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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 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 opposite 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 fashionable style. He would also wish his customers and the public generally, to take notice that his entire stock will be sold, from and after this date, at Cost, and no mistake. To those wishing to purchase, he would say call and see his stock, consisting 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 25-1f

JUDSON'S PORTRAIT.—Subscriptions will be received at Wm. Q. Forc'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 6-1f

### 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 can be made either at my dwelling, near the Railroad, or Lumber Yard office, Seventh street, near road, or Lumber Yard office, Seventh street, near road, where all kinds of BUILDING MATERIALS, together with CEMENT, CALCINED-PLASTER, COAL, &c., &c., can be had cheap for cash or short credit. feb 17, 1846.—1f JOHN PURDY,

### BUSINESS CARDS.

BENJAMIN HOMANS, Auctioneer and Commission Merchant, Between 10th and 11th Streets, fronting Pennsylvania Avenue. Sales of Real Estate, Furniture, and Personal Property, attended to at any place within the city. march 9-1f

DENNIS PUMPHREY'S Livery Stable, corner of 6th and C streets. Horses and Carriages 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 executed at the shortest notice.

HOMCEPATHY.—Dr. Jonas Green, (late of Philadelphia), tends his professional services to the citizens of Washington and its vicinity, as a practitioner of the Homoeopathic system of medicine. His residence is on C street, near 3d. dec 23-1f

BRISCOE & CLARKE, Dealers in Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, &c., Pennsylvania avenue, a few doors west of Brown's Hotel.

ISAAC STODDARD.—Blacksmithing in general, 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 11-1f

PRESLEY 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 Washington, D. C. He may be found at Dr. F. Howard'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 12-1f

WM. 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 carpenter 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, Washington, 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 25-1y

### 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 variety of articles too numerous to mention. apr 16

### I. S. BALL.

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

I. S. BALL also repairs Watches and Jewelry. april 22-1f

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 2-1f

W. WHITNEY.—Boot and Shoe Dealer, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue, has received his full stock of Boots and Shoes suitable for plantation use, he invites the attention of those who wish such articles, and promises 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 received. 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-y

### Hardware! Hardware!! Hardware!!!

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

His stock consists in part of the following articles: Roger's & Son's and others' Table Cutlery in complete sets, Ivory, Buffalo, Buck, Bone, and Cocoa Dining, and Desert Knives and Forks, German 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 Waiters, in sets and separately, Bellmetal and Porcelain 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, Potatoes Steamers, Mortars and Pestles, Wardle 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 Spangles, Rim, Cottage, Mortise and Stock Locks, Closet, Cupboard, Till, Chest, Trunk and Pad Locks, Mortise' Stop, Knob and Thumb Latches, and Belts, Table, Butt, Parliament, H. L. & Strap Hinges, Palmer's pat. Blind Hinges, to fasten back to and Farnham's pat. Window Blind fasteners, 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 Hat 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, Burdons' 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 Pomatums, Ox Marrow, and Oils for beautifying and promoting the growth of the hair; Cold Cream, Lip Salve, Bay Rum, Farina Cologne, Lubin's Extracts 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 Furrows, 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 4-1f

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 manufactures 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 promptly 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 Ornamental 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 12-1f

CUMBERLAND COAL, from the celebrated mines of the Maryland Mining Company, and of a quality better than any heretofore offered in this market, can be had by the car load, or smaller quantity, at J. PURDY'S Coal and Lumber Yard, Centre-market. feb 6-1f

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

Rédigé d'après la sixième édition du Dictionnaire de l'Académie Francaise, le complément de ce dictionnaire, la dernière édition de Chambans, Garnier, et J. Descarrieres, le Dictionnaire Grammatical de Laveau, et le Lexique Universel de Boiste, les Dictionnaires Anglais de Johnson, Todd, Ash, Webster, et Crabbe, et les principaux ouvrages technologiques de l'une et l'autre langue; et contenant all the words in use in both languages, together with the obsolete terms connected with polite literature; technical terms used in the arts, sciences, and manufactures, in the naval and military sciences, in law, trade, and commerce; geographical and mythological history; a literal prolix or epithets elucidating history; the use of the nomenclature of English words for the English student, and of French words for the English; accurate and discriminating definitions, with examples and illustrations tending to display and fix the signification, import, rank, and character, of each individual word; peculiar constructions, modes of speech, idioms, sayings, and proverbs; etymology, exhibiting words in their origin and affinities; grammar, synonymy, &c. Published in Paris in 1845. Imported (a single copy only) by F. TAYLOR. feb 7-1f

MEDICAL NOTICE. DR. PHILANDER GOULD offers his professional 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 profits. LEWIS BROOKS, Water street, Georgetown. feb 7-1f

### POETRY.

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

For the Columbian Fountain.

#### TO A BEAUTIFUL CHILD.

A sweet and merry child thou art, With jet black eyes and curling hair; How lightly beats thy little heart, With not a thought of sorrow there!

Come to my breast, and let me kiss Thy crimson lips and forehead white— 'Twill steal my heart's sad weariness, And give it some of thy delight.

Thy clear voice on the air outrings, More musical than song of bird, And strange joy to my spirit brings, Whenever its glad tones are heard.

Fair child, thy lips have richer red, Than lips of ocean's brightest shell, And softer than eve's clouds o'er head, Is thy cheeks rosy, dimpled swell;

And darker than the storm, thy hair Falls down thy polished neck with grace; A glory seems to linger there, As lightning in the clouds we trace.

Sweet little maid, fair is thy breast As lily of the valley's bell; May innocence there ever rest, And love there ever love to dwell!

Like dew from heaven upon the flower, May blessings fall upon thy heart, And keep thee till life's latest hour, Childlike and pure as now thou art!

While gazing on thy dark, bright eyes, So full of careless glee and wild, To other days my spirit flies, When I, like thee, was but a child.

Come hither, come, my pretty one, And on me let those glances shine, For like a gleam of golden sun, Is the light of those twin stars of thine.

Of thy pure, gentle, thoughts it tells— From me it drives dark care away, As mist, the golden sun dispels From gloomy vales at break of day.

My soul, that loves all beautiful things, As sands drink rain, now drinks thy glad- For to my lone imaginings [ness, It yields a joy—else tinged with sadness.

Then hither come, and let me kiss Thy crimson lips and forehead white— 'Twill steal my heart's sad weariness, And give it some of thy delight,

W. L. SHOEMAKER.

GEORGETOWN, D. C.

### CHOICE READING.

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger than they were before."

WASHINGTON May 8, 1846.

Although our country is reputed to be the greatest in the world, and in all the vigor of youth, whitening the ocean with her countless sails, flooding the earth with the product of her manufactories, and filling the air with the sound of her hammer and plane; yet beneath this shining surface there is a mass of wretchedness and woe which fills the heart with sorrow. And whence the cause? Rum, the Devil's direst weapon has reduced us to this lamentable plight. When the tempter has secured a hold upon his victim, the poor deluded being becomes more and more infatuated, his potations are deeper and longer until finally he becomes either a raving madman, or death cuts him from his career ere his natural course is half run. Are these the men the Constitution recognizes as the firm supporters of the laws of our country? Are these fit men to confide the destinies of a free people to? Look at the generality of our elections, and see there the effects of rum—the most degrading, demoralizing conduct in all its nakedness, the man transformed into the beast, and animal passion triumphing over mind, thus laying the foundation of a series of riots, so dangerous alike to peace and liberty—that liberty bought by the best blood of the country. Truly our freedom cost too much, to be so ruthlessly endangered; and I will venture to say, that if we ever lose the inestimable privileges we now enjoy, if ever our rights are trampled upon, if ever the cry of "down with the Constitution" is heard, that the first, and leading cause, will be intemperance. Is there no remedy for this? Why is this evil gaining ground so amongst us? It is because those who should set the example of right are unwilling to, because

there is no pecuniary benefit. Some of the many men of talent keep aloof, whose influence would greatly benefit the cause, and others, with the enticing wine cup in their hands, vent their coarse, ribald jests upon the honest few who labor for the good of the many.

Oh that the talent lying idle amongst us, or expended in fruitless argument, was applied to this bleeding wound in our country's honor! No stypic would be half so efficacious as this. Look at the power of Rum! Homes are desolate and miserable—energy is dead, and the hours given us to improve by our Creator, wasted in the miserable hovels erected for man's debasement. The seller had better eke out his life in misery and want, than make his fortune in this way. We see halls fitted up in every city in the Union, in almost regal magnificence, presenting nothing but roses to the sight, whilst the thorns lie hid.

Truly, the drunkard's life would be most acceptable if there were no thorns beneath the roses; for in alcohol we would find a Lethe, in which we could wash away all remembrances. But there is a to-morrow, and retribution will come as certainly as we live—the hope destroyed—the love rudely spurned—the outraged feelings will have justice done them. Let the drunkard look at this picture and tremble, for as surely as the truth can speak, his course must end at this cheerless goal. FRIEND.

### THE RUINED FAMILY.

BY WASHINGTON IRVING.

The depopulating pestilence that walketh in noonday, the carnage of cruel and devastating war can scarcely exhibit their victims in a more terrible array, than in exterminating drunkenness. I have seen a promising family spring up from the parent trunk, and stretch abroad its populous limbs like a flowering tree, covered with green and healthy foliage. I have seen the unnatural decay beginning upon the yet tender leaf, and gnawing like a worm, in an unopened bud, while they dropped off one by one, and the ruined shaft stood alone, until the winds and rains of many a sorrow had laid it too in the dust. On one of those holy days, when the patriarch, rich in virtue and in years, gathered about him the great and little ones of his flock, his sons and daughters, I too sat at the board. I pledged therein hospitable health, and expatiated with delight on the eventful future, while the good old man warmed in the genial glow of youthful enthusiasm, wiped a tear from his eyes. He was happy. I met them again when the rolling year brought the festive season round. But all was not there. The kind old man sighed as his suffused eyes dwelt on the then unoccupied seat; but joy yet came to his relief, and he was happy. A parent's love knows no diminution—time, distance, poverty, shame, give but intensity and strength to that passion, before which all others dissolve and melt away. The board was set, but the guests came not. The man cried, "Where are my children?" and echo answered "where?" His heart broke, for they were not. Could not heaven have spared his grey hairs this affliction? Alas! the demon of drunkenness had been there. They had fallen victims to his spell. And one short month sufficed to cast the veil of oblivion over the old man's sorrow, and the young one's shame. They are all dead.

THE SUBSCRIBER keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of HARDWARE, including hollow ware, Wood Ware, Brushes, Baskets, Jap. Tin Ware, Door Mats, and a large collection of Miscellaneous Goods to which he invites the attention of purchasers, believing that he can and does sell as low as any other house in the city. Jan 31-1f GEO. SAVAGE.

### Ladies Please Take Notice

THAT AT MANN'S, Pennsylvania avenue, 3 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 26-1f

WILLIAM W. STEWART, Magistrate, Notary Public, Collector and General Agent, office No. 4, Pennsylvania avenue, near the Capitol. may 9-3m