.
JOHN M JEWETT,
Secretary and Treasurer.
May 15, 1845.

Wool, Wool, Wool.

WANTED by the subscriber 5,000 lbs. Wool, for which I will pay the highest market price, in exchange for goods at cash prices. *John H. McEndree.*
Shepherdstown, May 8, 1845.

100 BOXES Fresh Oranges in prime order; 50 boxes Sicily Lemons.
For sale by *Adam Young, Agent*
May 22

Geo. W. Sappington, Jr., ATTORNEY AT LAW,

WILL attend the Superior and Inferior Courts of Jefferson, Berkeley, Frederick and Clarke Counties.
Residence—Charlestown, Jefferson Co., Va.
Jan 9, 1845—6m.

JOHN BLAIR HOGE, Attorney at Law,

Charlestown, Jefferson County, Virginia,

WILL give prompt attention to all business entrusted to his care, in the Counties of Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, &c.
May 1, 1845.—6m.

Geo. Wm. Ranson, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Charlestown, Jefferson County, Virginia,
(OFFICE NEXT DOOR TO COURT HOUSE.)

PRACTISES in all the Courts of Jefferson, Berkeley, Clarke, and Frederick Counties.
Jan 30, 1845—1y.

Doctor Alexander

OFFERS his professional services to the citizens of Charlestown and its vicinity. Residence—third door East of Carter's Hotel.
Charlestown, April 17, 1845 —tf.

Masonic.

TRILUMINER LODGE NO 117, will celebrate the approaching anniversary of St. John the Baptist, at Smithfield, *on the 24th of June next*, to which they cordially invite all the Lodges, with all Brethren in good standing, to participate in the festivities of the day An oration will be delivered by a distinguished Brother.

The procession will move from the Hall at 11 o'clock, precisely.

GEO. D. WILTSHIRE,
VANCE BELL,
S. L. MINGHINE,
J. W. GRANTHAM,
RICHARD McCLURE,
GEORGE MURPHY,
JOHN F. SMITH.
Committee of Arrangements.

Smithfield, April 24, 1845.

☞Editors in the adjoining counties, friendly to the cause, are respectfully requested to publish the above, and oblige the COMMITTEE.

MATTRESS MAKING.

Encourage Home Manufactures.

THE undersigned desires to return his sincere thanks to the citizens of Jefferson county, for the liberal encouragement extended to him in his business, since his advertisement of the last year in the Free Press, and to assure them that he will continue his best efforts to please his customers. The latter to enable him to do this he has *reduced his prices considerably*; and has now on hand and will constantly keep, at his establishment in Winchester,

Curled Hair Mattresses, Shuck & Cotton do.: Shuck'd alone, every size, Cushions, Cribs, Mattresses, and Wagoner's Beds also supplied on good terms.

Mattresses, &c., repaired at short notice, on very reasonable terms—and all orders executed faithfully and promptly.

Long experience enables the undersigned to present his work with confidence, as being in all respects equal to any manufactured in the United States. JEREMIAH BOWLING.
Winchester, May 8 1845—3m

BOOT & SHOEMAKING

THE subscribers respectfully inform the citizens of Shepherdstown and vicinity that they have commenced the above business at the stand formerly occupied by Mr. McMullen, adjoining Daniel Entler's Hotel, where they are prepared to do work in the neatest style and most durable manner.

Promptness and fidelity shall ever be given to orders and work. By strict attention to business we think that we can give satisfaction to all who may favor us with their custom.

We expect to keep on hand a considerable quantity of material and persons who may patronize us may rely upon their work being done promptly, and our *cash prices cannot be beat.*
JAMES E WOOD & CO.
Shepherdstown, May 8, 1845.

Farmers Look to Your Interest.

THE undersigned has recently arrived from Ohio, with a superior lot of WINNOWING MILL LUMBER, which he is now manufacturing into Winnowing Mills, of a character far surpassing, in his opinion, any ever made in this section of country. Gentlemen are invited to call at his shop in Myerstown, Jefferson co., Va., and examine them. The undersigned will not specially recommend them, from the fact that he is partly a stranger in this community, and any thing he might say in commendation of might be taken as idle. The only and better recommendation is the actual performance of the mill self. The fan is 3 inches wider—wire 2 sizes heavier, and the machine heaver in ever respect than those manufactured last year. J G WILLIADS.
May 8. 1845.

MR. & MRS ARCHER'S ACADEMY For Young Ladies.

No. 40, Lexington Street, Baltimore.

THIS Institution has been in successful operation for several years, and at present numbers near one hundred pupils.

All the branches of a finished female education are taught under the personal superintendence of the Principals, assisted by the ablest Professors of the country.

For particular information as to terms of board, tuition, &c., address the Principals.

The following gentlemen for the most part have daughters in the School and may be referred to:

Gen Winfield Scott, U S Army; Rev Dr Wyatt, Rev J M Duncan, Rev Mr Hamner, Rev Thomas Atkinson, Hon Stevenson Archer, Samuel J Donaldson, Baltimore City; I H Bernard, Virginia; Daniel Lloyd, Talbot, county, Md.

*Mr. ARCHER Graduate of the West Point Academy.

Baltimore, April 3, 1845.—6m$5

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE subscriber, in addition to the business he has heretofore carried on, is now prepared to manufacture and repair

Threshing Machines

Of every description.

PLOUGHS *of all kinds*, CLOVER HULLERS, CORN SHELLERS, WHEAT FANS, &c.

Having engaged Mr. GEORGE R. NEWMAN, who has been long and extensively known as a first rate workman in this branch of business, and having made arrangements for a supply of the best Timber and Castings, the subscriber can assure all those who may favor him with their patronage, that their work shall be done with despatch, and in the most satisfactory manner. WM. BERLIN.
Berryville, Clarke co., April 3, 1845 —6m

Weaver Wanted.

WANTED immediately, at the Shannondale Factory, a Weaver of sober and industrious habits, who understands weaving Ingrain Carpeting. To such a one constant employment and liberal wages will be given.

Application by letter should be addressed to Charlestown, Jefferson county, Va.
JOBE & CO.
Shannondale Factory,
May 8, 1845.

To Rent,

A PART of the Large Building occupied by Miss Jane Frame, sufficient for the comfortable accommodation of a large family, with a separate kitchen, and an ample portion of room in the smoke-house and stable.
May 1. 1845. JOHN YATES.

HATS.—O'Lary's spring style
Also—La Polka Cravats
For sale by *T C Sigafoose.*
May 1.

Shannondale Springs

THE proprietors have made arrangements for opening this delightful watering place early in June. Mr A. P. FITCH, who proved so acceptable to the guests of this establishment last year, will be again in charge, with the benefit of a more intimate acquaintance with its duties.

The charges, as usual, will be reasonable, and the fare all that the most fastidious can desire at a watering place. The qualities of the water are unsurpassed, the atmosphere salubrious, and the scenery unrivalled.

Shannondale is five miles South of Charlestown, in Jefferson county, Va., and only eight hours travel from Washington or Baltimore.
THE PROPRIETORS.
May 8, 1845.

OAKLAND
Select Female Academy.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has engaged with JAMES M. BROWN, Esq to take charge of a Select Female Academy, which he will open at his place, called "Oakland," Jefferson county, Va., ON MONDAY NEXT, APRIL 14TH, 1845

The following are the branches which will be taught, viz:

Orthography, including the definitions of words;

Reading, with modulations of the voice;

Penmanship, with the art of Penmaking;

Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, and Mensuration;

Geography, with the use of Maps and Globe;

English Grammar, with Composition and Epistolary Writing;

History, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, and Botany.

The Scholastic year will consist of two Sessions of 5½ months each. The charge per session will be $60—including Boarding and Washing—*payable in all cases in advance.*

Those pupils whose parents may desire it, will be taught the elements of Vocal Music.

In addition to the above, may be learned the following branches, which will be taught by Mrs MARTIN at the most moderate charges, viz:

Ornamental Needle Work in its various branches;

Poonah, Velvet, and Mezzotinto Painting;

Wax Flower making, and Fancy Shell Work.

Specimens for examination will be prepared at an early period.
ISAAC J. MARTIN.
Oakland, Jefferson co., Va.
April 17, 1845 —tf.

MILLINERY.
Miss Amelia A. Wood,

WOULD inform the Ladies of Shepherdstown and its vicinity, that she carries on the Millinery Business in all its various branches, and is prepared to furnish bonnets of all styles and patterns. The most fashionable work will be executed by her, and the tastes of all shall be suited. She hopes by strict attention to business, and unremitting exertions to please, to receive a liberal share of the Ladies' work.
Shepherdstown, May 8, 1845.

MILLINERY.

MRS. H. M. PENNINGTON,

RESPECTFULLY announces to her friends and the ladies generally, that she still carries on the above business at her old stand, where she will be pleased to receive a call. She has just returned from Baltimore with the latest Fashions, and a supply of Fancy articles.

She returns her grateful acknowledgements for the liberal patronage of the ladies.
Charlestown, May 8, 1845.

O yes, O yes, O yes,

Bargains! Bargains! Bargains!

TO be had at JAMES CLOTHIER'S Tailoring Shop, for cash, or on a short credit, to punctual customers. Having just returned from the Eastern markets, I am now receiving and opening a very superior assortment of

Spring & Summer Goods,

Suitable for all classes, consisting of

Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings,

of a very superior quality. Also a variety of Summer wear, such as Alpaccas, Gambroons, Drillings, Linens, Summer Cloths, &c., &c., which will enable me to sell at the following rates:—Coats furnished from $2 50 to $35; Pants from 1 dollar to 10 dollars; vests from 75 cents to $7—so that the poorest need not go naked and the wealthiest may dress as fine as they please.

I solicit a call from one and all—both friends and foes—and also from those who care naught for me, nor my prosperity, so that they get goods. Bargains, I say again; come and examine for yourselves—I shall not charge you one cent for looking.

I feel it due to a generous people, to return my grateful acknowledgments for the very liberal patronage extended to me in my enterprise to make a living among them, and I hope I shall ever so manage my affairs as to merit a continuance of the same—and remain your obedient servant until death.
May 8, 1845. JAMES CLOTHIER.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE Co-Partnership heretofore existing between John Wernwag and Jesse Schofield, in the Saw-milling business, under the firm of Wernwag & Schofield, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons having unsettled accounts with them will please make a speedy settlement. JOHN WERNWAG.
JESSE SCHOFIELD.
Harpers-Ferry, May 1, [15] 1845.

☞The subscribers having rented the Mill, will continue the business under the firm of Schofield & Wernwag, and ask a continuance of past favors. JESSE SCHOFIELD,
ISAAC WERNWAG.
May 9 (15) 1845.

Caution to Trespassers.

AS considerable injury has been sustained by persons trespassing on the grounds belonging to the Methodist Church, Charlestown, notice is hereby given, that offenders will be rigorously dealt with for the future. It is unnecessary to particularize wherein the most objectionable of these depredations consist, but for the future they must cease; and if a proper sense of propriety is not sufficient to prohibit such reprehensible infringements, the efficacy of the law will be put in force against offenders THE TRUSTEES.
Charlestown, May 15, 1545—3t

Wanted Immediately,

A BOY from the age of 14 to 17 years, to go to Winchester, as assistant in a store One that has had some experience in mercantile business would be preferred—undoubted reference will be required; for such will be paid a small salary, or board and clothes furnished. Apply at this office.
May 15, 1845—1t.

American Bonnets in London.—A manufacturer of the Neapolitan bonnets in New York, has received from London an order for fifty Neapolitan bonnets, for the service of her Majesty and the ladies of her court during their visit to Ireland in July next.—*N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.*

☞Bonnets of the same manufacture on hand and for sale by MILLER & TATE.
Charlestown, May 15.

DRY GOODS.

A LOT of beautiful Spring and Summer Calicoes,
Ginghams, Lawns, Corded Skirts,
Colored Plaid Swiss Muslins,
Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Vestings,
Cottonades, &c. &c. just received by
May 15, 1845. S H ALLEMONG.

VALUABLE MILLS
FOR SALE.

THE undersigned offers for sale the large and valuable MILLS belonging to him, situate near Bunker's Hill, on Mill Creek, in the county of Berkeley, State of Virginia. These Mills are located in one of the finest wheat-growing regions in the Valley; the water power is abundant, and the property in a good state of repair.

THE FLOUR AND MERCHANT MILL,

Is a large, well-built stone building, 60 feet by 45—of recent construction—running 2 pair of Burrs and 1 pair of country stones, and capable of manufacturing from 35 to 40 barrels of flour a day. There is in the Mill a Corn Crusher for grinding corn and cob at the same time.

The Plaster Mill

is 32 by 25, also recently built and of stone.

The undersigned will sell, with the above Mills, 16 or 18 Acres of Land, upon which there is a good Miller's House, a Stable, Cooper's Shop, and a Dwelling House for a Cooper. Should the purchaser desire to convert these buildings into Woollen Factories, no section of the country could be selected better adapted for such business.

Possession of this property can be given on the 1st of June next. The terms of sale will be made accommodating, if the purchase money is satisfactorily secured to him.

If this property be not sold before the 1st of June, it will then be for *Rent.*

Refer to CHARLES JAMES FAULKNER, Martinsburg, Va. JOHN E. BOYD.
Mill Creek, Va., April 3, 1845—8w

SALE OF GOOD

LIMESTONE LAND.

THE subscriber will sell, at private sale, his *FARM* lying in Jefferson County, and immediately upon the turnpike road leading from Shepherdstown to Smithfield, about three quarters of a mile from the Kerneysville Depot, 5½ miles from Shepherdstown, and 8 from Smithfield. This farm contains about

235 Acres of good Limestone Land;

165 or 70 Acres of which are in cultivation, and the balance in timber—some of it not surpassed by any body of timber in the county.

The improvements consist of a NEW TWO STORY

LOG DWELLING,

a good and substantial quarter, & stabling, and a never failing well of pure limestone water.

It is unnecessary to describe the property more particularly, as it is presumed that any one who wishes to purchase, will view the property for himself.

The terms will be moderate, and made to suit the purchaser.

Persons who are disposed to purchase, will please call upon the Messrs Dandridge, or Anthony Kennedy, Esq who will give all necessary information upon the subject
T. E. BUCHANAN.
Feb 13, 1845—tf

Valuable Jefferson Land
FOR SALE.

THE Farm of Jacob Pultz, dec'd, is offered at private sale. It is situated about two miles North of Smithfield, on the Opequon Creek. The Farm contains about

240 Acres.

About 200 of which is good limestone land, well situated, and in a good state of cultivation.—The tract is well watered, the Opequon running through it, besides two never failing springs.

There are about 85 acres of timber, and about 30 or 35 acres of good bottom, which is seldom overflown by the creek.

The improvements consist of

TWO GOOD HOUSES,

one of which is a large two-story Stone House, the other is a good weather-boarded house, two stories high, a stone smoke-house, a large barn and corn-house. There is also on the farm a pretty good Orchard.

Any person desiring further information as to the farm, terms, &c. will call on the subscriber, living on the premises.
WILLIAM H. NORRIS, *Ex'r.*
April 24, 1845 —ts.

FARM for Sale.

BEING desirous of removing to Missouri, I offer for sale the farm on which I reside.

It is situated within half a mile of Shepherdstown, upon the county road leading from thence to Charlestown, and contains 231 ACRES; 185 of which are arable; the remaining 46 acres being in wood.

The improvements comprise a

COTTAGE BUILT DWELLING HOUSE,

A fine large Barn, recently erected Spring, Smoke, Corn, Poultry, and Root houses. Also, a house for servants, together with other requisite out-buildings, all in excellent repair.

There is upon the premises a fine YOUNG ORCHARD of choice fruit, in full bearing; and also near the house there is a large limestone spring which affords running water in most of the fields.

I do not deem it necessary to give further particulars in reference to the place, as I presume that all who may wish to purchase will call and examine the property for themselves, and to any such I shall be happy to furnish whatever information may be requisite, on application to me personally, or by letter, post paid. HENRY BOTELER.
Aug 15, 1844—tf.

Clarke County Land For Sale.
(Half Mile West of the Court-House.)

IN pursuance of the last will and testament of George H. Norris, Esq., deceased, the subscriber will, as his executor, offer for sale, before the Court House door of Clarke county, *on the 23rd day of June next*, (that being Court day in said county) about

Two Hundred & Sixty or Seventy Acres

Of the farm upon which the said decedent resided at the time of his death. There is upon the portion of the farm now offered for sale, about

60 *Acres of Fine Heavy Timber,*

A fine and *PRODUCTIVE MEADOW*, upon which there are two never failing SPRINGS, not far distant from the Dwelling House, which is at present out of repair, but might be made comfortable at a very small expense. Nearly three-fourths of the Tract is enclosed with a *STONE FENCE.*

There is also some fine fruit trees. On the centre of the farm there is also a beautiful site for building.

The terms of sale will be communicated to applicants previous to the day of sale if desired; also on the day of sale
WILLIAM H. NORRIS, *Ex'r.*
April 24, 1845 —ts.

JEFFERSON LAND
FOR SALE.

THE heirs of John B. Henry have concluded to dispose of the 'Mill Farm,' and hereby offer it at private sale.

It is situated on the Potomac River, just below Dam No. 4, adjoining the mill where there is a landing place for boats from the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, is known to be of the best quality of Jefferson Land, a considerable portion of it being *rich bottom Land*, and is well watered.

The Tract contains about 250 ACRES—about 180 of which is under good cultivation.—A more accurate description is deemed unnecessary, as those desiring to purchase will examine for themselves.

TERMS.—One-fourth the purchase money will be required to be paid down—one-fourth in 12 months with interest. The balance can be retained by the purchaser, by being secured on the property. Apply to
W. L. WEBB, *Shepherdstown, Va.*
AMOS YOUNG, *Hagerstown Md.*
March 13, 1845—tf.

HERRINGS.—A few barrels family herrings.
May 22. *Harris, Hammond & Co.*

PUBLIC SALE.

THE subscriber, intending to discontinue farming, will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on *WEDNESDAY THE 4TH DAY OF JUNE NEXT*, at his residence two miles from Shepherdstown, on the road leading to Reynolds' Little Mill, (or now called Hess' Mill,) without reserve, the

Following Property, viz:

3 good work Horses, 2 Steers,
1 Cow, and 20 Hogs, 2 Wagons, (1 new,)
Wagon and Plough Gears,
Barshear, double and single shovel Ploughs,
2 Harrows, (1 new,) Collars, blind Bridles,
Riding Bridles, ½ barrel of Tar,
Axes, Wedges, Broad-Axe, Ring Malls,
Cradles, Mowing Scythes,
1 Windmill (nearly new,)
1 five-horse Threshing Machine, considered to be the best in the county,
1 first-rate Corn Sheller,
30 or 40 Bags,
10 cords of Wood, cut in the woods,
2½ tons of Timothy Hay,
1 new Air-tight Stove, 1 Sausage Machine,
3 Gridstones,
2 pair Steelyards, (1 pair weighing 380 lbs., the other pair 100 lbs.,)
9 bushels Cloverseed, 100 lbs Bacon,
Tools of almost every kind, such as a complete set of Blowing Tools, Cross-Cut Saw, Crowbar, Digging Irons, Mattocks, and Picks,
2 Sledges, Hammers, Blacksmith's Horn, &c.,
Hoes, Rakes, Single and Double-trees,
1 two-horse Sleigh and Harness, with bells, (all new,)
2 barrels Vinegar,
Some Rock Powder,
1 Fifth chain, 1 Log chain,
Patterns for Machine Castings,
2 sets of Hay Ladders, complete,
3 barrels of Flour,
Bushel and Half Bushel measures,
Baskets, Forks, &c.,
1 Water Keg, large and small Well Ropes,
Hommany Mortar, Punching Machine,

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Payable half yearly; but Two Dollars will be taken in payment in full, if paid entirely in advance.

☞ Whenever 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 continuance 25 cents per square. ☞ All advertisements not ordered for a specific time, will be continued until forbid, and charged accordingly.

VARIETY.

Catching Yankees.—There is an old black woman at Havanna known to almost every one who frequents that port as a washer of clothes, in which business she employs several slaves, having acquired a handsome property by it. She is partial to the Americans, having made the greater part of her money through them. When some of the British ships stopped there on their way to the coast of Louisiana, she, as usual, boarded the ships in search of business—and having despatched that, she ask the captain of one of the vessels, 'Where are you going, massa?' who replied, 'we are going to catch Yankees at New Orleans. We shall stop and sell a dozen or two very cheap, for washerwomen.' 'Ah, ha! you better let 'e Yankees 'lone,' said she. 'I tell ye let him 'lone.' When the same ship returned to Havana, after the dreadful defeat of the 8th January, the old woman again boarded, and observing the captain, said 'well, massa, I come to buy some Yankees!' But the joke was stale, and the officer refused a supply—on which she added archly, 'did'nt I tell you, massa, better let 'e Yankee 'lône!'

Riding Courtship.—We find the following in an exchange, and give it as a warning to all little boys who ride out with their courting cousins:—"A little boy just returned from a long visit, was asked by his mother how he enjoyed himself, answered, with a boyish simplicity, that 'he liked his visit very well—but he wouldn't—that's what he wouldn't, never ride home between cousin George and Sarah again, for they kept hugging and kissing each other so much that they squeezed him all the time, and almost spoiled his new hat."

Absence of Mind.—A Vermonter, intending to seat his wife at the table, and snow ball a hog out of the yard, politely handed the pig to the table, and began to snow ball his wife. He found out his mistake, when the snow balls came back faster than they went.

A man went into a book-store yesterday and inquired for 'The Light of Other Days,' meaning a popular song of that name. The bookseller, who is a wag, referred him to a variety store, where there is for sale a number of old city oil lamps, which have been replaced by modern gas burners.

'I don't say as Missus drinks, but I do know that the bottle in the dark closet don't keep full all the time.'

[illegible] in Europe.

'Have you seen the Dardanelles?' asked one of the company.

'Yes,' replied he, 'I dined with them at Gibraltar, and found them to be excellent company.'

A young lady being told that her lover was suddenly killed, exclaimed—'Oh! that splendid gold watch of his!—give me that—give me something to remember him by?'

As Pat Hogan sat enjoying his connubial bliss upon the banks of a Southern creek, he espied a turtle emerging from the stream.

'Och honey!' he exclaimed solemnly, 'that ever I should come to America to see a snuff box walk.'

'Wisht!' said his wife, 'don't be after making fun of the birds.'

When a woman loseth her good name she can't get it back again. That is precisely the case with a dog made up into sausages. He is gone forever! Alas, poor Tray!

'I am indeed very much afraid of lightning,' murmured a pretty girl during a thunder storm. 'And well you may be,' said the despairing lover, 'when your heart is made of steel.'

An Editor down East stopped his press to write poetry, when, after a few days labor he brought forth the following:—

"I love to see the waving grass,
Just before the mower mows it;
I love to see an old dray horse,
For when he goes he goes it."

'Mr. Dentist, do you see that decayed tooth?'

'Yes sir.'

'Well, I want you to pull it, provided it don't hurt too much.'

'Yes sir.'

'Well, now put on the *tweezers*; if it hurts bad I'll sing out *hold on*, and you'll hold on, won't you?'

'Yes sir.'

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'*Ho-o o ld o-n!* Thunder and lightning, you've not only pulled the tooth but half of my jaw bone. Why didn't you let go when I sung out?'

'Because you told me to *hold on*.'

There is a plantation for sale in Louisiana, in rather a suspicious location, the advertisement stating it to be lying just below the '*Devil's Elbow*.'

A gentleman, while in church, intending to scratch his head, in mental absence reached over into the next pew and scratched the head of an old maid. He discovered his mistake when she sued him for a breach of promise of marriage.

'I am not fond of such vanities,' as the pig said when they put the ring in his snout.

If we would enjoy ourselves, we must take the world as it is, mixed up with a thousand spots of sunshine—a cloud here and there—a bright sky—storm to-day, a calm to morrow—the chill piercing winds of autumn and the bland reviving air of summer.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber has just returned from the Eastern markets with a new and splendid assortment of

Gentlemen's Fashionable Goods,

Which for beauty, style and quality, he challenges not only Harpers-Ferry, but Jefferson county, to produce a parallel. His stock now consists as follows, viz:

CLOTHS.

30 Pieces of French, English and American Cloths, nearly all colors and shades, from 3 to 10 dollars per yard;

10 pieces Tweeds and Covington Cloths, suitable for summer coats, from 75 cents to 5 dollars per yard;

10 pieces do Summer Cloths, plain and twilled, from 50 cents to $2,50 per yard.

CASSIMERES & DRILLINGS.

70 Pieces of French, English and American Cassimeres, from $1 to $4 per yard;

40 pieces of French, English and American Drillings and Gambroons, from 20 cents to $1,75 per yard;

VESTINGS & SATINETS.

65 Different Patterns of French, English and American Vestings, choice patterns, from 50 cents to 5 dollars;

20 pieces of Satinets, various colors and quality, from 75 cents to $1 50 per yard.

HATS & CAPS.

A new and splendid assortment, such as Beaver, Cassimere and other Hats:

A splendid assortment of Cloth and other Caps, neat, fashionable and good.

BOOTS & SHOES.

A general assortment of Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes, light, to suit the season;

Do Boys' do Ladies' do Misses and Children's Shoes, all good and cheap.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

A large and general assortment of Ready-made Clothing, such as dress and frock Coats, made neat and fashionable, at from 10 to 20 dollars; Tweed and other sack coats made and trimmed in a neat and fashionable manner, from 5 to 10 dollars; Linen coats from 1,75 to 4 dollars; Roundabouts from 75 cents to 2 dollars; Pants from 1 to 10 dollars; Vests from 1,25 to 5 dollars.

Also—Shirts, drawers, bosoms, shirt-collars, scarfs, cravats, suspenders, gloves and stocks, all of which I offer at unprecedented low price, for cash, or to punctual customers on a short credit. The public are invited to call and examine for themselves, and I feel satisfied that none will go away dissatisfied or disappointed.

WM. J. STEPHENS.

Harpers-Ferry, May 15, 1845.

NEW GOODS!

Spring and Summer Supply.

THE subscriber begs leave to announce to his friends in the country and at Harpers-Ferry, that he has just returned from the Philadelphia and Baltimore markets, with a large and well selected Stock of

SPRING & SUMMER GOODS:

DRY GOODS, Groceries, Hardware, Queensware, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Bonnets, &c. &c.,

Together with almost every other article usually kept in a country store.—Amongst which may be found the following named goods, which only compose a small part of his stock:

Cloths of all colors
Cassimeres plain and fancy colors
French Cassimeres new styles
VESTINGS—Silk, Velvet, Satin and Marseilles
New style summer goods for pants, from 12½ per yard up
Irish Linens, Linen Drillings
Calicoes from 6 cents up
Mouslin de Laines
Lawns new styles
Balzorines fashionable styles
SILKS—Blue-black, Jet-black & fancy colors
Shawls and Dress Handkerchiefs
Plain and Plaid Swiss Muslins
Hosiery, a large assortment
Gent's Silk and Gingham Umbrellas
Fashionable Bonnets assorted
Do Bonnet and Cap Ribands.

BOOTS & SHOES.

A large assortment at astonishingly low prices.

HATS.

A large and cheap assortment of Hats: Beaver, Russia, Mole-skin, Silk and Leghorn, Summer Cashmere and Ashland White Hats.

DOMESTIC GOODS.

Bleached Shirtings and Sheetings
Brown Cottons assorted
Osnaburg plain and twilled
Tickings, Checks, &c. &c.

All of which have been purchased at reduced prices, and will, as he intends doing a Cash business, be sold lower than any goods heretofore sold at Harpers-Ferry.

He invites all friends and the public to call and examine his Stock before purchasing elsewhere, as he is determined to sell cheap.

DAVID KOONCE.

Harpers-Ferry, May 15, 1845—3t

Dress Goods, Shawls, Scarfs, &c.

THE subscribers most respectfully invite the attention of the Ladies to their stock of goods comprising some of the most beautiful styles ever offered in this place,

FOR DRESSES.

Balzarine, Baraize, Lace and Polka, Chintzes, Polka Prints, Ginghams, &c.

SHAWLS & SCARFS.

A most splendid lot of Shawls & Scarfs, consisting of Baraize & and Embroidered Thibets. Also a full assortment of Hosiery Gloves, Corded and Grass Skirts, Jackonet, Swiss and Tread Edgings and Inserting, Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, Toilet Covers, &c.

CRANE & SADLER.

April 24 1845.

HATS.

FINE Beaver Hats, (spring fashion,)
Cassimere do. do. do.
Guaysquill do. do. do.
Palm Leaf do. do. do. just received and for sale by *John H. McEndree.*

Shepherdstown, May 1, 1845.

Iron, &c.

PLOUGH and Bar Irons, superior quality; Strap iron, 3-4, 1 in. and 1¼ in.
Castings do do
Wrought and cast nails, complete assortment;
Superior shear, cast and blister steel;
Always on hand and for sale by

March 20. *F Dunnington.*

Large assortment Groceries.

SUGARS—New Orleans and Porto Rico Sugar, very cheap;
Loaf and Lump Sugar;
TEAS—Gunpowder, Imperial and Youn Hyson, superior Black Tea, Chulan flavor; Java and Rio Coffee, all prices.

F DUNNINGTON.

Kernesville, March 20, 1845.

New Spring and Summer Goods.

WE would call the attention of our friends and the public generally, to our Stock of Spring and Summer Goods, which is much larger than usual, and will be sold on the most accommodating terms.

CRANE & SADLER.

April 24, 1845

To Teachers, Parents and others.

WE have received and design keeping constantly on hand, a general assortment of School and Miscellaneous Books, together with a large supply of Stationery. By an arrangement we have made in Philadelphia, we can supply schools or individuals with any work published in the U. States, at the most moderate terms. We particularly invite teachers to examine our stock. *J J Miller & Woods.*

May 15.

Estray.

A STRAY male Sheep came among the subscriber's flock of sheep, some months back. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take him away. ABRAHAM SNYDER.

May 15, 1845—3t

NEW SPRING GOODS.

JOHN K. WHITE would respectfully call the attention of his friends and the public generally to his Stock of Goods, consisting of *Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware and Hardware,*

All of which have been purchased with great care, and will be sold very low for cash, or to punctual customers. All kinds of country produce will be taken in exchange for goods.

Shepherdstown, May 8, 1845

SHOES & BOOTS—Eastern and Home-made Shoes and Boots, a large assortment, very cheap. JOHN K. WHITE.

Shepherdstown, May 8.

Return the Stoves.

THOSE persons who rented Stoves of me are respectfully requested to return them as early as possible, as I wish to have them repaired in time for renting the ensuing year.

B. T. TOWNER.

Shepherdstown, May 8, 1845.

Embroidered Swiss Robes.

A BEAUTIFUL article for evening dresses, French Embroidered Tarlatins.

May 8 *J J Miller & Woods.*

SADDLES.

A LOT of Kealhofer's best *shafter Saddles* just received and for sale cheap by

JOHN H. McENDREE.

Shepherdstown, May 8.

A FEW boxes of Lemons, Oranges and Raisins, just received and for sale low by

S. HEFLEBOWER & CO.

Fresh Crackers.

FIVE barrels Water, Soda and Sugar Crackers, just received by

April 10. S H ALLEMONG.

STRAW MATTING
Oil Floor Cloth
For sale by *T C Sigafoose.*

May 1

Hardware.

THE large addition to my stock of Hardware make my assortment full and complete.—Carpenters and others in want of any thing in the hardware line will please give me a call.

May 1. *T C Sigafoose.*

WOODWARE—Horse Buckets 1-2 Bushels, Pecks, Washing Tubs, Floor do, Key Baskets, Corn do, Flat Brooms, Whisks, Coolers, &c. For sale by

May 1 *T C Sigafoose.*

Entirely New!

SPLENDID La Polka Lawns
Do Lace do
Do Mourning do
Do Printed do
Do do Marquesa
Do 4-4 Tarlton Muslin
Plain and striped fancy wash Silks at only 62½
La Polka do
Victoria sprig muslin, something pretty
6-4 crimped muslin, crimp warranted not to wash out.

The above comprises a small part of the many new and desirable styles of ladies wear in store. Will the ladies be so kind as to call and examine them? *T C Sigafoose.*

May 1.

CUT GLASS.

SPLENDID cut and pressed glass dishes and stands, with a full stock of Queensware. For sale low by

May 1. *T C Sigafoose.*

Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, &c.

WE have just received a handsome assortment of Blue, Black, and Invisible Green Cloths;
6-4 Tweed Cassimeres, for Coats;
Striped, plaid, and fancy do.;
Black do., single and double milled;
Superior Satin Vestings;
Marsailles do., all styles;
A great variety of Brown Linen;
Drillings, Linen, Cotton Cassimere, &c., which we offer at the lowest prices. Call and see.

HARRIS, HAMMOND & CO.

May 1.

Spring Goods.

Spring and Summer Goods.

May 8, 1845.

BELL Metal Kettles, for sale by

May 1. *Crane & Sadler.*

Hats, &c.

THE latest style Beaver and Cassimere Hats, and a good assortment of Boots, Shoes and Ladies Kid Slippers, just received and for sale by *Crane & Sadler.*

May 1.

BONNETS & FLOWERS.

FASHIONABLE Bonnets, Artificial Flowers, Hair and Straw Gimp, and Bonnet Ribbands, for sale by *Crane & Sadler.*

HARDWARE, &C.

WALBY'S celebrated trowels, Watkins & Quinlan's famous drawing knives, sheep shears, brass candle sticks, hand bells, spades, shovels, &c.

Also, a fine assortment of carpenters' tools.

Shoes, shoe findings, French kits, Ladies and Gents' morocco and lining skins, silver sand, paints, oil, glass, putty, tin ware, tin plates, wood ware, &c., &c., just received and for sale cheap by THOMAS RAWLINS.

April 24.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber has just received a large supply of New Spring Goods, embracing every variety of styles—*pretty and cheap.*

He respectfully invites all who are in want of *good bargains*, to give him a call.

JOHN KEPLINGER.

Shepherdstown, April 3—tf

SUN SHADES and PARASOLS from 50c to $2, for sale by *T C Sigafoose.*

May 1.

FRESH SALAD OIL,

ORANGES, Lemons, Dates, Figs, Prunes, Almonds, Raisins, Fresh Candy, Jujube Paste, &c., &c., just received and for sale by

April 3. JOHN P. BROWN.

Confectionary, Ice Creams, Pound Cake, &c. &c. to be had at

NO. 4, MILLER'S ROW.

May 1, 1845.

For Hire,

SADDLE and Harness Horses. Also—Carriage and Driver. at

SAPPINGTON'S HOTEL.

March 27.

Medicines.

TURKEY Opium, Rhubarb, Gum Camphor
Calcine and Lump Magnesia,
P Ipecac, Calomel, superior article,
Cream Tartar, Arsenic, Tartar Emetic,
Superior Dentrifice for the Teeth, &c., constantly on hand and for sale by

March 20. *F Dunnington.*

Wool, Wool.

THE subscribers are now prepared to purchase any quantity of Wool that may be offered to them, for which a fair price will be given. WEBB & MARKELL.

Shepherdstown March 6, 1845.—tf

Ingrain Carpeting.

FOR sale at the Shannondale Factory, some beautiful Ingrain Carpeting, which will be disposed of on advantageous terms for cash or on a short credit, or will be exchanged for Wool, to be delivered by the 1st June next.

JOBE & CO.

Shannondale Factory, Feb 20. 1845.

Wanted,

AT the Old Furnace—
50,000 *Bushels of Corn,*
40,000 " *Wheat,*
5,000 " *Oats,*
for which the cash will be paid on delivery.—Yellow Corn is preferred.

Salt and Plaster always on hand and for sale

M H & V W MOORE.

Feb 29, 1844.

MUSIC—For Pianos and Guitars, for sale by *J J Miller & Woods.*

May 15.

New Spring and Summer GOODS.

THE subscriber has just returned from the north with a large and *well selected Stock of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS,* consisting in part of the following articles, viz:

Plain and fancy French cassimeres,
do. do. do. gamboons & drillings,
New style balzorines, buraizes, and lawns,
Calicoes and chintzes of every description and *price,*
Jaconett, mull, swiss, and book muslins,
Tarleton muslins, silk bonnet patterns,
Irish linens, brown and white linen drillings,
Edgings and laces,
Ladies night caps, kid and silk gloves,
Ladies and children's mitts, (a great variety,)
Hosery of every description,
English straw, Braid, Rutland and Neapolitan bonnets,
Bonnet and cap ribbons, artificials,
Fancy silk and Madrass cravats,
Linen checks, brown and French linens,
Parasols and parasoletts, sun shades and umbrellas, fans of every description,
A general assortment of

HARDWARE AND QUEENSWARE,

Together with every other article usually found in a retail store, which will be sold cheap for Cash, or to punctual customers on a credit of twelve months. JOHN H. McENDREE.

Shepherdstown, May 1, 1845.

TIME PIECES ON TIME.

WARRANTED Brass clocks, for sale very cheap by THOMAS RAWLINS.

April 24.

TO THE FARMERS.

I HAVE just received a large supply of twilled Osnaburg, plain do., No. 1, 2 and 3 Burlaps, plain and striped Cotton, for servants; 3 4, 2-8, 4-4, 5 4 brown Sheeting and Shirting, 3-4, 2-8, 4-4, 5-4, 10-4 bleached do. do. heavy Cottonades and Bagging, for sale cheap by JOHN H. McENDREE.

Shepherdstown, May 1, 1845.

GROCERIES.

LOAF, Lump, Havanna, Pulverised, New Orleans and Porto Rico Sugars, N. Orleans, West India, and S. H Molasses, Rio and Java Coffee from 6¼ cents up, Baker's Cocoa, for sale by *John H. McEndree.*

Shepherdstown, May 1, 1845.

SHOES & BOOTS.

I HAVE on hand, direct from the manufacturers, a large and general assortment of gentlemen's Calf-skin and Morocco Boots, which I can sell cheaper than they have ever been offered in this market before. Also, a choice lot of women's Shoes, from 31¼ cents up to $1 for the very best article.

John H. McEndree.

Shepherdstown, May 1, 1845.

New Spring Goods.

THE undersigned respectfully informs his friends, customers and the public generally, that he has just returned from market with a good assortment of the latest style

New Spring Goods,

which will be sold very cheap.

B. T. TOWNER.

Shepherdstown, April 1, 1845.

POWDER.

I HAVE on hand a fresh supply of Rock Powder; also, Rifle do., in canister and kegs, which will be sold unusually low.

B. T. TOWNER.

April 24.

GROCERIES.

SUGAR House Sirrups (a first rate article) Coffee, Sugar, and Teas, and a general assortment of all kinds of Groceries, lately received by THOMAS RAWLINS.

April 24, 1845.

CHEAP SHOES.—Ladies Kid Slippers 37½, Ladies do do home manufacture 62½.

May 1. J J MILLER & WOODS.

New Spring and Summer Goods.

THE undersigned has the pleasure of informing his friends and customers, that he has just returned from the Philadelphia and Baltimore markets with a large and well selected assortment of

Spring & Summer Goods,

which will be sold as low as any Goods in the country for Cash, or to punctual customers on the most accommodating and favorable terms. Amongst his stock may be found the following named goods:

Gents' and Boys' Ware.

Cloths of all colors and qualities, *French, English, and American;*
Cassimeres, black and fancy colors;
A fine assortment of vestings;
Such as Marsailles, Valencia, Cashmere, Satin, &c., all of the latest styles;
Drillings of all kinds;
A large assortment Summer Cloths, and other desirable Goods for Gentlemen and Boys ware;
Heavy, plain, and twilled Cotton osneburgs, for servants' ware;
Irish Linnens, white and brown, very low.

Ladies Ware.

Balzarines Bareges, Cashmere. Lacon, and other new styles of goods,
Ginghams and prints, all of the latest style, from 6¼ cents up,
Jaconets, Book, Swiss and Mull Muslins,
Lace muslins of the latest styles,
Fine assortment of Thread Edgings and Laces, Insertings, &c.,
Netts for caps and veils, shawls of new styles, Handkerchiefs, &c.

Domestic Goods.

5 4, 4 4, 7 8, 3 4 brown and bleached cottons,
Plaids, checks, nankeens, osnaburgs,
Twilled cotton, cotton caps, &c., at low prices.

Boots, Shoes and Hats.

A very large and complete assortment—some very latest styles, at reduced prices.

Queensware.

A general assortment.

Hardware.

A complete assortment.

Groceries.

Brown and loaf Sugar, from 6¼ cts up;
G P Imperial and Y Hyson Teas, of fine quality;
Coffee from 6¼ to 10 cents, very prime;
Spices, Ginger, Indigo, Madder, Chocolate, Epsom Salts, Coperas, &c;
Tobaccco, good assortment, at low prices,

Together with many articles not mentioned, all of which will be sold at reduced prices for cash or to punctual customers on accommodating terms. My friends are respectfully invited to give me a call.

Harpers Ferry } ISRAEL RUSSELL.
April 10, 1845 }

Hats! Hats!!

NEW style Beaver Hats;
" Cassimere do.;
Palm Leaf do.

May 1. HARRIS, HAMMOND & CO.

Barages, Balzarines, Lawns, &c.

WE have received Barages, Lawns, Balzarines, Ginghams, handsome low priced Prints, Corded Skirts, Fancy Barage scharfs, Bonnet Ribbons, &c, which we invite the ladies to call and examine. HARRIS, HAMMOND & CO.

May 1.

BONNETS & FLOWERS.

NEOPOLITAN BONNETS

A beautiful stock Flowers and Bonnet Trimmings, for sale by

May 1. *J J Miller & Woods.*

PORTO RICO SUGAR.

8 HHDS. Porto Rico Sugar, prime quality, in store by *Adam Young, Jr. Agt.*

Harpers Ferry, May 1.

TWEED CASSIMERE.

FOR gentlemen's summer coats 6-4 Pickwick Tweeds, a new and beautiful article, for sale by *Crane & Sadler.*

May 1

SAWS.

A FEW of George Steed & Co.'s celebrated mill saws, Spear's best cast steel, Rowland's Philadelphia, and Taylor's German steel cut saws, also a large assortment of Pannell and Rip saws, all cheap at

April 24. THOMAS RAWLINS'.

Jefferson Boot & Shoe FACTORY.

NO. 1, MILLER'S ROW.

JAMES McDANIEL, tenders his sincere thanks to his friends and customers for their liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and begs leave to state to his friends and the public generally, that the Boot & Shoe-making will be carried on in its various branches, with redoubled energy, under the name of JAMES McDANIEL & CO., who will have on hand at all times, the best materials, and also the very best workmen that can be procured, and will warrant their work to be inferior to none made in the Valley, and at prices which (they humbly conceive) will render entire satisfaction. They hope the plain, as well as the most fashionable, will give them a call.

J. McDaniel will always be found at his post, and will exert every effort to give satisfaction.

Ladies will at all times be waited on at their houses, and the work returned when done.

We expect to keep on hand a considerable supply of all kinds of work. Persons who patronize us may rely upon the work being done promptly, and our cash prices cannot be beat.

J. McDANIEL,
S. RIDENOUR.

Charlestown, Feb 13, 1845.

N. B. A journeyman wanted immediately on the ladies bench.

BOOT & SHOE FACTORY.

New Partnership.

THE undersigned have entered into partnership for carrying on efficiently their business, at the old stand of John Avis, sen., nearly opposite the Bank, Charlestown.

They mean to keep always on hand the best Leather and other materials that can be procured in the Eastern cities, and will employ one but the best workmen.

Being thus prepared, they invite their old customers and the public to give them a call, with the assurance that every effort will be made to turn out the most superior work, and at prices which must be satisfactory to all.—Try them, and judge for yourselves.

JOHN AVIS, Sen.
JOHN AVIS, Jun.

Charlestown, March 20, 1845.

A CARD.

THE undersigned would not do justice to his own feelings nor to his kind friends, were he to withhold his acknowledgments for the very flattering encouragement he has met with since his return to Charlestown, in the *Joiner & Carpentering Business,* and would say to all, that his best efforts will be directed to please the plainest or the most fastidious.

Call and see him, a few doors west of Dr. Cordell's. N. MYERS.

July 4, 1844.—tf.

PUMP BORING.

Charles G. Bragg,

BEGS leave to inform the citizens of Loudoun, Clarke, Frederick, Berkeley and Jefferson counties, that he still continues the Pump Boring Business, and will be happy to serve the citizens of the above counties in that way. His work shall be done in the most workmanlike manner and perfect satisfaction insured. From a long pursuit in this business, he is confident that he cannot be beat in his calling, by any one.

Promptness and fidelity shall ever be given to orders and work. By strict attention to business he thinks he may rely with confidence upon a generous public for a liberal support.

Residence in Charlestown, Jefferson county, Virginia, which direction, by letter, will meet with prompt attention.

CHARLES G. BRAGG.

Charlestown, April 3, 1845—1y

CABINET-MAKING ESTABLISHMENT.

THE undersigned would respectfully announce to the citizens of Shepherdstown [illegible]

Cabinet-Making Business.

In all its various branches. His shop is a few doors below Entler's Hotel, on the opposite side, adjoining the Grocery Store of Bilmyre & Co., where he has on hand

A GOOD SUPPLY OF

FURNITURE

Of various kinds, and of the best quality, which he will sell on liberal terms, and take in exchange all kinds of country produce at market prices.

He would also give notice that he has provided himself with a good HEARSE, and will at all times be prepared to furnish COFFINS, and to convey them promptly to any place in the county, at the shortest notice, and upon the most reasonable terms.

THOMAS HOPKINS.

Shepherdstown, Aug 8, 1844.—tf

SADDLE & HARNESS MANUFACTORY.

THE undersigned would take occasion to return thanks to his many kind friends for the liberal encouragement extended towards him for the last few years. With the commencement of the new year he has been enabled to make a change in his business, which will prove alike of advantage to his customers, and beneficial to himself. He will still continue to manufacture, in the most approved style, and of the best materials, every description of

SADDLES,

Carriage & Wagon Harness,

equal, if not superior, to that of any other manufactory in this section of country.

Also, will be kept constantly on hand, or manufactured to order, the most approved style of *TRAVELLING TRUNKS,* of all sizes, and at the most reasonable prices.

A call from old friends and new, is still solicited, believing from long experience in his business, and a desire to please, mutual satisfaction will be rendered. Work will be sold at prices to suit the times, for cash, or to good customers on the usual credit.

☞ Country Produce will be taken in exchange for work, at the market price.

JOHN BROOK, *Agent.*

Charlestown, Feb. 13 1845—6m.

JOSEPH CROSBY & SON,

Importers of Fruit,

AND

Gen'l Commission Merchants,

No. 38, South Charles St.,

BALTIMORE.

House for Rent.

THE *House* next door to the Bank in Charlestown, formerly occupied by F W & R B Rawlins, and more recently by me as a *Hardware Store,* is now undergoing repair, and will be ready for rent, by the first of April.

THOS. RAWLINS.

March 27, 1845.

Town Lots.

FOR sale 4 Town Lots, each 1-4 acre, well fenced in, and situated in the most public and business part of the town. They would suit persons of small means exceedingly well. They would be sold for good paper. Early application will suit best terms. Enquire at

February 6. THIS OFFICE.

NOTICE.

THE subscribers give notice to the Farmers of Jefferson who may wish to purchase McCormick's improved Wheat Reaper, that they have placed a Machine with the carriage attached, under a shelter upon the farm of Andrew Kennedy, Esq., near Charlestown, where all who feel interested are requested to call and examine it. Those who wish to purchase are requested to make application to us by letter.

J. M. HITE & SON.

White Post P O. }
March 20, 1845.—tf }

PLOUGHS.

PLOUGHS of various sizes of the Tavender pattern, and also of Davis' celebrated Hagerstown manufacture—all of which will be sold on the most reasonable terms.

April 24. B. T. TOWNER.

McVeigh & Brother,

ARE now receiving from *New York,* per Schooners Frank, Phebe Eliza, and other vessels, their SPRING SUPPLY of GROCERIES, consisting as follows:—

SUGARS.
125 hhds New Orleans and Porto Rico
75 boxes Woolsey & Woolsey's and other brands, loaf
30 barrels crushed and pulverised
30 boxes White Havanna

Molasses.
100 hhds tierces and barrels
N O and W I and Sugar-house

COFFEE.
300 bags Rio Green
150 do Old Java, Maracaibo and Angostura
125 do St Catharine & St Domingo
75 do Laguyra

TEAS.
85 chests Gunpowder and Imperial
50 do Young Hyson and Pouchong

150 boxes and butts plug Tobacco, 5's, 12's and 16's
75 do do super cavendish

SNUFF.
50 kegs Garrott & Sons Scotch
20 boxes in ¼ and ½ pound papers
35 jars Garrott's scented

Segars.
20,000 Spanish
20,000 Half Spanish do
75,000 American do

SOAPS.
75 boxes Rosin
20 do Castile
150 do Shaving and Toilet

CANDLES.
150 do Mould and Dipped
35 do Sperm 4's, 5's and 6's
110 do and kegs Poland and Colgate's Starch
100 do bunch Raisins
10 bales Bordeaux and Marseilles Almonds
20 do Filberts
20 boxes Shelled Almonds
15 cases Preserved Ginger
25 boxes Rock candy
1000 lbs Genoa Citron
15 baskets Salad Oil
20 cases Olives and Capers
100 dozen barrels Tobole Salt
75 kegs Saltpetre
2 hhds fresh Madder
3 do Copperas
50 barrels chipped Logwood
10 casks Epsom Salts
150 kegs Salaratus
75 do Ground Ginger
10 bags Race do
5 boxes Brimstone
800 lbs super Indigo
2500 do Alum
25 boxes Fig Blue
10 barrels putty (in bladders)
200 kegs Lewis's extra lead
100 boxes Glass 8 by 10, and 10 by 12
200 bags Shot assorted Nos
50 kegs Dupont & Hazzard's Powder
50 boxes Sanger's Mustard
150 lbs fresh Nutmegs
50 do Mace
250 do Cloves
75 boxes Ground Pepper
75 Mats Cassia
30 bags Pepper and Pimento
100 Nests Sugar Boxes
75 dozen Painted Buckets
50 do Corn Brooms
150 Demijohns
100 boxes Pipes
150 dozen Mason's and British Blacking
75 coils Bedcord and Leading Lines
125 Reams No 1 Ruled Cap and Letter Paper
300 Single and Crown Wrapping do
800 sacks G A and Blown Salt (factory filled)
1500 bushels G A Salt (in bulk)

WINES.
75 casks Old Madeira
Pale and brown Sherry,
Old Port, Muscat and
Sweet Malaga, Sicily and
French Madeira
30 casks Peppermint and Cinnamon Cordials
50 do Pure Cider Vinegar

With very many other articles which the limits of an advertisement excludes; and have been purchased on the most favorable terms and *prior to the advance in price* of Sugar, Molasses, &c.

Feeling confident that we have it in our power to supply Country Merchants with Groceries as *cheap* and upon as *favorable terms* as can be had in Baltimore, we most cordially invite all those contiguous to the Canal, and Dealers generally, to make us a visit, examine our assortment, prices and terms.

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Give us a trial. *McVEIGH & BRO.*
Prince Street Wharf

Alexandria, D C March 27, 1845

UNITED STATES HOTEL,

Harpers-Ferry, Va.

THE undersigned most respectfully informs the public that he has leased the Hotel at Harpers-Ferry, known as the UNITED STATES HOTEL. He has been flattered by the kind testimonials he has received of the satisfaction and approval of his conduct as a landlord in *Charlestown,* and bringing to his residence the experience of some years, he believes he will be able to maintain his character among his friends, and to acquire new tributes of approbation from the travelling public. He is determined to keep a good house, and one which will recommend itself.

He asks the travellers by the Rail Road as well as all others to give him one call, and if there be any reasonable cause of complaint of the fare or the manner of its service, a second visit will not be expected. He will endeavor to be polite and courteous, and all in his employ, connected with the Hotel, will be required to practice the same deportment. Preparations have been made for the accommodation of visiters—singly or in families, and the best the markets afford will be at the service of his patrons. His bar will be furnished with good WINES and LIQUORS, and his Stable will be attended by one of the best ostlers the State can produce. JOS. F. ABELL.

April 10, 1845.

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THIS Hotel is situated on Howard street, two doors north of Baltimore street, and in the immediate vicinity of the business part of the city. It contains upwards of 100 rooms, many of which are parlors with bed rooms adjoining, suitable for families. It has been thoroughly furnished with new and elegant furniture and all the accommodations to be found in any Hotel in the east.

The proprietor flatters himself that his long experience in the business will enable him so to conduct the establishment in every department as to render entire satisfaction to all his guests.

Merchants, travellers, &c. visiting Baltimore, will find it a healthy and desirable location.

J. McINTOSH, PROPRIETOR.

Baltimore, April 3, 1845.—tf.

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January 21 1845—1y.

EDUCATION!

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Loudoun County, Virginia.

THIS Institution was established in 1839, and is now in successful operation under the management of BENJ. H. BENTON.

In this Institution are taught the branches usually taught in the best English Schools:—The Latin and Greek Languages, Astronomy with the use of the Globes, Algebra, Plain, Solid and Analytical Geometry, Plain and Spherical Trigonometry, Method of calculating and using Logarithms, Theory and Practice of Surveying, Leveling, Plotting, Mechanical and Architectural Drawing, &c., Conic Sections, the application of the Mathematics to the Arts and Sciences, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, &c.

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Scientific Lectures

Are delivered to the Students. These Lectures are illustrated by several hundred highly interesting experiments. The apparatus has been collected with particular care, and some of it superior to any in Virginia.

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Baltimore, April 24, 1845.—6t.

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