

The Invasion of Cuba and the Laws of Nations.

The account of the recent invasion of Cuba by a number of our people, and the execution of some of our bravest fellow-citizens by the Spaniards, has created an intense excitement throughout the Union.

It is not surprising that such feelings are entertained. While all men of judgment acknowledge the necessity of yielding obedience to the well-known laws of nations, and see the justice of inflicting punishment for every violation of them, they are at the same time justly indignant at so flagrant a disregard of every principle of humanity.

It is justly a proud boast of the people of the United States that, since they declared themselves independent, they have ever been governed by principles of moderation and humanity in their treatment of their enemies.

The President.—We see it stated in several newspapers, that during the absence of the President of the United States Mr. Corwin is Acting-President.

The Union this morning gives a list of the Executive officers, as follows: Those present are: 1. Thomas Corwin, Acting President.

The execution, by the British, of Captain Nathan Hale, as a spy, is a well-known instance of their cruelty, which compares most unfavorably with the conduct of the Americans in a similar case.

The poor negro.—We would be among the most zealous of the abolition ranks, if we could only learn how to improve and elevate, or even to protect, the poor liberated negro.

Such is America's generosity to her foes. Where, in the history of her three glorious wars, can be found a solitary instance of cruelty, or even of undue severity, to captives?

Has Spain shown this generosity, this respect, this forbearance? Or has she blackened her long since tarnished escutcheon by another vile act of revengeful severity?

No prophet need arise to point out the first of our future popes! The battle-field may often echo the cry of revenge, but the bonds of the captive will ever prove a shield too sacred to be penetrated by the barb of the victor.

We shall have a few words more on this subject to-morrow.

The following, from the Southern Press of this morning, is clear and to the point: "There seems to be a very prevalent notion among our conservative contemporaries that the invaders of Cuba are liable to the penalties of piracy and outlawry."

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Baltimore, Aug. 29.—2 1/2 p. m. No farther Cuba news.

Sales of Howard street flour, \$3.87. Grain unchanged.

New York market steady; prices unchanged.

Frost in Baltimore county last night.

New York, Aug. 29.—noon.

Steamship Hermann has just arrived, with full freight and passengers. Her news is not so late as the Asia's.

Norfolk, August 28.—The Saranac sailed to-day, having been stopped yesterday whilst on the point of sailing, by orders from Washington.

Pittsburg, August 28.—A great meeting of Cuba sympathizers was held last night. Hon. Mr. Irvin presided, and resolutions were adopted denouncing the course of the Spanish authorities and of Consul Owen. Speeches were delivered by Hon. W. Irvin, Col. S. W. Black, W. Dallas and others. Great enthusiasm was manifested.

Louisville, August 28.—A large meeting of Cuban sympathizers was held last night, and another takes place to-night. Similar meetings have been held in the interior towns.

Sailing of the Saranac.

The Norfolk Argus of yesterday says: "The U. S. steamer Saranac did not sail as was announced, Commodore Parker having received a telegraphic despatch on Monday evening, directing him to await the arrival of the Hon. T. P. Letcher, our minister to Mexico, who is to take passage with him. Mr. Letcher did not come, in consequence of there being no boat from Baltimore, and the Saranac is still here awaiting his presence. He will probably come by this morning's boat, when she will immediately sail."

"P. S. Since writing the above we learn that a despatch was received from the Navy Department by Commodore Parker, directing him to sail instant. The Saranac accordingly left at nine o'clock last night without Mr. Letcher."

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RECRUITS FOR CUBA.—The Norfolk Argus of yesterday says: "There is but little doubt that large parties of patriot volunteers have flocked to the aid of Cuba from every portion of the United States. A few weeks since a schooner, with upwards of fifty recruits on board, sailed from this port, successfully evading the vigilance of the officers both of the naval and revenue service on this station. It is understood that she was to join at the Capes a party from Baltimore, and that they were destined for Cuba."

The Baltimore correspondent of the National Intelligencer at Washington says: "A notice is published in our papers this morning, calling a town meeting of Cuban sympathizers in Monument Square to-night. My impression is the call will not be very largely responded to."

We guess, after the demonstration of last evening he will acknowledge that he is "no prophet, nor the son of a prophet."

[Ball. Republican, 28th.]

GEORGETOWN AND ITS AFFAIRS.

Georgetown, August 29.—12 m.

The cold winds of the past few days have nearly subsided, and old Sol is pouring down his rays this morning in such a manner as to call into requisition again the linen coats, &c., which had been temporarily laid aside.

Owing to some repairs which it was found necessary to make on the canal, about thirty-three miles from here, so much of the water has been let off as to prevent loaded boats from passing. It will be completed to-morrow.

The large new boat, T. W. Gale, has been so altered as to permit her to pass the locks, and has returned to Cumberland.

I have heard of no change in the prices of flour or grain. There was a sale this morning to the Columbia Mills of 1,000 bushels of prime red wheat at 78 cents; and one of 300 barrels extra fresh-ground flour at \$3 87 1/2.

At the sugar sale of the Messrs. Dodge to-day, 305 hds. changed hands at prices ranging from \$5 55 to \$6 45; also, 60 hds. molasses, at \$2 29 cents per gallon.

Canal Trade.—Arrived, Grampus, 124 miles, wheat; Experiment, 31 miles, do.

Departed.—Texas, William B. Clark, Pacific, Charles Perry, Anna Woodward, Cumberland, packets Delaware and Jenny Lind.

The packet boat Fashion left here yesterday at 7 o'clock, p. m., with some forty or fifty passengers on board.

RETROCESSION.—The friends of retrocession in Georgetown contemplate holding a series of meetings in the course of the coming month. Letters have been received from eminent gentlemen in Maryland, consenting to address the people of the town on that interesting subject; among whom are Wm. Cost Johnson and others.

MURDER BY GENERAL ORDER.—It seems from the translated copy of the death-warrant issued by CONCHA for the execution of the American prisoners at Havana on the 16th instant, that they had no trial—the assassination having been decreed in April last! The following is the decree of the Captain General: "It having been decreed by the general order of the 20th of April last, and subsequently reproduced, what was to be the fate of the pirates who should dare to profane the soil of the island, and in view of the declarations of the fifty individuals who have been taken by his Excellency the commander general of this naval station, and placed at my disposal, which declarations establish the identity of their persons as pertaining to the horde commanded by the traitor Lopez, I have resolved, in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Ordinances, General Laws of the Kingdom, and particularly in the Royal Order of the 12th June of the past year, issued for this particular case, that, should any individuals whose names and designation are set forth in the following statement, suffer this day the pain of death by being shot, the execution being committed to the Senor Teniente de Rey, Brigadier of the Plaza.

"JOSE DE LA CONCHA."

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.

THE SUBSCRIBER would respectfully inform the public that he will now give lessons by rule, from Samuel T. Taylor's scale for DRESS-CUTTING, and which is so simple that all can learn, and so exact that none need fear failure. The course is taught by a book and draft furnished, for five dollars. If the scholar is not effectually taught, she will not pay. She will attend persons who desire to be instructed in her own town, or she will receive them at her residence in the city. She also carries on the MILLINERY and DRESS-MAKING business, and will be happy to supply customers in her line with the latest and the most elegant manner and on reasonable terms.

DRESSES cut and exquisite fits given for 37 1/2 cents.

MARY A. CLAGETT, 37 1/2 St., 3 doors above Clagett's store.

DYEING ESTABLISHMENT.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having relinquished his interest in the Georgetown Dyeing Establishment, which he has purchased the Dyeing Establishment lately occupied by L. J. Denham, on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue, between 9th and 10th streets, where he is prepared to execute all work in the line of his business in the best manner, such as Dyeing and Cleaning ladies' and gentlemen's wearing apparel, curtains, &c., &c.

He would also inform those engaged in the dry goods trade, that, from the improved character of his fixtures, he will be able to give his personal attention to all work entrusted to him, he feels assured that he will yield satisfaction to those who may favor him with their patronage.

JOHN T. BERKLEY, au 27—300\*

NEW DRY GOODS.

MAGRUDER & CALVERT, Pennsylvania avenue, between 8th and 9th streets, have just received a fresh supply of seasonable DRY GOODS, which they will run off at very low prices. Their stock is large and assortment complete.

STOP!—AT GEO. HILBURN'S MUSICAL DEPT., 10th street, and examine his stock of superior Musical Instruments, which has been selected from the best houses in the country. He would also call the attention of the public to his complete stock of French Accordions and Pianos, just received, with front and back keys, handsomely inlaid with pearl and brass, together with a large and complete assortment of Violins, Guitars, Flutes, Banjos, Tambourines, Clarinets, Baguettes, Piccolos, Instruction Books for different instruments, Violin, Guitar, Violoncello, and Tenor strings, of the best quality.

JAS. T. LOYD, Pa. av., 3 doors east of 10th st.

THE CHEAPEST NEWSPAPER IN THE UNITED STATES.

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Containing all the Reading Matter and new Advertisements of the Daily Telegraph.

This paper is now firmly established. It is independent. It comments with freedom upon every topic, asks and expects no favors, tells the truth without fear, favor, or affection, and has been pronounced "a terror to evil-doers."

It has been thought by many that a newspaper could not exist in Washington independent of the public patronage. The TELEGRAPH will probably solve this problem—or at least it will possess no such patronage not voluntarily given, or obtained by virtue of a right to demand it.

TERMS, per year, \$3; seven months, \$2; three months, \$1—always in advance.

Terms of the Daily Telegraph.—Per year, \$5; seven months, \$3; three months, \$1 50.

No letters received upon which the postage is not prepaid.

IMPORTANT INDUCEMENTS.

Any postmaster or other person obtaining for us the amount of \$9 or upwards is authorized to retain one-fifth thereof as remuneration for his services. Fractions of a dollar may be paid in post-office stamps. Address

CONNOLLY, WIMER & MCGILL, Washington City, D. C.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 29.

Sun rises - - - 6h. 26m. | Sun sets - - - 6h. 50m.

Mr. E. W. CARL, newspaper agent, is the only authorized agent for this paper in Philadelphia, and is duly empowered to take advertisements and subscriptions at the rates required by us. His receipts will be regarded as payments. Office at the northwest corner of Third and Walnut streets.

ISLAND SUBSCRIBERS.—John W. Wood has been removed from this route in consequence of delinquencies. Our subscribers will please give us notice of any omissions until a new carrier shall have become acquainted with them all.

The privileges of yearly advertisers will be confined rigidly to their regular business, and all other advertisements, not pertaining to their regular business as agreed for, to be paid extra.

Every notice designed to call attention to private enterprises calculated or intended to promote individual interest, can only be inserted with the understanding that the same is to be paid for.

SEPARATE PROPOSALS will be received by the undersigned until the 31st day of September for grading and graveling the following streets, viz: 10th street west, from New York avenue to B street north; C street north, from 20th to 22d street west; the earth for filling to be taken from the vicinity of the Observatory and such other points as the Commissioner may direct; the gravel to be nine inches deep in the center of the street and four inches on the gutter line, free from stone of improper size and well rolled.

The proposer to state the price per cubic yard for grading, and per square yard for graveling.

W. H. DIGGES, Commissioner of the District of Columbia, THOMAS CARBERRY, A. DENHAM, Assistant Commissioners.

NEW FALL GOODS.—BONNETS, &c.

JUST RECEIVED AT BROWN'S CHEAP CASH STORE, Pennsylvania avenue, opposite Brown's hotel, an assortment of pretty Mousseline, Cashmere, Calicoes, &c., which will be sold cheap. Also a large assortment of Bleached and Brown Cottons, very cheap, by the piece or yard. Also, six dozen Fall style Bonnets.

au 29—4tr

CARD.—Owing to the change which has lately been made in the prices of a number of styles of goods for the purpose of reducing and running off the stock, preparatory to laying in Fall supplies.

Persons wanting very Good at, and in many cases less than, the original cost, will find it to their advantage to give us a call, as we want room and money.

au 23—42\*

YERBY & MILLER.

TAYLOR & MAURY, Booksellers and Stationers, Pennsylvania avenue, near 9th street, have constantly on hand a large assortment of BLANK BOOKS, SCHOOL BOOKS, PENS, INK, and PAPER, of every variety, for sale at New York prices.

au 22—tr

SELL ANOTHER of our most talented and highly respectable citizens speaks for HANCOCK'S VEGETABLE TINCTURE.

Baltimore, July 16, 1851.

Meas. Mortimer & Moschery—Greatly respected, I am much regretting to have been afflicted for more than a year with the spinal disease, and having tried every remedy that was prescribed by some of our best physicians, without affording me any relief, I finally turned to your Tincture, which I received from Dr. Hampton's Vegetable Tincture, which relieved her of her pain in less than twenty-four hours. I am pleased to state that since taking it she has been free from pain, and is gradually gaining strength, which I attribute entirely to the restorative properties of your Tincture. I have not been so extensively used, it would do more good in the removal of such diseases incident to the human family than what is usually prescribed.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant, ROBERT KERR, Principal Western P. H. School.

Call and get pamphlet and see certificates of wonderful cures.

For sale by MORTIMER & MOSCHERY, 240 Baltimore street, General Agents.

Also by C. Stott & Co., Washington, D. C. Joseph Moffett, 7th st. near E. R. S. T. Claff, Georgetown, C. C. Berry, Alexandria, Va.

au 16—3mf

WANTS.

WANTED TO HIRE—two respectable Women, either colored or white, for domestic service, other for HOUSEWORK. To those who can come well recommended, good wages will be given. Apply at Misses Hooker's Senary, corner of 6th and F streets.

au 23—11\*

A Servant Woman Wanted.—A servant (a slave preferred) competent to cook and wash for a family, will find a good situation by applying at the Drug corner of E and Seventh streets.

au 7—tr

WANTED—to purchase or hire, for a term of years, a COLORED WOMAN, from 20 to 35 years of age. Inquire of A. GLADMAN, cor. of 9th and M streets.

au 14—tr

MRS. ESTHER MOPFETT, 7th street, opposite Old-Follows' Hall, has received today an assortment of Ladies' Cut-pins, Jenny Lind Ear-rings, Velvet Ribbons, Elastic Sleeve-continues, Under-sleeves, &c. Also, English knit stockings, Mohair Stockings, white and colored Stripes, two rich China tea sets for children. Hampton's Vegetable Tincture kept constantly for sale.

au 4—tr

PROPOSALS will be received by the undersigned until the 31st inst. for erecting a culvert across the street north, at the intersection of 11th street west of the same dimensions and to connect with the culvert that runs into the canal, and to be well sheet-piled. The length of the culvert will be about 94 feet; the abutments of blue stone, to be three feet thick, resting on a foundation of masonry, and to be well sheet-piled. The materials in the old culvert are to be used in the new one.

The proposals will state the price for completing the work, including the masonry and filling on crown of arch to the grade of B street north.

P. S.—Plan can be seen by calling on the undersigned.

au 10—Commissaries First and Second Wards.

HARDWARE, CUTLERY, &c.

We are now receiving, by ship Living Age, from Liverpool, and from American manufacturers, large additions to our stock, which offer very low prices.

CAMPBELL & COYLE, au 15—1m\* Sign of the Anvil, Penna. avenue.

Attention, Chewers and Smokers!

DOWNER'S popular Cigar and Tobacco stand is well supplied with the best Havanna and Principe Cigars, also a splendid lot of Chewing Tobacco, to which he extends a cordial invitation to his friends and to gentlemen of taste generally.

au 26—11\*

HYMNS—BIBLES—PRAYER-BOOKS.

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All of the above in every variety and style of binding.

au 26—eodlf 7th street, opp. Old-Follows' Hall.

IN FAIR WEATHER PREPARE FOR RAIN.

DANIEL PIERCE continues to cover and repair UMBRELLAS and PARASOLS as usual, and has a large stock of the latest styles, side, between 12th and 13th streets, sign of the black and white Umbrella. A general assortment of Umbrellas, caps, hats, and other articles suitable for every description of weather always on hand. Pa. av., south side, between 12th and 13th streets. June 3—eodlf

NOT BAD TO TAKE.

SHERMAN'S FALLEN Cough, Worm, Camphor, Cathartic, and Diarrhoeic, is a most valuable medicine. These Lozenges are remedies the most pleasant to the taste, and most valuable for the purposes intended. Try them. A. GRAY, Bookseller, June 13—eodlf 7th street, opposite Old-Follows' Hall.

SCRIPTURAL MANUAL.—By Chas. Simmons.

THE DESIGN of this book is, to furnish proof texts, alphabetically and systematically arranged, on all the principal topics introduced in the Scriptures. Great care has evidently been taken in selecting and classifying these texts. They fill a 12mo. volume of over 500 pages, arranged under no less than 750 distinct topics, with an average of perhaps half a dozen texts to a topic. The book is furnished with a full index, which greatly increases its usefulness, and is in every respect not only a very valuable kind of work, but undoubtedly the best of its class extant.

Were it generally possessed, carefully studied, and faithfully used, the result would be the introduction of a new era in biblical knowledge. It is commended to all clergymen, to students, to families, and especially to Sabbath-school teachers. The good paper, fair type, and mechanical execution of the work, are worthy of its contents. The second stereotyped edition of this book, being its twenty-fifth edition (issued in 1850), is a great improvement on former editions, in the number and arrangement of topics. The fact that 43,000 copies of it have been published within a few years, to meet the gradually increasing demand for it, is a most gratifying circumstance in which it is proud.

AUSTIN GRAY, 7th street, opposite Old-Follows' Hall.

Sub-agents are now canvassing for this city, through the District. au 16—eodlf

H. ECKHARDT & BROTHER, and their Public generally, that they have opened a branch of their business on the Avenue in the dwelling of the late Mr. TRAVERS, between 12th and 13th streets, which they have handsomely fitted up, hoping by strict attention to business to share a portion of the public patronage. They will constantly keep on hand a fresh assortment of Cakes and Candies of every description; Ice Cream, Jellies, Charlotte Russe, Blanc-Mange, and Pyramids of every style for table or for the refreshment ever introduced into this city; together with the best variety of French Confectionaries. Their Saloons will be constantly kept open, where the choicest Creams of the season will be kept. The most perfect attention will be given to furnishing Ball Parties and Private Entertainments.

P. S.—All orders left at the Store on the corner of F and 9th streets, near the Patent Office, or on the Avenue, will receive prompt attention. June 2—eodlf