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## Shannondale Springs.

**J. J. ABELL, Proprietor.**  
I HAVE leased for a term of years, this delightful watering place, and will have it open for the reception of company, on the 1st of June. Every exertion will be made to render the time of visitors agreeable. My fare, &c. shall be second to that of no other watering place in Virginia.  
The Stage will run as usual (daily) to the Rail Road Depot, at Charlestown, to convey visitors to and from the Springs.  
**TERMS.**  
\$10 per week  
\$50 for single meal  
\$8 thereafter  
\$15 meal and horse.  
\$1.50 per day  
The Ferry will be free of charge to persons visiting the Springs—but in all cases I wish visitors to get receipts at the office.  
May 30, 1847, 1052.

## Berkeley Springs, Va.

SINCE the last season the undersigned has brought into this place additional chambers, and finished and put in complete order his water establishment, which will now accommodate  
**Two Hundred & Fifty Persons**  
His House is arranged in suits, expressly with a reference to the convenient accommodation of families, and its offices and apartments will be found to possess a degree of comfort surpassed by no Hotel in the country.  
No water is of more general efficacy; and hot few places offer greater attractions to persons seeking either health or pleasure.  
Visitors will find, for the present, ample accommodation from Hancock station, on the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, and from St. John's Run, (a point only 24 miles from Bath,) about 20th July, when it is expected that a graded road now being constructed will be completed.  
N. B.—Bedford Water, fresh from the Spring, is always kept for visitors.  
JOHN STROTHER,  
Bath, Morgan Co., Va., July 15, 1847—51

## Berkeley Springs, Bath, Va.

### O'FERRALL & CO'S

### PAVILION HOTEL.

THIS celebrated BATHING and Watering Place, is now ready for the reception of company. Their means of accommodating guests has been greatly increased, by which they will be enabled to provide ample for 150 persons, in the most comfortable style.  
In addition to their well known Boarding House, they have leased the PAVILION HOTEL, occupied for the last few years by Col. Strother, (generally known as the Gustin property,) which has been renovated and to which many valuable improvements have been made. The location of these two buildings, and the easy access from them to the Ladies' as well as the Gentlemen's Baths, render these decidedly preferable to any other establishment in the town, and more especially for invalids, who have opening into the Bath Spring, and within 50 to 100 feet of the main drinking Spring and Baths.  
The Public may rest assured that the comfort of our guests will receive our ever-strict attention, and to those who are acquainted with us, we will be sufficient guarantee to receive a continuance of their patronage.  
In connection with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, is the stopping point for the season.  
A full band of Music is engaged for the season.  
All communications to the subscribers will be promptly attended to.  
July 1, 1847—24.

### A CARD.

W. GIBSON will be found at Carter's Hotel, June 24, 1847—3a.

### Doctor G. G. MILK,

(LATE OF WASHINGTON CITY, D. C.)  
H. GIBSON has recently established himself in Charlestown, professing his services to the public. He can be found, either day or night, at his Office or at Carter's Hotel, unless professionally engaged.  
Office one door from Mr. J. H. Beard's well-known building.

### Operations on the teeth performed by appointment only.

June 10, 1847—6a.

### RICHARD PARKER,

Attorney at Law,  
HAS resigned the Office of Paymaster of the U. S. Army at Harper's Ferry, and will in future devote himself exclusively to his profession.  
He will attend the several Courts of Jefferson, Clarke, Frederick, Hampshire and Morgan Counties.  
Charlestown, May 27, 1847—3m.

### W. T. Daugherty,

Attorney at Law, Charlestown,  
Jefferson County, Va., offers his professional services to the public generally.  
He will practice in Jefferson and the neighboring Counties.  
April 15, 1847.

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WILLIAM LUCAS & SENI. F. WASHINGTON,  
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## Select Female School.

**HENRY S. FURLONG** respectfully informs the citizens of Charlestown, that he will re-open his Select Female School, on Monday the 30th of August.  
It has been successfully engaged in the business of teaching for upwards of two years, and has in its possession letters testimonial and recommendations of the most satisfactory nature.  
The School will be conducted on the most approved plan; and no efforts will be spared to improve both the minds and morals of those committed to its care.  
The course of instruction will be thorough, embracing both the elementary and higher English Branches.  
The terms will be moderate, varying from Six to Ten Dollars per session of 21 weeks, according to the studies pursued.  
As an number will be received, those desirous of sending will please make application at the earliest convenient opportunity.  
Any further information may be obtained by calling on him, at the residence of his Father, on Main Street.  
Charlestown, July 29, 1847—4t.

## TEMPERANCE.

THE Members of St. Thomas Diridon No. 7, Sons of Temperance, will celebrate their Anniversary (August 12th) by dedicating their Hall, a Procession, and other appropriate exercises. J. H. GIBSON and other able champions of the cause have been invited, and are expected to be in attendance. Neighboring Divisions and all Brothers of the Order are cordially invited to be on that day. Ample provision will be made to accommodate all who may favor us with their presence.  
H. J. WRIGHT,  
G. B. STEPHENSON,  
JOS. & RUSSELL,  
PETER JONES,  
WM. EARL,  
Com. of Arrangements  
Harper's Ferry, July 22, 1847.

## Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between Wm. H. V. Cronise, and Wm. G. Shipley, trading under the name and firm of Wm. G. Shipley & Co., at Duffield's Depot and the Elk Branch Store, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Wm. H. V. Cronise having sold his entire interest to Wm. G. Shipley, the business will in future be conducted by him, and on his own account.  
W. H. V. CRONISE,  
WM. G. SHIPLEY,  
Duffield's Depot, July 19, 1847—1047.

## NOTICE.

BEING grateful for the very liberal patronage that has been bestowed upon my business, I have been conducting the Mercantile business, at this place, as Agent, I beg leave, most respectfully, to inform my friends and the public generally, that I have now commenced business entirely upon my own responsibility, and most respectfully solicit a large share of the public patronage. Having commenced business with a small capital, and having large monthly payments to make, necessity will compel me to adhere as strictly as possible to the CASH & PRODUCE SYSTEM. But here, I must state, I am determined to reduce prices to suit the times.  
The highest market price will be paid for produce, and marketing of all kinds in exchange for goods at Cash prices.  
Duffield's Depot, July 29, 1847.  
Spirit Copy 3 lines.

## Bank of the Valley in Virginia.

Winchester, July 9, 1847.

## SPECIAL meeting of the Stockholders

of this Bank for the election of Directors of the Branch to be established at Staunton, will be held at the Banking House in Winchester, on Wednesday the 25th of August next, at 11 o'clock.  
H. M. BRENT, Cashier,  
July 15, 1847.

## Wanted

TO HIRE, for the residue of the present year, or to purchase, a female servant, who is a good washer and ironer. One with out the incumbence of children would be preferred.  
ANDREW HUNTER,  
July 22, 1847—3t

## For Hire,

A Negro Girl, about 15 years of age, until Christmas. Enquire of the Printer.  
July 29, 1847.

## Trustee's Notice.

A. L. accounts contracted with John H. Beard, and with John H. Beard & Co., since the 1st of January, 1845, are now ready for settlement. The time of six days from the 1st of August next will be given on all accounts over two dollars if closed by note. If the accounts are not closed by note, by the 10th of August next, they, as well as all notes due and unpaid at that time, will be placed in a course of collection by law.  
J. GREGG GIBSON & A. J. BRANNON,  
July 22, 1847—Spirit Copy 3t.

## French & German Looking

Glass Depot and  
Frame Manufactory.  
THE most extensive assortment of GLASS ES, framed and unframed, and Portrait and Picture Frames, on hand, or manufactured to order. For sale at lowest cash prices, by SAMSON GIBBS, Corner & Guide, No. 138 and 140 Baltimore street, Baltimore, June 12, 1847.

## Apprentices Wanted.

WANTED immediately, five or six boys, to learn the adding and harness business, from 14 to 15 years of age.  
JOHN BROOKS,  
Charlestown, July 29, 1847—6t.

## Estables.

JUST received, 15 bbls. first rate new Flour,  
1000 pounds Country cured Bacon,  
20 Bushels White Corn Meal,  
500 pounds good Lard.  
Also, Shad and Herring at retail.  
WM. S. LOCK,  
July 29, 1847.

## BRUSHES—Just opened, a large assort-

ment of very superior White wash and Paint Brushes, Cutters, Hearth, Whip, Shoe, Cloth, Tooth and Hair Brushes, &c.  
THOS. RAWLINS,  
June 17, 1847.

## Preserving Sugar.

LARGE supply for sale, low by  
J. B. MILLER & BRO.  
July 29.

## TAYLOR'S HOTEL.

THE subscribers announce to the public that this establishment is now open for the reception of company. They have made extensive arrangements for the accommodation of visitors, and pledge themselves that every effort will be made to render it both pleasant and agreeable to their guests.  
RUSHDEN TAYLOR,  
GEORGE W. SEEVERS,  
Winchester, Va., Jan 21, 1847—1t

## GRAVE CRADLES—For sale by

J. C. SIGAFOOS,  
June 10.

## POETRY.

From the Richmond Republican.

### THE HEARTS RESPONSE.

A SONG BY S. B. BARK.

Sleep on, Oh! fervent heart sleep on,  
True Love's quietude thou keepst,  
Thy aching pulse with grief is gone,  
And Pleasure's train in silence weeps.  
Her tears fall 'neath thy soft repose,  
Pure as the dew which hangs above,  
And there with softly music flows,  
"Round thy pillow of thornal love."  
Oh! sleep on, Cupid bids thee sleep,  
That sorrow's more may never rise,  
To rouse thee from thy slumber deep,  
Or spread its gloom o'er happier skies.  
Thou on sweet Fancy's downy wing,  
Through haunts of dreams, with Beauty's  
And to the beam's rupture bring—  
"There our destinies with a sigh."  
Not, resting 'ill, we mourn 'mid' wing rows  
Which sleep as softly as the breeze,  
Reckless of eve, amid the boughs,  
It's leafy boughs in thy trees:  
Oh! now the dawn of brightest hope  
Sheds its gleams of beatific light,  
Whit'ens thy joy of beauty's light,  
To find the heart through Love's sweet night.

### From the Saturday Courier.

### RETIREMENT.

I would beside a silver stream  
An humble cot were mine—  
Such as I've seen in fancy's dream,  
Round which wild flowers twine.  
The face of nature and the sky,  
Alike all kinds wear,  
And with the birds that twitter by,  
I should be free from care.  
Then every evening's sun to see  
Would joy and pleasure give,  
And moments pass as pleasantly  
As where the righteous live.

## INTERESTING TALE.

From the Boston Odd Fellow.

### TALES OF A VETERAN.

BY CHRISTOPHER COLTON.

History may hold up to the view of successive generations the landmarks of age bygone—but to order to preserve the peculiar traits and characteristics of a people or an age, something more will be necessary than a glance at the mighty events that occur in the annals of the past. Let every American of the present generation, therefore, treasure up in his memory those fading legends which, in youth, he has heard of, but which, in the vigor of his manhood, he has not seen. I have heard of the exploits of some heroic veterans of the revolution, yet I have never seen the land of the living. Let him record upon a more enduring tablet than that of memory, those tales related by free individuals in the great struggle that gave freedom to our glorious land. By such means shall we have seen the last of that noble class of men, who are the pride of the past, a true mirror of those that were. For such a purpose have I read a humble effort. The following narrative, taken from the lips of an aged man, by the name of Winter, was a full of thrilling adventures in the forest and field—such as belong not to the present age. Believing it worthy of preservation, I had taken notes of each evening's conversation, and now after a lapse of years, have concluded to arrange them in something like a methodical manner, and present them for the benefit of others.

### TABLE I.

I was born on the banks of the Hudson, a few miles south of the city of Albany. This section of the country, now so populous and fertile, was then nearly covered with the growth of the primitive forest—a few detached clearings, where the strong arm of the backwoodsman, had rent the woodland veil, and permitted the sunbeams to fall on the dark rich soil, being the only tokens whereby you might distinguish this then wild domain from the hunting-grounds of the savage.

My father, one of that hardy stock of men whose efforts have caused the wilderness "to blossom as a rose," was one of the first pioneers. Having heard of the beauty and fertility of the Hudson valley, he had early abandoned his axe, and left the New England settlements to find a home in what was then regarded, this far distant country. Well do I remember that rude cabin of log, looking down upon the waters of the beautiful and fertile river, and the growth of the primitive forest, the young orchard, the green meadow, the bright fields of grain which, though filled with blackened stumps, bore testimony to the industry and prosperity of their owners; and well do I remember how, standing on the porch of that humble dwelling, when a lad, my eyes have taken in the whole view of the extended territory of which my honored parent was the undisputed lord. With its eastern boundary laved by the river, and each of the other sides hemmed in by a dark wall of forest, lay our little clearing.

Like all the early settlers in a wild region, my father was called upon after planning his habitation, frequently to defend it. Vigilance, bolts, bars and iron bullets, became as essential in my youthful mind with the idea of security. I have a dim recollection of halting one morning, when a mere child, called the attention of my mother to a ruffling in the cornfield, on the skirt of a forest. At the same moment my father came, and after barricading the door, coolly took down his rifle and examined the ruffling. He then took his station at the small window, poised the piece and fired. A yell like that of a thousand demons suddenly chilled my blood, and there ensued a tall corn a band of painted warriors sprang up, three aside their plumes of four stalks, and took to the woods.

As the day happened to be uncommonly still, their ray had proved successful. The acute sense of the backwoodsman was not to be imposed upon by his cornfield bowing at the noise of a storm, when all around was calm. I have since learned that this occurred at about the meridian of the French war, and the band was a marauding party of savages from the northern frontiers of the Colony.

Thus I grew up, and with such an embodiment of hardihood, self-reliance and endurance as my preceptor, soon became a proficient in the trade school of the border. At the age of sixteen I could track the red squirrel from the highest branch of the forest with my bullet, and among the trophies of my prowess could produce the skin of a full grown panther, that had fallen a victim to my rifle.

It was one cold morning in January, as daylight began to streak the east, I sallied out with my rifle, resolved to punish some of the wolves that had disturbed my slumbers during the night, with their hideous howl. A heavy fog, created sufficient to bear my weight, spread its shining surface over hill and valley. Upon this crust a few flakes having fallen, rendered the task of tracking an animal extremely simple.

Following the trail of a large gang of wolves, I followed it in a southerly direction for two or three miles; here a single track diverging from the route claimed my attention. The foot-prints were of a gigantic size, and as I wished to secure the noblest prey, I quickly resolved upon following it. Lightening by belt, and adjusting my accoutrements for a long chase, I started off. For two or three miles I travelled rapidly and stealthily over hills and frozen streams, through the thick unbroken and open woodland. Suddenly, I gained the brow of a hill looking into an open valley. I beheld an enormous wolf, the object of my pursuit, leisurely climbing the ascent on the opposite side of the valley, distant about three fourths of a mile. Well knowing that my chase would indeed be a long one, if I were discovered when so far out of rifle shot, I used in my position until the animal should disappear beyond the ridge. No sooner had it done this than I resumed my journey, with the intention of stealing a march into shooting distance. A light wind now sprang up, which, curving the fleecy snow, rendered it extremely difficult to keep the trail. I persevered, however, but to crown my difficulties, I had scarcely reached the ridge where I last saw the wolf, when it commenced snoring. The flakes fell so thick and fast that I could see but a few yards ahead. I now gave up all hopes of making a better acquaintance with the fugitive, and kept on my route only for the purpose of finding a spot to encamp until the storm should abate. Fortunately, I had not proceeded far before I came to a ledge of rocks, some ten feet in height, the top of which, shewing over, presented a shelter from the blast from snow; and as the opening was screened by a thick growth of young hemlock, I congratulated myself upon finding such comfortable quarters. Laying down my rifle, I seated myself upon a bed of dry leaves, and commenced holding a council with myself as to what was to be done. My first conclusion was that a little fire would be agreeable, and for the purpose of obtaining a few twigs where, with to kindle it, I commenced rummaging the cavity; and as the farther end was some ten feet in height, I had to climb a few feet to reach the top of which, shewing over, presented a shelter from the blast from snow; and as the opening was screened by a thick growth of young hemlock, I congratulated myself upon finding such comfortable quarters. Laying down my rifle, I seated myself upon a bed of dry leaves, and commenced holding a council with myself as to what was to be done. 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Highly Important News!

THE PROSPECTS OF A SPEEDY PEACE!

A Great Battle at Huejutla—Victory of Col. De Russy—150 Americans Killed—American Loss 300—Captains Boyd, of Baltimore, Killed—Guerrillas Rallying against Gen. Pierce—Mexicans Routed at Lohoya—Death of Lt. Parker—Capture of Lt. Whipple.

The New Orleans papers of the 22d ult. bring at once stirring and highly important intelligence from the city of Mexico, and the sea of war, received by the arrival of the steamer New Orleans, which left Vera Cruz on the 17th ult.

Gen. Pierce left Vera Cruz with a heavy train, and twenty-five hundred men. On arriving near the National Bridge, he was intercepted by a large body of Mexican troops, to the number of four or five hundred.

On her departure from Vera Cruz, on the morning of the 14th ult., Gen. Pierce, with his command of detachments amounting to 2500 men and 150 wagons, had taken up their line of march towards Puebla.

We arrived in Tampico on the morning of the 15th ult., at 8 o'clock. Col. Gates informed us that two hundred American prisoners who had been released from the city of Mexico had been ordered down to Tampico and re-captured by Gen. Garay at or near Huejutla, about ninety or one hundred miles up the river, and Col. De Russy, with detachments of Louisiana Volunteers, parts of Capt. Boyd's company of artillery and the Capt. Boyd's company of infantry, amounting to 115 or 120 men and officers, had left there by the way of the river on the morning of the 15th ult., for the purpose of releasing the American prisoners.

They had landed sixty miles above, unmolested, and the two steamers had returned to the city. At 2 o'clock P. M., an express arrived from Col. De Russy, stating that he had been ordered to march towards Huejutla, where they were surrounded by twelve or fourteen hundred Mexicans under Gen. Garay. They had suffered considerable loss, but by the assistance of Capt. Wyse's artillery they had cut their way out and returned towards the river and wanted assistance.

Col. Gates dispatched the New Orleans back to Vera Cruz with a requisition on Col. Wilson for four companies of infantry, and about the steamer Undine and Kalamazoo up the river, with 150 men to the relief of Col. De Russy. The New Orleans arrived at Vera Cruz on the 16th at 2 o'clock P. M., when we found the city in a great excitement.

Gen. Pierce had marched out as above stated, and encamped about ten miles from the city, when the scouts or outposts of Mexicans at the National Bridge, and marching towards the city. Every thing was in a state of alarm. The shipping was removed from between the city and the castle. Gen. Pierce came in and took a reinforcement of seven hundred men, making in all, thirty-two hundred. In consequence of the late difficulty, the requisition of Col. Gates on Gov. Wilson could not be complied with.

We received on board twenty-five men from the U. S. ship Saratoga, and on the morning of the 17th, at 7 o'clock, sailed for Tampico, at which time Gen. Pierce had marched out to meet the enemy. At 8 o'clock on the 18th ult., we arrived at Tampico, and heard that the two detachments had returned, and the result as near as we could ascertain, was as follows:

The detachments had marched up towards their place of destination, unmolested, until they came in a narrow pass, several miles from Huejutla, when they were surrounded by 12 or 1400 Mexicans, who commenced a heavy fire on them from all directions. Capt. Wyse got his piece of artillery to bear on the enemy, giving them six or eight rounds of grape, which cut lanes through their files, they gave way and fled through the chaparral on each side of the road. This was on the morning of the 12th.

They commenced fighting their way back towards the river, at intervals, until the morning of the 16th inst., when they were relieved by the reinforcement of 150 men sent by Col. Gates. They returned to the city late on the night of the 16th inst., with a loss of 20 killed, 10 wounded and 2 missing, and 15 or 20 horses and 80 pack mules.

I regret to state that Capt. Boyd was the first who fell, with three bullets through his body. Also, his lieutenant fell mortally wounded, and was left lying on the field. Col. De Russy had several balls through his clothes. Capt. Wyse had three horses shot under him. The Mexican loss, by report of a Mexican, was 150 killed and wounded. Their General fled and left the charge to the second in command. The names of the officers who accompanied Col. De Russy are not recollectable.

Gen. Scott, acting adjutant of the 9th infantry, was lassoed by a small party of guerrillas on the 19th inst., when retreating from the cemetery, within 400 yards of the walls of Vera Cruz. They were pursued by the Americans, who could not be overtake them. The chaparral has been searched for miles around, but his body could not be found.

Gen. Scott, at the latest accounts, was still at Puebla, waiting the reply of the Mexican Congress. Gen. Caldwell and Pillow were at Perote, awaiting the summons of General Scott to join him in his forward movement against the Capital. They had routed the Mexicans at Lohoya.

An express had arrived from Puebla, bringing intelligence from the City of Mexico, to July 2nd to the effect, that the proposition to open a negotiation for peace, had been favorably received by the Congress of Mexico, who had authorized the appointment of a commission to meet Mr. Trest at San Martin, eight leagues from Puebla, and conclude the terms of a peace. The N. O. Express says this is but a rumor, and worthy of little credit.

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Gen. Samuel Yorks Atlee, Esq., has been elected as Representative to the Grand Lodge of the State of Maine, I. O. O. F., by the Grand Encampment of the District of Columbia.

STATE OF MAINE.—In the Senate of the genuine Locofoco Legislature of the State of Maine resolutions have been adopted approving of the War with Mexico, while by the same body resolutions offered for approving of the Military conduct of Generals Scott and Taylor were rejected.

Resolutions against the extension of slavery, and adopting generally the doctrines of the Wilmet proviso, have passed both branches of the Legislature. In the House of Representatives the resolves were subjected to some alteration or amendment, and to a desultory and skirmishing debate, but were finally passed, separately, by nearly unanimous vote.

A Spanish paper at New Orleans has found out at last what use Mr. Polk was applying those three millions.—It is for the purpose of buying up and corrupting Arista, Ampudia, Almonte, Canizal, and Rejon. Wonderful discovery!

RESUSCITATION OF THE DROWNED.—Deaths by drowning are very frequent, many lives being sacrificed for want of knowledge of the means of resuscitating suspended animation.—Life, in some instances, will remain an incredible time in the body, and only needs the proper restoratives to set it in active motion again.—Dr. Matt. of the American Shipwreck Society, gives the following directions:

As soon as the body is removed from the water, the head should be suddenly and forcibly down ward and backward, and instantly discontinue the pressure. Repeat this without intermission until a pair of common bellows can be procured; when obtained, introduce the nozzle well upon the base of the tongue. Surround the mouth with a towel or handkerchief, and close it. Direct a bystander to press firmly on the projecting part of the neck called Adam's apple, and use the bellows actively. Then press upon the chest to expel the air from the lungs—to imitate natural breathing. Continue this an hour at least, until signs of natural breathing come on. Wrap the body in warm blankets and place it near the fire, and do every thing to preserve the natural warmth, as well as to impart artificial heat, if possible. Every thing, however, is secondary to inflating the lungs. Send for medical aid immediately. Avoid all friction until respiration shall be in some degree established.

The Wind Ship.—Our enterprising fellow-citizen, Mr. Wm. Thomas, has just returned from a trip of twelve days on the prairies, with his wind ship, and says it works well, and he is now willing to make a tour to the Buffalo country, if a sufficient number of passengers can be raised to justify him in making the expedition. His vessel is a ponderous, afloat stand of calico tents, and will start in a few days if he can be successful in getting a company. Mr. Thomas will take with him four large horses, that in case of a calm there will be no detention. It is now a beautiful season of the year for a buffalo hunt.—Independence Exposition.

MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.—That wonder of wonders, the Magnetic Telegraph, is now under full headway, the lightning "wiring in and out" of Richmond, with very considerable despatch. The more we reflect upon this amazing discovery, the more intense becomes our astonishment. The idea that a man can stand in a room in N. York and whisper to another man's ear in Detroit, a path nearly 1000 miles long, and that in less than half the time it would take the Richmond operator to go down stairs and drink a glass of soda water, is one of the marvels of the age, which it would be ridiculous to believe were not the proof before our eyes. When Franklin brought down the lightning from the clouds, the world was filled with admiration and awe, but what was even this sublime achievement of a godlike intellect, to that which makes the electrical fire the messenger of human thought?

The highest degree of improvement in the physical sciences to which the ancients ever arrived, is left immovably in the rear by the progress of modern invention. Steamboats, railroads, the Telegraph—these are magnificent steps in the march of intellect. Think, too, in connection with these, of the discovery of a means for alleviating the keenest anguish of the body by the administration of ether! It would seem as if man were approaching the power of angels, and becoming what he was originally designed to be, the lord of the lower creation.

Yet these splendid intellectual triumphs should make him grateful and humble, not proud and self-dependent.—They are discoveries which Providence has permitted him to make for his own use and pleasure, and which, if he will, he can take away. While, then, he employs them to benefit his race, and to confirm his faith in the Divine origin of the human soul, he may well be humbled by the thought of his own frailty and his own mortality. The wisest that traverse the air, conveying thought and lightning with equal speed, may inspire his soul with a lofty consciousness of its native greatness; but would he repress proud imaginations, let him look upon the hearse that rumbles at his side, and ask, where, even with the widest sweep of his vast intellect, he can discover the "Pomelina" that can that light release the soul from the mortal coil.

BUILDING AT ST. LOUIS.—There were erected in the city of St. Louis, during the year ending on the 1st of June, nine hundred and thirty-two houses.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 2, 3 P. M. The steamer New York received this morning, had a depressing effect on the flour market. There have been sales today of 3000 bbls at \$5.50-\$5.62 1/2; for Genesee; \$5.25-\$5.31 1/2 for Michigan; and \$5.25 for Ohio. On Saturday Genesee sold at \$6.12-\$6.18 1/2, and Michigan at \$5.75-\$5.81 1/2. Sales to-day of Corn Meal at \$2.50-\$2.75.

Nothing doing in wheat. Sales of 20,000 bushels of Corn at \$0.82 1/2 for mixed, and 65c. for yellow, a decline of 5/10c. per bushel. Sales of oats at 45c. 49c., also a decline.

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NOVEL CONTRACT.—Some time since, Mr. Smith purchased from Jas. Somerville, of Jackson county, a tract of land, lying about 17 miles from Parkersburg, and containing one hundred acres, on the terms following, to wit: said Smith to pay for said land in four years, at the rate of one dollar per acre, fifty four equal annual instalments of twenty five cents each, to be paid on the 1st of January, the time allowed by law for the slaying of deer.—When said Somerville was to make said Smith a good and sufficient title to said land. Such was the bargain.—Three years have elapsed since it was made, and he is now happy to announce that the purchaser has come up to terms, killed the hundred deer, paid them over, and is now in the quiet, peaceable and legal possession of his dearly acquired parcel.

This transaction settles two points most conclusively: First, that Mr. Smith must not have been such a hypocrite as he could not have carried such havoc among the deer; and secondly, that in these designs, deer constitute a legal tender.—provided, always, that said deer, or dears, are not too old, when taken.—But all such deductions aside, we congratulate Mr. Smith on such an acquisition of his farm, and sincerely trust his crop of deer will never fail.

WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY. It is impossible for us to compress into our narrow limits, a brief allusion to all of the numerous cures that have been effected by DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM. We can only refer to a few of its applications in general.

A few days ago a lady called at the office in feeble health, and looking as robust as though she were each day to be killed with a sword. She had been sick for upwards of three and four years with what was supposed to be consumption; that she had become a skeleton as to present more the appearance of an ascetic than a living being.—Provisionally, she at this time heard of the wonderful cures performed by Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, and commenced using it herself. The effect was, that she began to get better at once. By degrees, the cough left her, the chest and fear disappeared, and in two months she again found herself in perfect health.

None genuine, unless signed J. BUTTS on the wrapper. The above valuable Balsam can be had at the Drug Store of H. BEARD, Charleston.

THE MARKETS.—Office of the Baltimore American, August 2, 5 P. M. CATTLE.—The average rate is \$2.75 gross. FLOUR.—The English article by the steamer Washington, published on Saturday, showing an advance in the prices of breadstuffs, and the Hibernia's five days later, published this morning, showing a decline in the same, which were for good, and 45 cts. for one or two parcels fit for family use.

Grand Piano Forte for sale.—A NEW Instrument, with 70 strings, and 20 pedals, can be sold low by ROBINSON & HOLLAND, Harpers-Ferry, August 3, 1847.

Late Arrivals.—At the Depot of Useful and FASHIONABLE GOODS. The subscribers respectfully inform the public that they have on hand and are daily receiving, NEW GOODS, which are selling at very reasonable prices. They invite attention to Long Cloth Cambrics 121 cents, Domestic Muslins from 7 to 12 1/2, Prints, beautiful styles, in great variety, from 5 to 18 cents, Heavy Balmaines 25 cents, Heavy & desirable Cottons from 10 to 12 1/2, Ladies' Shoppers 50, 75 and 90 cts., With a great variety of Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, at low prices.

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Wool Wanted.—The highest prices will be given for washed and unwashed WOOL, in goods, at the lowest cash prices, by ROBINSON & HOLLAND, August 5, 1847.

Fresh Groceries.—We have just received a large and general supply of superior Groceries, consisting as follows: Superior Java, Laguira and Rio Coffee, Extra sup. G. P. Imperial, Y. H. & Bk Tea, New Orleans Molasses, Pine Apple and English Cheese, Soda, Water and Butter Crackers, Macaroni and Rice, Salt's Cream and Chocolate, Mould, Dip, Sperm & Adamantine Candles, Pepper, Allspice, Ginger, Salarrut, Nutmeg, Mace, Cloves, Long Pepper, Race Ginger, Strong Vinegar, Coarse and Fine Salt, Fresh Hops. Together with almost every thing in this line, required by housekeepers, all of which will be sold low by MILLER & BROTHER.

VALUABLE JEFFERSON FARM. BY virtue of the last will and testament of Wm. WASHINGTON, deceased, late of the County of Montgomery, Maryland, which was duly admitted to probate in the County Court of Jefferson, Va., the undersigned, as Administrator of said estate, with the written consent, and approval of said public auctioneer, the highest bidder, on Friday the 30th day of next month, (September, 1847) before the door of Carter's Hotel, in Charlottesville, that VALUABLE FARM

Containing about 260 Acres of choice Jefferson land, adjoining the lands of Messrs. Gerrard, Moore, James Burr, John Yates and others, and for many years, until recently, occupied by the late Leonard V. Davis, Esq., and his heirs.

As an opportunity to purchase will of course examine for details, it will only be necessary to say that the above is considered one of the best farms in the county of Jefferson. The locality is perfectly healthy, and the land unusually certain in producing good crops.

A reasonable proportion of it will be ready for sowing down a fall crop of small grain. It is proper further to add, that the title which will be made to said tract of land, is now by the Deed of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, and is perfectly valid.

Terms of Sale.—One-third of the purchase money in hand. The residue in two equal annual payments, with interest from the day of sale. The deferred payments to be secured by a mortgage on the premises, to be made by the purchaser. Possession to be given immediately upon compliance with the terms of sale, subject to the gathering in and removal of the crop of corn now growing on it. Sale to take place about 12 o'clock, M. ANDREW HUNTER, Auctioneer, Charlottesville, Va. Aug. 5, 1847.—Spirit copy.

PUBLIC SALE. WILL be sold at public sale, on Friday the 13th day of this month at the subscriber's residence, and a half mile from Smithfield, near the turnpike road, all of his STOCK & FARMING UTENSILS, &c. Consisting in part of the following: Six head of Work Horses, one of which is well, one Colt, Several head of good Milch Cows, A number of Hogs, One Wagon and Box, Hay Ladders, Wood Ladders, Barshear, Double and Single Ploughs, One Harrow, 1 Cutting-Box, One Wheel Fan, one Cart, One Sleigh and Harness, Hay by the ton, together with many other articles not necessary to mention. Terms of Sale.—A credit of six months will be given on all sums over ten dollars, the purchaser giving bond and approved security; under that amount the cash will be required. No property to be removed till the terms of sale are complied with. Sale to take place at 10 o'clock, in the morning. JOHN W. DALGARNS, Auctioneer, Smithfield, Va. August 5, 1847.—Spirit copy.

PUBLIC SALE. WILL be sold at public sale, at the late residence of James Marshall, deceased, near Staebly's Tavern, on Thursday the 19th day of August next, the following personal property, to wit: Eight head of Work Horses, Two 2-year old Colts, Sixteen head of Cattle, amongst which are some fine Milch Cows, Twenty-six large Hogs, Four Sows and eighteen Shoats, Fifty-two Sheep, Three Farm Wagons, one of them new, One Wagon, Bed, Horse Cart, One pair of Wood Ladders, Two pair of Hay Ladders, Six pair of Wagon Cords and Plough Gear, one set of Housings, One Barouche and Harness, One Wheel Fan, one Cutting Box, One Sleigh, Harrow, Barshear Ploughs, Double and Single do., Mowing Scythes, Cradling Scythes, Rakes and Forks, Three Barrels of Vinegar, A number of light Barrels, A lot of Walnut Logs, A lot of Hays, a lot of Wool, Timothy Hay by the ton, About 500 Bushels of Wheat, Household & Kitchen FURNITURE.

Such as Beds, Bedsteads and Bedding, One pair of Mahogany Tables, Three Dining Tables, 1 Breakfast do., Several Washstands, Bowls & Pitchers, Looking Glasses, a lot of Books, One dozen Case Bottom Chairs, One Rocking Chair, Three dozen Windsor Chairs, Three Bureaus, 2 Clocks, A large lot of Carpeting, about 100 yds. Two pair of Sleighs, 2 tin plates do., One Franklin Stove, One Safe, one Cupboard, One set of China Dishes, Plates, Knives and Forks, Kettles, Pots, Ovens, &c., and many other articles too tedious to mention. Terms of Sale.—Nine months credit will be given on all sums over one dollar, except for the wheat which will be sold for cash by the purchaser, giving bond and approved security. On sums of \$5 and under, the cash will be required. No property to be removed till the terms of sale are complied with. JOHN MARSHALL, Administrator of James Marshall, dec'd. August 5, 1847.

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PUBLIC SALE. WILL be sold at public sale, on Friday the 13th day of this month at the subscriber's residence, and a half mile from Smithfield, near the turnpike road, all of his STOCK & FARMING UTENSILS, &c. Consisting in part of the following: Six head of Work Horses, one of which is well, one Colt, Several head of good Milch Cows, A number of Hogs, One Wagon and Box, Hay Ladders, Wood Ladders, Barshear, Double and Single Ploughs, One Harrow, 1 Cutting-Box, One Wheel Fan, one Cart, One Sleigh and Harness, Hay by the ton, together with many other articles not necessary to mention. Terms of Sale.—A credit of six months will be given on all sums over ten dollars, the purchaser giving bond and approved security; under that amount the cash will be required. No property to be removed till the terms of sale are complied with. Sale to take place at 10 o'clock, in the morning. JOHN W. DALGARNS, Auctioneer, Smithfield, Va. August 5, 1847.—Spirit copy.

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Such as Beds, Bedsteads and Bedding, One pair of Mahogany Tables, Three Dining Tables, 1 Breakfast do., Several Washstands, Bowls & Pitchers, Looking Glasses, a lot of Books, One dozen Case Bottom Chairs, One Rocking Chair, Three dozen Windsor Chairs, Three Bureaus, 2 Clocks, A large lot of Carpeting, about 100 yds. Two pair of Sleighs, 2 tin plates do., One Franklin Stove, One Safe, one Cupboard, One set of China Dishes, Plates, Knives and Forks, Kettles, Pots, Ovens, &c., and many other articles too tedious to mention. Terms of Sale.—Nine months credit will be given on all sums over one dollar, except for the wheat which will be sold for cash by the purchaser, giving bond and approved security. On sums of \$5 and under, the cash will be required. No property to be removed till the terms of sale are complied with. JOHN MARSHALL, Administrator of James Marshall, dec'd. August 5, 1847.

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ROBINSON & HOLLAND, Harpers-Ferry, August 3, 1847.

TEMPERANCE. THE Members of St. Thomas Division No. 7, Sons of Temperance, will celebrate their Anniversary (August 1847) by

**Traveller's Guide.**

The following list of routes will be found to be reliable in the travelling community.

**VARIETY.**

An Irishman, going down Barclay street in his boat, ordered to get on board the boat which he saw at a distance...

At one of the battles of the revolution, the Yankees were piling up balls which had been wasted by the enemy.

PRETTY women kiss one another on coming into a room, because it is a graceful custom; they do the same on going away, because they are delighted to lose sight of one another.

'You look very fat,' as the tea-kettle said to the pancake.

The last link is broken that bound me to thee, as the horse said, when he kicked off the trace and ran away from the plough.

'Cut and come again,' as the cook said to her lover, when her mistress discovered them in the larder.

It is proposed to include marriage among the games of chance made penal under the gambling law.

A secret is like silence: you cannot talk about it and keep it. It is like money: when once you know there is any concealed, it is half discovered.

**CHEAP WATCHES AND JEWELRY.**

The 'Philadelphia Watch and Jewelry Store,' No. 36 N. Second Street, corner of...

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**COAL, COAL! COAL!!**

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**WHEATFIELD HOTEL,** Baltimore, Md.

**Wool, Wool! Wool!!**

**JEFFERSON FARM FOR SALE.**

THE subscriber has for private sale, the FARM upon which he resides, the...

**THE DWELLING HOUSE.** (Built of Brick) containing nine rooms, besides...

**PRIVATE SALE.** About 113 or 114 Acres of Land.

**Log Dwelling House,** with cellar, and a good log barn, with...

**Valuable Jefferson Land FOR SALE.**

**DWELLING HOUSE,** containing eleven rooms.

**Land for Sale.** I HAVE several lots of LAND in this county...

**Valuable Rich-Woods Land FOR SALE.**

**Wheatfield Hotel.** A portion of this is cleared land, the remainder...

**TO THE FARMERS OF JEFFERSON & CLARKE.**

THE undersigned, John Kable, Solomon Ziehlbauer and David Johnston, trading under the name of Kable, Harrison and Johnston...

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**NEW CABINET MANUFACTORY.** J. T. K. STARR, respectfully informs the public...

**HATS AND CAPS For the Present Season.** JUST received a fine assortment of Hair, Cloth, and Straw Caps...

**Cash for Negroes.** THE subscriber is anxious to purchase a large number of Negroes, of both sexes...

**NOTICE.** ALL persons indebted to the estate of Jas. P. Foster, deceased, are hereby notified...

**Wheat and Corn Wanted.** THE subscribers are anxious to purchase any number of bushels of Wheat and Corn...

**ROSS & GARROTT, Flour and General COMMISSION MERCHANTS.**

Agents for the sale of Live Stock, HOLLINGSWORTH STREET, BALTIMORE, Md.

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**JOHN HOBSON & CO., Flour & General Commission Merchants.**

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**CHRISTOPHER THOMAS, Fashionable Tailor and Habit Maker.**

**CHARLESTOWN ACADEMY.** THE ensuing term in this Institution will commence on Monday the 23d of August...

**WAREHOUSE OF PRINTS ONLY.** No. 56, Cedar Street, NEW YORK.

**THE SWAN TAVERN, Richmond, Va.**

**TRUSTEE'S SALE.**

IN pursuance of a Decree of the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Jefferson County...

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