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tial city, or the neighboring towns.

Their bill furnished with full state-

ment of the very salient facts.

Every department will be represented by the

Proprietors of the most prominent

Liquors, Cigars and Tobacco, etc.

JAMES L. BROWN.

With 1857.

WAGNER HOME.

HAVING JUDGED it best to do, the Propri-

etors will offer the following terms to all

Advertisers who will publish their

Business in the Free Press.

They will be charged a moderate sum,

and all other Advertising by them

at a slight charge, and an extra

charge for the paid copy.

GALLAHER & CO.

BUSINESS CARDS.

A. H. DILLON.

CHARLIE & DILLON.

TROUBLESOME Law and Solicitors in Chan-

ging themselves to the practice

of the law exclusively.

Particular attention is called to COLLECTIONS

of the Northern and Western Countries of

the United States.

H. H. DILLON, Jr., NOTARY PUBLIC, and

Court Lawyer of the State of Vermont

and Massachusetts.

Office No. 91, Main street, 2d floor, 4th door

Baltimore, October 30, 1856.—It

WAGER HOME.

J. P. A. ENTRE.

PROPHETIC.

HARPER'S FERRY TRADING.

His HOTEL is situated on Belmont Hill,

One block, and having rooms for

rent, may now consider the

most pleasant hours of the winter

in determining where to go.

In endeavoring to do with the best

prevail in the lists of the public

institutions.

HIS TAPE.

be furnished at all times, the best the

morning and Baltimore, will afford

HIS CHAMBERS.

the clean and comfortable lodgings

which will be given to those who

desire to visit the workshops at the Na-

tional Museum at this place.

Lucas.

JOIN LUCAS.

E' RAWLINS INSIDE?

Undesigned having printed all the Fea-

ture and Fixtures in which the Queen and

Baroness strewed artfully, as "RAWLINS HOTEL," and having

not been read and read the same, are

prepared to accommodate traveling public.

THEIR TABLE.

all times be supplied with the very best the

afford. The best and most expensive

LIQUOR of all kinds, with

the spirit of an experienced keeper.

St. LUCAS will be engaged by a sober and

our intention to keep sober and orderly

one that will be worthy Old Boston.

Baggage, conveyed and from the

one of our friends and in public places

sojourned.

J. J. LUCAS.

21, 1857.—It.

ODERICK'S HOTEL.

Special Notice.

R. S. O. B. ODERICK.

OULD give NO FURTHER notice than

that she has removed

Stand to HER HO. & CO. of Green St.,

the Lutheran Parsonage, nearly oppo-

site Blackwell's Shop. She has had

OUDS and amanies in perfect order,

and is prepared to accommodate

THE PUBLIC.

same TERMS and in the same manner,

she has heretofore conducted her busi-

ness.

Advertisers are sincere thanks for the mani-

their approval, which she has always

in the community in which the lives, and

HER PATRONS that they shall

have cause to regret it if they continue to

the Stage Office will be at her Hotel as be-

CATHARIN BRODRICH.

burg, May 24, 1857.

Peruvian Guano.

Advertisers having made arrangements

Messrs. F. Banks & Co., in the

city of Philadelphia, for the

importation of Guano this season DIRECT FROM

THE CHINCHAS ISLANDS are hereby en-

treated that it can be procured in any other

country.

NATURALLY EXTRACTING THE SHIPS ZEPHYRUS

in the Islands.

Those who desire to

have it may do so, but, full compliance with the above-

G. W. SAPPINGTON.

July 16, 1857.

For Rent.

land which is my business

Machinery, Manufacturing, I will let

that part of the Zimmerman property

occupied by me, consisting of one large

NEW STORE with Engine House, Saw

Mill, Mill-Mill, etc. Also, the FOUN-

DATION in the South, etc.

WM. ROWE.

1857.

Weller's Cherry Exporters.

and will be sure of a sufficient quantity

the hold to port, say six years old

in the City.

D. C. G. AGENT, or

GARNETT, J. C. LEADFIELD.

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THURSDAY MORNING.

JANUARY 27, 1858.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The re-assembling of Congress on Monday last, after a recess of eleven days, was expected to be marked by several movements of importance. In the Senate, however, there was nothing of a disappointment, as Mr. Brown, of Mississippi, was not well enough to make his speech on the subject of Kansas.

In the House, Mr. CLEMSON, who is now at the head of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, made a call upon the President of the United States for copies of all documents relating to the recent regian affairs, and especially that relating to the course of Com. PAULINER in the capture of Gen. Walker. This is all no doubt undertaken between the chairman and the President, and will give the latter an opportunity to say his opinion of the subject. Mr. CLEMSON, it is said, is in favor of the administration, and Walker seems anxious to be the champion, and will avail himself of the occasion to discourse somewhat at large on this policy.

Had Gen. Walker himself planned the affair, he could not have had matters to work more satisfactorily for him than they are doing since Commodore PAULINER's interference with him upon foreign soil. They say they are pinheads and helpless, and have no where to go if ashore, and demand to be returned to Nicaragua, the home of their adoption.

DEATH OF A UNITED STATES JUDGE.—Hon. Henry Potter, Judge of the District Court of the United States in North Carolina, died at his residence near Fayetteville, on the 20th ult. Judge POTTER was born in Mecklenburg, Virginia, in 1792, and appointed District Judge by Jefferson in 1801, and was long associated in the discharge of his duties, with Chief Justice Marshall.

CALL ACCEPTED.

Most of readers, we presume, will be glad to learn that Rev. Dr. Dorse, of Jefferson, Frederick county, Md., has accepted the call to become the pastor of the Lutheran Church of this place. We congratulate this congregation that they have procured the services of so distinguished a divine as their pastor.—*Berkeley American.*

THE SOUP.

The Suppers by the Ladies of the Methodist Church last week, were nicely served up. The weather being inclement, on Wednesday night, the attendance was not large. The number present on Thursday night was larger, however, and the evening passed off pleasantly.

RESIGNED.

We learn that John Y. Mason, Jr., has sent in to the President his resignation as Pilot in the U. S. Navy.

Purser M. has been stationed at our Navy Yard for some time past.—*Portsmouth Transcript.*

DEATHS AND MARRIAGES IN PETERSBURG.—

The total number of deaths in Petersburg for the year 1857, was 224—males 112, females 112; a coincidence somewhat remarkable. The total number of marriages during the year was 103.

SCOTTISH DEATH.—George Rhodes, a highly respectable citizen of Rockingham county, died suddenly last week. He went to mill on the morning of his death, returned home, went to the stable with his horse, and fell dead at the stable door, where he was found a short time afterwards.

COURAGE AT THE U. S. MINT.—The coinage at the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia during the year 1857 was as follows: \$10,817,287 in gold, \$4,452,760 in silver, \$178,510 in nickel, making a grand total of fifteen million, four hundred and fifty-one thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars.

FURTHER FROM KANSAS.

Engagement between Gen. Lane and the United States Troops.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 4.—The St. Louis Daily Enterprise says that the passengers from Kansas report the following: On Friday the 20th ult., news reached Leavenworth of an engagement between the troops under Gen. Lane at Sugar Mound and the United States dragoons. The officers ordered Lane to march his troops to the south of the river, and he did so, but was soon engaged by the dragoons, who charged upon him, and were repulsed with a loss of three of their number. The dragoons then retired and sent to Governor Denver for reinforcements, who ordered three more companies of dragoons to the seat of war. It was expected there would be bloody work soon.

When the news of the engagement was received the people commenced organizing, and were hurrying to assist Lane, and it was expected before the dragoons arrived he would be reinforced by 2,500 men. There was intense excitement, and the people of Lawrence were preparing to take to the field. Mr. Calhoun, the president of the constitutional convention, had seen the territory.

HUNT TROUPE.

See the advertisement of the Hunt Family, which have long been in the enjoyment of religious comfort, and many young converts, gave in their "experience."

Much good has resulted from the preaching of Mr. Landstreet. Some 70 or 80 are now professed converts, and are daily increasing.

The Methodist Church is a handsome and comfortable one.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Mr. JOHN W. BARLEY, formerly of Frederick County, but recently employed on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, was killed on that road on Thursday morning last. It is not certainly known how the accident occurred, but he is supposed to have fallen from the train on which he was engaged, while it was running, and being caught in some manner, was thrown beneath the wheels, which nearly severed his head from his body, and caused death instantly. He leaves a wife to mourn his untimely death.

REINTERMENT OF JESSE NEELSTADT.

The Board of Overseers of the Poor, at their meeting on Monday week, concurred in the action of the County Court, in its purchase of the farm of MASON HUNTER, Esq. The Board also elected Mr. GEORGE W. BOYER, Superintendent of the Poor, and manager of the farm. The selection of Mr. B. we believe to be a good one, and will no doubt give satisfaction to all interested.

CONFUSION.

In the last number of the *Free Press* in our legislative report, a resolution of inquiry is reported to have been offered by Mr. HAWKS, for refusing to John C. Niblatt of this county, taxes improperly paid to the "Sheriff" of Jefferson County. Instead of John C. Niblatt, it should have read John C. Unsell.

It is stated that the highest speed ever made on the ocean was by the clipper ship Flying Seal, on the voyage to California—400 miles in twenty-four hours—nineteen and one sixth miles per hour.

PUBLIC DOCUMENT.

Our friend and Representative WELLS J. HAWKS, Esq., will accept our thanks for the messages of Gov. Wise, and the Reports of the Public Officers of the State, &c.

ELECTION.

The election for a Constable in the 4th District, will take place at the Court-House, on the 9th inst. (Saturday).

THE TAYLOR HOTEL.

This large and popular establishment passed into the hands of Mr. S. J. Saunders, on the 1st inst. Messrs. Carton and Burwell retiring from its management.

Mr. Saunders, the new Proprietor, is a gentleman of experience in the hotel business, having conducted with success and popularity similar establishments in Eastern Virginia. Under his judicious and efficient control, we have no doubt the Taylor Hotel will retain its de-

lightful position.

W. H. GALLAHER.

Mr. Editor.—Consideration of solicitation in a public point of view, and entirely agreeing to myself, and furthering to the object of my communication, I do, to suspend *Col. Jones* for a brief time, or, at least, as it may soon prove.

Although I do this at present, it is not for a moment to be supposed, that I am without a means of hasty, direct, and effectual—availing myself of the enemy.

Young Sirs, Dog—perfectly

A black, with the exception of a small white spot upon his breast.

A liberal reward will be given for his capture.

January 7, 1858.—*W. H. GALLAHER.*

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VIRGINIA FREE PRESS AND FARMERS' REPOSITORY.

SCHOOL POETICAL.

MATERIALITY.

MATERIALITY is a cut,
Poetry's man's digestion;
Wher' ob shall it faintly cracked,
I know the question,
not pasties.
Pretty girls with sigh and blush—
Slipper all they can, etc.—
Till out from their pouting lips,
Pop goes the answer.

Quoth the holy dove—
Stranger kind of arms—
When it goes a certain flight,
Pop goes the parson.

Quite thought the honey moon—
Made of roses colors—
Into Candy hills—
Pop goes the dollars.

When a year has shown its tail,
Round the corner may be—
Out upon the happy world,
Pop goes the sailor.

Mother gives it campin' tent,
Father gives it heady—
And above the campin' tubs,
Pop goes the sailor.

Never had he such a comin' out,
But that he was purrfect—
And above the youngster's heels,
Pop goes the sailor.

ANGRY WORDS.

Poor drops of care and sorrow—
Bitter drops of care are they—
Waiting for the coming morrow—
Sad memorials of to-day.

Angry words! O, let them never
From the tongue forbidden slip,
May the heart's best impulse ever
Check them ere they soil the lip!

VARIETY.

A YANKEE TRADE.

The following occurred in St. Louis, between a fine specimen of the Yankee Peddler, as he stood at the door of a merchant in that place:

"I calculate I couldn't drive a trade with you," said the peddler.

"I calculate you calculated about right, for you cannot," was the merchant's reply.

"Well, I guess you needn't huff about it."

"Now, here's a dozen real genuine razor strops, worth two dollars and a half—you may have 'em for two dollars."

"I tell you I don't want any of your trash, so you had better be going."

"Wall, now I declare, I'll bet you five dollars if you make me an offer for them strops I'll have a trade yet."

"Dobid," said the merchant, placing the money in the hands of a bystander. The Yankee deposited the like sum—the merchant offered him no piecemeal for the strops.

"They're your'n," said the Yankee, as he fobbed the strops.

"But," he added, with great apparent honesty, "I calculate a joke's a joke, and you don't want them strops I'll trade back."

The merchants countenance brightened.

"You are not as bad a chap as I thought you was; here are your strops—give me a chance."

"There it is," said the Yankee, as he received the strops and passed over the picket-jaws.

And away walked the peddler with his strops and his wares, amid the shouts of the laughing crowd.

NEWS EXTRAORDINARY.

A drail fellow being requested by an old lady to read the newspaper, took it up and read as follows:

"Last night, early in the morning, about two o'clock—in the afternoon, just after breakfast, a hungry boy about four years old, bought a big custard for a very cent, and, while eating it, and fell into his ankle right about the knee, and fell onto a dry mill-poud, and, unfortunately, was drawn. About two years after, on the same day, old tom eat nine turkey gobblers; the wind blow Yankees Doodie down, and killed a sow and two dead pigs at Boston, where a dumb man was taking French to his deaf and Peter!"

An Irishman used to come home of ten drak, and once, when he was going to see his wife, his wife said to him, "Now, Paddy, isn't that baste an example to ye? don't ye see how off when he has enough, the exertor! he's the most sensible of the two."

"Oh, it's very well to discourse like that, Biddy!" cried Pat, "but if there was another, he'd be hanged."

"I am sure, my dear," said the woman, "that your health, my child boy, would be safe till he drank the whole trough, think ye?"

A FISH STORY.

A clergyman of a country village desired his clerk to give notice that there would be no service in the afternoon, as he was going to officiate with another clergyman. The clerk, as soon as the service was ended, called out, "I am desired to give notice that there will be no service this afternoon, as Mr. L. — is going a fishing with another clergyman."

"Oh, a Chinese woman, surprised by her husband had just time to hide a forbidding sister-in-law set it up against the wall. The good man coming in, asked, "What is there in that sack?" The woman was confused, and hesitated for a moment for an answer. The visitor afraid she would blunder, called out from the inside of the sack, "Nothing but rice."

OYSTERS & OYSTERS.

The following would amuse to the Eastern critics: "I am desirous of getting a large quantity of oysters, which I have not been able to obtain in this city. In the West Indies, however, they are to be had in abundance, and at a low price."

"I am a restless man in bed, like a dog. John, did you find any dogs in the old hen's nest, this morning? No, sir. If the old hen laid egg, she mislaid them."

"It is said a man walking on Brussels carpet will think twice before he spits. So, sitting on rosewood or mahogany will restrain his propensity for whistling."

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MEDICAL HOUSE.



No. 11 SOUTH FREDERICK ST., BALTIMORE, MD.

Established in order to afford the afflicted sound and serviceable medical aid, and for the suppression of Quackery.

DOCTOR SMITH, THE ONLY REPUTABLE EDUCATED PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON IN THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES, in all their varied and complicated forms. His great success in those long and difficult cases, and were known to be cured of incurable diseases, has led him to be public as a witness to the extent of his success, which he has received. In the last eight years he has treated more than 20,000 cases of Complaints, in their different forms and stages; a practice which no doubt exceeds that of all the other physicians and surgeons in the United States. He has given directions greatly followed, and medicines taken at reasonable time, without effecting a cure, with disease men. Therefore, persons who are difficult or long standing the case may be, it would well call to Dr. Smith, at his office in No. 11 South Frederick Street, at the old stand, next to the United States Hotel, to have every advantage.

He has a full knowledge of all the diseases of the human body, and, therefore, can give a full account of the present state of his health, and every detail necessary to his cure.

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