

THE FOUNTAIN.

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 8, 1846.

SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE. Bible.

The Columbian Fountain has nearly, if not quite, as wide a circulation in this city as any other paper published here; we believe its circulation among the citizens themselves is wider than any other city paper. Advertisers would do well to keep this in mind.

Mr. JOHN F. BARNARD, the agent for the District, will promptly attend to all business connected with the paper. Advertisements, &c., will also reach us safely if handed to the Carriers, or placed in our box at Mr. STORR'S Drug Store.

THE GREAT NATIONAL FAIR.

This grand exhibition, which attracted, for many days together, so many of the most distinguished men of the land to our city, and afforded the highest gratification to every American citizen that visited it, is now closed; but the scene which it presented, and the enjoyment it afforded, will not soon be forgotten. We pretend not to express an opinion as to the question which is now so largely discussed in the political papers. Like every thing else, the Fair had its friends and its foes: some think it was necessary and useful: others viewed it as a work of supererogation, which failed to effect any beneficial purpose.

Those who expressed a desire to possess themselves of articles which were there exposed, will have an opportunity to do so today, as a public sale of the same is to take place, at the magnificent building, which will look rather strangely when the costly array of goods is removed from it. The city, too, will be desolate, compared with its condition for several weeks past, during which time it has been so thronged with visitors from all parts of the country, the most of whom, as far as we know, went away delighted with their visit to the Metropolis.

THE BALTIMORE PATRIOT.

We feel it our duty to say, in reference to this large, well-conducted, and very respectable journal, that its friendliness manifested towards us shall not be forgotten. We perceive that it is a steady advocate of the doctrine, "It is good to help the weak." Some of the large journals of the day to whom we have sent the Fountain have not even deigned to treat us with common courtesy, and do not deserve, no matter what they profess, the support they receive; for there can be no reasonable excuse for a failure to be just. We commend to such the noble example of the Patriot—a paper which, though it can have no interested motive further than to be kind and act honorably—has not only given our humble sheet an exchange, but treated us with that respect due at least to the cause we advocate. We do not pretend to affirm that every paper is bound to exchange with us; but we do say, common courtesy requires them, if they do not, to present us with some good reason why they refuse; and in all cases where such information is not given, we feel free to construe the neglect into an opposition to the virtuous course we are at least aiming to pursue; and such a course should commend itself to every man of intelligence.

"NOT SPICY ENOUGH."

This is the reason assigned by a would-be friend of the Temperance cause, why he stops taking that most excellent sheet, the Philadelphia "Pledge and Standard." The editor says, "we have a mind to pen a right spicy article on this subject." So do, brother; such a man ought to be made ashamed of himself, if he is not so already. And yet there are hundreds that profess great love for the cause, and some in Washington, who have not even so good a reason as this, for their neglect to support a temperance paper, either by subscribing or advertising. We don't pretend to count such as true men—they are too spicy.

IMPROPER LECTURERS.

We see it stated in some of our exchanges, that there are individuals lecturing on temperance, in whom the people "put no trust." Now this injures our cause, and some friend should beseech of every such lecturer to desist. There are men enough, of good standing and ability in our ranks who can spare the time, when it is necessary, to lay this matter before the people, and the people should call such men to the work. Often it is the case, that those best suited to lecture, are modest and retiring, and not willing to push themselves forward, though if once called out, they would do good service to the cause.

ON OUR DESK.

DELAWARE TEMPERANCE HERALD.—The first number of this neatly printed and promising weekly came to hand some days ago. It is edited and published by Washington Lowe, Esq., at Wilmington, and if encouraged as it deserves to be, will do much for the cause. Another Wilmington paper says, "Mr. Lowe, is a practical printer"—we wish him success.

THE EXCURSION.

We call the special attention of our readers to the advertisement in another column concerning the excursion of the Sons of Temperance down the Potomac. It will, we doubt not, be a most delightful trip, and not only afford pleasure, but also much profit to those who go.

Foster, of the Pittsburg Dispatch, has gotten a smaller head—we mean head for his paper. There is no necessity for reducing his own, but it's a smart little head, after all.

[Philadelphia Times.]

Our brother of the Times does not appear to favor the saying, "little heads, little wit."

[Col. Fountain.]

SONG.

Written for Junior Association, No. 1, United Brethren of Temperance, by W. F. S., one of its members.

Air—"Star Spangled Banner."

Rouse, Brothers rouse, for action prepare,
Rush forth to retrieve your fond homes from invasion;
Your breasts as of yore, to the battle make bare,

But conquer by power of moral persuasion;
With manly resolve, let each one declare,
The yoke of intemperance, he never will bear;
Fling out the white flag, let it float in the gale,

'Till temperance all over our land shall prevail.

Our cause still goes on, we'll be undismayed,
The fountains of misery will soon cease their flowing,

While Heaven directs us, we'll not be afraid,
For cold water armies, to millions are growing;

In Israel's God, we'll still put our trust,
And boldly march onward; "our cause it is just;"

Soon the white flag of temperance "in triumph shall wave,

O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave."

NEWS ITEMS.

What is it but a Map of busy life,
Its fluctuations and its vast concerns?—*Courier.*

TERRIBLE TORNADO—LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY AT WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

DELAWARE JOURNAL OFFICE, WILMINGTON, Friday Evening, June 6.

We have only time to inform you by tonight's mail, of a terrible tornado which visited our city this afternoon between five and six o'clock. The wind blew terrific—large trees were blown down—houses unroofed—carriages on the roads near the city were upset—the carters, draymen, &c., ungoaded their horses, unable to proceed farther, and left their burthen in the streets, which were absolutely covered with torrents of water. Such a storm was never before witnessed in Wilmington. At this early hour it is impossible to send you all the particulars, but we have gathered the following, and despatch them in great haste.

The large ship house, belonging to Betts, Harlan & Hollinsworth, was entirely destroyed. Twenty men were in it, at work on an iron steamer; two of them were immediately crushed to death, and several others were considerably injured.

The large building, belonging to Messrs. Thachers, was also blown down. Several of the workmen were injured, but we have heard of no deaths.

A brig was capsized in the Chrisuana, and one of the hands had his leg broken. Several smaller vessels broke from the wharf, and nearly all the vessels in port were more or less injured.

The High Constable of the city, while riding on the road, was blown, horse and carriage into a ditch, and was hurt by the plunging of the horse.—*Baltimore Patriot.*

DREADFUL ACCIDENT.—Late on Wednesday afternoon, while the workmen at the iron foundry of Joseph H. Amer, corner of 12th and Willow streets, were carrying a large pan containing the molten iron from the cupola to the moulds, one of the cranks which sustained it gave way, from the weight of the burning liquid, and the hot iron falling into the sand, all was immediately enveloped in dust. Two of the men, named James Morris and Owen Harp, were dreadfully burned from the liquid running over them and setting their clothes on fire. The liquid made a miniature river over the place, and several of the other workmen narrowly escaped. The building also came near being destroyed.—*Phil. Times.*

ACCIDENT.—Mr. Irby Pierce, of this city, who has been employed for some time past, as engineer on the Reading railroad, was dreadfully mashed between two cars. He arrived here in the cars on Wednesday evening last, and was immediately conveyed to his residence, in Second street, near Lombard. There is every probability of his recovery.—*ib.*

THE MILITARY SPIRIT.—It is impossible for us to group in our columns one-tenth of the military movements which are pervading the nation. Every State is preparing to pour forth its volunteers. Nor is the effort confined to the people. Some of their representatives are feeling the war spirit, and exchanging their seats in the legislature for the tented field. General Price, from Missouri, Governor Yell, of Arkansas, and Mr. Baker, a whig member from Illinois, have left Congress for the West, to serve in the field. "Westward, ho," is the signal, and hundreds are repairing to the camp!

[Union.]

SERIOUS IF NOT FATAL ACCIDENT.—Dr. March was called to Waterford, yesterday, in consequence of a distressing accident in one of the factories of that place. The tongue of a bell, weighing four and a half pounds, fell a distance of sixty feet direct upon the head of Miss Mary Porter, causing a hole of about an inch in diameter. She fell immediately to the floor; and the wonder is, that she was not instantly killed. Surgical aid was called in as speedily as possible, and her recovery, though doubtful, is possible.—*Albany Argus.*

SAD CASUALTY.—Whilst some workmen were digging a cellar in Richmond street, Boston, on the 3d instant, a wall fell in and buried three of the laborers under the ruins, namely: Mr. Kenon, had his leg badly smashed, and was carried to East Boston; a Mr. McCarty, a blacksmith, was hurt very badly about the head, and it was feared he would not survive; Peter Daley had his leg broken in two places, and was carried to the Hospital.

THUNDER STORM.—Another very heavy storm of rain, accompanied with sharp lightning and loud peals of thunder, passed over our city on Thursday afternoon, about 4 o'clock. During the storm, the flag staff at Fort McHenry was struck by lightning and smashed to atoms. Some small boats in the river were capsized by the gale, but no lives lost. We learn that a tree on the Philadelphia and Baltimore railroad, near Gunpowder Station, was struck by the fluid and shivered piecemeal. It fell on the telegraphic wire, but so strong was the cord that it did not break.—*Balt. Pat.*

FIRE.—The house of Capt. Matthews, situated between Stanton and the Springs, was burnt to the ground on Tuesday night last. It was struck by lightning about 12 o'clock at night, during the prevalence of the gust, and every article in the house destroyed. The value of the furniture was estimated at eight thousand dollars. The whole was insured to the amount of one thousand dollars.—*Blue H. Chicken.*

THE BRITANNIA sailed on last Monday afternoon, with nine passengers for Halifax, and seventy-one for Liverpool. Among the latter Hon. Romulus M. Saunders, United States minister to Spain; Rev. Dr. Olin and lady, of Middleton, Con.; and Rev. Messrs. Himes, Brown, Leitch, and other Millerite missionaries to England.

DAY OF PRAYER.—The Old School General Assembly, before adjourning on Wednesday, passed a resolution recommending the setting apart, the first Sabbath of July, throughout all the Presbyterian Congregations, as a day of humiliation and prayer, in view of the present warlike crisis of our National affairs.—*Philadelphia Times.*

WAR INCIDENT.—An officer of the army, writing a description of the late battle says: "Our regiment was particularly fortunate. We had not a man killed or wounded the first day, notwithstanding a ball passed through a company in the centre; the men saw it pass through. My horse was just behind them, and the ball passed between his legs."

WHEAT CROPS.—Although the Hessian fly has been destructive in many places, particularly on late sown wheat, the late rains have, in a great measure, overcome its ravages, and the prospect is a tolerable fair crop. Oats and grass promise to be abundant. Corn begins to grow—the late rains having killed its enemy, the cut worm.—*Wilmington B. H. Chicken.*

The Providence (R. I.) Furnace Building, belonging to Israel G. Manchester, esq., together with all its contents, was consumed by fire on Wednesday morning, between three and four o'clock. The loss on building and materials is estimated at \$7000.

VERY TRUE.—The "Modern Times," published in Williamsport, Washington county, (Md.) has put on a new dress, and is one of the neatest, and always was one of the best papers published in the interior.—*Balt. Patriot.*

TRIAL FOR MURDER.—The trial of William Chip, for killing John W. Gray, has been going on in Charlottesville, Va., for some time. The jury had not agreed upon a verdict at last accounts.

A very destructive hail storm took place at Fincastle, Va., on Friday week, breaking from one to three thousand panes of glass, and destroying all the vegetation in the neighborhood.

BABE DISCHARGED.—A nolle prosequi having been entered on the remaining indictments, for which he was arrested since his pardon by the President. Babe has been set at large.

OHIO RIVER.—At Wheeling on Tuesday there were ten feet of water in the channel. At Pittsburg on Wednesday there were six feet of water in the channel.

MEETING PLACES.—The next General Assembly of the Old School Presbyterian Church meets at Richmond, Va. The New School meets next at Cincinnati.

A Distillery, with a large amount of whiskey was burned near Easton a few days since. It belonged to the Messrs. Michler.

FATHER MILLER, says the Boston Mail, has postponed the end of the world until the close of the Mexican war.

A new Episcopal Church (called Grace Church,) was consecrated in Providence, R. I., on Tuesday. It is a fine gothic building.

The Great Britain leaves N. York for Liverpool to-day at 3, p. m.

Dow, Jr., thus closes a recent "Patent Sermon," relative to the War.

"Go it, with a rush and fury, till the battle is over and the victory gained. Then, O how sweetly will fall the gentle dew of Peace upon the fevered brow of War! It will be like a mild and grateful sunshine after long days of gloom and darkness, or the bright smile of Aurora, while preparing her toilet in the gay chamber of the east. Then, I trust, you will convert your swords into pruning hooks—beat your spears into ploughshares—turn your muskets into crowbars, and learn the art of war no more.

War, my friends, is considered a necessary evil; but, it is an evil, I am sorry to say, in which mankind is apt to take too great a delight. For my part, I 'holler on' Peace Friendship, and Love. These are my sentiments; and to them will I cling, with all the tenacity of a possum to a persimmon, till death looses my hold, and the tide that washed me upon the shore of being takes me back to the great ocean of unknowing. So moti it be!

CITY AFFAIRS.

Let us not be so absorbed in the doings of others, as to forget what is going on at home.

It is suggested that instead of rewarding our gallant Army on the Rio Grande, with a month's extra pay, that a silver medal be given to each soldier that was in the actions. The idea is a good one, as the medal would be kept long after the money would have been spent.

The telegraph being now finished to New York, there are plenty of young ladies in both cities, who are ready to receive proposals through its medium, for young men of temperate habits, and who have a natural fondness for children.

It is expected that copies of all the correspondence between General Scott and the War Department, relative to his application for the command of the army, will be sent to the Senate on Monday Morning.

The Harmonicons are still drawing crowds at Odd Fellows' Hall. Every lover of music ought to pay for his newspaper, and go to hear them.

General Price, of Missouri, Governor Yell, of Arkansas, and Mr. Baker of Illinois, have left Congress to join the volunteer forces of the West.

There is a splendid collection of paintings at Jackson Hall.



Reported for the Columbian Fountain.

Twenty-ninth Congress: FIRST SESSION.

SENATE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1846.

The bill providing for French Spoiliations committed on American Commerce, prior to 1800, was passed by a vote of 27 to 21. The Post Office appropriation bill was discussed during the remainder of the day.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Messrs. Baker and Yell were excused, on motion, from serving on the committee on Military Affairs and two others were ordered to be appointed, temporarily in their places. These gentlemen have gone home—the first to Illinois, and the latter to Arkansas—to raise troops for Texas or Mexico.

Mr. A. Johnson, of Tennessee, offered a resolution, providing for an adjournment of the two Houses on the 20th of June. Objections being made, he moved a suspension of the rule; it was refused—yeas 84, nays 73—requiring two-thirds. Mr. Boyd moved that hereafter, the regular daily hour of meeting shall be ten o'clock: but the rules were not suspended.

A motion of Mr. Hungerford, to meet on Monday, at ten o'clock, prevailed. The House passed to the private calendar, and at an early hour adjourned.

The following was posted up in the form of hand bills in the streets of Boston a few days ago. The Sun thinks it is unseasonable crying "peace, peace, when there is no peace!"

PEACE! PEACE!! PEACE!!!
WANTED IMMEDIATELY—50,000 Faithful, True Hearted Men, to disseminate through the United States and Mexico, the Principles of Justice, Truth, and Peace, the Love of God and Humanity. Applications to be made where full compensation will be granted—at the Court of Heaven.
"BLESS'D ARE THE PEACE-MAKERS!"

Admission Reduced to 25 cents.—
Two New Chemical Dioramas!!
ONE WEEK MORE
OF THE GRAND EXHIBITION OF
ILLUMINATED
CHEMICAL DIORAMAS,
AT CARUSI'S SALOON: Monday evening, June 8th, and every evening during this week only.

I. Destruction of Babylon.
II. Funeral of Napoleon.
III. Milan Cathedral; and,
IV. Belshazzar's Feast.
R. WINTER begs leave to inform the citizens of Washington and vicinity that this will be the last week of his exhibition in this city.
Admission 25 cents only. Doors open at 7, commencing at 8 o'clock precisely. Day Exhibitions on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 4 o'clock precisely. For full description see small bills. June 8-1w

ALEXANDRIA PIANO WARE-ROOM.
ÆOLIAN PIANOS.—WILLIAM PRATT, Professor of Music, King-street, near Washington street, Alexandria, has constantly on hand an assortment of superior Piano Fortes, manufactured by Nunn and Clarke, of New York, without and with Coleman's beautiful Æolian Attachment, all richly finished, with Harp Pedal, complete; several in both Rosewood and Mahogany, just received and for sale on the most eligible terms. Old Pianos taken in exchange. June 8-2ed2w

JOHN L. SMITH,
POLICE MAGISTRATE,
Office on Eighth street, a few doors above Wm. R. Riley's Dry Goods Store.
A handsome Brick house for rent, on Pennsylvania avenue, nearly opposite Fuller's, and next door to Dr. Laurie's. Rent moderate. June 8-4f.

NEW CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY.—Corrected up to date by the Postmaster of the House of Representatives. For sale by F. TAYLOR. June 8-4f

JUST RECEIVED.
20 REAMS John Butler's Superfine Letter paper.
20 REAMS Hubbard's Steel Pen Letter Paper, Together with a lot of Fancy Stationery: consisting of Fancy Wafers, Wax, Note Paper, Envelopes, &c. &c.
ALSO—The Art of Conversation, neatly bound in one small volume. Price 25 cents. For sale by U. WARD & SON.
A few doors East of the Rail Road Depot. June 6-4f

MAY STATEMENT. MUTUAL BENEFIT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

OFFICE No. 11, Wall street—issued during the month of May 207 new Policies, viz:

To Merchants & Traders 83	To Brokers 3
Manufacturers 9	Secrty of Insur. Comp. 1
Mechanics 12	Bank Tellers 2
Clergymen 5	Civil Engineers 2
Physicians 15	Agents 4
Lawyers 4	Book-keepers 2
Teachers 7	Clerks 14
Students 4	Innkeepers 3
Editors and Printers 5	Ladies 16
Public Officer 1	Gentlemen 5
Sea Captains and Mariners 4	Cartmen 2
Farmers 6	Servants 1
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Number Lives Insured 207
ROBT. L. PATTERSON, President.
BENJ. C. MILLER, Secretary.
J. C. LEWIS, Agent, Washington.
HARVEY LINDSLEY, M. D., Physician.
June 6-3f

EXTENSIVE SALE OF GOODS AT AUCTION AT THE NATIONAL FAIR IN WASHINGTON.

ON MONDAY, the 8th June, at the building erected for the National Fair, will be offered at auction one of the largest and handsomest assortment of articles of American manufacture ever submitted to the public. It will be impossible to enumerate the goods in the limits of an advertisement. They embrace every variety in

Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Cabinet Ware, Agricultural Implements, Mechanics' Tools, And Articles of Luxury, Comfort, Convenience and Necessity.

The sale will be well worthy the attendance of dealers from a distance, as a similar opportunity may never again occur. The goods will be sold by wholesale, and the sale continued from day to day until all are disposed of. Catalogues will be ready for delivery on the day of sale, which will commence at 10 A. M. Terms cash. B. HOMANS, Auctioneer. June 5-5s.

FREE EXHIBITION. PLUMBE NATIONAL DAGUERRIAN GALLERY, and Photographic Depots, established in 1840, and awarded the GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS, Four First Premiums, and Two Highest Honors.

At the National, the Massachusetts, the New York, and the Pennsylvania exhibitions, for the most Splendid Colored Daguerreotypes, And Best Apparatus:
Concert Hall, Pennsylvania Avenue, WASHINGTON CITY, NEAR BROWN'S HOTEL, 205 Baltimore street, Baltimore, adjoining Campbell's Jewelry store.
Sycamore street, Petersburg, Virginia.
251 Broadway, New York.
75 Court street, Boston.
136 Chesnut street, Philadelphia.
176 Main street, Cincinnati.
Broadway, Saratoga Springs.
Portraits taken in any weather, in exquisite style. Apparatus, instructions, and all materials furnished. June 5-4f

GRAND PLEASURE EXCURSION DOWN THE POTOMAC.

THE Franklin Division, No. 8, Sons of Temperance, propose making an excursion down the Potomac in the steamboat Columbia, on Tuesday next, June 9th, leaving the steamboat Wharf at Georgetown at 8 o'clock, A. M., Washington at 9 1/2 A. M., Navy Yard at 10 1/2, and Alexandria at 11 A. M.
The boat will stop at Fort Washington half an hour, or long enough to enable visitors to land and view the objects of interest there, and then to proceed to Mount Vernon, opposite of which the boat will stop twenty minutes, whilst the band (engaged for the occasion) will play some of the finest National airs; thence proceed to Indian Head, on the Maryland side, and return to Georgetown at about sunset.

Refreshments will be provided for ladies and gentlemen at moderate prices.
The Sons of Temperance, Brothers of Temperance, and the public generally, are respectfully invited to join the excursion.
Tickets admitting a gentleman and two ladies \$1 00, to be had of the Committee of Arrangement, or on board the boat.
The Cotillion Band is engaged for the occasion.
H. A. DENNISON,
JAMES CATON,
C. W. ARNOLD,
June 2-4d Committee of Arrangements.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

TRANSPORTATION OFFICE, Washington, June 1, 1845.
THE public are respectfully informed that on and after Thursday, the 4th inst., a passenger train will be started daily (Sunday excepted) at 12 o'clock A. M., reaching Baltimore in time to connect with the Philadelphia train of cars.
By order: SAML. STETTINIUS, Agent. June 2-6f

Patent Enamelled and Isenring Daguerreotype, warranted to stand.

W. A. PRATT, Artist, patentee of the first, and agent for the latter, of these splendid methods of ornamenting and relieving photographic portraits, by means of which they can be seen in any light and almost at any distance, is now prepared to take likenesses in this place for a few weeks only. Hours from 9 a. m., to 6 p. m., without regard to weather.
Rooms on Pennsylvania Avenue, between the depot and Capitol, over the Columbian Fountain office.
Instructions given, and Voightlander's celebrated instruments for sale, with all other materials on the most reasonable terms.
May 16-4ed1m

C. ECKLOFF & SONS, MERCHANT TAILORS,

South side of Pennsylvania avenue, between 12th and 13th streets.
WOULD respectfully call the attention of the public to their assortment of Spring and Summer Goods, of the latest styles. They believe them to be unsurpassed in beauty and fabric. It is suggested to all who are in want of articles in our line to examine our goods, prices, &c. We have no doubt they will be fully satisfied of the fact that our goods, cut, finish and prices, are unexceptionable in all their requisites.
We have at all times a large and fashionable assortment of READY MADE CLOTHING on hand, of our own make, which we can with confidence recommend as being of superior finish, which, together with an assortment of Fancy Articles, renders our stock well worthy the attention of the public.
April 28-4f. [Nat. Intelligencer ed1m.]