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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 in-
terest of the Temperance cause in the Dis-
trict, 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 ren-
der a double service to the community, and
still further open a medium of communica-
tion by which our principles may be ex-
tended 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 print-
ing the public may be pleased to have done;
and he assures them that they shall have
no cause of complaint. He has made ar-
rangements by which he can devote his
time to the interest of the office and the pa-
per; 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 pa-
per 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 inconsis-
tent with Temperance and morality, will re-
ceive the earnest attention of the publisher.
Nothing of a sectarian, political, or personal
character will be admitted.

A Card.

THE subscriber takes this method to inform his
customers, and the public generally, that he
has, for the present, removed his Boot and Shoe
establishment on the opposite side of the street,
next door to Mr. Kinchey's confectionary, and op-
posite to Mr. Dyer's Auction Store, South side of
Pennsylvania Avenue, between 10th and 11th
streets, where he can be found at all times, ready
to execute any orders he may be favored with, at
the shortest notice, and in the best and most fas-
hionable style. He would also wish his customers
and the public generally, to take notice that his en-
tire stock will be sold, from and after this date, at
Cost, and no mistake. To those wishing to pur-
chase, he would say call and see his stock, consist-
ing of almost every article, size, quality and price,
in his line of business, worn by gentlemen, ladies,
boys, misses, youths and children.

THOMAS B. GRIFFIN.

N. B. The subscriber has on hand between 200
and 300 pairs black and white satin, and black
and white Kid slippers of the finest quality, at \$1 25
per pair.
T. B. G.
march 25-4

JUDSON'S PORTRAIT.—Subscriptions
will be received at Wm. Q. Fox's book-store,
corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 10th street, for
copies of the Portrait of Dr. Judson, now in course
of preparation, and soon to be published under the
direction of the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions,
at the following prices: Lithograph, on good paper,
25 cents; on fine board, 50 cents; steel engraving,
on common plate paper, \$1; India proof impressions,
\$2. The Portrait is from a Painting by Harding,
and is in size nine inches by eleven.
feb 6-4

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will sell, on accommodating terms,
the following property, to wit: THE BRICK
HOUSE now occupied for the publication of the
Columbian Fountain, four TWO STORY FRAME
HOUSES, and A COTTAGE, fronting on First
street South, fronting the Capitol. Application
may be made either at my dwelling, near the Rail-
road, or at Lambert Yard office, Seventh street, near
the Canal, where all kinds of BUILDING MA-
TERIALS, together with CEMENT, CALCIN-
ED PLASTER, COAL, &c., &c., can be had
cheap for cash or short credit.
feb. 17, 1846.—J. JOHN PURDY,

BUSINESS CARDS.

BENJAMIN HOMANS,
Auctioneer and Commission Merchant,
Between 10th and 11th Streets, fronting Penn-
sylvania Avenue.
Sales of Real Estate, Furniture, and Personal
Property, attended to at any place within the city,
march 9-4

DENNIS PUMPHREY'S Livery Stable, cor-
ner of 8th and C streets. Horses and Car-
riages to hire. Horses taken at livery, and kept
in the best manner.

A. GLADMON,
House Carpenter and Joiner.
Shop corner of 9th and M streets, Washington.
Where, at all times, Sash, Blinds, Doors, &c., can
be had. All manner of work in his line will be ex-
ecuted at the shortest notice.

HOMCEPATHY.—Dr. JONES GREEN, (late of
Philadelphia,) tenders his professional ser-
vices to the citizens of Washington and its vicinity,
as a practitioner of the Homeopathic system of medi-
cine. His residence is on C street, near 3d.
dec 23-4

BRISCOE & CLARKE, Dealers in Cloths, Cas-
simeres, Vestings, &c., Pennsylvania Avenue,
a few doors west of Brown's Hotel.

ISAAC STODDARD.—Blacksmithing in gen-
eral, on Four and a half, between E and F sts.
Work done cheap.

WILLIAM P. SHEDD,
Old Centre Market, opposite J. Walker's.
KEEPS constantly for sale all kinds of fresh
meats; meat well dressed, and at moderate
prices.
march 11-4

DRESLEY SIMPSON, Pennsylvania Avenue,
North side, 2d door east of 11th street, keeps
a general assortment of Family Groceries.

ANDREW J. JOYCE, Horse Shoeing and
Smithing Establishment, successor to John
Daley, corner of 14th and E streets, near Fuller's
Hotel. Thankful for the patronage he has received
from a liberal public, he solicits a continuance
of the same.

W. H. GUNNELL.—Dealer in Lumber,
Lime, Wood, &c. Corner of Canal and
6th streets, near Pennsylvania Avenue.

DR. HAMILTON P. HOWARD, tenders his
professional services to the citizens of Wash-
ington, D. C. He may be found at Dr. F. How-
ard's, N. E. corner of F and 11th sts. Dec 2-

RICHARD VANSANT,
Merchant Tailor and Gentlemen's furnishing store,
Pennsylvania Avenue, between 14th and 15th
streets, and adjoining Fuller's Hotel.
march 12-4

W. M. NOELL, Venetian Blind maker, south
side Pennsylvania Avenue, between 9th and
10th streets. Blinds of all sizes and colors,
furnished to order. Old blinds retrimmed and painted.

JONATHAN T. WALKER.—House car-
penter and joiner on K street, shop corner K
and 8th streets.

FRANCIS Y. NAYLOR,
Copper, Tin, Sheet-Iron and Stove Manufacturer.
Roofing, Guttering, Spouting, &c. South side
Pennsylvania Avenue, near Third-street, Wash-
ington, City, D. C.

C. H. VAN PATTEN, M. D., Dentist,
PERFORMS all operations upon the Teeth.
Gums and Mouth, with the greatest care and
skill. Office near Brown's Hotel, and next door to
Todd's Hat Store.
feb 25-4

CHEAP FOR CASH!!

L. S. BECK & SON,
House-Furnishing Store, Pennsylvania
Avenue, South side, between 9th and 10th
streets, Washington.

We have on hand new and second-hand goods:
such as Bedsteads, Beds, and Bedding; Tables,
Chairs, Bureaus and Sideboards; China, Glass,
and Crockeryware, Cutlery, Hollow-ware of every
variety, Shovels and Tongs, Carpets, Brooms,
Brushes, Willow and Woodenware; with a va-
riety of articles too numerous to mention. apr 16

I. S. BALL,

Dealer in Tobacco, Snuff & Cigars, Pennsylvania
Avenue, between Fuller's & Gallabrun's Hotel.
april 22.

I. S. BALL also repairs Watches and Jewelry.
april 22-4

EARTHENWARE, CHINA AND GLASS,
T. PURSELL, Importer and Dealer in E. Ware,
China and Glass, wholesale and retail, at his
store, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania
Avenue, Washington city, D. C.

CUPPING, LEECHING AND BLEEDING
A large supply of best Swedish Leeches,
already on hand, to be applied or for sale, by
SAML. DEVAUGHN, 9th street,
Who also has ICE for sale whenever called for,
as above.
april 2-4

W. WHITNEY.—Boot and Shoe Dealer,
opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania
Avenue, has received his fall stock of Boots and
Shoes suitable for plantation use, he invites the at-
tention of those who wish such articles, and pro-
mises them good bargains.

GEORGE COLLARD,
DEALER IN LUMBER, WOOD, COAL, LIME
SAND, AND CEMENT,
Corner of 6th st. and Missouri Avenue.
Nov. 4

D. CLAGETT & CO.,
DEALERS IN FANCY AND STAPLE DRY
GOODS, CARPETINGS, OIL CLOTHS,
CURTAIN STUFFS, &c.
Corner of 9th street & Penn. Avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FURNITURE.—New and second hand, daily re-
ceived. For sale, on reasonable terms, by
B. HOMANS,
april 13, between 10th and 11th streets.

J. E. W. THOMPSON,
CABINET MAKER & UNDERTAKER,
F between 13th and 14th sts., north side.
Hearses kept, and funerals attended to.
Nov. 4-4

Hardware! Hardware!! Hardware!!!

E. WHEELER, Penn. Avenue, near 7th street.
HAS just opened an entire new and well select-
ed assortment of Hardware, Cutlery and
Fancy Goods, which he offers for sale at whole-
sale or retail, on as accommodating terms as they
can be had in the district.

His stock consists in part of the following arti-
cles: Roger's & Son's and others' Table Cutlery
in complete sets, Ivory, Buffalo, Buck, Bone, and
Cocoa Dining, and Desert Knives and Forks, Ger-
man Silver, and Britannia, Tea and Table Spoons,
Penknives, Razors, Scissors, Nut Picks, and
Crackers, Cooks', Butchers', Shoe and Carving
Knives, Snuffers and Trays, Plated, Steel and
Brass Audirons, Shovels and Tongs, Shovel
and Tong Stands, and Fenders, Tea Trays and Wait-
ers, in sets and separately, Bellmetal and Porcel-
lain Preserving Kettles, Iron, Tin, Tea Kettles and
Sauce Pans, Long and Short Handle Frying Pans,
and Stove Pans, Ovens and Lids, Pots, Skillets,
Griddles and extra Lids, Iron Furnaces, Potatoe
Steamers, Mortars and Pestles, Warde Irons, Sad
Irons, Skimmers, Ladles and Forks, Coffee Mills,
Sifters, Bread Toasters, &c., Shovels, Spades,
Forks, Hay and Straw Knives, Axes, Hatchets,
Hammers, Saws and Planes, Cut, wrought and
Horse Shoe Nails, Cut Tacks, pat. Brads and Spar-
ables, Rim, Cottage, Mortise and Stock Locks,
Closet, Cupboard, Tilt, Chest, Trunk and Pad
Locks, Mortise Stop, Knob and Thumb Latches,
and Belts, Table, Butt, Parliament, H. L. & Strap
Hinges, Falmer's pat. Blind Hinges, to fasten
back to Farnham's pat. Window Blind fast-
eners, Common and Axle Sash Pulleys and sash
Cord, New England Co. Wood Screws all sizes,
Sofa Springs, Bed Screws, Castors and Furniture
Knobs, Curtain Bands and Pins, Iron and Brass
Hay and Coat Hooks, Single and Double Barrel
Guns and Apparatus, Brushes, Combs, Buttons,
Needles and Pins, Shoe Thread, Cotton, Worsted,
Diaper, Boot and Straining Web, Curry Combs,
Horse Cards, Wool Cards, Ox, Trace Halters,
Backband and Dog Chains, Brass, Copper and Iron
Wire, Round, Flat and Square Iron, Hoop and
Band Iron, Nail Rods, Burdens' pat. Horse Shoes,
Carriage Springs, Wagon Boxes, American and
English Blister, Cast and Sheer Steel, &c., &c.
All of which, he will sell as low as can be had
at any regular Hardware House in the city.
Washington, Nov. 4, 1845.

COMBS, BRUSHES, AND PERFUMERY.—
We have just returned from the North with an
extensive assortment of the above-named articles,
and are now ready to supply our customers with
the best and freshest Perfumery, consisting of Po-
matoms, Ox Marrow, and Oils for beautifying and
promoting the growth of the hair; Cold Cream,
Lip Salve, Bay Rum, Farina Cologne, Lubin's Ex-
tracts for the handkerchief, with a great variety of
English and French Hair Brushes.

Also, Shell, Buffalo, and Horn dressing, tuck
and side Combs; Nail and Tooth Brushes; a very fine
article of Purses, all of which we are determined
to sell cheaper than the cheapest.
S. PARKER'S Perfumery and
Fancy Store, bet. 9th and 10th streets,
Pennsylvania Avenue. nov 4-4

**GEORGE W. CLARKE, BUILDER, AND
GENERAL FURNISHING UNDERTAKER**
corner of Virginia Avenue L and 9th street, near the
Navy Yard Gate—or at his residence, on the west
side of 11th street, near the eastern Branch bridge
—Thankful for the liberal patronage with which
he has already been favored, he respectfully solicits
a continuance of the same.

Always on hand, ready for use, Pine, Cherry,
Walnut, Poplar, and Mahogany, which he manu-
factures into Coffins at the shortest notice, and on
the most reasonable terms.

Hearse and carriages furnished at the shortest
notice. All orders thankfully received and prom-
ptly attended to at all hours, if left at the above place.

N. B.—Carpenters work in all its branches done
on the most reasonable terms, and at the shortest
notice.

Old Furniture repaired and varnished, and made
look equal to new. dec 18-6m

LOOK THIS WAY EVERY BODY:
Painting done by the art of Hocus Pocus.
THOMAS HILTON, House, Sign, and Orna-
mental Painter. Old Chairs repainted, and
Furniture varnished. He will be ready for the
prompt execution of work at all times, on the most
reasonable terms. Shop on 12th street, between
G and H streets. march 12-4

CUMBERLAND COAL. from the celebrated
mines of the Maryland Mining Com-
pany, and of a quality better than any heretofore of-
fered in this market, can be had by the car load, or
smaller quantity, at
J. PURDY'S
Coal and Lumber Yard, Centre-market.
feb 6-4

GRAND DICTIONNAIRE FRANCAIS—
Anglais, et Anglais Francais; by Professors
Fleming and Tibbins. In two large quarto vol-
umes.

Rédigé d'après la sixième édition du Diction-
naire de l'Académie Francaise, le complément de
ce dictionnaire, la dernière édition de Chambans,
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military sciences, in law, trade, and commerce; geo-
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MEDICAL NOTICE.

DR. PHILANDER GOULD offers his profes-
sional services to the citizens of Washington.
Office on Pennsylvania Avenue, opposite Messrs.
Brown's Hotel. april 11-3m

New Flour Store.

THE subscriber has taken the warehouse on the
north side of water street, opposite Messrs.
Read & Son, and intends keeping a supply of all
the various grades of flour. He will endeavor to
make it the interest of dealers in the article to give
him a call, as he is determined to sell at small pro-
fits.
LEWIS BROOKS,
feb 7-4 Water street, Georgetown.

POETRY.

Its words
Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break
Fresh from the fount of feeling!—Percival.

LINES TO ONE WHO WILL UNDER-
STAND THEM.

BY J. C. M.

At dawn I rose with jocund glee,
For joyful was the day
That could this blessing give to one,
Now joy has fled away.

No flocks, nor herds, nor stores of gold;
No house, nor home, have I,
If beauty must be brought and sold,
Alas! I cannot buy.

Yet I am rich, if thou art kind,
So pris'd a smile from thee,
True love alone our hearts shall bind,
For thou'rt all the world to me.

Sweet, gentle maid, tho' patient, meek,
I pray thee dry that tear;
And raise thy drooping head and seek,
Soft peace, and comfort here.
WASHINGTON, May 5, 1846.

TO MISS Y. J.

She wore a wreath of roses,
The day that first we met;
Her lovely face was smiling,
Beneath her curls of jet.

Her footsteps had the lightness,
Her voice the joyous tone,
The tokens of a youthful heart,
Where sorrow is unknown.

I saw her but a moment,
Yet methinks I see her now
With the wreath of summer flowers,
Upon her snowy brow.

MISCELLANY.

For the Columbian Fountain.

A REMINISCENCE OF THE STAGE.

BY JAMES LITTLE.

Those who are unacquainted with the
stage, can form no idea of the many amus-
ing accidents which frequently occur behind
the scenes. Having in my time walked the
boards of Thespis, I am familiar with some
incidents of the stage; and, for the entertain-
ment of my friends and of the public gen-
erally, I will relate one which occurred at
the late American Theatre, in the spring of
1839.

In the spring of 1839, the late American
Theatre (now the Assembly Rooms) was
opened for a short season, under the man-
agement of several gentlemen, of whom I
was one. All who were acquainted with the
construction of that temple of Thespis,
know that the green-room was immediately
under the stage. Our short season was re-
markable for accidents; indeed, we opened
with accidents, for, on the first night, as the
curtain was rolling up, at the opening of
the second act, the curtain-roller broke in
the middle, and the two ends rushed up in-
to the flies, amid peals of laughter from the
audience. And again, in the third act, far-
mer G, who ought to have been on the
stage, was engaged in a game of ten-pins at
a neighboring bowling-saloon, dressed in
the costume of an English farmer about the
middle of the eighteenth century.

During the engagement of the H family
we had no reason to complain, the houses
being tolerably good. But after that en-
gagement we had poor houses; and finding
that we could not get along without a star,
we repaired to the green-room on one
gloomy Saturday morning, to consider the
property of engaging a star. We consider-
ed and reconsidered, and, believing that no
star was available at that time, began to des-
pair; when we heard several raps upon the
door, and requesting the individual to enter,
the door opened and a well-dressed gentle-
man entered the room.

"Good morning, gentlemen," said he
who had just entered bowing, "which is
the manager?"

Mr. D. rose, and bowing said, "be seat-
ed, sir, be seated; it is a gloomy morning,
sir."

"Yes," said the stranger seating him-
self, "very gloomy, but I think it will be
clear by noon. How go the histrionics here,
gentleman?"

"Not very well," answered D., "they
seem to have no attraction without a star;
the public think that a play cannot be per-
formed by the stock alone, and we must
please the public. We are, unfortunately,
just at this time, without a star."

"Indeed!" ejaculated the stranger; "then

I may obtain an engagement. I am a vo-
calist, and have just concluded an engage-
ment at one of the northern theatres, and as
I shall remain in Washington for a few
days, I would accept a short engagement."

Nothing could have been more agreeable
than this announcement—a star was among
us, a luminary of the stage had appeared
to dispel the darkness which was gathering
around us, and to light our pathway to the
goal of our hope. We saw in anticipation
crowded houses, and heard the applauses
ringing in our ears. We hastened to se-
cure the services of the vocalist.

"We should be most happy to engage you,
sir," said D., who did all the talking. "We
number about fourteen in stock, and are
the most peaceable actors you ever saw;
there is no quarreling among us; all goes
on here like clock work."

"I am delighted to hear it, for I despise
quarreling among actors," rejoined the
star, running through an octave as he con-
cluded.

"What do you sing, sir?" asked the in-
defatigable D.

"All the popular ballads of the day; but
my favorite is the "Carrier Pigeon;" I will
give you a few stanzas."

Every thing was now as quiet, apparent-
ly, as the grave. The star looked at the
ceiling for a moment, and then rose on his
Pigeon. He had not gone over many feet,
however, when a tremendous crash was
heard, sounding like the tumbling of several
heavy bodies down the stairs which led
from the stage to the basement floor, and
before we had time to rise the green-room
door flew open, and Mr. T., one of the
peaceable company, precipitated himself in-
to the room. Having recovered himself,
he stood facing the door in an attitude of
defence. Presently Mr. P., another mem-
ber, sprang into the room with the agility
of a tiger, bawling out,

"Where is he? Show him to me—ah!"
"Now, don't strike me," exclaimed the
frightened T., "don't do it, I say—keep
off—ah! ah!—take him off, men, take
him off!"

The peaceable Mr. D., who was, by-the-
by, proficient in the art of pugilism, began
to spur up to the belligerent party, saying,
"Come, P., I'm for you; come, face me."
"D.," said Mr. L., who was endeavor-
ing, with myself, to separate the parties,
"do quit that sparring, and assist us to
loosen P.'s grasp; and you" (addressing
me) "go and lead the star by the back
stairs to the stage."

I hastened to comply, but on looking
around for the star, I saw him flying down
the long passage which led to the street,
and I have not seen him from that day to
this.

WASHINGTON, D. C., 1846.

BEAUTIFUL PARIS LAWSNS AND GINGHAMS.

LATELY received, by the subscriber, a choice
and beautiful collection of Ladies Dress Goods:
Such as:

Paris Lawns and Muslins (Printed)
French and Earlston Gingham
Fancy Bereges and Balzarines
French and British Chintz

IN WHITE GOODS:

Super 5-4 Jaconet and Cambric Muslins
Do Striped, Plaid and Plain do
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Best Kid, Silk, Thread and Nett Gloves
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Finely wrought Cambric and Muslin Trim-
mings
Parasols, Parasolets and Shades (Fringed)
New style Bonnet and Cap Ribands.
All of which, together with a large variety of
seasonable Goods, will be sold at a small advance
on the cost.
J. B. CLARKE,
Opposite Centre Market and No. 2 from 8th street,
may 4-1weodif

Ladies Please Take Notice

THAT AT MANN'S, Pennsylvania Avenue, 2
doors West of Four-and-a-Half street, may
be found WHITE ENGLISH KID and WHITE
SATIN SLIPPERS, of every size, and among
the very neatest in the city.

ALSO.

Ladies fine quality Gum Elastic Sandal
Over-shoes.

The handsomest in town. This over-shoe has the
decided preference over all others. Gentlemen may
also call and find the largest assortment of over-
shoes to be found in the place. MANN,
Sign of the Big Black Boot, Penn. Avenue, 2 doors
West of 4 1/2 street. feb 26-4

BEERS' TEMPERANCE HOTEL,
Third street, north of Pennsylvania Ave-
nue and near the Railroad Depot
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Prices to suit the times.