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### THE DETECTIVES OF LONDON.

BY CHARLES DICKENS.

Your wife discovers, on retiring for the night, that her boxes are void; her toilette table is bare; except the ornaments she now wears, her beauty is unadorned, as that of a Quakeress; not a thing is left; all the food tokens you gave her, pre-nuptial lover, are gone; your own miniature, with its setting of gold and brilliants; her late mother's diamonds; the bracelets "dear papa" presented on her last birthday; the top of every bottle in the dressing case, brought from Paris by Uncle John, at the risk of his life, in February, 1853, (being gold), are off—but the bottles (being glass) remain. Every valuable is swept away with the most discriminating villainy; for no other thing in the chamber has been touched, not a chair has been moved; the costly pendule on the chimney piece still ticks; the entire apartment is as neat and trim as when it had received the finishing touch of the housemaid's duster. The entire establishment runs frantically up stairs and down stairs; and finally congregates in my lady's chamber. Nobody knows anything whatever about it, yet everybody offers a suggestion, although they have not an idea "who ever did it." The housemaid bursts into tears, the cook declares she thinks she is going into hysterics, and at last you suggest sending for the police; which is taken as a supposition of insult on the whole assembled household, and they descend into the lower regions of the house in the sulks.

X 40 arrives. His face betrays sheepishness combined with mystery. He turns his bull's eye into every corner of the passage, and upon every countenance on the premises. He examines all the locks, bolts, and bars, bestowing extra diligence on those which enclosed the stolen treasure. These he declares have been "wotted," thus concealing intimating, without quoting Pope, that there has been more than one "Rape of the Lock." He then notes the non-disturbance of other valuables; takes you solemnly aside, darkens his lantern, and asks in a mysterious whisper, if you suspect any of your servants, which implies that he does. He then examines the upper bed room, and in the room of the female servants he discovers the least valuable of the rings and a cast-off silver toothpick between the mattresses. You have every confidence in your maids, but what can you think? You suggest their safe custody, but your wife intercedes, and the policeman would prefer speaking to his inspector before he locks anybody up.

Had the whole matter remained in the hands of X 40, it is possible that your whole troubles would have lasted till now. A train of legal proceedings—actions for defamation of character and suits for damages—would have followed, costing more than the value of the jewels, together with the entire vacation of all your neighbors and every private friend of your domestic life. But, happily, the Inspector promptly sends a plain, earnest-looking man, who announces himself as one of two detectives of the X division. He settles the whole matter in ten minutes. His examination is ended in five minutes. As a connoisseur can determine the painter of a picture at the first glance, or a wine-taster the precise vintage of a sherry by the merest sip, so the detective at once pounces upon the authors of the work of art under consideration, by the style of performance, if not upon the execution of the "school" to which he belongs. Having finished the toilette branch of the inquiry, he takes a short view of the parrot of our house, and makes an equally cursory investigation of the attic window fastening. His mind is made up, and most likely he will address you in these words:

"All right, sir. This is done by one of the 'Dancing School.'"  
"Impossible!" exclaims your plundered partner. "Why, our children go to Monsieur Potatoes, of No. 18, and I assure you he is a highly respectable professor. As to his pupils,—" The detective smiles and interrupts. "Dancing," he tells her, "is a name given to the sort of burglar by whom you have been robbed, and every branch of the thieving profession is divided into gangs, which are termed schools. From No. 32 to the ends of the street the houses are unfinished. The thief made his way to the top of one of these, and crawled to the garret—"  
"But we are twenty houses distant, and why did he not favor one of my neighbors?" you ask.

"Either their uppermost stories are not so practicable, or the ladies have not such valuable jewels."  
"But how did the thieves know that?"  
"By watching and inquiry. This affair may have been in preparation for more than a month. Your house has been watched; your habits have been ascertained. They have found out when you dine—how long you remain in the dining-room. A day is selected; while you are busy dining, and your servants waiting on you, the thing is done. Previously many journeys have been made over the roofs to find out the best means of entering your house. The attic is chosen; the robber gets in and creeps noiselessly, or 'dances' into the place to be robbed."  
"Is there any chance of recovering your property?" you ask anxiously, seeing the whole matter at a glance.

"I hope so. I have sent some brother officers to watch the fencibles' houses."  
"Fencibles?"  
"Fencibles," explained the detective, in reply to your innocent inquiry, "are purchasers of stolen goods. Your jewels will soon be forced out of their settings, and the gold melted."  
A suppressed scream.  
"We shall see if, at this unusual hour of the night, there is any bustle in or near any of these places; if any smoke is coming out of any one of their fireplaces, where the melting takes place, I shall go and seek out the precise 'garretter'—that's another name these plunderers give themselves—whom I suspect. By trying to 'sell' your domestic by placing the ring and toothpick in their bed, I think I know the man."  
The next morning you find all these suppositions verified. The detective calls, and obliges you, at breakfast, (after a sleepless night) with a complete list of the stolen articles, and produces some of them for identification. In three months your wife gets nearly every article back, except some of the gold;

her damsel's innocence is fully established; and the thief is taken from his 'school' to spend a long holiday in a penal colony.  
Sometimes they are called upon to investigate robberies so executed that no human ingenuity appears, to ordinary observers, capable of finding the thief. The robber has left no trail; no trace. Every clue seems cut off; but the experience of a detective guides him into tracks invisible to other eyes. Not long since, a trunk was rifled at a fashionable hotel. The theft was so managed that no suspicion could rest on any one. The detective who was sent for fairly owned, after making a minute examination, that he could afford no hope of elucidating the mystery. As he was leaving the bed-room, however, in which the portmanteau stood, he picked up an ordinary shirt button from the carpet. He silently compared it with those on the shirts which the thief had left behind in the trunk. It did not match them. He said nothing, but hung about the hotel for the rest of the day. Had he been narrowly watched, he would have been set down for an eccentric critic of linen. He was looking for a wristband or shirt front without a button. His search was long and patient, but at length it was rewarded. One of the inmates of the house showed a deficiency in his dress, which no one but a detective would have noticed. He looked as narrowly as he dared at the pattern of the remaining buttons. It corresponded with that of the little tell-tale he had picked up. He went deeper into the subject, got a trace of some of the stolen property, ascertained a connection between it and the suspected person, confronted him with the owner of the trunk, and finally succeeded in convicting him of the theft. At another hotel robbery, the blade of a knife broken in the lock of a portmanteau formed the clue. The detective employed in that case was for some time indefatigable in seeking out knives with broken blades. At length he found one belonging to an under waiter, who proved to be the thief.

### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Mrs. J. C. Higgins, living near Bridget creek, Wis., one evening, a few weeks since, heard an unusual noise at the calf-pen, and upon going out found that something like a dozen wolves were contemplating an attack upon the calf. Upon her approach, they retreated a short distance. Mrs. H. is a good shot with a rifle, and she first determined to shoot at least one of the intruders with her husband's loaded rifle. Upon reflection, she put strychnine upon some meat she had in the house, and gave it to her unwelcome visitors. Upon the return of her husband, who was absent the fore part of the evening, he found twelve wolves lying dead within a few rods of the house.

A lad in Wilmington (N. C.) took enough of his mother's money, on Wednesday, the 13th ult., to buy two small shot-guns, with which he and a companion went shooting. The gun of his companion accidentally exploded, shooting Dickson in the head, as he was crossing a brook near the town. The frightened boy ran home, leaving Dickson buried in mud and water. He was found on the following Friday morning, still alive, and lived till Saturday, when he died, after relating the manner of the accident. His lying in the mud, dying almost, for two nights and a day, was awful.

A CURIOUS COINCIDENCE.—A letter from a brother of Major Anderson to a gentleman in New York city mentions the following curious coincidence: It is a very strange coincidence that my father was that "captain of the Continental line" who, by mistake of his superior, began the battle of Trenton, where Robert was long stationed. And, as Major, he was a prisoner of war, in actual jail, led only on a pike, with the smallpox for a desert, in the very Charleston which his son of the same rank is now stationed—the former under Tarleton, the latter under Buchanan. What a coincidence!

A German newspaper contains the following advertisement: "A girl of good education, of strict morals, being extremely handsome and of enticing manners, conversant with the keeping of hotel and tavern accounts, and apt in serving at table or behind the bar, wishes a situation as barmaid or waitress in a railroad refreshment room. N. B.—She can cut 225 pieces of bread and butter, of satisfactory appearance, out of one pound of bread and two ounces of butter."

In tempering steel for what is called a "straw color," raise it to a red heat, then plunge it into oil having a temperature of 175°; for purple color, plunge it into oil heated to 200°; and for a blue shade the oil should be 212° Fah. This method of tempering with warm oil answers well for steel wire in coil, costly taps, and dies, and cutters for gear engines.

FORTUNATE.—Three poor hard-working men, named Young, Blake, and La Bessie, have discovered a quartz vein near Bloomer Hill, on the North Fork of Feather river, California. The first day of discovery, before noon, they panned out about one thousand dollars, and although very little ground has been worked, they have already realized \$20,000.

EDUCATION IN CONNECTICUT.—Connecticut has nearly one thousand public schools, and about one hundred thousand children, between the ages of four and sixteen. The State has school accommodations for about eighty thousand children, at an actual expense of four hundred thousand dollars, or five dollars to each child. The average attendance, however, is but little over fifty thousand.

A gentleman said once to his son who used to stay in bed late in the morning: "Your brother got up this morning at five o'clock, and found on the sidewalk a purse of gold."  
"Very well," replied the lazy young man, "if the poor fellow to whom it belongs had remained in bed till ten, he probably would not have lost it."

GOING THIRDS ON THE MILEAGE.—The mileage from Oregon is \$15,000. The Presidential electors of that State would not agree to send one of their number to bring the electoral vote, but all three came and divided the \$15,000 between them. One draws the whole from the Treasury and then shares it with his associates.

POKER IN SUMMER AND WINTER.—A gentleman in Cincinnati, a day or two since, was invited to take a hand in a friendly game of poker. "No, I thank you," said he, "I played poker all one summer, and had to wear nankeen pants all the next winter. I have had no taste for the amusement since."

### GEORGETOWN ADVERTISEMENTS.

George B. Lipscomb is our authorized agent for Georgetown. Subscriptions and advertisements may be left at his store, No. 113 High Street. The paper will be promptly delivered to subscribers.

### PROTECTION.

"Now let those insure who do not insure before, And those who have, let them insure the more."

The Potomac Fire Insurance Company of Georgetown, D. C., CHARTERED BY CONGRESS, 1831. STOCKHOLDERS PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE. THE Stockholders and Directors embrace many of the most wealthy and respectable citizens of this District. JOHN MARBURY, President. HENRY KING, Secretary. AMOS MUNT, Travelling Agent. Office and residence No. 51 North A Street, Capitol Hill. Box 454, City Post Office. Orders attended to immediately. Losses paid promptly. Care for home, and home will care for us. nov 26

### THE ROYAL TURKISH TOWELS.

Bathing Sponges, Velvet Sponges, Bath Gloves. Brown Windsor Soap, Honey Soaps. Lubin's Soaps and Extracts. Genuine German Cologne, all sizes, wicks and plain bottles. Bazin's Soaps and Extracts. Plalon's Soaps and Extracts. Pomades of all kinds. Hair Tonic, &c. With a full assortment of new Perfumery. Hair Brushes, Combs, Tooth Brushes. Fresh Medicines, Pure Chemicals, &c. GILMAN'S. Just received at New Drug Store, 350 Penn. Av. Congress, Empire, Saratoga, Bedford, Blue Lick, and White Sulphur Waters, always on hand, as above. dec 3

B. SIEGEL, 391 Penn. av., between Fourth and a-half and Sixth sts., (South side.) Importer and wholesale dealer in

WINE, BRANDY, GIN, CORDIAL, &c. DRUGGISTS, Grocers, and Liquor Dealers, will find it to their advantage to give me call. I will sell the goods direct from the Custom-House at New York prices. Old Cincinnati Rye Whisky always on hand, with a choice assortment of Wines, Brandy, Gins, Cordials &c. dec 3-3m

Massachusetts Clear Mess Pork For sale low by BROWNING & KEATING, Ferry Avenue, near Sixth Street.

FOR RENT, IN the fifth ward, a Two Story and Attic Frame House, containing eight rooms, within three or four minutes' walk of the Capitol, on East Capitol Street, No. 108. Rent, \$10.50 per month. Inquire of H. L. THOMAS, Third Street East, No. 408, or of the undersigned, corner of High and Bridge Streets, Georgetown. mar 7-14 T. J. PICKSLER.

FOR RENT, A THREE-story Brick House, containing eight rooms, in good order, with gas fixtures complete, on H Street, between Fourth and Fifth. Also, a two-story brick COTTAGE, with large yard attached, corner of F Street north and Fourteenth Street East. To punctual and reliable tenants the terms will be moderate. Apply at 116 Twelfth Street, between G and H. dec 19-17

Chartered by Congress. THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA offers to the Property Owners of the District the cheapest and as safe means of Insurance against Loss by Fire, as any other Company, as will appear by an examination of its principles. The fact that all of the Insurance Companies of the District are declaring large dividends to their stockholders, at once shows the great profit on their premiums, and the consequent saving to persons insuring with this Company. ULYSSES WARD, President. CHARLES WILSON, Secretary. MATHEW G. EMEY, Treasurer. MANAGERS. ULYSSES WARD, JOHN VAN RISWICK, JOHN DICKSON, MATHEW G. EMEY, T. J. MAGRUDER, J. C. McKELDEN, CHARLES WILSON. Office adjoining (north) the Bank of Washington. nov 26

C. H. MUNCK, GUN MAKER, No. 496 Sixth Street, south of Pennsylvania Avenue, WASHINGTON, D. C. All work left at this shop over six months will be sold in order to pay for repairs. feb 15-1m

W. O. BERRY, TIN, COPPER, & SHEET IRON WORKER, No. 487 Seventh Street, between D and E Streets, WASHINGTON, D. C. feb 20-6m

GAS FIXTURES! THE BEST ASSORTMENT EVER OFFERED IN THIS CITY. THOSE who desire to select from new patterns, will call early and examine. We would also call the attention of persons about introducing gas into their dwellings to our increased facilities, and consequent low prices, for this branch of our trade. Inviting all who desire their work done promptly, and free from gas leakages, to call at 269 Pennsylvania Avenue, between Tenth and Eleventh Streets, south side. nov 26 J. W. THOMPSON & CO.

### THE UNION WILL STAND, NO MATTER WHO'S PRESIDENT!

CONSEQUENTLY, I shall remain in Washington, and continue to pursue my occupation of HOUSE, SIGN, and ORNAMENTAL PAINTING. Gliding in all its branches. Old Glazing promptly attended to. Painting and Ornamenting Cottage Furniture in the best style. I also call attention to the Painting of Roof and Brick Walls. All of the above I will do as cheap as the cheapest. I therefore solicit the patronage of my friends and fellow citizens of the District. Punctuality strictly observed, and work done in the best manner. You will please mind your steps, and stop at M. T. PARKER'S Painting Establishment, No. 531 5311 Louisiana Avenue, north side, between Sixth and seventh streets. P. S. Signs put up free of charge, as usual. nov 26

CANDLES AND OIL. 20 cases Paraffin Candles. 20 boxes Sperm Candles. 50 boxes Adamantine Candles. 50 boxes Tallow Candles. 1 cask Coal Oil, for burning. Lard, Whale and Sperm Oil. Just received, and for sale by E. E. WHITE & CO., No. 63 Louisiana Avenue, bet. Sixth and Seventh Streets, opposite Bank of Washington. dec 18

AMERICAN AND ENGLISH PICKLES, SAUCES, &c.

CHOW CHOW, } American. PICCOLLI, } American. CHOW CHOW, } English. PICCOLLI, } English. WHITE and BROWN ONIONS, } English. Sauces. Worcestershire Sauce, Soy's Salsana, Reading, Harrey, and Anchovy SAUCES. For sale by JESSE B. WILSON, 327 Pa. av., between Sixth and Seventh streets, south side. nov 26

H. HOFFA, 337 Pennsylvania Avenue, opposite Brown's Hotel, WASHINGTON, D. C. WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER. Recommends himself to the public in general to do all kinds of work in his line, and guarantees the same. Charges low. feb 15

NEW PAPER-HANGING STORE. FRANCIS WILLNER, UPHOLSTERER. Importer and Dealer in French, English, and American Paper-Hangings and Window Shades, No. 365 New York Av., bet. 10th and 11th sts., WASHINGTON CITY. All work personally attended to and satisfactorily guaranteed. feb 18-6m

FENWICK & STEWART, DEALERS IN SAWED & SPLIT WOOD, And Coals of all kinds, ALSO keep constantly on hand Building Materials, such as LIME, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASPHALTUM, WHITE & BROWN SAND, HAIR, NAILS, &c., GRAVEL. Office, west side of Seventh Street, at Canal Bridge. feb 16-3m

Champagne Wines and Brandies. 25 BASKETS HEIDSIECK CHAMPAGNE. 12 dozen fine old Champagne Brandy. 12 dozen fine old London Duce Brandy. 8 dozen cases very fine delicate Pale Sherry, imported direct by us. In store, and for sale by E. E. WHITE & CO., No. 63 Louisiana Avenue, between Sixth and Seventh Streets, opposite Bank of Washington. feb 16-17m

GERMANIA HOTEL. JOSEPH GERHARDT'S, Germania Hotel and Restaurant, No. 345 C Street, between Fourth and a-half and Sixth streets. Refreshments of all kinds. Also, the finest Oysters, in every style; French, Hungarian, Rhein, and Moselle Wines, Champagne, ROLLING, Mumm, and Heidsieck, with the best of other Liquors. nov 30

Wines, Brandies, &c. Choice Old Madeira, Duff Gordon Sherry, Old LD Port, Fine Table Madeira, Old Carasquedo Sherry, Superior Brandy, Fine Old India Madeira, (a very superior article, not usually found in this market.) Curaco, Martell, Annetette, Absolut, Congress Water. For sale low by BROWNING & KEATING, 263 Penn. Avenue, near Sixth Street. feb 15-1m

D. S. LOCKWOOD & DARRELL are prepared to insert TEETH on VULCANITE BASE—a new and improved mode. When made on this plan, they are comfortable to wear, and much cheaper than any other. Also, Teeth inserted on Gold plate, and all Dental operations of any kind that may be desired. Office room, No. 5, in the Washington Building, corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Seventh Street. feb 15-3m

DANIEL GENAU, BOOT AND SHOE MAKER, No. 501 Seventh Street, opposite Old Fellows Hall, WASHINGTON, D. C. All work executed with neatness and dispatch. feb 15-1m

Fine Family Groceries, Teas, &c. Ray's, Welch's, and Bond's Family Flour. New Virginia and Pennsylvania Backsheat. Fresh Corn Meal. Choice Golden Butter. Prime Leaf Lard. Choice Green and Black Teas. New Sugar-cured Family Hams. Just received and for sale low by BROWNING & KEATING, 263 Penn. Avenue, near Sixth Street. feb 15-1m

HAMS! HAMS!! I HAVE in store Maryland New HAMS, as cured, prepared for family use. JESSE B. WILSON, 327 Pa. av., between Sixth and Seventh streets, south side. feb 22-17

### DR. W. J. CRAIGEN, DRUGGIST,

CORNER OF SEVENTH AND I STREETS, Washington, D. C. Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours. feb 16-6m

INTERESTING to Office seekers, Office holders, and Everybody Else.—If you want an office, buy a nice suit of Clothes from SMITH, No. 460 Seventh Street. If you wish to lock nice, buy a suit of Clothes at SMITH'S anyhow.

HOUSES FOR RENT.—A desirable brick Residence, 410 Thirteenth Street, between G and H Streets, containing eight rooms; also, a House situated on Twentieth Street, between M and N Streets, containing six rooms. Key next door, or apply at W. RUTHERFORD'S Marble Yard, on E Street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets. Terms moderate. feb 18-1m

ALL IN WANT of Clothing should not fail to call on Smith, No. 460 Seventh Street, to buy their goods, as he will sell them bargains. feb 28-6m

### AT FRANCIS'S HOUSE-FURNISHING STORE,

490 Seventh Street, YOU can find a complete assortment of House-keeping Hardware, Cutlery, Silver-plated Ware, Britannia, Block Tin, and Spangled Ware, Door Mats, Table Mats, Feather Dusters, Clocks, and all the useful articles for Housekeeping, together with Ladies' Satinets, Card Cases, Purses, Fans, Combs, Brushes, Baskets, &c., &c., all selected with great care, bought for cash, and will be sold at the very lowest prices. Purchasers will do well to remember FRANCIS'S House-Furnishing Store, No. 490 Seventh Street. nov 26

THOMAS K. GRAY, FASHIONABLE TAILOR, D Street, between Seventh and Eighth Streets, nov 26 Washington, D. C.

Hard Times—Low Prices. MR. H. STRAUS, 383 Seventh Street, between H and I Streets, keeps constantly on hand a large assortment of Clothing and general Furnishing Goods, which he offers to the citizens of Washington and strangers visiting our city at the lowest cash prices. His former customers are earnestly solicited to continue their generous patronage, for which he returns his sincere thanks. feb 16-6m

BOARDING, By the Day, Week, or Month, with or without Rooms. MRS. M. A. MILLS, having taken and fitted up, in handsome style, that large and pleasant house, No. 504 Pennsylvania Avenue, third door east of Third Street, between the St. Charles Hotel and Adams's Express Office, near the Capitol and railroad depot, is now prepared to accommodate Transient or Permanent Guests with pleasant rooms, with or without Board. nov 26

JOSEPH SHAFIELD'S BALTIMORE CONFECTIONERY, No. 368 Sixth St., between G and H Sts., WASHINGTON, D. C. FRESH CAKES every day; Candies of all kinds; Wedding cakes, Fancy cakes, Pyramids of all kinds and sizes, Charlotte Russe, Blanc Mange, and Jellies, made to order. Parties, Suppers, Balls, Excursions, Weddings, and other entertainments, furnished on the most reasonable terms. Ice Cream and Water Ice, \$1.25 per gallon. feb 16-17m

NEW MESS MACKEREL, &c., &c. 50 Barrels New No. 1 Mess Mackerel. 200 Barrels Large New No. 1 Mackerel. 100 Halves, Quarters, and Eighths Barrels New Mess and No. 1 Mackerel. 5,000 pounds Large Fat Codfish. 25 kits No. 1 Salmon. 50 boxes Sealed Herrings. 200 barrels No. 1 c. John's Alewives. 200 barrels No. 1 Glibbed Herring. For sale by E. E. WHITE & CO., No. 63 Louisiana Avenue, bet. Sixth and Seventh Streets, opposite Bank of Washington. dec 15

### SOUTHERN MEDICAL HOUSE.

DR. SHUMAN has, after an experience of ten years, established the above refuge from quackery, self-labelled Indian or German doctors, and pretenders of witchcraft and impostors in general. This is the only place where a sure and speedy cure can be obtained in the world for all improper and evil habits, gonorrhoea, gleet, seminal weakness, syphilis, primary, secondary, and tertiary, organic weakness, pains in the limbs, strictures, general debility, prostration, nervousness, restless nights, palpitation of the heart, ringing in the ears, loss of memory, confusion, melancholy, affections of the head, throat, nose, and skin, and all those peculiar disorders arising from the indiscretion of youth, rendering them unfit for either business, study, society, or marriage. Dr. S. has the greatest remedies in the known world for diseases of the blood, gonorrhoea, gleet, strictures, & philia, seminal weakness, self-cure, &c. There is no case in which they fail to cure in from 3 to 6 days. Victims of these horrible complaints, who would wish to be valuable men and ornaments to society, should embrace the earliest opportunity for relief. Dr. Shuman has made the most complete arrangements for the comfort of his patients who come from a distance. They will be furnished with the most pleasant and agreeable quarters, necessary diet, and made as comfortable as they would be at a first-class hotel at less than half the cost. Do not forget the name and number. Dr. Shuman's office is on the corner of Sixth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Clarendon Hotel, opposite the National Hotel, Washington, D. C. Per on at a distance should enclose stamp for return postage. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 10 P. M. Various parties have been enticed from my institution by certain swindlers on back streets in this city, who will rise till the day of their death. A word to the wise is sufficient. feb 22-17

### A. HUBNER'S DRESS-MAKING ESTABLISHMENT,

No. 506 Eleventh Street, between Pennsylvania Avenue and E Street. ALL kinds of Ladies' Garments, Dresses, Cloaks, Mantlets, Sacks, Zouave Jackets, &c., cut and made to order, by every fashion-plate, in the latest Paris and London styles, at the shortest notice. dec 3-3m

\$85,000,000. BLUE BOOK.—In all the Offices in the country, and salary. 374 contains the same matter as the Great Blue Book, costing \$3. Omitting the names which are not necessary. Catalogue of Goods at Patent Office. List of Patent. Old books bought and sold. Catalogue furnished. ALFRED HUNTER, Bookeller, feb 20-1mo Willards' Hotel Square.

MONEY! MONEY!! MONEY!!! 368 D STREET. I WILL give for good cast-off clothing the highest cash prices in gold. All kinds wanted. Call before selling elsewhere. I also have a large stock of new clothing, which I am selling at very low prices for CASH. All, therefore, who have good clothes for sale can get the highest cash price here, and buy at the lowest, as I buy and sell for cash. Come and see. No. 368 D Street, between Ninth and Tenth. feb 18-1y

House Decorators & Upholsterers. We would respectfully notify all in want of an Upholsterer or Paper Hanger that we are prepared to execute all work entrusted to us in the most superior manner and on the shortest possible notice. All work done by us is under our own immediate supervision, and satisfaction is guaranteed in every case. JOSEPH T. K. PLANT & CO., 250 D St., bet. Ninth and Tenth. Refer to Messrs. Louis F. Perry & Co., Dealers in Carpets, Oil-cloths, &c., corner of Ninth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. feb 24-1y

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