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THE REVOLUTION IN FRANCE.

The bold usurpation of Louis Napoleon does not indicate much advance in the cause of genuine Republicanism. It has startled every body who did not previously observed the natural tendency of things in that unstable country. Suffrage was restricted for awhile under the administration of the French *President*, and now the same ambitious individual makes a merit of extending the elective franchise, for the purpose of bringing the great body of the emancipated populate to his support. But they will find that in sustaining him they are doing very little for the promotion of rational freedom.

Nor does the movement in France add much to the Kossuth crusade in this country. Our quiet and reflecting citizens will scarcely be willing to jeopard the peace and prosperity of the nation for the purpose of aiding *such* Republicanism as that now prevailing in France. And how much better prepared are the people of Hungary and Germany, about whose sufferings we now hear such doleful lamentations!

We have the most perfect confidence in the maintenance of the Washingtonian policy of non-intervention. There may be a vast outpouring of eloquence and of money in the great cities, and among the foreign population, but it will not lead to any practical result. Already there are symptoms of reaction—and we look upon the hesitation of the House of Representatives, in providing for the reception of Kossuth, (since his open declaration at New York) as an evidence that the sober second thought" will be invoked, before committing the nation to any new system of policy in regard to Europe.

THE AMERICAN TELEGRAPH.

We have watched with no small degree of interest the progress of this excellent little newspaper at Washington—and were gratified to hear that it was daily growing into favor under the management of its sensible and sprightly conductor.

But we now coafess to misgivings. It is giving itself up to the dreamy imaginations of some self-styled "State Rights" man, and is going over to the Democracy. It exhibits evident signs of Calhounish transcendentalism, and will go the way of all that school of politicians, unless the proprietor again places it under the control of his own sound judgment.

Who'll believe it? Thomas C. Connolly, the indomitable "Loudoun Whig," declares his paper will support the nominee of the Baltimore Convention? It can't be so—there must be some "mistake of the printer."

FUNNY.

The American Telegraph at Washington, itself only a week in the Democratic ranks, copies an article from a Georgia paper, warning against all sly attempts to dismember the great Democratic party, by the idea of organizing a regular Union party.

On the subject of the Compromise measures, the same Georgia paper says "the general view in which all members of the party seem to be agreed, is, that these measures shall be regarded as a definite settlement of the slavery question."

The hope of the "spoils" is doing wonders. The union of Sumner, Giddings & company, with the Democratic party is proof of this.

It should be remembered, while these patriotic papers are urging their partizans to "let by-gones be by-gones," that not a single Democrat in the Massachusetts Legislature who voted against Sumner as Senator has been re-elected! This shows how easily Democracy can reconcile itself to any state of things which brings it success.

Gen. Duff Green is laboring in the same paper, to show that a legal argument of Mr. Webster is very unsound, and that he has a "perverted genius."

THE NEW YEAR.

In entering the New Year, we tender our Patrons our warmest compliments. Although the Old Year has left us with a *frown* upon his brow and

From the Flag of our Union.

THE NEW YEAR.

All hail! thou glad, glorious, happy New Year!
We'll welcome thee joyously, now thou art here!
With our sunniest smile, and a cloudless brow,
Thou joyous New Year! we'll welcome the now!

Though the old year has passed from us ever away!
The new cometh onward, our hopes to repay;
O, may it bring gladness to all the wide earth,
And great be the joy to which it gives birth.

A New Year of happiness true may it prove,
Of peace and of plenty, of light and of love,
May it bring to our hearthstones bright gladness and mirth,
And a harbinger be of freedom to earth!

May blessings be strewn in thy path glad New Year!
To our hearts mayst thou ever be gratefully dear!
And when in sad trial, in sorrow and pain,
We'll think of thy hours, and "hope ever" again!

Again on the breeze comes the welcome for thee!
Glad, joyous and happy, thou ever shalt be!
To our innermost hearts thy hours shall be dear—
All hail! thou bright, glorious, lovely New Year!

SEASONABLE.

To the hostess of "Our House," Harpers Ferry, (Mrs. C.) we give the greetings of the season for the *seasonable* bottle of Brandy. It has been tested by competent and *experienced* judges and pronounced No. 1. Good examples should be followed—so a friend at our elbow says—and we would not be surprised, at all, at all, to find it so.

LAND SALE.

Our venerable friend and predecessor, RICHARD WILLIAMS, Esq., has disposed of his farm to Mr. JAMES L. HOOFF, of this county, for $55 per acre. The farm is not large (105 acres) but is in a fine state of cultivation. The improvements fair.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

This body will meet on Monday week the 12th January. As the Legislature will not meet again for two years, and as many heavy duties will devolve upon the body in consequence of the changes produced by the New Constitution, the session will doubtless be prolonged many months.

Frederick Female Seminary.

We call attention of parents and guardians to the advertisement of the Frederick City Female Seminary to be found in another column. The Examiner in speaking of it says:

We cordially endorse the statements concerning this excellent Institution as set forth in the advertisement in another column. We believe it successfully vies with any similar one in the land as a finishing school for young ladies; and while their moral and religious sentiments are earnestly cared for, it is free from sectarianism, or rather, it has Professors belonging to the different denominations, who regularly attend worship with the pupils.

HEALTH OF MR. CLAY.—The accounts from Washington all represent the health of Mr. Clay to be in a very precarious condition. The correspondent of the New York Tribune writes:—"The final and inevitable fate of all men is fast encompassing Mr. Clay.—Inexorable Death moves apace toward his distinguished victim. The lion is at last driven to his lair, and he hopelessly awaits the shaft which is to terminate his career. There is hardly the shadow of a hope left."

☞ Senator Foote, with his family, sailed from New York for New Orleans in the steamer Georgia on Friday. He will assume the Executive chair of Mississippi about the 8th of January.

32D CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

In the SENATE the sitting of *Thursday*, was consumed chiefly by the continuation of the Debate on the "Compromise Resolution" of Mr. Foote. At the close, however, the Senate took a respite from the subject, by postponing its further consideration to Monday the 5th.

The HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES was mostly occupied with the bill making land warrants assignable, which, from the difficulty of perfecting it in the House, was ultimately referred to a select committee.

On *Friday*, the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES had under consideration the resolution offered by Mr. Stanton, of Kentucky, inquiring into the cause of the fire at the Capitol.

Mr. Stanton of Tennessee, suggested an amendment to extend the enquiries of the committee to the necessity of making the entire building fire proof, such not being now the case.

This was objected to, and the resolution of Mr. Stanton passed.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the President of the United States was called on for information relative to the seizure of the brig Dorce, of Basport, Me., in 1850, and the detention and imprisonment of her officers and crew by the Haytien authorities, and what measures, if any, have been taken to obtain indemnity therefor.

Mr. Stanton introduced a bill, which was passed, making an appropriation of $5,000, to be expended for the discharge of expenses incurred for the extinguishment of the fire in the Library of Congress, and the removal of the rubbish and preservation of books saved, and the construction of a temporary building for this purpose.

The House then adjourned until Tuesday next.

The SENATE met on *Saturday*, but no quorum appearing, adjourned till Monday.

In the SENATE, on *Monday*, a message announcing the passage by the House of a joint resolution, directing an inquiry into the causes of the recent fire by which the library of Congress was destroyed. Subsequently it was referred to the committee on public buildings, by that committee reported, and, after some little debate, was laid on the table.

The bill from the House making appropriations to meet the expenses incurred in suppressing the recent fire, was referred to the committee on finance.

On motion of Mr. Shields, the vacancy on the Kossuth reception committee caused by the resignation of Mr. Foote, was ordered to be filled by the chair, and Mr. Cass was appointed.

On motion of Mr. Atchison, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns it adjourn till Friday.

Mr. Shields, from the committee appointed to wait upon Kossuth, &c., made the following report, which was concurred in:

The special committee appointed to wait upon Louis Kossuth, on his arrival at the capitol, and introduce him to the Senate of the United States, have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same proceedings be pursued as in the case of General Lafayettee, to wit: That the chairman of the committee introduce him in these words—"We present Louis Kossuth to the Senate of the United States;" upon which the Senators are recommended to rise, and the president will invite him to be seated.

JAS. SHIELDS,
WM. H. SEWARD,
LOUIS CASS.

Mr. Cass offered a resolution making inquiries into the cause of the recent fire, &c., and after debate it was laid on the table, and the Senate adjourned.

The House did not sit to-day.

KOSSUTH'S VISIT TO BALTIMORE.

The visit of Kossuth to this city, (says the Baltimore American of Saturday,) which will take place to-day, will be hailed, we doubt not, with a most cordial welcome. The interest which attaches to the man, both personally and as the representative of a cause, is peculiarly enhanced by a captivating eloquence which seems never at fault. The history of his life is like a romance—yet full of stern realities. His appeals to the American people are as bold as they are touching; they carry with them an aspect almost of audacity. Yet everything may be pardoned in a man who loves his country and forgets himself in her cause.

The frankness with which Kossuth avows his purposes deserves a reciprocity of candor. As an to these shores, as a man who had done and suffered much in the cause of his nation's independence, exhibiting in his career great patriotism and remarkable endowments, he was invited, together with his associates in captivity, to come to the United States, and a national vessel was sent to bring them if it should be their wish to come. Some of his fellow-countrymen, escaping from the wreck of their nation's hopes, had found their way to this Western world before him, and were content to enjoy liberty *here*, where it exists without needing the support of the bayonet or sacrifices of blood. But Kossuth came not for a residence, but upon a mission. The restoration of Hungarian nationality is the passion of his life; he is thoroughly devoted to it, and he makes no concealment of the fact that with him everything else is of subordinate consideration.

We may admire this devotion. It has in it something heroic. It sits gracefully upon Kossuth.—His heartfelt utterances, blending the sentiment of patriotism with a glowing eloquence, find a responsive sympathy in the bosoms of his hearers, and cause at times an enthusiasm indicative of the power of the highest kind of oratory. Throughout all this excitement, however, a line of discrimination runs. It cannot be forgotten that Kossuth proposes to us *war*, now and henceforth—war for the quarrels of others—war to keep Europe in equilibrium—war to establish and maintain republicanism where it cannot sustain itself—war to force liberty upon the nations at the cannon's mouth, and to build up free institutions out of the materials of feudalism. All this is out of the question. No other man than Kossuth would be listened to at all upon such a subject. Garibaldi fought for Italian freedom and showed himself to be a hero; yet Garibaldi, in New York, never dreamed of appealing to the American people to take up arms against French intervention in Rome. His claim was as good as any that Kossuth can urge; and if we intervene to keep Russia from interfering in Hungary we shall be bound to intervene to keep France out of Italy. Where is intervention to end?

RECEPTION OF KOSSUTH AT BALTIMORE.

The distinguished Hungarian patriot arrived in Baltimore on Saturday at 3½ p. m., in the train from Philadelphia. His entrance within the limits of the city, the "American" States, was signalized by the cheers of thousands of the people and a salute of artillery, and the welcome extended to him was of the warmest and heartiest character. He was escorted to the apartments of Mayor Jerome at the Eutaw House. Addresses were delivered and the usual ceremonials observed. Kossuth's speech was received with great enthusiasm.

KOSSUTH IN WASHINGTON.

The great Magyar Chief has reached the Capitol of the Nation, and is receiving the courtesies due to a friend of liberty and a man of genius, but he has already discovered that zeal is tempered with discretion.

Both Houses of Congress having adjourned over until Friday, the reception will take place on that day. No speeches are to be interchanged, neither the President nor Congress being disposed to commit the country, even by implication, to a course of policy different from that inculcated by Washington and pursued by all his successors.

The labor of the American people, in behalf of free government, is to be by way of example. The rational enjoyment of our national blessings is a text for the "rest of mankind."

"GEM OF THE SEASON."

We give thanks to our friend, Dr. L. M. SMITH, for the present of a splendid Annual bearing the above title. It is one of the most magnificent works of the season. In return for this manifestation of regard, we venture a hope that the Dr. may, before the end of this year, disrobe himself of single misery, and receive, as a partner on his journey, a fair one as beautiful as "*Nanette*" or "*Lady Clare*."

OUR NEW YORK CORRESPONDENCE.

Christmas—Sleighing in New York—Going it While Young—Row Among Editors—Forrest Divorce Case—Horrid Immorality The Humbug Fire Annihilator on its Last Legs—Lola Montez, &c., &c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26, 1851.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Christmas is one of the jolliest times in all the year, in this vicinity. It has been unusually jolly and pleasant this season, inasmuch as we have had good sleighing for some thirty-six consecutive hours,—an unprecedented thing in this region. This morning the sleighing is better than ever, owing to a heavy fall of snow last night: nearly everything in the vehicular line is on runners, and unlimited sport and hilarity appear to be the order of the day.

A slight dash of snow, at any time, sets all New York half crazy; but, when the snow comes on Christmas, or New Year's day, then does the *furore* exceed all bounds. Everything with runners, or that can be winter rigged, is put into requisition.—The omnibus proprietors send out their huge sleighs of forty-woman capacity, drawn by six spanking horses, covered with bells, and gaily decked in holiday attire. And the horse appears to know what is going on, and to enjoy the sport right heartily.—They shake their heads, and wriggle their bodies, so as to get as much music out of their bells as possible; being incited thereto, probably, by the rival music of the merry *belles* in the sleigh. And then, oh! Aristocracy! *They* are in their glory on a snowy Christmas day. Then, are their gorgeously ornamented sleighs brought forth; then, are their magnificent horses magnificently caparisoned; then, do their coachmen, footmen, and flunkies of every degree, shine out in unimpeachable liveries; and above all, and over all, and transcending all, then do their beauties, too decked with priceless gems, and sporting plumes that a Murat would envy, come forth to dazzle and drive frantic less ineffable mortals.

Nor are the "great unwashed" one whit behind their luckier neighbors in the rush after sport and enjoyment on the Christmas holidays. The beggar is out, as well as the millionaire; and, in his way, the former's happiness is as greatly enhanced as the latter's;—for sixpences and dimes and quarters, instead of coppers, are dropped into his shrivelled palm on Christmas day. And the fact suggests a thought on which I might preach a long sermon, showing that the nature of happiness is diffusive, communicative and propagative;—that the happier men are, the more anxious are they to see others happy, and the more ready to make sacrifices in their behalf. He that sends happiness abroad, receives happiness in return. The angle of reflection is equal to the angle of incidence, in morals as well as in physics, with this difference: In physics the rebound is less than the original force, whereas in morals it is greater. Thus ends my Christmas homily.

New York Editors are a powerful, petty, spleenful, miserable, good-natured, quarrelsome set of fellows. The banquet recently given by them to Kossuth, was the first instance in which they ever attempted to unite in anything; and it was hoped that that would be a glorious and harmonious affair. But, unfortunately, owing to the fact that some of our Editors cannot, even for an evening, lift themselves above the petty jealousies, and contemptible personal bickerings in which they are eternally engaged, this first attempt to make gentleman of them all, partially failed. However, the measure of success that attended the effort is encouraging; and I hope that, by judicous perseverance on the part of those City Editors who are above all contemptible pettinesses, the profession will ere long be rid of the scores of vulgar members that now disgrace it.

The case of Catharine Forrest *vs.* Edwin Forrest, and that of Edwin Forrest *vs.* Catharine Forrest, (which from a sort of Kil-Kenny-cat suit for Divorce,) have been on trial, over a week, in the Superior Court. Mr. Forrest alledges that his wife has committed adultery with some *twenty* of "our first men;" and, therefore, he prays the Court to grant him a divorce. Mrs. Forrest alledges that her husband has committed adultery with numberless actresses, and been a constant visitor at houses of ill fame, in New York, and other large cities where he has temporarily sojourned; and, therefore, she prays the Court to grant *her* a divorce. The evidence already given is sufficient to prove the almore disgusting developements are to come; so that, it is highly probable that neither party will get a divorce. Nor can I imagine why they should seek for one; for, according to the testimony, they are admirably fitted for each other; and, I am sure that neither of them is fited for anybody else.

Barnum, Phillips & Co., refuse to give another public test of the virtues of the "Fire Annihilator," although requested to do so by a committee of gentlemen appointed by themselves. This proves, conclusively, that they entertain as little confidence as the public, in this much-vaunted machine. The committee is composed of some of our most respectable citizens;—a fact that accounts for the backing out of Barnum, Phillips & Co. They can not bribe the committee to make an unfair and false report, therefore they dare not venture upon a test.

Lola Montez is advertised to appear at the Broadway Theatre, on Monday evening next, "in a *ballet* composed expressly for the occasion." Contrary to general expectation previous to her arrival, the indications now are, that she will draw immense houses. The seats are to be sold at auction. *One hundred dollars* have been respeatedly offered for front sofas and private boxes; but all offers have been refused. It is supposed that quite as many ladies as gentlemen will throng to see her. How irresistible is Curiosity.

The Presidential question is beginning to loom up largely. The Locofocos are in exceedingly hot water, in respect to this question. They are in the condition of the old negro who had

——"Forty hosses in de stable,
Not one ob which to run is able."

Butler, of Kentucky, will be the nag, in my opinion. John Van Buren goes in strong for him, and John can carry the party in this State.

Who will be the Whig Candidate, no one can now say. It is my opinion, however, *that it will not be any one whose name has, as yet, been mentioned publicly in connection with the nomination.* What say you to that? I think I have the man in my eye who will be the Whig candidate; and if he is, he will be elected *sure*.

Yours Truly, JEFFERSON.

ATTEMPT TO ARREST A MARYLANDER.—Thomas McCreay, of Elkton, Md., who is the mail contractor between that place and Chesnut Level, Pa., having made himself obnoxious to some Pennsylvanians, in consequence of his efforts to arrest fugitive slaves, a possee of them, a few nights ago, made an attempt to arrest him in a house near Lancaster. He, however, successfully defended himself with a bowie knife, and on one of them raising a chair to fend off a blow, he drew a revolver and put a ball through the bottom, barely missing his assailant. They immediately after left the house, and Mr. McCreary hastened back to Maryland.

EUROPEAN INTERAENTION.—Kossuth frequently refers to the leader of the Roman patriots as in close connexion with his own plans. We would like to be informed if the proposed alliance of the United States with France includes intervention in behalf of Rome as well as Hungary? Or, is the United States to take up the cudgels for any other nation but Hungary? Is she to raise her voice for any of the oppressed people of Germany, of Ireland, of Poland, &c.? If not, why? Why is Hungary to be an exception?—*Richmond Republican.*

A HOUSE BLOWN UP—LOSS OF LIFE.—Mr. George Ralston, of King's Creek, Hancock co., Va., a few days ago purchased a keg of powder for the purpose of blasting rocks, and placed it in his cellar for safe keeping. During his absence, his little son, aged six years, not being aware of the consequences, applied a torch to the keg, and instantly the whole building was blown to atoms, and the boy, and another child, killed, and ten others seriously injured.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

LETTER LXX.

Writing—Destruction of the Congress Library—Fine Sleighing—Omnibusses—Seguin Opera Troupe—Mr. Clay's health—Death of Pressnitz—Kossuth—Lecver, &c.

MR. EDITOR:—The *furor scribendi*, or rage for newspaper notoriety under which your correspondent has been laboring several months past, has been somewhat mitigated in its intensity by the extreme cold weather. My disease resembles the intermittent fever in its symptoms: at times it leaves you, and you go out as usual—'till perchance your attention is attracted by some important item of news, begin to effuse, great discovery in science, awful calamity, or something that you can enlarge upon after the manner of the sapient Snawley in Ekleby:—forthwith every other occupation hower important or necessary it may be, is given the go by, and the unfortunate sufferer betakes himself to the shedding of ink as a relief to his overcharged brain. In this event, your honorable corps of priers are the victims, for in nine cases out of ten these gentlemen write in characters that would shame the hieroglyphics of the pyramids, and puzzle the most learned antiquarian to divine their meaning.

Add to this, you do not seem to miss my quondam epistles very much—never even asking, no matter how long the gap in the correspondence, what has become of the scribbler from the Capital! Take care, I'll become like a jealous Dulcinea and want to know the "cause why" of this stoical indifference to merit. But a truce to this nonsense and let's to graver subjects.

Sorry am I to be the means of conveying such mournful intelligence to many of your readers, as the burning of the Library of Congress. The watching of the train, did not discover any sign of the impending danger 'till half past 8 o'clock, at which time his attention was attracted by the smell of the burning books. As the Librarian is the only person having charge of the key or permitted access to the room, a delay was occasioned by the time consumed in effecting an entrance by breaking open a panel of the door. Upon gaining admission they found the alcove in the north-western corner of the room in a light blaze, which of course was much increased by the rush of air from the open door.—Even at this stage of things, it is the opinion of the watch that the course of the devouring element might have been effectually stayed by a few bucketsful of water, which could only be obtained at the Fountain, near the pool in front of the building, on a line with the basement. As the Library is in the main building second story, considerable time was taken up in procuring water, and in the meantime the fire made sad havoc of its valuable contents.—The engines were of course immediately summoned by the alarm-bells in different sections of the city, but the firemen were all well nigh exhausted from their labors at the fire on the corner of D and 8th streets, occupied by Baker as a hotel. They were however soon at the scene of the disaster, but were much hindered by the rigid state of their hose which was tightly frozen. Their apparatus was stationed in the Rotunda and succeeded in arresting the progress of the fire.

Besides the numerous and almost invaluable works of every science and art, the portraits of the first five Presidents by Gilbert Stewart, and other rare works of genius and art were destroyed. The loss is variously estimated from a million to a quarter of a million of dollars. Congress purchased the Jefferson collection soon after the conflagration of the Capitol by the British in '14, for twenty-four thousand dollars. Since that time they have made a standing annual appropriation of $5,000 for the purchase of new books. Independent of this, the collection has been greatly enriched by various and munificent contributions from private sources.—The entire Library of which the Jefferson formed the nucleus contained in the main room was destroyed. It consisted of 60,000 volumes. The books in an adjoining room including the Law Library, comprising 20,000 volumes were saved. Many fine busts and paintings not included in the above were also lost. It is a great and almost irreparable loss to the nation. An investigation of the premises has been made and resulted in the conviction that the cause of the fire was the heated state of the flue which passes near the Library. This is the opinion of Mr. Walter, the architect of the additions to the

Our avenues and streets have been thronged with the beaux and belles of the cities eager to enjoy the short-lived pleasure of sleigh-riding. Many of these establishments are built in the most tasty and elegant style imaginable. The Russian Minister's is perhaps one of the finest.

The omnibus horses have seen hard times lately. The state of the streets and side-walks were almost deserted by pedestrians and the "Busses" *proportionably* crowded. The poor animals notwithstanding they were *roughed* frequently slipped down on all fours. The bad hill at the termination of Penn. Avenue near Rock Creek was in a terribly slippery condition. The trouble occasioned by this has made some talk about straightening the avenue so as to cross a few rods below the present bridge and intersect Bridge Street at the Corner of Greene. It would be decidedly an improvement;—try and push it through Congress, gentlemen of the District Committee.

The Seguin Opera Troupe are drawing crowded houses at the National Theatre which has been splendidly fitted up in the most modern style. The President and family attended there on Friday night to witness the Opera of Tra Diavolo. His coming was greeted as usual, with thunders of applause, which he acknowledged very gracefully.

We have the news from Philadelphia that Mr. Clay, the old man eloquent, is declining very much. His lungs are effected seriously. Noble old man, if a nation's prayers could avert, or a nation's love stay the hand of death, then would he long be spared to grace the council halls of his country by his manly presence, and hold a listening Senate captive to the witching spell of his eloquence.

The last foreign advices bring us the intelligence of the death of Pressnetz in the 45th year of his age. You will recollect that he is the inventor of the water-cure system of practice. Of him it may truly be said "he saved others, himself he could not save."

Kossuth is expected here to-morrow morning in the 11 o'clock train from Baltimore. The entire Metropolis is on the *qui vive* for a sight of the great Magyar—scarcely any thing else is spoken of.

The Presidential mansion is in the course of preparation for the usual Levee of the 1st January. In order to facilitate the egress of persons who desire to pay their respects to the Executive on that occasion, a temporary arch has been thrown from one of the windows in front to the iron railing that surrounds the mansion.

We have had a real spring time to-day—mild airs from the South, and the joyous singing of birds in striking contrast with the cold of last week.

Nothing of interest is doing in Congress.

There is a report in circulation that Commander Lynch who so successfully undertook and prosecuted the Dead Sea Expedition is dead. I cannot vouch for the truth of the report.

Yours, &c., JUNIOR.

FATAL DUEL IN CALIFORNIA.—George M. Dibble, formerly a midshipman in the navy, was recently killed in a duel, in California, by E. B. Lundy, a Canadian. J. C. Morehead and C. E. G. Morse were the seconds, who, with the surviving principal, have been arrested. The parties used Colt's revolvers, at fifteen paces. At the first fire Dibble reserved his charge that he might draw that of his opponent, but that shot proved fatal to him, the ball having passed entirely through his body, and causing death in about twenty minutes.

A NOBLE DEVICE.—In Lawrence county (Ohio) an aged and feeble gentleman has for some past held the office of County Recorder; but, owing to his infirmities, the duties of the office have been transacted by his daughters during several years past. The old gentleman died recently, and at the late election Captain KERR proposed to be a candidate for the office, and that if elected he would do the business by proxy—let the daughters of the old Recorder do the business and receive all the pay. It is said he received nearly all the votes.

TO DELINQUENT SUBSCRIBERS.

We do not suppose that subscribers who habitually neglect to pay for their papers, can be moved by any thing in the way of persuasion or reason.—Short of a legal process, which printers, the kindest hearted race of men in the world, dislike to employ except in the last resort, there seems to be no means of reaching the sensibilities of those hardened sinners who never pay for their paper. Some of our brethren of the craft, however, are trying the effect of anathemas, a string of which we subjoin, with the intolerable imprecation of the Fredericksburg News:—*Richmond Republican.*

Anathamas of the Craft on the Man who would not Pay the Printer.

May he be shod with lightning and compelled to wander over a desert of gunpowder.—*N. O Pic.*

May he have sore eyes and a chesnut burr for an eye stone.—*Boston Post.*

May he be sunk neck deep in a stagnant pool to be nibbled to death by tadpoles.
Baltimore Clipper.

May he writhe under the voluminous curse of Dr. Slop.—*Evening Post.*

May his sorrows double daily, and his life lengthen in the same ratio that his sorrows are multiplied.—*Frankfort Yeoman.*

May every day of his life be more despotic than the *Dey* of Algiers.—*N. Y. News.*

May he repose his weary limbs at night upon a bed full of fleas and inhale the odor of ten thousand bed bugs.—*Cin Non.*

May he never again be permitted to see the face of fair woman, and be *bored* to death by boarding school Misses practising their first lessons of music, without the privilege

May he, upon pulling on a tight boot, find a live hornet in the bottom! May he be rode on a rail, after getting his boot off, with a sharp edge up, with a bushel bag of sand tied to each leg, by a torch light procession, and hissed by all the boys in ten miles round.
Brownlow's Whig.

May a troupe of Printer's *Devils*, lank and hungry, dog his heels by day; and may the famine stricken ghost of an editor's babe chaunt his evening's lullaby, and hiss *murder* in his dreaming ear.—*Star State Pat.*

May he be compelled to walk, during the day, with bare feet, over prickly pears; and sleep at night in a Muskeet chaparal, without a blanket or a lariat to keep the rattlesnakes off.—*Houston Beacon.*

May he have a scolding wife and a smoking chimney, and may his days be many.
Western Texian.

May he be in debt and dunned every hour of every day by creditors as remorseless as Shylock, and as importunate as the widow in holy writ. May no slee pcome to his eyelids, nor rest to his conscience, until the last might of his indebtedness is cancelled. May he be lathered with aquafortis and shaved with a hand saw by a drunken barber, who shall read to him during the operation every line, and syllable of the supplement to the Virginia Convention.—*Fred News.*

TERRIBLE CONFLAGRATION IN PHILADELPHIA.

GREAT DESTRUCTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.—One of the most destructive fires that has ever visited Philadelphia, occurred at an early hour on Saturday morning.

About one o'clock flames were seen issuing from Hart's building, at the corner of Chesnut and Sixth streets, which was speedily destroyed, together with several book and musical stores, and Harper's Restaurant in the basement.

The flames next communicated to the Shakspeare building, on the opposite side of Sixth street, adjoining the Chesnut street Theatre, which was totally consumed. Brown's Hotel, on Chesnut street, adjoining Hart's building, shared the same fate.

About 3 o'clock the walls of Hart's building fell into the street, instantly killing two colored men, and severely wounding several firemen and policemen. Many others are supposed to have been killed, as at the time the wall fell the street was crowded with spectators.

The entire block on the west side of Sixth street, from Chesnut to Carpenter streets, is a heap. On the east side of Chesnut street, Hart's fine building, Brown's Hotel, Johnston's law book store, and several other valuable stores are completely destroyed. Many other buildings, on both sides of Sixth street, are damaged, and the loss cannot be less than $200,000. The fire was not subdued until nine o'clock this morning.

The heaviest losers are Dr. Schenck, whose establishment was completely destroyed; T. & T. W. Johnston, law booksellers; H. Blakiston and Getz & Buck, booksellers. Many music, periodical and other stores, on Sixth street, also suffered severely.

It is reported that Police officer Johnson has been killed. W. W. Haley, Esq., is also missing and supposed to be killed. Besides these there are reports of two or three others having been killed.

The wind blew with the greatest violence throughout the morning, and covered the houses, for squares around, with sparks and burning embers.

The State House and County Buildings, at one time, were in the greatest danger of being destroyed. The flakes of fire covered almost the entire Western portion of the building, and one or two places caught fire, but the damage was trifling.

The Evening Bulletin, which went to Press in the afternoon, says:

It is impossible, at this time, to give an estimate of the loss, but it cannot be far from four hundred thousand dollars, only a portion of which is insured. A large number of persons were employed in the upper stories of Hart's building, who are now thrown out of employment.

James Maussert, a member of the Northern Liberty Hose Company, became drenched with water at an early hour in the morning; and fell down completely exhausted. He was picked up by the Mayor's police, in a state of insensibility and conveyed to the stat on house where he was properly cared for.

We regret to learn, as we go to press, that officer Grant is much worse, and that his physicians have but little hopes of his recovery.

It was so intensely cold early in the morning, that a number of the plugs were frozen up, and the firemen were compelled to kindle fires around them. As fast as the water fell upon the pavement it became frozen, and rendered them almost impassable. In some instances the water became frozen in a solid mass in the hose and the companies were compelled to take it away in crates.

☞ There were 59 deaths in Boston last week, 17 died of consumption.

CONSUMPTION.

There is, perhaps, no disease with which our country is affected, which sweeps off annually so many victims, as that fell destroyer of the human race—Consumption. Day after day, year after year, the insatiate monster hurries to the portals of the cold and silent tomb fresh added victims to its conquest. No walk of life is sacred from its blighting influence. No age is exempt from its death-dealing shafts. The old, the middle-aged, and the young, all alike, are food for this common enemy of mankind. The white-haired patriarch, whose life of intemperance has rendered his system impervious to the attacks of other ills, and whose good deeds prepared him for the enjoyment of life's calm evening, finds Consumption fastening its fangs upon his vitals, and tearing him from a world ever bright to minds which look complacently on days well spent.

Is there no help for the afflicted. No preventive of the dangers which beset us in our changeable and fickle clime? We think there is. And if the allegations of those who are at least entitled to veracity, may be believed, there is a preventive and a remedy.

Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry is offered to a suffering world as such. It needs not the "adventitious aid" of a long string of fictitious certificates to give it notoriety. Its true value and intrinsic excellence are sufficient to entitle it to the confidence of the public, and to

"Waft on to fame"

the name of its inventor, as a benefactor of his species.

None genuine unless signed I. BUTTS on the wrapper. For sale by L. M. SMITH.

Dec. 25, 1851.

ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC WONDER!

IMPORTANT TO DYSPEPTICS.—Dr. J. S Houghton's PEPSIN, the true Digestive Fluid, or Gastric Juice, prepared from RENNET, or the FOURTH STOMACH OF THE OX, after directions of Baron LIEBIG, the great Physiological Chemist, by J. S. HOUGHTON, Philadelphia. This is truly a wonderful remedy for *Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Liver Complaint, Constipation* and *Debility*, curing after Nature's own method, by Nature's own Agent, the GASTRIC JUICE. Pamphlets, containing Scientific evidence of its value, furnished by agents gratis. See notice among the medical advertisements.

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

In publishing his able report, the Albany Register pays the following just commendation to Mr. Stuart:

This Department—the last one organized has become to be one of the most important branches of the Government. It embraces matters intimately connected with the internal prosperity of the country; and, therefore upon its proper administration there is much depending. In forming his Cabinet, the President was particularly fortunate in the selection of the head of this Department.

Mr. Stuart is truly a national statesman, and has displayed a most admirable fitness for this new and somewhat difficult position. It was predicted by many, that being a Southern man, the Department under his administration would fail to accomplish the purpose of its organization. But in this all have been most happily disappointed, and the Department is proving itself to be one of the most useful "institutions" of the country.

RELIGIOUS REVIVALS.—The Boonsborough Odd Fellow notes the fact that religious revivals are now progressing in seven churches in that county, embracing Methodist Episcopal, Lutheran and United Bretheren.

Married,

On Wednesday evening week, by the Rev. W. B. Dutton, Mr. THOMAS BROTHERTON and Miss MARY JANE SPOTTS, all of this county.

In Jefferson County, on the 23d ult., by Rev. J. O. Miller, Mr. URIAH HETTERLY, of Frederick Co., Md., to Miss SUSANNA GRUBER, of Jefferson Co. Va.

On Tuesday, 23d ult., by Rev. Wm Krebs, Mr. J. RICHARD BOWEN and Miss HARRIET BARNHART—all of Berkeley ult., at the M. E. Church, Martinsburg, by Rev. J. McK. Reily, Mr. B. T. HARMER, formerly of Winchester, and Miss MARGARET SHEPLER—all of Warren county.

On the 18th ult., by Rev. Joseph Baker, Mr. JAS. W. TANQUARY, of the Burnt Factory, and Miss LETITIA GRUBB, of Opequon Mills—all of Frederick county Va.

On the 8th ult., by the Rev. Wm. F. Eyster, Rev. P. SHEEDER, of Jefferson Co., Va., (late of Gettysburg Seminary,) and Miss SUSAN MILLER, of Adams county, Pa.

At Aldie, Loudoun County, Va., on Thursday morning last, by the Rev. Mr. Dashiel, Mr. JOHN T. IDEN to Miss VIRGINIA, daughter of Edwin A. Stover, Esq.

Died:

On the 22d ult., in Lexington, Va., at the residence of his father, JOSEPH H. DEAVER, youngest son of J. L. and ANN DEAVER—aged 10 years, 10 months and 14 days.

At Copperas Creek, Fulton County, Illinois, in September last, JOHN WILLIAM, only son of Mr. Wm. H. Smith, formerly of Middleway, Jefferson County, Va., aged 19 months.

At Eudova, on Tuesday the 4th ult., JOSHUA PUSEY, son of Noble S. and Mary A. Braden, aged 6 years.

On the morning of the 22d ult., at the house of Robert E. Beall, near the Gum Springs, SUSAN BURNS, at an advanced age, long a resident of Waterford.

On the 11th ult., ANN ARABELLA, youngest daughter of T. K. and M. E. Laley, of Harpers Ferry, aged 7 years 4 months and 23 days.

Candidates.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

☞ We are authorized to announce, by request of "Many Friends," Mr. JAMES McDANIEL as a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Jefferson county. Dec. 18.

☞ We are authorized to announce Dr. GEO. B. STEPHENSON, as a candidate for Sheriffalty of Jefferson County. Dec. 18, 1851.

☞ We are authorized to announce WILLIAM GRANTHAM, Esq., as a candidate for Sheriff of Jefferson county, under the new Constitution.

☞ We are authorized to announce ROBERT LUCAS, JR., as a candidate for Sheriffalty of Jefferson County. Dec. 11, 1851.

☞ We are authorized to announce JOSEPH M. BROWN as a candidate for Sheriffalty of Jefferson County. Dec. 11, 1851.

☞ We are authorized to announce JOSEPH CRANE as a candidate for Sheriffalty of Jefferson County. Dec. 11, 1851.

☞ We are authorized to announce EDWARD M. AISQUITH, as a candidate for the Sheriffalty of Jefferson County, at the first election under the new Constitution. [Dec. 11, 1851.

☞ We are authorized to announce N. W. MANNING, as a candidate for the Sheriffalty of Jefferson county, at the first election under the new Constitution. [Dec. 11, 1851.

☞ Mr. JAMES W. CAMPBELL, is recommended for the office of Sheriffalty, and will be supported by many voters.

☞ We are authorized by "Many Voters," to announce that Mr. JOHN W. MOORE will be a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Jefferson county.

☞ We are authorized by "Many Voters," to announce that JOHN C. UNSELD will be a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Jefferson county.

☞ We are authorized to announce Mr. HENRY TIMBERLAKE, as a candidate for Sheriff of Jefferson county, under the new Constitution.

A CARD.

Fellow-citizens of Jefferson County: By the provisions of the new Constitution, all persons seeking office must apply through the people. I am induced to offer my name to the voters of this County as a candidate for the Sheriffalty; and, in doing so, it may be proper for me to say that I have served upwards of twenty seven years as a magistrate without fee or reward—whilst all in commission at the time I qualified, have been rewarded with the Sheriffalty under the old Constitution. I would have followed next to Mr. Beckham. The change in the Constitution makes it necessary for you, my fellow-citizens, to decide upon my claims to the office, and re

The Frederick Female Seminary

WAS never in a more prosperous condition than at present. It has an able and efficient Board of Professors and Teachers, is in successful operation, with a large number of Scholars—it has large, airy and elegant apartments furnished with such comforts and conveniences as are calculated to promote the happiness and facilitate the progress of the pupils. It has a good Library, excellent Musical Instruments, an extensive Chemical and Philosophical Apparatus, and it is confidently believed that this institution offers as many facilities for imparting a thorough, extensive and refined education as any seminary in the land.

Scholars will be received at any time during the year, and will be charged proportionably from the date of their entrance to the close of the scholastic year in July.

☞ For board and Tuition including furnished Rooms, Lights, Fuel, &c., $200 per Scholastic year, payable half yearly in advance.

For Circulars and other particulars address

H. WINCHESTER, *Pres't.*

Frederick City, Md., Jan. 1, 1852.

New Firm at the Depot.

THE undersigned having formed a co-partnership under the name and firm of John G. Morris & Co., are prepared to afford increased facilities for transacting all the

Receiving & Forwarding Business,

AT THE CHARLESTOWN DEPOT.

They are determined to leave no effort unspared to accommodate the old, and all the new CUSTOMERS who may favor them with their patronage.

They will keep constantly on hand a large assortment of articles suitable to the wants of the farming community, such as *Salt, Fish, Plaster, Tar, &c.* They respectfully invite all and every person who desire bargains to give them a call—having made up their minds that "a penny turned is a penny made."

J. G. Morris will give the business his strict, personal and undivided attention.

JOHN G. MORRIS,
Jan. 1, 1852. VINCENT W. MOORE.

N. B.—It is necessary, to enable us to make our returns, that the Cash be paid on all goods received at the Depot before they are taken away, especially from those who have not been very prompt heretofore. A moderate credit will be extended to regular customers on articles for sale, excepting Flour, Coal and Plaster, for which the cash will be required.

Jan. 1. JOHN G. MORRIS & CO.

Public Sale.

WILL be sold, *on SATURDAY the 10th day of January*, 1852 at the late residence of Peter Dillow, dec'd, all the

Personal Property

of said Dillow, consisting of—

Horses, Cows and Hogs, and all his other personal effects—Wagon, Ploughs, Harrow, &c. Also—

Household & Kitchen Furniture.

TERMS.—A credit of six months will be given on all sums exceeding $5—under that amount the cash will be required. No property to be removed until the terms of sale are complied with.

Jan. 1, 1852. JOHN BLINCOE, Adm'r.

Brilliant Lotteries, for Jan'y 1852.

GREGORY & MAURY, MANAGERS.
(*Successors to J. W. Maury & Co.*)

$20,000!

KENTUCKY STATE LOTTERY, for the benefit of the town of Frankfort, Class A, for 1852, to be drawn in Covington, Ky., on Saturday, the 31 of January 1852.

75 Number Lottery—13 Drawn Ballots!

GRAND SCHEME.

1 Prize of		$20,000
1 do		10,000
1 do		7,810
3 Prizes of		5,000
41 do		1,000
&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—Halves $5—Quarters $2 50.

Certificates of packages of 25 Wholes			$140,00
Do	do	of 25 Halves	70,00
Do	do	of 25 Quarters	35,00

$50,000!

KENTUCKY STATE LOTTERY, for the benefit of the town of Frankfort Class No. 8, for 1852, to be drawn in Covington, Ky., on Saturday, the 10 h of January, 1852.

78 Number Lottery—13 Drawn Ballots!

SPLENDID SCHEME.

1 Prize of		$50,000
1 do		15,653
5 Prizes of		7,500
6 do		1,500
100 Prizes of		1,000
&c.	&c.	&c.

Whole Tickets $15—Halves $7 50—Quarters $3 75—Eighths $1 87½.

Certificates of packages of 26 Wholes			$180,00
Do	do	of 25 Halves	90,00
Do	do	of 25 Quarters	45,00
Do	do	of 25 Eighths	22,50

$35,000!

$17,500! $8,734!

50 PRIZES OF $1,500.

KENTUCKY STATE LOTTERY, for the benefit of the town of Frankfort, Class 14, for 1852, to be drawn at Covington, Ky., on Saturday, 17th of January, 1852.

78 Number Lottery—13 Drawn Ballots.

MAGNIFICENT SCHEME.

1 Prize of		$35,000
1 do		17,500
1 do		8,735
1 do		5,000
1 do		4,000
1 do		3,000
50 Prize of		1,500
50 do		400
&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—Halves $5—Quarters $2 50.

Certificates of packages 26 Wholes			$140,00
Do.	do	of 25 Half do.	70,00
Do.	do	of 25 Quarter do.	35,00

$61,500!

$25,000! $15,000!

100 PRIZES OF $1,500.

KENTUCKY STATE LOTTERY, for the benefit of the town of Frankfort, Class B, for 1852, to be drawn at Covington, Ky., on Saturday, 24th of January, 1852.

12 Drawn Ballots out of 75 No.,

MAGNIFICENT SCHEME.

1 Splendid Prize of		$61,500
1 do		25,000
1 do		15,000
1 do		10,500
1 do		7,450
15 Prizes of		2,000
100 do		1,500
100 do	(lowest 3 No.)	1,000
&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $50—Halves $10—Quarters $5.—Eighths $2 50.

Certificates of package 25 Wholes			$260,00
Do.	do	of 25 Halves	130,00
Do.	do	of 25 Quarters	65,00
Do.	do	of 25 Eighths	32,50

$10,000!

KENTUCKY STATE LOTTERY, for the benefit of the town of Frankfort, Class 25, for 1852, to be drawn in Covington, Ky., on Saturday, 31st January, 1852.

78 Number Lottery—13 Drawn Ballots.

BRILLIANT SCHEME!

1 Prize of		$10,000
1 do		10,000
1 do		7,500
1 do		4,378
10 Prizes of		2,000
30 do		2,000
40 do		500
&c.	&c.	&c.

Tickets $10—Halves $5—Quarters $2 50.

Certificate of packages of 26 Wholes			$120,00
Do	do	of 25 Halves	60,00
Do	do	of 25 Quarters	30,00

Orders for Tickets and Shares and Certificates of Packages in the above Splendid Lotteries will receive the most prompt attention, and an official account of each drawing sent immediately after it is over to all who order from us.

Address— E. E. O'BRIEN, *Agents*,
(Successor to J. & C. MAURY.)
Alexandria, Virginia.

January 1, 1852.

Notice.

THE meeting of the School Commissioners of the County advertised for Tuesday last was adjourned to Saturday next, the 3d inst.

Jan. 1, 1852. W. C. WORTHINGTON.

Oils, Tallow Grease, and Ohio MINERAL PAINT.

300 BBLS. Machinery Oil. Price 75 cents per gallon. 2500 gallons Machinery Oil, in casks of various sizes. Price 75 cents per gallon.
200 bbls. Boiled Paint Oil, Price 55 cts. per gallon.
5000 gals do do in casks of various sizes. Price 55 cents per gallon.
350 bbls. Tanners' Oil, various kinds and qualities from 35 to 60 cents per gallon.
1500 gallons in Casks of various sizes. Various kinds and qualities, from 25 to 50 cts per gal.
50 tons Tallow Grease, for Heavy Bearings, and Coarse Machinery, in barrels or casks, of any consistency required. Price 6 cents per lb.
150 tons Ohio Mineral Paint, in barrels, at the lowest market price.

Machinery Oil, warranted not to chill in the coldest weather and considered by those using it equal to Sperm Oil.

Boiled Paint Oil, equal to Linseed Oil, other than for white.

I am constantly receiving large supplies of the above named articles, and say unto the "Small profits and quick returns."

B. F. POND,
56 Water Street, (under the Pearl St. House),
December 25, 1851. New York.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

WILL be sold, at the front door of the Court-House, in Charlestown, Jefferson county, Virginia, on the 10th *day of January*, 1852, being Court day, as much of the LAND of the late I. R. Douglass as will be sufficient to pay the sum of $2,685 29 cents with legal interest on $2 482 32 cents, part thereof from October 1st, 1851, till paid, and the costs and expenses attending the sale, that sum being the amount due of the purchase money of said Land and secured by a deed of trust executed by said I. R. Douglass to the undersigned, as trustees, which sale is made in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Jefferson county pronounced on the 27th day of October, 1851, in the cause of Elizabeth Whiting's administrator, plaintiff, against Margaret G. Douglass and others, defendants. The land to be sold lies on the North-east side of the road leading from the Court-house in the direction of Smithfield, and forms the south-east corner and running with A. Kennedy's line, and to embrace as much land, with a lane twenty-five feet wide running down to the water, as will be sufficient to raise the sum above specified with the costs and expenses.

The Terms of Sale, as specified in the said decree, are, as much in cash as will be sufficient to pay the aforesaid costs and expenses, one-fifth of the remainder on the 17th day of May, 1852, and the balance in three equal payments of six, twelve and eighteen months; the purchaser to give his bonds for all the deferred payments, which are to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by a deed of trust on the premises sold.

JAMES M. BROWN,
ROBERT T. BROWN,
Dec 25, 1851. *Trustees.*

Public Sale of Stocks.

ON *Saturday the 17th day of January*, 1852, before the Hotel of Daniel Entler in Shepherdstown, Jefferson county, Va., I will offer at Public Auction,

Thirty Shares of the Stock in the Virginia and Maryland Bridge Company, reserving the Dividend which is declared it being 3 per cent.

Also, Sixty-eight shares of the Stock in the Shepherdstown and Smithfield Turnpike Company.

TERMS: A credit of sixty days will be given, the purchaser giving bond with approved security.—Sale to commence at 2 o'clock. P. M.

V. M. BUTLER, *Adm'r.*
with the Will annexed of Wm. Short, dec'd.
December 25, 1851.

A Jack and Jennet for Sale.

THE subscriber has two very fine JACKS either of which he will sell. One of them took the first premium at the Valley Cattle Show, held in this county in October last, and also the first at the last Cattle Show of the Maryland State Agricultural Society. They were selected from the best stock in the United States. Either of them full fifteen hands high, and in every respect very superior animals—One seven and the other nine years old next spring. The JENNET is of the same stock, and also took the first premiums at each of the above exhibitions. Persons wishing to purchase, or further information, will please address the subscriber at Charlestown, Jefferson county, Va., or call at Rock Hill five miles south-west of Charlestown, where the stock can be seen.

THOMAS H. WILLIS.

December 25, 1851.

Richmond Republican, country paper, Piedmont Whig, Warrenton, Frederick Examiner, Gettysburg Sentinel, and Lancaster Examiner, copy one month each and send bills to this office.

TOWN ORDINANCE.

THE following Ordinance was adopted at the last meeting of the Trustees of Charlestown, and is in force from and after this date:

Ordered—That the owners or occupiers of all houses and lots on the Main street, be required to have the snow cleared from the pavements and walks within twenty-four hours after it has fallen, under a penalty of two dollars for every 24 hours it remains thereafter, to be recovered in such manner as is made and provided.

The Ordinances heretofore enacted, as to preserving the peace and good order of the town, as well as to prevent improper assemblages of negroes, and their going to and fro at unseasonable hours of the night, are in full force and effect, and all offenders will suffer their penalties.

Dec. 25, 1851. SAM'L STONE CH'N.

Lost,

BETWEEN Traveller's Rest and the intersection of the Charlestown and Martinsburg road, on Monday the 15th inst., a pair of Saddle Pockets, containing a Watson's Rippon Hymn Book and a small Testament—my name is in the former—The finder will oblige the subscriber by leaving the above with the editor, or Jacob Vanmetre, near Mill Creek bridge.

Dec 25, 1851. DANL. T. CRAWFORD.

For Hire,

A YOUNG Servat Woman, who is a good house servant, washer, ironer and seamstress. Enquire at THIS OFFICE.

December 25, 1851.

Annuals.

IN addition to the published list of Annuals, I have in store the following beautiful and costly works, viz:

Scenes in the Lives of the Apostles, illustrated; Life of Christ, illustrated; Russelas, do; Moore's works, do; Don Quixot, do; Dictionary of Poetical Quotations; Female Poets of America, illustrated; British Poets in 3 Vols; Miss Landon's works, 1 vol. octavo; Charlotte Elizabeth's works, in 2 volumes; Dick's works in 2 vols; Sterne's works; Rogers Poetical works; Kirke White's, do; Shelley's works; Wordsworth's works; Miss Edgeworth's works, in 15 volumes; Mrs. Sherwood's works, in 10 vols; The complete works of Washington Irving, in 13 vols; Gibbon's Rome in 6 volumes; Hume's England in 6 volumes; Women of the Revolution, by Mrs. Ellet; Bibles, Prayer and Hymn books, for sale by L. M. SMITH.

Dec. 25, 1851.

Tobacco.

JUST received, Peyton, Gravely, Gold Leaf, and other brands of Tobacco from 25 to 75 cts. per lb. Prime Lynchburg Smoking do;
Starr's celebrated Rappee Snuff;
Maccaboy and Scotch do;
Senator's Mixture;
Some of the best Old Segars ever offered in this market, at reduced prices. T. RAWLINS.

Dec. 11, 1851.

Flour.

OPEQUON Family and Extra Flour made of the very best Pinehill White Wheat, warranted to please—for sale at the Market-House, and delivered free of charge any where in town.

Also, Rye Flour and White Cornmeal.

Dec. 18. T. RAWLINS.

For Hire,

A SERVANT boy. Apply at the FREE PRESS OFFICE.

GENTLEMEN'S Wear—such as Cloths, Cassimeres, Tweeds, Vesting, of every variety, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Socks, Woollen and Silk Shirts, Hats, Caps and Boots, and the late style Kossuth Hats. LOCK, CRAMER & LINE.

Dec. 25.

For Hire.

TWO servant women enquire of
Dec. 25. KEYES & KEARSLEY.

ZINC for putting under Stoves, for sale by
Dec. 25. LOCK CRAMER & CO.

HOPS.—100 lbs. Fresh Hops for sale by
Dec. 25. TATE & HOOFF.

CHEESE.—A fresh supply of Cheese, for sale by
Dec. 25. TATE & HOOFF.

WASHING FLUID—One barrel Washing Fluid, just received by
Dec. 25. KEYES & KEARSLEY.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, of extra quality.
Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & CO.

WELCH'S Family Flour for sale, on commission, for cash.
Dec. 25. KEYES & KEARSLEY.

JUST received, New crop N. O. Molasses and all the fixtures necessary for Christmas.
Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & CO.

WOOLEN FACTORY FOR SALE.

BY virtue of a deed of trust from W. L. Webb and wife to the undersigned, as trustees, dated November 11, 1850, recorded in Jefferson County Court, we will sell, at public sale, *on TUESDAY, the 27th day of January, 1852*, at Shepherdstown, Jefferson county, Virginia, the following property conveyed in said deed, viz:

THE WOOLEN FACTORY,

Belonging to said Webb,

WITH ALL THE FIXTURES AND MACHINERY.

This property consists of three lots of ground in the said town of Shepherdstown, on which are erected the factory buildings; the power is of water, aided by a steam engine (new) of fifty-horse power; the Machinery is new and complete, consisting chiefly of 36 Power Looms, 2 Spinning Jacks of 198 Spindles, 20 Hand Looms, Ingrain Carpet and Coverlet Looms with patterns, Spooling, Warping and Winding Machines, Wool Breakers, Condensers, Dyeing Fixtures, and all the various machinery necessary to a complete factory, capable of working up perhaps, 1,000 lbs. of Wool weekly; the whole in perfect order and repair and ready to be set to work immediately.

The Factory, with the fixtures and machinery, will be offered first for sale entire, as they now stand, on the following terms, viz: One-third cash, one-third in one year, and one-third in two years, with interest from the day of sale—secured by bonds with good sureties and a deed of trust on the premises.

Persons engaged in the business will do well to come and examine this property, as it is considered very valuable and desirable, offering great inducements to men of capital and experience. Mr. Webb, living in Shepherdstown, will show the same to all who may be disposed to bid for it.

JOHN W. KENNEDY,
ANDREW KENNEDY,
December 25, 1851. *Trustees.*

☞ *Nat. Int. Balt. Amer. and Philadelphia Ledger country papers, copy till sale, and send bills to this office.*

☞ W. L. Webb and wife having by deed of 10th June, 1850, conveyed to the undersigned, with the Steam Engine, and a part of the Machinery above mentioned to the undersigned, as trustee, for the benefit of Miller & Mayhew, of Baltimore, I will unite in the sale above advertised so far as the deed to me extends, and intend the above advertisement of sale to be taken also as a notice of sale to be made by me as trustee under the said deed of June 10th, 1850, as to time, place and terms, excepting that on that part of the reserved payments necessary to satisfy the debt of Miller & Mayhew the interest by the contract is required to be paid semi-annually, though it is probable this may be dispensed with.

ANDREW KENNEDY.

December 25, 1851.

STOCK OF GOODS.

AS Trustees of W. L. Webb, we offer for sale the

STOCK OF GOODS,

Now in the Store of said Webb, in Shepherdstown, Jefferson county, Virginia.

We have just made our accurate and full inventory of these Goods and desire to sell them entire, by inventory, at a satisfactory discount from cost prices—for which purpose we hold them for *Private Sale*, on easy terms, until the 10th day of February next.

The Stock (amounting at cost to about $13,000) comprises Goods of the various kinds and qualities usually kept in a first-class country store. We find them in good order and believe them to be very desirable. As an additional inducement we are authorized by the owner of the store house to say that a purchaser of these Goods can have the Stand and Fixtures at a reasonable rent—he will thus obtain the good will of one of the oldest, largest and most popular establishments in all this country.

Early application is requested to the undersigned, or to Mr. Webb, in Shepherdstown, who will show the goods to those desiring to purchase.

JOHN W. KENNEDY,
ANDREW KENNEDY,
December 25, 1851. *Trustees.*

☞ *Balt. Amer. Nat. Int. Wm. Rep. Hagerstown Torch Light Fred. Examiner, copy till sale, and send bills to this office.*

First-rate Jefferson Land, For Sale.

BY virtue of a Deed of Trust from W. L. Webb and wife, to the undersigned, dated 27th of September, 1850, and recorded in Jefferson County Court, I will offer, at public sale, to the highest bidder, at Daniel Entler's Hotel, in Shepherdstown, Jefferson county, Va., on

Wednesday, January 28th, 1852,

two very valuable Tracts of first-rate Land, the property of the said Webb, lying near to the said town of Shepherdstown, formerly part of the estate of Thos. V. Swearingen, dec'd: one containing about **154 Acres**, the other about **153 Acres.** These Tracts adjoin each other. One is under rent for the ensuing year; of the other, possession can be given immediately, excepting a small field, now in wheat, which the former tenant will have the privilege of cutting and taking away.

Of course persons wishing to buy will examine the property. It is only necessary to say here, that the land is of the best quality—in one of the most fertile sections of the county of Jefferson, and very convenient to the thriving town of Shepherdstown and its large mills, and to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

TERMS: The Deed requires a sale for ready money, but this can be departed from, with the consent of the parties interested, by the purchaser paying one-third in cash; and for the residue, bonds with good security, in equal payments at one and two years, with interest from day of sale, and further secured by deed of trust on the premises; or, by assuming for a part of the deferred payment a debt in the Bank of the Valley, at Charlestown; on which, if made satisfactory to the Bank, 1 and 2 years time can be had.

Mr. Webb, in Shepherdstown, or the tenant on the land, will show the same to persons wishing to examine it.

JOHN W. KENNEDY,
December 25, 1851. *Trustee.*

☞ *Nat. Int. country paper, Fred. Ex. Hagerstown Torch Light and Chambersburg Repository, copy till sale, and send bills to this office.*

NOTICE.

THE Bonds, Notes and accounts due to W. L. Webb have been transferred to the undersigned, Trustees, in a deed of trust of 11th November, 1851. The conditions of the trust require a speedy payment and settlement. The bonds and notes are in our possession. The accounts are all made out—part of them, viz: those of persons nearest to Charlestown, we have. The rest are left with Mr. Webb, in Shepherdstown, as our agent, for collection.

A prompt settlement by money or note is expected and will be required.

JOHN W. KENNEDY,
ANDREW KENNEDY,
December 25, 1851. *Trustees.*

House and Lot of Ground, *FOR SALE.*

BY the authority of a decree of the County Court of Jefferson county, rendered December 15, 1851, I shall offer for sale, before the door of the Court-house of Jefferson county, *on Friday the 23d day of January next,*

A House and Lot of Ground,

situated near the Academy in Charlestown. The premises are a desirable residence.

The Terms of Sale, as prescribed by the decree of the Court are—One-third, cash; and the balance in two equal payments at six and twelve months, with interest from April 1st, 1852, at which time possession is to be given. Bond and security for the after payments, and no title to be made until the sale is confirmed by court and the purchase money paid. W. C. WORTHINGTON,

Dec 18, 1851. Comm.

Valuable Negroes for Sale.

AS Agent for the Heirs of Col. Thomas B. Dunn, dec'd, I shall offer at public sale, in front of the Court house door, in Charlestown, *on the 1st day of January next*, if not sold previously, a number of **VALUABLE NEGROES**, consisting of two men, one about 33 and the other 20 years of age—both likely and capable farm hands, good waggoners, *&c.* Also, a family, consisting of man, wife and six children, from four to twenty-one years of age. One of the six, being a boy of 16, and all the other children hearty and strong. The man is a good waggoner and farm hand generally.—These negroes can be seen at Mr. Joseph Starry's between Christmas and the day of sale, and will only be sold to those who purchase for their own use.

Terms, Cash, or good Negotiable paper.

December 18, 1851. GEO. B. BEALL.

Blankets! Blankets!

MACKINAW, Whitney, Cradle and Servants' Blankets, of all varieties, for sale by
Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & LINE.

For the Sick.

PURE Port and Madeira Wine, pure fourth-proof Dark and Pale Brandy and Jamaica Spirits, all direct from the Custom House and unadulterated. Also, Scotch Whiskey. For sale by
Dec. 25. KEYES & KEARSLEY.

Cloverseed.

40 BUSHELS of Cloverseed, a prime article, for sale by TATE & HOOFF.
Dec. 25, 1851.

Liquors,

JUST received a fine stock of Whiskey, Brandy and Rum, by TATE & HOOFF.
Dec. 25, 1851.

IN QUART BOTTLES.

For Purifying the Blood, and for the Cure of SCROFULA, MERCURIAL DISEASES, RHEUMATISM, CUTANEOUS ERUPTIONS, SYPHILITIC ULCERS, LIVER COMPLAINT, DYSPEPSIA, BRONCHITIS, SALT RHEUM, CONSUMPTION, FEVER SORES, FEMALE COMPLAINTS, ERYSIPELAS, LOSS OF APPETITE, PIMPLES, BILES, GENERAL DEBILITY, &c.

This preparation has now borne the test of over 14 years experience, since its first introduction to public favor, during which time numerous imitations have sprung into existence, founding their claims to the confidence of the community on the curative powers contained in Sarsaparilla Root, the great reputation and extended use of which has been mainly attributable to the many wonderful cures effected by the use of this preparation. While Sarsaparilla Root forms an important part of its combination, it is, at the same time, compounded with other vegetable remedies of great power, and it is in the peculiar combination and scientific manner of its preparation, that its remarkable success in the cure of disease depends. Other preparations imitate it in the style of putting up, and in bearing the name of one of its ingredients, and here ends their resemblance to it. Those needing a remedy and purifier like this, are requested to note where this difference exists, and in making choice of what they will use, not to take any other but that one entitled to their confidence, from the long list of cures it has effected on living witnesses, whose testimonials and residences have been published, and who are still bearing daily testimony to its worth.

LIVER COMPLAINT AND SALT RHEUM.

NEW YORK, July 27, 1849.

MESSRS A. B. & D. SANDS,—Gentlemen: Words can but feebly express my feelings, in conveying the pleasing intelligence that my wife is restored to perfect health by the use of your invaluable Sarsaparilla. She was afflicted with a severe cutaneous disease that covered the whole surface of the body, so that it would have been impossible to touch any part that was free from the humor; the head, face, and body, were covered with scales like those of a fish; the hair fell out in large quantities, and walking caused the most excruciating agonies, as it affected the joints more severely than any other part. She suffered also a long time from an affection of the liver, connected with general debility, and a prostration of the nervous system. Physicians, both in Europe and America, had exhausted the usual remedies, without effecting a cure, or scarcely affording relief; and the best medical skill was unavailing, until she happily used your Sarsaparilla. The disease was pronounced salt rheum, but her whole system, internally and externally, was altogether deranged; but so complete has been the cure, after using the Sarsaparilla for six weeks, and taking in all less than one dozen bottles, that she now enjoys better health than for years previous to taking the Sarsaparilla. My object in making this communication is, that all who have suffered as she has may know where and to whom to apply for relief, (and that not in vain,) as a complete cure will be the result. My wife unites with me in heartfelt thanks; and believe me, gentlemen,

Yours sincerely, FERRIER NAZER.

City and County of New York, ss.—Ferrier Nazer, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that the foregoing statement, to which he has subscribed his name, is true and accurate, to the best of his knowledge and belief. Sworn and subscribed this 27th day of July, 1849, before me,

C. S. WOODHULL, Mayor.

Extract from a letter received from a Physician in Maryland:

CAMBRIDGE, Md., Oct. 5th 1850.

MESSRS SANDS—Gentlemen: My little daughter was afflicted for a long time with Sore Head and Eyes, and by using your Sarsaparilla, was perfectly cured, other medicines and Sarsaparillas having failed to relieve her. Having used it and tested its efficacy, I now confidently recommend it in preference to any other, as it seems to possess properties not contained in any other preparation; and I find that purchasers after they have used it, invariably want the same article again, whenever they require a medicine for which this is recommended. Respectfully yours,

J. FLINT, M. D.

Prepared and sold wholesale and retail, by A. B. & D. SANDS, Druggists and Chemists, 100 Fulton st., corner of William, New York. Sold also by Druggists generally throughout the United States and Canadas. Price $1 per bottle, six bottles for $5.

For Sale by L. M. SMITH, *Charlestown.*
L. P. HARTMAN, *Winchester.*

FRANKLIN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Lawson Botts,

AGENT, (in place of Mr. J. J. Miller) is now prepared to take and renew Risks on Property against Fire.

Dec. 18, 1851.

LIFE INSURANCE.

THE subscriber, Agent (in the place of Mr. Jas. J. Miller) for the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, is now prepared to receive applications for insurance on life. The Company is based on the mutual Insurance system, without liability beyond the amount of premiums. Individuals insured in this Company become members of the corporation and vote for trustees.

All profits of the Company are divided annually among the insured for life.

Dec. 18, 1851. LAWSON BOTTS.

Hartford Fire Insurance Company,

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

Incorporated 1810—Charter perpetual—Capital $150,000; with power of increasing it to $250,000.

PUBLIC Buildings, Manufactories, Mills, Machinery, Dwelling Houses, Stores, Merchandise, Household Furniture, Vessels on the stocks or while in port, &c., &c., will be insured at rates as low as the risk will admit.

Applications for Insurance may be made of

B. W. HERBERT,
Agent for Jefferson County, Va.

In the absence of the Agent from Charlestown, to JOHN P. BROWN, Esq., who will attend to them promptly. Persons at a distance address through the mail.

N. B. On all Church Buildings and Clergymen's personal property, the Agent will present his commissions in reducing the amount of premiums on the risks thus arising.

December 18, 1851—1y.

Look to your Interest.

WE have just returned from the East with a large stock of Holyday Goods, to which we would call the attention of the public, feeling confident that our stock is larger and more generally assorted than any other house in the town, at this particular season. We can offer such inducements to purchasers, as will tend to their future comfort and interest. We respectfully invite one and all to give us a call at our Store, opposite the Bank.

Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & LINE.

Liquors for the Holydays.

1 CASK Dark and Pale French Brandy; Holland Gin, Apple, Peach and domestic Brandy, Sherry, Port and Maderia Wines; Jamaica Spirits and Old Whiskey.

Also 20 Bbls. common Liquors which we will sell cheap. As regards the qualities we will merely say to our friends call and try.

Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & LINE.

To the Ladies.

OUR stock of Dress Goods, being larger than we desire at this season of the year, we would most particularly invite our customers and others to examine, as we are determined to close them out, if purchasers can be found, regardless of cost.—Shawls, of all qualities, on hand and must be sold. This is the season for bargains. Come early, so that you may get the first choice.

Dec. 25. LOCK, CRAMER & LINE.

ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC WONDER!
GREAT CURE FOR

DYSPEPSIA!

DR. J. S. HOUGHTON'S

PEPSIN,

THE TRUE

DIGESTIVE FLUID,

OR

GASTRIC JUICE,

PREPARED from RENNET, or the fourth STOMACH OF THE OX, after directions of Baron Liebig, the great Physiological Chemist, by J. S. HOUGHTON, M. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

This is a truly wonderful remedy for Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Liver Complaint, Constipation and Debility, Curing after Nature's own method, by Nature's own Agent, *the Gastric Juice.*

Half a teaspoonful of PEPSIN, infused in water, will digest or dissolve, Five Pounds of Roast Beef in about two hours, out of the stomach.

PEPSIN is the chief element, or Great Digesting Principle of the Gastric Juice—the Solvent of the Food, the Purifying, Preserving and Stimulating Agent for the Stomach and Intestines. It is extracted from the Digestive Stomach of the Ox, thus forming an *Artificial Digestive Fluid*, precisely like the natural Gastric Juice in its Chemical powers, and furnishing a *complete* and *perfect substitute* for it. By the aid of this preparation, the pains and evils of *Indigestion* and *Dyspepsia* are removed, just as they would be by a healthy Stomach. It is doing wonders for Dyspeptics, curing cases of Debility, Emaciation, Nervous Decline, and Dyspeptic Consumption, supposed to be on the verge of the grave. The Scientific Evidence upon which it is based, is in the highest degree *curious and remarkable.*

SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE.

BARON LIEBIG in his celebrated work on Animal Chemistry, says: "An Artificial Digestive Fluid, analogous to the Gastric Juice, may be readily procured from the mucous membrane of the stomach of the slaughtered animal. This Fluid, as much as meat and eggs, will be softened, changed, and digested, just in the same manner as they would be in the human stomach."

Dr. PEREIRA, in his famous treatise on "Food and Diet," published by Flowers & Wells, New York, page 35, states the same great fact, and describes the method of preparation. There are few higher authorities than Dr. Pereira.

Dr. COMBE in his valuable writings on the "Physiology of Digestion," observes that a "diminution of the due quantity of the Gastric Juice is a prominent and all-prevailing cause of Dyspepsia;" and he states that "a distinguished professor of medicine in London, who was severely afflicted with this complaint, finding everything else to fail, had recourse to the Gastric Juice, obtained from the stomach of living animals, which proved completely successful."

Dr. GRAHAM, author of the famous works on "Vegetable Diet," says: "It is a remarkable fact in physiology, that the stomachs of animals, macerated in water, impart to the fluid the property of dissolving various articles of food, and of effecting a kind of artificial digestion of them in no wise different from the natural digestive process."

Professor DUNGLISON, of the Jefferson College, Philadelphia, in his great work on Human Physiology, devotes more than fifty pages to an examination of this subject. His experiments with Dr. Beaumont on the Gastric Juice obtained from the living human stomach, and from animals, are well known. "In all cases," he says, "digestion occurred as perfectly in the artificial as in the natural digestions."

Dr. JOHN W. DRAPER, Professor of Chemistry in the Medical College of the University of N. York, in his 'Text Book of Chemistry,' page 386, says: "It has been a question whether artificial digestion could be performed—but it is now universally admitted that it may be."

☞ Call on the Agent, and get a Descriptive Circular, gratis, giving a large amount of *scientific evidence*, similar to the above, together with Reports of *remarkable cures*, from all parts of the United States.

AS A DYSPEPSIA CURER.

Dr. HOUGHTON'S PEPSIN has produced the most *marvellous effects*, in curing cases of *Debility, Emaciation, Nervous Decline, and Dyspeptic Consumption.* It is impossible to give the details of cases in the limits of this advertisement; but authenticated certificates have been given of more than *two hundred remarkable cures*, in Philadelphia, New York and Boston alone. These were nearly all desperate cases, and the cures were not only rapid and wonderful, but permanent.

It is a great *nervous antidote*, and particularly useful for tendency to Bilious disorder, Liver Complaint, Fever and Ague, or badly treated Fever and Ague, and the evil effects of Quinine, Mercury, and other drugs upon the Digestive Organs, after a long sickness. Also, for excess in eating, and the too free use of ardent spirits. It almost reconciles Health with Intemperance.

OLD STOMACH COMPLAINTS.

There is no form of *old stomach complaints* which it does not seem to reach and remove at once. No matter how bad they may be, it *gives instant relief!* A single dose removes all the unpleasant symptoms; and it only needs to be repeated for a short time to make these good effects permanent. *Purity of blood, and vigor of body* follow at once. It is particularly excellent in cases of Nausea Vomiting, Cramps, Soreness of the pit of the Stomach, distress after eating, low, cold state of the Blood, Heaviness, Lowness of Spirits, Despondency, Emaciation, Weakness, tendency to Insanity, Suicide, &c.

Dr. HOUGHTON'S PEPSIN is prepared in Powder and in Fluid form—and in prescription vials for the use of Physicians.

Private Circulars for the use of Physicians, may be obtained of Dr. Houghton or his Agents, describing the whole process of preparation, and giving the authorities upon which the claims of this new remedy are based. As it is *not a secret remedy*, no objection can be raised against its use by Physicians in respectable standing and regular practice. Price *ONE DOLLAR* per bottle.

☞ Observe That—Every bottle of the genuine PEPSIN bears the written signature of J. S. HOUGHTON, M. D., sole proprietor, Philadelphia, Penn.—Copy-right and Trade Mark secured.

Sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicines.

AGENTS.

L. M. SMITH & CO., *Charlestown.*
Wholesale & Retail agents for the Valley of Va.
L. P. HARTMAN, *Winchester, Va.*
A. M. CRIDLER, *Harpers-Ferry, Va.*

Dec. 18, 1851.—1y.

WOODLAND FOR SALE.

HAVING sold a portion of my Woodland, I offer the remainder at private sale. There is some 30 odd acres, located near Duffield's Depot. It is thickly set with wood, among which there is some fine timber. If the Land should not be disposed of, the Timber will be sold separately.

The terms will be accommodating.

Dec. 18, 1851. RICH'D DUFFIELD.

NOTICE.

WE the undersigned, hereby caution persons from Trespassing upon our farms, having recently suffered loss from persons shooting, setting the woods on fire. Any one found committing trespass upon the premises will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the Law.

F. M. EICHELBERGER,
G. W. EICHELBERGER,
BENJ. WELSH,
MARTIN EICHELBERGER.

December 18, 1851.

HOLIDAY SUPPLIES.

THE undersigned has opened for the approaching season, a very large assortment of

Fruits and Confectionary,

Embracing a great variety, consisting in part as follows, Almonds, Pecan nuts, English Walnuts, Cocoa nuts, 40 Boxes of Raisons, 2 Cases Prunes, 40 Drums Figgs, Oranges, Lemons, Ja Ju Paste, Dates, Vanilla Beans, Malaga Grapes.

Also, TOYS of all kinds and prices. He deems it useless to enumerate—but his supply is full, and embraces a great collection.

JOHN F. BLESSING.

Charlestown, Dec. 18, 1851.

Look Here!

I WISH to hire, for the next year, a good Farm Hand, for which I will pay the hire in advance. Also to an industrious white man, of good habits, who understands the farming business a fair price will be given. H. A. ANDERSON,

Dec. 18, 1851. Near Charlestown.

SETTLE UP!

ALL persons indebted to the undersigned, as connected with his Grocery in Charlestown, are hereby notified that the same must be at once paid, as no longer indulgence can be given.

JOSEPH H. SLOAN.

December 18, 1851.—1m

Wanted

1000 Flat Chestnut Rails; 200 Yellow Locust Posts of the best quality for Post and Rail fences; to be delivered on the bank of the river opposite Shannon Hill, for which a fair cash price will be paid on delivery.

THE
Virginia Free Press
is published weekly at
Two Dollars and Fifty Cents
PER ANNUM.

Payable half yearly, not 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.

☞ Subscription 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.

☞ V. B. PALMER, the American Newspaper Agent, is the only authorized agent for this paper in the cities of Boston, New York and Philadelphia, and is duly empowered to take advertisements and subscriptions. His offices are—BOSTON, Scollay's Building. NEW YORK, Tribune Building. PHILADELPHIA, N. W. corner of Third and Chestnut sts.

BALTIMORE AGENCY.

Mr. William Thomson, No. 6 Carroll Hall, Baltimore, Maryland, is an authorized Agent in the city of Baltimore, to receive Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., for the "Free Press," and a copy of the paper, terms, &c., can be found on file at his office.

VARIETY.

THE WAY TO BE BRAVE.

Speak kindly to the poor old man,
Pick up his fallen cane,
And place it gently in his hand,
That he may walk again.
His bundle, too, replace with care
Beneath his trembling arm;
Brave all the taunts that you may hear
To give his life a charm.

A braver deed than scorners boast
Will be your triumph then,
A braver deed than annals tell,
Of some distinguished men.
Yes, leave that thoughtless, sneering crowd;
Dare to be good and kind;
Then let them laugh as laugh they may,
Pass on; but never mind.

Pass on; but think once more of him
The wreck that you have seen,
How once a happy boy like you
He sported on the green;
A cloudless sky above his head,
The future bright and fair,
And friends all watching o'er his couch,
To breath affection's prayer.

But ah the change! He wanders now,
Forsaken, lone and sad—
Thrice blessed is the task of those
Who strive to make him glad,
Speak kindly to that poor old man,
Pick up his fallen cane,
For that will ease his burdened heart,
And make him smile again.

THE ANTI-TAKING BABIES INTO PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES SOCIETY.

A meeting of this highly respectable association was held at their rooms. Mr. Job Smith, a worthy and athletic bachelor was called to the chair, and the usual quantity of Vices and Secrataries appointed. The committee, appointed at a previous meeting, reported the fellowing as the principles of the society:

1. We consider the practice of taking infants into public assemblies, concerts, &c., as an evil that *cries aloud* for remedy.

2. While we would not breathe the faintest reproach towards the highly respectable class of the community who officiate as nurses, we strongly protest against their taking their babies into public meetings, knowing as we do, that it can only be done by a *resort to arms*.

3. While we acknowledge that a large majority of our fellow creatures are, or have been once babies, we consider it to be a fact that it is a very small minority who support these crying evils

4. We cannot shut our ears to the numerous evidences of this evil; indeed we have known instances of late, when it was found impossible, with the largest church organ, to drown (not the child himself) but the shrill, organic notes of the child. We protest against these notes

5. We pledge ourselves to use our utmost exertions to carry out the above principles.

After reading the principles of the society, Mr. Duan Brown rose from an inverted cradle, on which he was sitting, and moved their adoption, which motion was unanimously carried amid the shouts of the assembled bachelors. A committee of fourteen was then appointed, whose duty it is to *carry out the objects* of the society. It is hoped that not a *single man* will be found in the city who will not join this interesting association.

[*Sly's African Journal.*

ERNEST KISS.

This is the singular name of a singular man, and one of the most distinguished of the Hungarian Generals who were taken prisoners and executed by the Austrians in the late war. The following notice of him is condensed from an interesting account of Hungarian Generals, published in a foreign journal:

Ernest Kiss was a wealthy proprietor, owning twenty-three villages, and was a man of excessive personal elegance, as well as of chivalric courage. He regularly sent his linen all the way from Hungary to Paris to be washed, and was, in similar respects, a D'Orsay as well as a Bayard. His coolness in danger was remarkable; and it is told of him that one day within reach of an Austrian battery, making an observation, he ordered his servant to bring him a cup of chocolate. A shot took it from his hand and killed his horse. "Clumsy rascals!" said Kiss, "they have upset my breakfast." When taken out with three others to be shot, he was superbly dressed. The order war given to fire, and his companions fell, while he stood untouched. "You have forgotten me," said Kiss in his usual tone of voice. The corporal of the plattoon stepped up and fired, and, the ball striking him in the forehead, he fell dead without a struggle.

EMANCIPATION IN TENNESSEE—A bill is before the Tennessee Legislature, which requires the owner of a slave, who desires to emancipate him, to first place at the disposal of the Circuit Court a fund sufficient to transport the slave to Africa and support him six months after he reaches that country; and upon this being done by the owner, or by any negro now free, the Judge is to notify the Governor who will immediately send him to some seaport to be transported.

EDITORIAL TRIALS.—The editor of the *American Mechanic* has encountered trials unknown to ordinary men. Hearken unto his wailings:

"Owing to the facts that our paper-maker disappointed, the mails failed and deprived us of our exchanges, a Dutch pedlar stole our scissors, the rats ran off with our paste, and the devils went to the circus, while the editor was home tending babies, our paper is unavoidably delayed beyond the proper period of publication."

☞ The old gentleman that invented leather bedposts, is now busy getting up a gum elastic cooking-stove. His India rubber gimblets did not answer as was anticipated. His guano rolling pins also failed of giving satisfaction which he once looked forward to.

☞ A western jury holding an inquest over a man who died in prison, returned the following queer verdict: "The way of the transgressor is hard," and he died from natural causes.

Virginia, to wit:

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, October 23, 1851.

Robert N. Dale, administrator of Benjamin Knotts, PLAINTIFF,

AGAINST

Fontaine Beckham, sheriff of Jefferson county, and commissioner administrator of Sarah Loudoun, D. Loudoun, William Loudoun, Washington Flemmings and Elizabeth his wife, Thomas Stevens and Nancy his wife, Isaac Willows and Rebecca his wife, John Hickle and Isabella his wife, Mary F. Loudoun and Sarah Loudoun, DEFENDANTS.

IN CHANCERY

(*Extract from Decree in above named case.*)

ON consideration whereof the Court doth order that the defendant, Fountaine Beckham, sheriff of Jefferson county, committee administrator of the estate of Sarah Loudoun, render an account of the administration of the estate of his intestate before Edward E. Cooke, a commissioner of this court, who is directed to examine, state and settle the same; the commissioner is directed to convene all the creditors of Sarah Loudoun, by publishing a notice in some newspaper printed in Charlestown, for four weeks, and posted at the Court-house door of this county, on a court day, to appear and prove before him their debts, and report the debts found due, and take an account of the real estate, whereof the said Sarah Loudoun died seized, its annual and real value, and the amount and dignity of the debts due from the said estate, and make report thereof to the court, with any matters specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself, or which may be required to be so stated by the parties.

A copy—Teste,
R. T. BROWN, Clerk.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Charlestown, Dec. 4, 1851.

The parties to the above named suit, and the creditors of Sarah Loudoun, deceased, are hereby notified to appear before me, at my Office in Charlestown, Jefferson county, Virginia, *on the 8th day of January next*, at 10 o'clock, A. M., with their vouchers and other evidence, in order that I may execute the decree from which the above is extracted.

ED. E. COOKE, Comm.

December 4, 1851.

Virginia, to wit:

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County.

Abraham Young and Thompson Osburn, assignees of Sangster & Young, suing for themselves, and in behalf of all other creditors of the late John Clip, dec'd, PLAINTIFFS,

AGAINST

Joel Clip, in his own right, and as executor of John Clip, dec'd, Jane Clip, widow of said deceased, and Elizabeth Clip, James William Clip, Lewis Coffman and Keziah his wife, late Keziah Clip, Armistead Orem and Mary J. his wife, late Mary J. Clip, Absalom Gray and Frances E. his wife, late Frances E. Clip, Louisa J. Clip, Martha E. Clip, Hannah M. Clip, Dorcas Reed, and John Clip, William Clip and Albert Clip, the three last named being children of James William Clip, DEFENDANTS

IN CHANCERY.

(*Extract from decree in above suit.*)

THIS cause came on to be heard this 22d day of October, 1851, on the plaintiff's bill and exhibits, and the said answer of the said infant defendants, and was argued by council; on consideration whereof, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed, that this cause be referred to a master commissioner of this court, who is hereby directed, after giving notice for four weeks by publication in some newspaper printed in Charlestown, for all creditors of John Clip, dec'd, to make known their debts, to ascertain and report the debts due by the said John Clip, dec'd, their nature and dignity; also, an account of any personal property with which his executor may be charged for the payment of testator's debts, what real estate he died seized of, its situation, value, and annual value, and report the same to this court at its next term, together with any special statements deemed pertinent by himself, or which either or any of the parties may require to be stated, in order to further proceedings in this cause; and leave is given to any and all of the parties to take evidence to any of the debts claimed to be due from the estate of the said John Clip.

A copy—Teste,
R. T. BROWN, Clerk.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Charlestown, Dec. 4, 1851.

The parties of the above named suit, and the creditors of the late John Clip, dec'd, of Jefferson county, are hereby notified to appear before me, a commissioner in chancery, appointed by the Circuit Court of said county, at my office in Charlestown, in said county in Virginia, *on the 10th day of January next*, at 10 o'clock, A. M., with their vouchers and other evidence, in order that I may execute the decree from which the above is extracted.

EDWARD E. COOKE, Comm.

December 4, 1851.

Virginia, to wit:

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Oct. 23rd, 1851.

David Pultz, PLAINTIFF,

AGAINST

Isaac Pultz, administrator of George Pultz, dec'd, David Rosenberger, Nicholas Shaul, and Jacob Pultz and Nicholas Pultz, in their own right and as executors of Jacob Boltz, dec'd, John H. Allstadt and Catharine his wife, George W. Hayslett, Mary Pultz, widow of George Pultz, dec'd, DEFENDANTS,

IN CHANCERY.

(*Extract from decree in above named case.*)

ON consideration whereof, the Court doth order that the defendant, Isaac Pultz, render an account of the administration of the estate of his intestate before Edward E. Cooke, a commissioner of this court, who is directed to examine, state and settle the same, and report the same to court, with any matter specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself, or which may be required by the parties to be so stated, and in order that said account may be properly taken the said Isaac Pultz is directed to produce before the commissioner the books of account of his intestate, with all other papers and vouchers relating to said estate, and that he answer on oath any interrogatories the commissioner may deem pertinent to the subject of this reference.

A copy—Teste,
R. T. BROWN, Clerk.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Charlestown, Dec. 4, 1851.

The parties to the above named suit are hereby notified to appear before me, at my Office in Charlestown, Jefferson county, Virginia, *on the 8th day of January next*, at 10 o'clock, A. M., with their vouchers and other evidence, in order that I may execute the decree from which the above is extracted.

ED. E. COOKE, Comm.

December 4, 1851.

Virginia, to wit:

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County.

Elizabeth Whiting's adm'r, Plaintiff,

AGAINST

Margaret G. Douglass and others, Defendants,

IN CHANCERY.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Charlestown, December 4, 1851.

ALL persons interested in the above cause, will take notice that I have appointed Thursday the 8th day of next month, January, 1852, to attend at my office by 11 o'clock, A. M., to execute an order of Court rendered October 29th, 1851, which directs the accounts heretofore taken in this suit and reported to Court to be restated; and also to report any special matters deemed pertinent by which any of the parties to this cause may request. The creditors of the late Isaac R. Douglass, who have not exhibited their claims, will on that day present them.

R. WORTHINGTON Com.

December 4, 1851.

Virginia, Jefferson County, Sc:

In the County Court, November Term, 1851.

AT a Court held for said County, on the 17th day of November, 1851, more than two years having elapsed since the qualification in this court of N. S. White, as administrator c. t. a. of Elizabeth Whiting, dec'd, and he having settled and reported his accounts as such administrator to the County Court of said County; on motion of Frances P. Frame and others, legatees of said Elizabeth Whiting, do appear at the office of Commissioner Ed. E. Cooke, in Charlestown, on the 22d day of January, 1852, to show cause against the payment and delivery of the estate of said Elizabeth Whiting to her legatees; and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in some newspaper printed in Charlestown, and posted on the door of the Court House of said county, on the first day of two successive terms of the County Court of said County. A copy—Teste,

T. A. MOORE, Clerk.

December 4, 1851.

Tobacco, Tobacco.

168 BOXES Tobacco, various brands, just received and for sale very low by

G. R. COFFROTH.

Winchester, Nov. 13.

10 CASES half pound lump Tobacco, just received and for sale low, wholesale and retail

G. R. COFFROTH

Winchester, Nov. 13, 1851.

40 BOXES Scotch Snuff; 30 doz. Pipes; 3 doz. Tobacco Cutters; 100 Gross Matches, for sale by

G. R. COFFROTH

Winchester, November 13, 1851.

SALTPETRE, &c.—For sale, a large supply of Saltpetre, Coriander Seed, Sage, and the articles used in pickling pork.

L. M. SMITH.

Charlestown, Dec. 4, 1851.

McVeigh, Harper & Chamberlain,
Wholesale Grocers & Extensive
DEALERS IN
Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c.,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
FALL SUPPLIES, SEPTEMBER, 1851.

RESPECTFULLY make known to their customers and dealers generally, that they are now receiving by Packets "Ann Elizabeth," "Empire" and "Judge Whitman," direct from New York and Boston, their Fall Stock of Groceries, &c., consisting, in part, as follows:

210 hhds. Porto Rico, Cuba and N O Sugars
75 boxes single and double refined do
55 boxes white and brown Havana do
65 bbls. pulverized and crushed do
50 N O clarified do
305 bags new Rio and old Java Coffee
175 Laguira and Maracaiba do
75 bags P Rico do
205 whole and half chest Gunp Imperial and Young Hyson Teas (part strictly prime)
65 packages of prime Powchong do
105 boxes 5 cts and 8 cts Plug Tobacco
25 boxes 12 cent do
65 " extra fine Cat. do
Colib's, Na Pias Ultra, Marshall's, Divines, and other choice brands
65 boxes Garrett's Scotch Snuff
6 bags Bladder do
95 jars Rappee do
200,000 Principe, Cut Navigan, St Jacobo and other fine brands prime Segars
25,000 A Spanish do
15 tierces fresh Rice
205 boxes Resin Soap
105 " Rose and Toilet do
25 " Castile do
75 " Variegated Bar do
65 " Shaving do
75 boxes Sperm Hydraulic pressed Candles
15 (14 lbs) Sperm do
105 boxes Adamantine do
250 " Mould do
225 " Cheese
105 " Starch and Chocolate
125 reams No 1 and 2 faint line Cap Paper
100 reams No 1 and 2 faint line Letter do
105 reams Plain Letter and Cap do
275 reams double and single Map do
150 reams Tea do
1,000 sacks Ga and fine Salt
225 boxes and half boxes Raisins
75 bales English Walnuts, Ground Nuts, Filberts, Palm Nuts and Almonds
15 cases Ginger
35 boxes Rock Candy
35 baskets Salad Oil
5 cases Copperas
100 kegs Salt Petre and Alum
15 bbls chipped Logwood
110 kegs Epsom Salts
150 boxes and kegs Sal-ratus, Ground and Race Ginger
110 kegs Brimstone and Indigo
150 kegs No 1 and Pure White Lead
5 bags Putty in bladders
150 boxes 8 by 10 Glass
75 " 10 by 12 do
3 hhds Lamp Black
65 gross Mason's Challenge Blacking
500 kegs blasting Powder
100 " Kentucky Rifle do
75 boxes Sanger's Mustard
50 " Ground Pepper
25 bags Pepper and Allspice
150 doz fist Corn Brooms
200 " Painted Buckets
10 " Cedar do
150 Demijohns, 1, 2, 3 and 5 gallons.
100 boxes Pipes
110 bbls Train Oil
65 " Lamp do
15 " Solar do
75 casks Cider Vinegar
2 boxes Camper
10 " Chalk and Spanish Whiting
15 bbls Rosin
75 " No 3 Mackerel
10 " Family Shad
65 casks old Madeira Wine
50 " Pale and brown Sherry do
75 casks West Malagar and Muscat do
65 casks Lisbon, Sicily and F Madeira do
35 baskets Champaigne, Star, Anchor and other choice brands
1 pipe premium Scotch Whiskey.

all of which have been purchased on such terms, as to enable them to compete with any of the Northern Cities. The introduction of a regular line of Boats on the Canal for the exclusive transportation of merchandize affords daily opportunities of forwarding with dispatch to the various points, at greatly reduced rates, and offers great inducements to dealers in the purchase of articles in our line.

In addition to their stock of Groceries, they have to offer an unusually large and well selected Stock of

Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c.,

Consisting of 2005 Cases and Cartoons, of the following varieties, viz:

Men's thick and heavy Brogans;
" " Oak Bottom, round and flat Seam do;
" " Navy or Planters do;
" " Extra Size do;
" " Unbound do;
Boy's and youth's unbound do;
Men's Calf, Kip and Seal do;
Boy's and youth's do do;
Men's double sole and thick Boots;
" " Tap sole do;
" " Hungarian do;
" " Fishing do;
" " Calf cork sole fine do;
" " Kip and Grain do;
Boy's and youth's do. do;
" " Thick do;
Ladies' extra fine Calf, Welt Buskin and Ties;
" " do Morocco & Seal do. do.;
" " Jenny Lind do. do.;
" "Bloomer Boots;"
" " Gaiter and half Gaiter do.;
" " Fine Leather and Morocco do.;
Low priced Kid, Seal, Calf and Morocco R. Rounds;
Misses' Leather, Kids, Calf and Morocco Buskins and Slipps in great variety;
Children's Boots and Shoes, every variety and kind.

Also, 250 Cases Hats and Caps, comprising Beaver, Mole Skin, Silk, Drab and Black Wool, California, Mexican and Slouch Hats; Blue and black Cloth, Seal and Glazed "silk lined" Caps, with other fashionable styles;
275 black Leather and Hair Trunks;
2500 pounds Shoe Thread.

To all of which, they respectfully invite the attention of merchants and other dealers—promising great inducements in the way of bargains.

McVEIGH, HARPER & CHAMBERLAIN.
Prince Street Wharf, Alexandria.
September 11, 1851.

Jefferson Boot and Shoe

FACTORY.

THE subscriber would most respectfully inform his customers and the public generally that he is now receiving his FALL and WINTER supply of Goods, which is large and well selected, and to which he earnestly solicits the attention of purchasers, believing he can make it their interest to buy; consisting in part of the following articles, to wit: Ladies' high and low cut Jenny Linds, Morocco and Kid; do. Walking shoes, Slippers and Parodees; do Bronzed R R Jenny Linds; do Goat and Morocco Boots; do French Lasting Gaiters; Misses' and children's shoes, a variety; do Boots, &c.; Ladies', Misses' and Children's Gums.

Gentlemen's Calf, Morocco, Kip and Coarse Boots; Boys' do., Youths' do., Children's do.

A variety of Gum Shoes for Gentlemen, together with the largest and best assortment of our own Manufacture on hand. Call and see, we charge nothing for a look.

JAS. McDANIEL, Agent
Oct. 9, 1851. for S. RIDENOUR.

☞ All work sold by us, the rips repaired without charge.

Tin and Sheet Iron Work.

THE undersigned having just made recent additions to his stock of materials, such as *TIN, SHEET IRON, COPPER, &C.*, is now engaged in making ready for sale a new and very complete and general assortment of Ware, respectfully though earnestly invites a call from his old friends and customers. It is his determination for the future, that strict and unremitting attention to business, a desire to give satisfaction to all who may patronize him, the use of the best material and the employment of the best hands, shall render his Shop, as it has been heretofore, inferior to none other in the Valley. His prices are moderate, and satisfaction with all work guaranteed.

☞ TIN ROOFING will be put on at the shortest notice, in the latest and most approved manner, and on reasonable terms.

☞ Tin and Sheet Iron Work of almost every description on hand and for sale, as well as a readiness to manufacture every article in that line that may be desired.

☞ Shower Baths, the best article yet invented, manufactured and for sale on reasonable terms.—In short, the undersigned is prepared to execute any and every article in his line, in the most approved manner and on the most liberal terms. The patronage of the public is therefore solicited.

P. W. RAWLINS.

Charlestown, May 9, 1851.

Stoves! Stoves!! Stoves!!!

I AM now receiving from the principal Founderies in the East, a large assortment of Parlor, Drawing Room, Office and Cook Stoves, among which are some of the most beautiful and best operating Stoves ever offered in this market for wood and coal, with both open and closed fronts.

I will sell Stoves at Baltimore retail prices, and those purchasing Stoves from me will have a selection from Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York Founderies.

TERMS.—Cash, Corn, Wood, Hams or approved credit of Ninety days.

THOMAS D. PARKER.

September 18, 1851.—tf. Spirit.

☞ Job work of all descriptions connected with the Tin, Sheet-iron and Copper business, executed with promptitude, and at prices that cannot fail to please.

T. D. P.

Charlestown, Sept. 18, 1851.

CHEESE.—Superior Sapsago and Pine Apple Cheese, for sale by

KEYES & KEARSLEY.

Dec. 11.

CHERRY PECTORAL

For the Cure of

COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS, BRONCHITIS, WHOOPING-COUGH, CROUP, ASTHMA, AND CONSUMPTION.

This remedy is offered to the community with the confidence we feel in an article which seldom fails to realize the happiest effects that can be desired. So wide is the field of its usefulness and so numerous the cases of its cures, that almost every section of the country abounds in persons, publicly known, who have been restored from alarming and even desperate diseases of the lungs, by its use. When once tried, its superiority over every other medicine of its kind, is too apparent to escape observation, and where its virtues are known, the public no longer hesitate what medicine to employ for the distressing and dangerous affections of the pulmonary organs, which are incident to our climate. And not only in the formidable attacks upon the lungs, but for the milder varieties of Colds, Coughs, Hoarseness, &c., and for Children it is the pleasantest and safest medicine that can be obtained. No family should be without it, and those who have used it, never will.

Read the opinion of the following Gentlemen, who will be recognized in the various sections of country where they are located—each and all as merchants of the first class and of the highest character—as the oldest and most extensive Wholesale Dealers in Medicine with an experience unlimited on the subject of which they speak. If there is any value in the judgment of experience, see

We the undersigned, Wholesale Druggists, having been long acquainted with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, hereby certify our belief that it is the best and most effectual remedy for Pulmonary Complaints ever offered to the American People. And we would, from our knowledge of its composition, and extensive usefulness, cordially commend it to the afflicted as worthy their best confidence, and with the firm conviction that it will do for their relief all that medicine can do.

Henshaw, Edmands & Co., Boston, Mass.
Reese & Coulson, Baltimore, Maryland.
Ladd & Ingraham, Bangor, Maine.
Haviland, Harrall & Co., Charleston, S. C.
Jacob S. Farrand, Detroit Michigan.
T. H. McAllister, Louisville, Kentucky.
Francis & Walton, St. Louis, Missouri.
Joseph Tucker, Mobile, Alabama.
Theodore A. Peck, Burlington, Vermont.
Haviland, Risley & Co., Augusta, Georgia.
Isaac D. James, Trenton, New Jersey.
J. M. Townsend, Pittsburg, Penn.
Clark & Co., Chicago, Illinois.
E. E. Gay, Burlington, Iowa.
M. A. Santos & Son, Norfolk, Virginia.
Edward Bringhurst, Wilmington, Delaware.
John Gilbert & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.
Z. D. & W. H. Gilman, Washington, D. C.
J. Wright & Co., New Orleans, La.
Watson, Wall & Co., Fort Wayne, Indiana.
C. C. Richmond & Co., San Francisco, Cal.
Lewis & Ames, Tallahasse, Florida.
B. B. Strong, Knoxville, Tennessee.
Chilton & Duer, Little Rock, Ark.
Stiller, Slade & Co., Lexington, Miss.
N. D. Labadie, Galveston, Texas.
Chas. Dyer, Jr., Providence, R. I.
Jos. M. Turner, Savannah, Ga.
Wade, Eckstein, & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES:

J. G. Coffin & Co., Valparaiso, Chili.
F. M. Dimond & Co., Vera Cruz, Mexico.
Fred. Rivas & Co., Bogota, New Grenada.
S Provost & Co., Lima, Peru.
Morton & Co., Halifax, Nova Scotia.
T. Walker & Son, St. Johns, New Brunswick.
C. G. Salinas & Co., Rio Janeiro, Brazil.

With such assurance, and from such men, no stronger proof can be adduced, except that found in its effects upon trial.

Prepared and sold by JAMES C. AYER,
Practical Chemist, Lowell, Mass.
Also, sold by L. M. SMITH, Charlestown.
DORSEY & BOWLY, Winchester.
T. DALTON HAMMOND, H. Ferry.
And by Druggists throughout the State.
October 16, 1851.—4m.

Forwarding & Commission Business.

THE subscribers having formed a Partnership under the firm of BLACKBURN & ALEXANDER, have opened Ware Houses at the Old Furnace and Harpers-Ferry, where they will engage in the *FORWARDING AND COMMISSION BUSINESS.* Their Boats will ply regularly between those places, and Georgetown and Alexandria, by the Canal.

They will at all times purchase, *WHEAT CORN* and other Produce, for which they will pay the highest prices in cash.

Produce will be received at either of the Depots on the Winchester & Potomac or Baltimore and Ohio Railroads.

They will keep on hand a constant supply of LUMBER, COAL, SALT, SHINGLES, LATHS, PLASTER, (ground and in the lump,) TAR, COFFEE, SUGARS, &c., which they will sell by the quantity.

They will endeavor at all times to make it the interest of Farmers and others to deal with them.

R. S. BLACKBURN,
W. F. ALEXANDER.

October 16, 1851.—1y.

HO! FOR THE WINTER.

STOVES! STOVES!! STOVES!!!

THE subscribers have determined to wage war against the cold blasts of winter, and are now manufacturing, at the Jefferson Iron Foundry, Coal and Wood Stoves, Grates and Cook Stoves, of the very latest and best patterns; Ten plate Stoves—also with cooking appartus, adapted to the use of small families; Fire Fronts, with grate for either wood or coal, both ornamental and useful; Grates for open hearths; also, the celebrated Egg Stove, especially adapted to the burning of fine as well as lump coal. In fact, every thing calculated to afford "aid and comfort" to our friends in cold and wintry weather. The public will please call and examine our stock.

☞ Stoves repaired, and old casting taken at all times in exchange for new work.

Oct. 9, 1851 ZIMMERMAN & CO.

Dying.

THE subscriber has permanently settled in Winchester, and will attend to Dying Ladies' Dresses, Shawls, &c., and every description of goods in their line. Gentlemen's Garments renovated and redyed, and he warrants to give satisfaction. Any article sent to the care of Mr. Jacob Senseney will receive prompt attention.

☞ Ladies will be careful to have their Dresses properly ripped.

July 10, '51—1y J. H. TICKELL.

TO THE PUBLIC.

IN connexion with my business as Constable, I offer my services as AUCTIONEER in this part of the County—those disposed to patronise me can leave word with the editor, or write to me at Charlestown, Jefferson county, Va. All business will be promptly attended to.

C. G. BRAGG, *Constable.*

April 18, 1851.

REMOVAL.

I HAVE removed my shop from Harpers-Ferry to Charlestown, in the office formerly occupied by the Telegraph company, opposite the Court House, where I offer my services to the citizens of Charlestown and public in general as a Watch and Clock repairer in all its various branches, viz: Duplex, Lever, Lepine, Repeating, Horizontal and common Watches, will be carefully repaired and warranted, and will also repair French Accordons and Music Boxes. From my experience in business, I flatter myself that I can suit those who may favor me with their custom.

Watches and Accordeons left at Mr. A. M. Crider's Apothecary Shop, Harpers-Ferry, will be attended to regularly.

March 21, 1851. W. T. McDONALD.

LAST NOTICE.

MY several Cards requesting those persons indebted to me to call and pay have been neglected by many, and lest some have come to the conclusion they were not embraced in the call, I now assure each and every one that this notice is intended for every person owing me little or much.

Those neglecting this call will have themselves only to blame for any addition to their debts in shape of Costs.

B. T. TOWNER.

Shepherdstown, Jan. 3, 1851—tf.

NOTICE.

I WISH to rent a House and Lot adjoining my Mother's farm, near Duffield's Depot, on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. The dwelling house has four rooms—a kitchen stands near by. The Lot contains between six and seven acres. I will make it an object to any one wanting a situation, to rent this property. There is a plank building within one hundred yards of the dwelling, also for rent. All of said property can be had for twelve months at a very low rent by applying soon.

May 30, 1851—tf. LEWIS NEILL.

CHARLESTOWN ACADEMY.

THE Trustees of this Institution, having appointed as its Principal, JARED P. CROCKER, a thoroughly qualified and accomplished instructor of youth, take pleasure in announcing that the Academy will be opened under the most favorable auspices, on Monday next, the 20th instant.

The trustees have exercised every precaution and their best judgment in making a judicious selection of principal; and they believe they may now assure those interested in the thorough education of their children, that no Academy in the country offers greater advantages in accomplishing that important object.

They have determined to give their personal attention to the exercises of the school, and to co-operate with the principal in securing good order and proper discipline, and at the same time by exciting in the pupils a proper spirit of emulation, to render their studies agreeable, or at least as little irksome as possible. The course of instruction will comprise every branch connected with a thorough academic education, especially the Latin and Greek languages and the higher Mathematics, including Elocution and Composition; at the same time, particular attention will be paid to pupils in the department of a plain English education.

Semi monthly reports will be made by the principal to the parents or guardian, of the standing and progress of each pupil.

TERMS.

English Department, per annum, $20,00
Classical and Mathematical do., 33,00

Students from a distance can be accommodated with board and lodging in private families on very reasonable terms, and the location is entirely healthy.

Should the number of pupils require it, an assistant will be employed.

ANDREW HUNTER, *Pres't*
October 16, 1851. *Board of Trustees.*

KEARSLEY'S HOTEL,
FAIRMONT, MARION COUNTY, VA.

THE undersigned begs leave respectfully to inform that he has Removed from his Establishment on the corner, to the corner of Adams' (or Main) and Monroe streets, formerly occupied by Geo. Irwin, and known as the "Marion House."

The House has recently undergone a thorough renovation, and is also improved by ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS. It is believed now to be in every respect adapted to the wants of the traveler and sojourner.

A large and commodious Stable has been added to the extensive Stabling, conveniences already on the lot. Every thing will be done for the comfort of travelers and others who may favor him with their custom.

JOHN KEARSLEY.

March 21, 1851.

WASHINGTON HOUSE,
WINCHESTER, VA.

A. P. FITCH respectfully informs his acquaintances and the public generally, that he has taken charge of the above establishment situated on Loudoun street, in the centre of the business portion of the town, formerly occupied by Mr. John Linn, and is now ready to accommodate those who may favor him with a call. From his long experience in Hotel keeping, he flatters himself that he will be able to give general satisfaction. His charges for Board and Lodging are very moderate.

☞ The office of the *Washington, Alexandria, Romney and Hagerstown Stages* is kept at this house.

January 21, 1851—1y. A. P. F.

UNION HOTEL,
WINCHESTER, VA.
Within a few Hundred Yards of the Rail Road Depot.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the travelling public generally, that he has again leased the above establishment, where he pledges himself to use his utmost efforts to please all who may patronize him. His chambers are large and convenient, and furnished in good style—and his table is always supplied with the very best the surrounding country can afford, and his charges moderate. He returns his thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed, and respectfully solicits a continuance thereof.

A line of Stages run by day-light from this house to Staunton, Va., and the Stages for Washington City and Alexandria also call at this house for passengers.

W. D. GILKESON.

March 14, 1851.

CARTER'S HOTEL
and
RESTAURANT.

THE subscriber has opened in the basement of his hotel a RESTAURANT where can be found (except on the Sabbath) all the delicacies of the season. He has engaged the services of a competent caterer from Baltimore to take charge of the same. A room adjoining the Ladies Parlor has been fitted up for the purpose of accommodating parties of Ladies and Gentlemen.

Nov. 22, 1850. I. N. CARTER.

CARRELL'S HOTEL.

MRS. CARRELL respectfully announces to the public that the Hotel is still open for accommodation of persons passing or visiting Harpers-Ferry. The premises have undergone thorough painting and cleansing—and she is prepared to accommodate in a style not surpassed on the route.—She invites the patronage of the travelling public.

Harpers-Ferry, Sept. 20, 1850.

CARTER'S HOTEL.

THE new and extensive addition to this establishment has been completed, together with renovating the entire concern, rendering it one among the largest and most attractive in the Valley. The rooms are furnished with neat furniture, and with an eye to the comfort and convenience of guests.

The Proprietor hopes to merit a continuance of the patronage heretofore extended to him, and by strict personal attention, to increase his business, assuring the public that no exertion on his part will be spared to please, and render the sojourn of guests agreeable.

ISAAC N. CARTER, PROPRIETOR.

April 11, 1850.

THE NEW WOOLLEN FACTORY.

Wool Wanted.

JOHN K. WHITE and D. G. HENKLE have their NEW WOOLLEN FACTORY, in Shepherdstown, nearly completed. The Machinery is all of the most approved kind, and the most skilful and experienced workmen have been engaged, so that those wool growers and merchants, who patronize *this establishment*, may rely upon getting the best materials, the best fabrics and *fast colors*. Rolls carded and other country work done at the shortest notice.

We will exchange for WOOL, on the most accommodating terms, our fabrics, viz: Fulled and Plaid Linseys, Tweeds, Blanketing, Flannels, Stocking Yarn, &c.: Also, any other kinds of merchandize, that may be preferred to our own make, at the Store of John K. White, where all the wool will be received.

Nothing that can be done on our part shall be left undone, to render entire satisfaction to those who trade with us, either by exchange of wool or purchase of our goods. WHITE & HENKLE.

Shepherdstown, May 24, 1849.

N. B. Hard Soap, Bees Wax, and Tallow wanted at the highest market price.

Spirit and Martinsburg Papers copy.

To Coopers and Others.

THE undersigned take this method of informing Coopers and persons in want of Shingles and Staves, that they have on hand at this time one hundred thousand Shingles and Cooper Stuff which they will dispose of low for cash or on a short credit.

They intend to keep constantly a large supply of each, and persons in want will find it to their advantage to purchase of them.

They have a machine for manufacturing the above articles which is applicable to steam, water or horse power, and is capable of making from 2500 to 3000 Shingles or Staves in two hours by horse power.

They own the right of this County and are desirous of disposing of several location rights. Letters addressed to them at Middleway, Jefferson County, Va., will be promptly answered.

A sample of the Staves and Shingles can be seen at the Free Press Office.

SHAULL & BURWELL.

April 11, 1851—1y.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE undersigned would respectfully call the attention of the public to his splendid assortment of work on hand at present, consisting of

SADDLES,

of every description, and at prices that cannot fail to please, ranging from $5 to $100. He has also a very splendid assortment of all other kinds of work, which is made of the very best materials and in the neatest and most durable manner. In fact he intends to keep every thing for sale that belongs to the business. He has on hand some very excellent Shaffer Saddles, which are as low as $12, and Somersets as low as $20 for cash, or on a short credit. He still continues to carry on his business in the shop formerly occupied by Mr. Wm. Hicks, immediately opposite the bank.

He returns his sincere thanks to the public generally for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a liberal share of the same hereafter. Any person wishing to see him will find him at his shop.

JOHN P. GORMAN.

Charlestown, March 21, 1851.

WILLIAM J. STEPHENS.

MERCHANT TAILOR
And Ready-Made Clothier,
Corner of Bridge and Shenandoah Streets,
HARPERS-FERRY, VA.,

WOULD respectfully make known to the citizens of Harpers-Ferry, and the public in general, that he has just returned from the Richmond and Baltimore markets with a large and extensive assortment of goods in his line, consisting in part as follows:

CLOTHS—Of all colors and qualities, from $1 to $10 per yard.

CASSIMERES—All colors, shades, and qualities, from 75 cts. to $4 per yard.

VESTINGS—Silk, Satin, Merine, embroidered and other Vestings, from $1 to $6 per yard.

SATINETS—Blue, black, light and dark gray and other colors, from 37½ cts. to $1 per yard.

ALSO—A general assortment of Trimmings, neat, fashionable and good.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

A very superior stock consisting of single and double Over-Coats, at prices varying from $3 to $26.

Frock and Dress Coats, from $6 to $25, latest fashion and made and trimmed in very best style.

Sacks, Coatees, and Business Frocks, from 3 to $15, in c