

The letters in the Northern papers all speak of the sufferings of the Army of the Potomac, during the late storm, and of the hardships endured when the attempted advance movement was commenced. After toiling along during Tuesday and Wednesday, through mud and mire, it was found impossible to proceed. One letter describes the scene as follows:—

"I found the men turning off the main road to seek less worn and slushy by-paths at every opportunity, but with no success. The brush was nearly as bad as the main road. When I got within about two miles of the river I came upon a scene of confusion worse than I had seen before. In a deep gully, and on the hill-side, where the road ascended, were stuck fast in the mire more than a dozen caissons, guns, ammunition and forage wagons, and one of the great headquarter wagons. Teamsters were cursing and cracking their whips, horses and mules were floundering in the mire, strings of soldiers were dragging at long ropes fastened to each side of the wagons, to help them forward; and I fancied that the whole men, wagons, guns, mules, soldiers, and all, was gradually disappearing from sight in the mud."

The Washington correspondent of the New York Express says that there are all sorts of men in Washington for all sorts of purposes.

DIED.

On the 20th inst., in the 22d year of her age, **MARTHA E. COLE**, daughter of James and Mary Cole, who fell a victim to that fatal disease, consumption. She has left a large number of relatives and friends to mourn their irreparable loss. May they grieve not as those without hope, but have the pleasing anticipation that she is transplanted from time into the haven of rest, where sorrow is a stranger, and weeping and sighing are no more. I visited her frequently during her illness, and never witnessed a more patient sufferer. She bore her illness with perfect calmness and quiet resignation to the Divine will. She remarked to me during her illness, if it was the Lord's will to lengthen out the brittle thread of her existence, she was perfectly willing to stay; but if it was his will that she should go to be seen no more on earth, she was perfectly resigned to his irrevocable decree. Some time previous to her dissolution, the idea of passing through the dark valley and shadow of death filled her with terror and dismay, but as life commenced ebbing, death was divested of its terror. All was done that human means could devise to lengthen out her life, but every effort proved unavailing. May her friends bow in humble submission to his divine will, and say, "Not my will, but thine, O Lord, be done." A friend conversed with her on the importance of prayer, saying religion was a comfort in life and solace in the hour of death. She seemed to take comfort in his remarks, and observed that she had faith in him, knowing he was a man of integrity, giving evidence of piety and devotion to the cause of his Redeemer. As the lamp of life was fast flickering in its socket, she was asked if she was willing to die. She answered, in an audible tone, yes. She requested to see her father, knowing his affection was deeply concentrated in his children, fearing he would not have fortitude to sustain him in his affliction. As he approached her bedside, almost choked with heartfelt emotion, she gazed on his countenance for the last time with filial affection, and said, Father, grieve not for me. She addressed herself to her kind mother and affectionate sister, who had been so faithful in their attendance to her to alleviate and assuage her pain, and told them to meet her in heaven. "And hear ye not what the dear one says, What solace in her farewell is given; Cheering with hope, like the sun's parting ray, In those sweet words—Meet me in Heaven."

"When those she loved, above the dark veil, Shall mount as the last earthly link is riven; May she then meet them, eager to hail, And welcome to their home in heaven."

In Washington, on the morning of the 25th inst., Mrs. **AMANDA** wife of Wm. Hayes, esq., of the Interior Department, in the 25th year of her age.

At the family residence, Red House Shoals, Putnam county, Va., on the 13th inst., **LAVINIA S. HEREFORD**, wife of Dr. Sydenham Hereford, in the 44th year of her age.

A CARD FROM DICK PARKER.—It having been intimated to me, by several of my personal friends in Alexandria, that I was misrepresented in the ring of Mr. Jas. M. Nixon's circus, on the occasion of that gentleman's benefit, on the 23d instant, I deem it a justice to myself, to make a statement in regard to the matter. On Wednesday preceding the day in question, Mr. Andrew Nixon, as agent for his brother James, applied to me for permission to use my name on the bills, and to get my consent to play in the afternoon of that day, he knowing that I was under an engagement to Mr. W. E. Sinn, of the Washington Canterbury, and, therefore, could not volunteer at night without Mr. S.'s permission, and which permission Mr. Nixon knew Mr. Sinn would not grant. I told Mr. Nixon that if I could come down in the afternoon and appear, I would telegraph. I did not telegraph, and of course this was evidence that I was prevented from coming. My name was not mentioned by the small audience present in the afternoon, but at night my friends did me the honor to call for me, when Mr. Nichols, the equestrian manager of Nixon's circus, stated to the audience, in substance, that I had disappointed Mr. Nixon, and as he had no control over me, I would not appear. Now I ask, if my statement is correct, who humbugged the people—Mr. Nixon or myself?
Jan 27—1t **DICK PARKER.**

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!
AT NO. 325 KING STREET, (Jos. Gregg's old stand.)
Butter 25 cents per pound;
Eggs 25 cents per dozen;
Coal Oil 60 cents per gallon;
Best Golden Syrup, 65 cents per gallon;
Best Molasses 50 cents per gallon;
Dried Apples 40 cents per peck, or 6 cents per pound;
Pure Apple Cider 16 cents per gallon;
Do. do. by the barrel;
Cider Vinegar 20 cents per gallon, and Groceries of all kinds on hand.
Jan 27—1w*

THE CHEAPEST COAL OIL,
In the city, to be had at
COGAN'S,
NO. 15 ROYAL STREET.
25 BBLs. of the best OIL ever manufactured just received.
On hand, a large and splendid assortment of LAMPS, of all styles, together with GAS FIXTURES in variety, at extremely low prices. Look to your interest, and call at the right place.
Jan 26—1f

ACCOMMODATION EXPRESS
BETWEEN
WASHINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA.
THE undersigned begs to inform the citizens of Alexandria and vicinity that he will, on Monday, January 26th, commence running an EXPRESS between Alexandria and Washington, for the purpose of conveying any and all articles (not contraband) of freight. Orders may be left at Rosenthal's shoe store, No. 98 King street, Alexandria, or at McGregor's furniture store, No. 530 7th street, Washington. All business entrusted to his care will be promptly attended to. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.
Jan 16—1m **W. M. DODGE.**

NOTICE.—The copartnership heretofore existing between Joseph Hunter and W. Hunter, under the firm of J. & W. Hunter, was dissolved on the 24th of May, 1862.
JOSEPH HUNTER,
WILKINSON HUNTER.
Jan 26—3t*

TO THE VOTERS OF ALEXANDRIA.—FELLOW-CITIZENS: Yielding to the solicitation of numerous friends, I announce myself a candidate for the office of Mayor.—Should it be your good pleasure to elect me, I will promise to discharge the duties of the office with whatsoever of ability I possess, with honesty and with sobriety.
Jan 24—3t **W. L. PENN.**

E. S. FLEMING,
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER,
NO. 86 KING STREET.
WATCHES, CLOCKS and JEWELRY carefully repaired, and all work warranted.
Old Gold and Silver purchased at the highest rates.
CLOCKS put in repair at the shortest notice.
Jan 23—1m

LIBERTY HALL.
SINN & HESS.....Lessees and Proprietors.
Second week of the world-renowned
GEO. PERCIVAL'S
GREAT CANTERBURY COMPANY,
whose
INIMITABLE PERFORMANCES
have been patronized by
Large and Enthusiastic Audiences
during the past week.
This week everything
NEW, FRESH, AND ORIGINAL!!!
Engagement of the beautiful Danseuses,
M'ILLE MARIE and M'ILLE AUGUSTA,
From Laura Keane's Theatre, N. Y.,
Whose chaste and exquisite dancing has justly won for them the title of
THE FAIRY SISTERS!
First appearance of America's Champion Clog
Dancer,
TIM HAYES.
Re-engagement of the bold and dashing Songstress,
MISS CLARA HARRINGTON,
Second week of
MISS NELLIE TAYLOR,
The charming Vocalist.
MATT. GEBBLER,
The famous Comic Singer.
BILLY EMMERSON,
FRANK WYANT,
M. JEAN CLOSKI,
The celebrated Negro Comedians,
Together with
TEN OTHER STAR PERFORMERS!
Including the
COURT OF BEAUTY,
MISS TILLY FORBES,
MISS KATE HARRISON,
MISS ANNIE HARRISON,
and a full and efficient Orchestra, under the leadership of
PROF. CHAS. WEBER,
ADMISSION.—Parquette, 25 cents; Orchestra, 50 cents. Doors open at 6½; performances commence at 7 to 8.
Jan 26—1f

NIXON'S HIPPODRAMATIC
TEMPLE OF AMUSEMENT,
King Street, Opposite the Alexandria Gazette Office.

GIGANTIC COMBINATION OF STARS.
This afternoon and night, the famous Kentucky Clown,
SAM. LATHROP,
The Humorist, Songster and Stump Orator, justly popular in all quarters of the globe.
Also, for six nights only,
J. H. BUDWORTH,
The Prince of Ethiopian Comedians, who will appear in his versatile character, acts, Songs and Banjo Solos.

The extraordinary Equestrian,
JAMES MADIGAN.
EATON STONE.
THE SHERWOOD FAMILY,
JIMMY REYNOLDS, and
WHITBY TROUPE,
assisted by the best and largest equestrian corps in the world.

THE COURT OF MOMUS,
assembles every night for the trial of
JIMMY REYNOLDS, and
SAM. LATHROP.
To Dress Circle, 50 cents; Social Range, 25 cents.
Doors open at 7 to 2 and 7 to 7 o'clock; performance will commence at 8 and 7½ o'clock.
Jan 21—1f

COAL OIL.
JUST RECEIVED, 10 barrels of best quality COAL OIL, which I will sell at 70 cents per gallon.
JOHN E. HENDERSON,
Jan 23—6t No. 236 King street.