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To the friends of Temperance and the public generally we now make our appeal in behalf of this paper. The publisher feeling it a matter of importance to the interest of the Temperance cause in the District, as well as the general interest of the cause, and having been, as he conceives, Providentially placed in a situation at this time when he can mingle this interest with that of the business men, and thereby render a double service to the community, and still further open a medium of communication by which our principles may be extended far and wide, at a cheap rate. He has purchased a printing establishment, so as not only to be able to put a daily paper regularly to press, but also a weekly; and still further, be able to do any other printing the public may be pleased to have done; and he assures them that they shall have no cause of complaint. He has made arrangements by which he can devote his time to the interest of the office and the paper; and, having employed Mr. Charles W. Fenton, who will be always on the spot, to conduct the printing, he has no doubt but that general satisfaction will be given. We shall make arrangements to have the earliest news; also the proceedings of Congress.

We wish all who are indebted for the paper up to this time to pay up, as the affairs of the tri-weekly must be closed. They will perceive that we are about to give them a better paper, double the number, at the same price.

While the "COLUMBIAN FOUNTAIN" will be devoted to the cause of Temperance, its columns will be enriched by original articles on subjects calculated to interest, instruct, and benefit its readers. It is intended so to blend variety, amusement, and instruction, as that the various tastes of its patrons may be (as far as it is practicable) gratified. Commerce, Literature, and Science, and every other subject of interest, not inconsistent with Temperance and morality, will receive the earnest attention of the publishers. Nothing of a sectarian, political, or personal character will be admitted.

A CARD.

The subscriber begs leave to say to members of Congress and others, that he has several good rooms which he will let on accommodating terms, either furnished or unfurnished, located on the South side of Pennsylvania avenue, between 9th and 10th streets, and equidistant between the Capitol and the public offices. I have also two of the best cellars in the city, which I will rent in part or the whole, or receive goods on storage. This is a good opportunity for butchers or market people. L. S. BECK.

JUST FROM THE MINT!!!

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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WILL be opened this day at Mr. S. A. PARKER'S a few new style Evening Dresses, Jan 3-34f Penn. avenue, bet. 9th and 10th st.

From the Iris and Odd Fellows' Mirror. THE WESTERN MANIAC; OR, MY LANDLORD'S MANUSCRIPT.

BY WM. R. CREEERY.

Some years ago, it was my lot to pass the night in Maysville, Kentucky. My destination, however, was New Albany, in the adjoining state. The morn succeeding the night I speak of, was a beautiful morning in July. Not being hurried in my engagement, I determined to take my leisure; and instead of going directly down the Ohio by steamboat, I hired a horse and started alone, for New Albany. A desire to see the face of the country, and to learn something of the manners of the people, induced me thus to act. Towards three o'clock of the day that I left Maysville, the air grew warm and sultry. About two hours after, the atmosphere grew heavier, and the rapid gathering together of the black clouds pendant upon the bosom of the heavens, tokened an approaching storm. It was, however, delayed longer than I expected. Another hour passed; and the distant rumbling of the thunder fell heavily upon my ears. I hurried the gait of my horse, and looked about in vain for some house to which I might flee for shelter. I knew that there was a tavern on the road, but how far from where I was I knew not. My horse dashed speedily on; and just as the indistinct outline of a house, half a mile or more ahead, caught my view, a flash of lightning such as I never saw before, or wish again to see, illuminated the heavens from horizon to horizon, for the instant blinding my vision and causing my horse to plunge and rush so furiously on, that I expected every moment to be thrown from the saddle and wounded or killed.

Neither, however, was my misfortune. Clinging with all the tenacity in my power to the pommel, I managed to keep my place until my horse recovered in a great degree from his fright. His increased velocity had carried me a considerable distance beyond the house which I had seen; I was, therefore, compelled to turn about and retrace my advance, which my horse was very unwilling to do. After some little persuasion, I managed to get him to go the way I wished, and soon I came up to my resting place for the night. My host received me with that cordial welcome for which the noble-hearted sons of the West are so remarkable. He was a stout, athletic man, with ruddy face—the true index of his character, for benevolence and goodness shone therefrom. The house was such as is generally met with in that thin settled section of country—not an Astor House or a Barnum's, yet by no means wanting in any thing necessary to real comfort. The appearance of mine host pleased me very much—and, as he was communicative, and I myself pretty talkative, we were very soon 'had fellows, well met.' Supper being announced, I sat down to the table with little appetite, the reason of which will soon be apparent. Some half dozen or more sojourners, like myself, sat at the table with me. Being, no doubt, fatigued with their travel, and anxious for rest, they retired early and left mine host and myself alone to enjoy the evening as we chose. The storm that had overtaken me raged without, the wind swept by that solitary house in mysterious moanings; and it was with a feeling of awe, as a cold chill of fear crept over me, that I took a seat beside mine host. And methought, too, that there was some reason for my alarm. Passing by an open casement, as I went along a dreary hall to the dining room, I ventured to look out to observe the clearness of the night, and as I did so, a blast of wind, driving madly by, wrested the shutters from their confinement with a crashing noise, and bore them off in triumph. Startled, I remained motionless, and as the next gale swept on, it brought the cry, as of a voice in deep distress, 'help! oh help! Mary, where are you? Revenge! Revenge!' These words I thought I could distinctly hear, and turning round, I found myself alone in the dark hall.

The person who carried the light to direct me to the dining-room, had not observed that I stopped to look out upon the face of the weather—but arriving at the room without me—he returned with the light, just at the moment I found myself in total darkness. My feelings, when seated at the table, I can scarcely describe. Mine host had made such a favorable impression upon me—that to think him guilty of a deed of darkness—was to do violence to my feelings. Yet, thought I, we are often deceived—make no rash judgments. The fairest and most courteous exterior may conceal the darkest and most malicious heart. What shall I do? was the question naturally recurring to me. Whether to speak of what I had heard, or remain silent, in hope that some word or explanation might escape mine host, in conversation; I knew not. My mind was much agitated, and of course could frame no satisfactory solution for the sounds that I had heard. In this state of trepidation I sat beside my landlord, scarcely daring to raise my eyes—lest

some dark frown or indication of a murderous deed, should sit upon his brow or gleam from his eyeballs.

Observing my silence, for he had no doubt been contemplating me for some moments, he said, 'friend, thou art very taciturn, perhaps the joys of home and relatives rise before thee, in strong contrast with the monotony and dullness of this stormy evening. But come, drive care and languor away—here's a glass of the truest Burgundy—a sure antidote for morbid spirits.' Thus saying he offered the brimming glass, which unperceived by me, he had filled, and at the same time took one himself.

Rousing myself, I took the glass, which I dared not to refuse, lest I might provoke feelings which, at that moment, I did not wish to excite, and, replying, said, 'that true, I was dejected; that thoughts of home and friends would intrude themselves; and that to these my want of animation was attributable.'

'Well, then,' cried he, 'quaff your glass and away with melancholy. Here's health and long life,' said he, as, raising his glass, he touched mine, 'to thy friends and self—may your joys be many—your cares be few!'

Feeling it obligatory to respond to his sentiment, I toasted him thus: 'The Travellers' Home' (such was the name of his house) 'will ever truly remain such, while its present landlord presides over its destiny.'

'Good, my boy!' responded he, with that freedom and sociality characteristic of the man: 'Give us your hand; you are as clever a fellow as I have met for many a day.' Taking my extended hand, he gave me a hearty shake; such an one as my cramped fingers did not forget for several days. Surely, thought I, this does not look much like he had a murderous design upon me, and my courage began to grow. I even thought that I could now, without averted eyes, ask him to explain the mystery of the words that I had heard. So taking a long breath, and arranging my coat collar, as if it had been out of order, in rather a courageous tone I inquired, 'if my landlord could tell from whence the noise proceeded that reached my ears on my way to the dining room?'

Looking steadfastly upon mine host I thought that he appeared disturbed by my inquiry; and his color seemed to go and come, as the flickering of a dying lamp. I began to feel uneasy: he did not respond. There he sat gazing upon the wall before him, evidently so agitated as to be unable to reply to me. Now I am fixed again, thought I. How shall I get out of this scrape? Mine host mused, as if he would speak, and turning his eyes upon me, he said:

'You have touched a chord in memory's harp, that vibrates naught but sadness. So far distant is the object from whence the voice came you speak of, that I thought it impossible for any one about this house to hear anything from thence. 'Tis a sad story, and would touch an iron heart. But tell me where and how, and what you heard.'

I now related the precise manner and the words that fell upon my ear.

'Oh! treacherous wind,' replied he, 'it was thou that told'st part of the story of yon emancipated victim. My friend,' addressing me, 'your blood will curdle, and icy chills will shake your frame, listening to the recital of this deed of wrong. You seem desirous to hear it, and I have warned you that it is a heart-sickening story: would you now hear it?'

'Proceed,' replied I, 'you will find me prepared for the trial.'

'My memory might fail me in some particulars of this rehearsal, I will, therefore, read to you from a manuscript, written by myself a short time after the tragedy,' said my landlord, 'which I am about to relate, and which I recorded, as it fell from his own lips, ere reason tottered on her throne and forever fled its resting place. He—the maniac—whose voice you heard calling so loudly for vengeance—is my own brother, as I read, you will perceive that he, himself, is the narrator.'

(To be continued.)

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Gettysburg, Adams Co., Pa., May 3, 1845. nov 6-4f

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JOHN CONNELLY.

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WAR! WAR!! WAR!!!

THE WAR OF FOUR THOUSAND YEARS; Being a Connected History of the Various Efforts Made to Suppress the Vice of Intemperance in all Ages of the World; from the Foundation of the Class of Nazarenes, by Moses, to the Institution of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, inclusive; with a Full Account of the Origin, Progress, and Present Prospects of the Latter Institution. By P. S. White & H. R. Pleasants. Philadelphia: Griffin and Simon, 114 North Third-street. 1846.

Contents.—Book I, Chapter I, Division of the Work; Chapter II, Wines of Antiquity; Chapter III, Wine an Agricultural Product; Chapter IV, Wine, when spoken of as a Blessing in the Old Testament; Chapter V, Wine, when spoken of as a Blessing in the New Testament; Chapter VI, Wine Denounced as a Curse in the Old Testament; Chapter VII, Wine Denounced in the New Testament; Book II, Chapter I, Temperance among the Heathens; Chapter II, Rome; Book III, Chapter I, Imperial Rome; Chapter II, Transalpine Nations; Chapter III, The Discovery of Alcohol; Chapter IV, Ardent Spirits; Chapter V, Intemperance in Connection with the Church; Chapter VI, Efforts to Suppress Intemperance from the Apostles to the year 1800; Book IV, Chapter I, Origin and Progress of Temperance Societies down to the year 1833; Chapter II, From 1833 to the end of 1834; Chapter III, Includes the Years 1835 and 1836; Chapter IV, Includes 1837 and 1838; Chapter V, Includes 1839; Chapter VI, The Washingtonian Movement; Chapter VII, Sons of Temperance, Conclusion; Appendix, No. 1, Extracts from Columella; Appendix, No. 2, Noah's Letter, &c.

We cordially recommend the above work to the temperance public.

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