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PARKVILLE HYDROPATHIC INSTITUTE.

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Parkville Hydropathic Institute, held 18th month 1850.

Joseph A. W. D., was elected President, and Dr. Dexter, resigned.

Having made various improvements, this institute is now prepared to receive an additional number of patients; and from Dr. W. D., we have received the highest certificate in Europe, (acquired under Vincenz Preisnitz, the founder of the Hydropathic system), and for several years past he has been in attendance at the Hydropathic Institute, (where he has had many patients), the Managers believe the afflicted will find him an able and attentive physician.

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General Description of the Parkville Hydropathic Institute. The main building is three stories high, standing back from the street about one hundred feet, with a semicircular grass plot in front, and contains thirty to forty rooms. The grounds around the house are tastefully laid out with walks and planted with trees, shrubs, &c. On the left of the entrance to these grounds is a cottage containing four rooms, used by male patients as a bathing house, with every convenience for smoking, &c. On the right of the entrance, about two hundred feet distant, stands a similar cottage, used by the ladies for similar purposes.

In the rear of the Institute, at the distance of one hundred feet, are three other cottages, some eighty feet apart. One of these is the laundry, with a hydrant at the door; the other two are occupied by the nurses, and are lighted by the hydrant water, as introduced into these cottages as well as into the main building, and all the waste water carried off by drains under ground.

Consist of a circular stone building, standing on the brow of a hill, surmounted by a large circular reservoir containing five hundred barrels, brought from a never-failing spring of pure cold water in the water works, and supplied with a self-acting machine of cast iron, that is kept constantly going, night and day, by the descent of the water from the spring. The surplus water is carried from the reservoir to a fountain in the water works, and is collected by sweeping willows. In the first story of the water works is a circular room, containing the douche bath, which is a stream falling from a height of about thirty feet, and can be raised or lowered, by an inch to an inch and a half in diameter. Adjoining the douche room is a dressing room, with marble tables, &c.; the rising water (for the douche) is conducted to the patient by the pipe contrivances of the kind, being entirely under the control of the patient using the same.

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Persons purchasing the above will do well to call and examine for themselves.

N. B. Persons wanting Varnishes manufactured will please call, as the subscriber is prepared to manufacture all kinds.
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Our PLAN—the plan the publisher has so successfully carried out for several years, is the obtaining responsible names as agents, who are well known in their own counties, towns and villages, and have time and disposition to circulate good and instructive books among their neighbors and friends. Any person wishing to embark in the enterprise will risk little in sending us \$25 or \$50 for which he can purchase an assortment as he may desire, at the whole sale price.

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ROBERT SEARS, 128 Nassau street, N. Y.

To publishers of newspapers throughout the United States: Newspapers copying this advertisement entire, without any limitation or abridgment, (including this notice), and giving it a few inside insertions, shall receive a copy of any of our \$2 50 or \$3 books, subject to their order, by sending direct to the publisher.

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The established character and known reputation of this company is an ample guarantee to the trade disposed to confer with us in respect to the care of the company.

One or more of the company's boats leave Philadelphia from the upper side of Chestnut street wharf every day, (Sunday excepted), at 10 o'clock, arriving in Baltimore early next morning. Apply in Philadelphia to

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General Description of the Hodgman's Warehouses are respectfully informed that my spring stock of India Rubber Goods will be found far superior to any before offered, having been selected by an individual and of the highest quality, and my experience in manufacturing, which enables me to warrant entire satisfaction.

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Office: St. Charles Hotel Building, New Orleans, and 10 Wall street, New York. mar 24—1f

NEW YORK JOURNAL OF MEDICINE
and the Collateral Sciences for
MARCH, 1851.—The March number of this well established journal is now before the public, containing original communications from the following talented writers: the Medical Profession: N. H. Van Buren, M. D., case of ovarian tumor, in which death resulted from intra-peritoneal arising from a navel case, illustrated by a plate; remarks on tetanus, by J. P. Bennett, M. D., of Connecticut; report of a specimen number sent to our friends, the jewelers, bankers, and merchants generally.

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Specimen number sent to any part of the country gratis, on application, post paid, to R. F. HUDSON, Agent, No. 90 Wall street, New York.

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CHARLES S. LITTLE, Importer and General Dealer in English, German, and American Hardware, Cutlery, Edge Tools, &c., 34 Fulton street, opposite the United States Hotel, New York, respectfully invites the attention of Merchants, making their purchases, to his very extensive assortment of goods, which he has on hand, and to which new and constant supplies are being added. His variety of Tools is adapted to all the various branches of mechanics, especially Coopers and Carpenters. Particular attention given to all orders, all of which are offered at the lowest market prices for cash or on approved credit:

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Office, No. 1 Reads Street, New York.

In consequence of the great number of complaints which have for years past been made by Emigrants, of frauds committed upon them in the sending of money to their friends in Ireland, and to aid and protect the Emigrant, the Irish Emigrant Society established a fund, deposited in the Bank of Ireland, upon which they draw drafts, payable at sight, at any of the branches of the Bank.

Persons residing out of the city, by enclosing in a letter the sum they wish forwarded, to the Society, written direction to whom and where it is to be paid, will have the same remitted.

There is a great advantage in purchasing the Society's drafts; that the Bank has a branch in each of the principal towns in Ireland, and thus the loss by discount, and otherwise, are avoided.

The Society's office is at No. 22 Spruce street, to which Emigrants can apply to obtain situations for which they are fitted.

Orders from employers in the country, stating the services required, the wages, and the cheapest mode of conveyance, and giving a respectable reference, will meet with prompt attention.

The Society will be thankful for all circumstantial and early information of any fraud, imposition, or outrage committed on Emigrants, and will endeavor speedily to apply a remedy.

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Inventors and Manufacturers of the Egyptian and Fire-proof Paper, Wilmington, Clinton Co., Ohio.

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This article is so universally appreciated by all who have used it, that it scarcely needs commendation. But to give credit to the case, we will state that Mr. Z. C. Ryan, foreman to A. M. Taylor & Co., Columbia street, Cincinnati, has authorized us to use his name as a recommendation to tanners in general, who know Mr. Z. C. Ryan, and who have used it, and who have granted us this privilege. If it were necessary we could fill a newspaper with testimonials, but where all who are pleased we deem it uncalled for.

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With a large variety not mentioned above.

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Hay, Straw, and Corn Stalk Cutters in great variety, among which will be found Harvey's superior Premium Mowing Machine, and other improved Mowers.

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PROUTY & HARRITT.

French and German Looking-Glass Depot,
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Also, sale agency for the United States of J. M. Cron & Co.'s Fancy Gilt and Silk Buttons, and other fabrics. mar 24—1f

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH

WASHINGTON CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

Those of our readers who have perused the article on this subject, copied into the Telegraph on Friday last, will read with interest the following report of yesterday's proceedings of the Board of Common Council, which appears in the Republic of this morning:

Among the subjects which occupied the attention of the Board was that embraced in a joint resolution of the Board of Aldermen, instructing the Mayor to respectfully request the President of the United States to detail, as soon as he may deem proper, one of the engineers to survey James' Creek, from its intersection with the present Washington Canal to its terminus in the Eastern Branch, and to report what would be the best mode and cost of so straightening or altering its present course, by either draining or filling up a portion of it, as to prevent a lodgment of the waters on the low lands adjacent to it. And also whether it would be practicable to have a collateral canal and basin at the terminus in the Eastern Branch sufficient to float boats of equal dimensions with those adapted to float on the Washington Canal, and, if so, the amount of cost required to complete the same.

Mr. McKim moved to strike out the latter clause, when—

Mr. Wheeler expressed the hope that the resolution would pass in its present form. It merely proposed to inquire into the expediency of the work, and to this there could be no serious objection. Most of the members were not aware that if the object contemplated should be carried into effect, it would not cost the corporation one dollar.

Mr. Miller wished to know what utility the information asked for would be, if the work was not to cost the corporation one dollar, and if they were not to be called upon to do any thing. He had no objection to the resolution, but differed totally from the views of the gentlemen of the other board who reported it. He did not consider James creek a source of ill health; he had never thought so for the last ten years; nor had the board of health so decided, although two or three efforts had been made with this object, but without success.

Mr. McKim was in favor of some mode for draining the low lands, but was opposed to digging another canal. We already have one, and that is as much as we can attend to and make profitable.

Mr. Brent said that the resolution did not commit the Corporation. Mr. Fisk, the engineer, was now engaged on the canal, and a more favorable opportunity for obtaining the desired information could not be presented. We should leave no room for remark that we have neglected the public interests; and therefore the inquiry should be made in the manner proposed.

Mr. McKim confessed that he was not convinced of the expediency of putting the General Government to the expense and trouble of furnishing that which may never be of use to us. He regarded a proposition for a canal at James' Creek as wild and visionary. This would never be a great commercial city; it would not be an Amsterdam or Rotterdam; and it would be better to attend to the canal which we already have.

Mr. Bryan opposed the amendment. If they were going to ask for information, it would be better to get all they could.

Mr. Hill (the President of the Board) regarded the project of digging a canal at James' Creek as of great public importance. For years he had bestowed much attention on the subject; and he had no doubt that, ultimately, a canal would be made to Greenleaf's Point. He did not question the utility of the measure; and the canal would be made whenever the public interest should require it. Therefore, he should vote for the resolution, being desirous of obtaining the information as soon as practicable.

Mr. Hutchinson said that he was acquainted with the locality of James' Creek, and that it was impossible to cut a canal through it, the mud being so soft. If a canal was ever made there, it would have to be alongside of the creek, not across it, so as to bring its mouth to Buzzard Point. The channel of the creek is narrower than any other, and the water there runs swifter; and, therefore, he should vote for the amendment.

Messrs. Brent and McKim made a few remarks in explanation, when

Mr. Wheeler said that the canal spoken of was of vital importance to the city. In the course of five or six years there will not be room enough to receive the coal on the line of the present canal. Alexandria and Georgetown are making extensive preparations for the coal trade, and we should not be idle to profit by it in a like degree. The river in the eastern section is deep enough to float vessels of the same size as those which go to Alexandria, and he did not see why we should not have a canal at James' Creek.

The question being taken on the amendment, it was disagreed to—yeas 6, nays 12; and the resolution was then adopted.

A case involving a breach of the marriage promise was tried in New York on Thursday. The parties were Miss Corneilla Bunc, plaintiff, a lady over forty years of age, and Mr. John Smith, a gentleman apparently beyond sixty, lately a widower, and the father of a large family of children. One of the letters from Smith, produced at the trial, stated that as his children were opposed to his marriage with Miss Bunc, and desired his union with another woman, he had complied with their wishes and married the lady (his children) had chosen as a proper wife for him, (their father), although he had seen her but twice before in his life. Verdict for plaintiff—damages \$2,000.

DOG-DAYS.—This name was given to a certain portion of summer, from the fact that in the time of the ancient astronomers the star Sirius, called also "the Dog-Star," rose just before the sun, about the beginning of July; and the sultry heat of that season, together with the tendency of dogs to run mad, were ascribed to the raging of the star. Hence the time of its ascendency was called dog-days. Owing to the precession of the equinoxes, the heliac rising of Sirius now takes place in a later and cooler season of the year, and can have no relation to what we call dog-days.

STEAM BETWEEN LIVERPOOL AND CHARGES.—A firm in Liverpool, Campbell, Arnott & Co., are preparing to establish a line of steam propellers between that city and Chagres, to connect at the latter point with a conveyance across the Isthmus to Panama, and at Panama with the Pacific steamers to San Francisco.