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HABLE BROTHERS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

A BALM FOR THE HARD TIMES.

A GOOD FULL SUIT FOR $8,

ACTUAL VALUE $12.

A VERY GENTEEL SUIT FOR $10,

ACTUAL VALUE $15.

QUITE A NICE SUIT FOR $12,

ACTUAL VALUE $17.

FINE ALL WOOL SUITS FOR $15,

ACTUAL VALUE $22.

ELEGANT BUSINESS SUITS FOR $18

ACTUAL VALUE $25.

VERY SUPERIOR SUITS FOR $20,

ACTUAL VALUE $28.

FINE CUSTOM-MADE SUITS FOR $25

ACTUAL VALUE $35.

MR. J. MILTON BUCHANAN

Formerly of Alexandria, is connected with our house, and very respectfully solicits a call from his friends, promising them superior advantages.

HABLE BROTHERS,

TAILORS AND CLOTHIERS,

N. W. Corner 7th & D streets N. W., Washington, D. C.

HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS.

McLEAN & UHLER,

Dealers in

HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS,

WOOD AND WILLOW WARE

NO. 107 KING ST., ALEXANDRIA, VA.

We have just received a large and carefully selected stock of new and beautiful goods, which we are selling at reduced prices to suit the times, consisting in part of the following, viz: Silver Plated Ware of the Meriden Britannia Co's Manufacture, Toilet Sets, a large and well selected lot of Tile Tea Pot Stands, Fancy Work Baskets in Willow and Straw, Lunch Baskets; also a variety of covered and open Market Baskets, Cedar Split, Office and Flower Baskets, Colored Grasses, Hemp School Satchels, Blacking Cases and Shoe Sets, Honey Comb Spiral for Ornamental Baskets, Carchalla, Wall Pockets, etc. Table and Pocket Cutlery. Tin and Wooden Toys in great variety, and other goods too numerous to mention. Having bought our goods at bottom prices, we can sell them to the trade at a small advance.

McLEAN & UHLER.

nov27 1m 107 King street.

E. J. Miller & Co.

Importers of

China and Queensware,

And Dealers in

GLASSWARE AND FANCY GOODS.

We have now in store, direct from the manufacturers, a full, complete and handsome assortment of goods, to which we invite your attention. Our goods are all new patterns and well selected,

Plain White and Decorated French China Dinner, Tea and Toilet Sets; Handsome Cologne Sets, Boquet Holders, Mustache Cups and Saucers, Mugs, &c.

Japanese Tea Trays, all sizes.

Japanese Card Trays, something new.

Chinese, Bamboo and Majolica Tete e Tete Sets.

Rogers Bros'., Electro Silver Plated Goods, Castors, Spoons, Forks, &c.

Toy Tea Sets, in great variety.

Perkins & House's Celebrated Library Student Lamp makes a useful and ornamental Holiday present.

We are offering our goods at very low rates, and will be pleased to have you call and examine our stock.

E. J. MILLER & CO,

nov26-tJ1 65 King street.

DONALD McLEAN. GEO. UHLER.

McLEAN & UHLER,

(Successors to A. H. Nott & Bro.,)

DEALERS IN

HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS, CUTLERY PLATED, PLANISHED, STAMPED. JAPANNED TIN, WOOD AND WILLOW WARES,

(of every description.)

107 King street, Alexandria, Va

N. B.—All orders from the country promptly filled. sp 2-1y

700 LBS FRESH NUTS—Almonds, English Walnuts, Pecans, Filberts and Cream Nuts—received and for sale very low by F. J. DAVIDSON,

dec 5 145 King street.

RIO COFFEE at 12½ cents at

dec14 G. WM. RAMSAY'S.

RESTAURANTS.

TIVOLI RESTAURANT.

Mr. CHARLES JANZEN,

formerly of the Cosmopolitan Hotel, New York, has taken charge of the Tivoli Restaurant. He has brought from New York two of the celebrated PRELAN BILLIARD TABLES, and connected a Billiard Saloon with the Restaurant He has also taken the agency of the splendid HUNGARIAN WINES, white and red, which he will sell cheap by the glass, bottle or dozen. Choicest Wines, Liquors and Cigars. Give him a call dec 9-1m

I. RAMMEL'S

VIENNA RESTAURANT,

No. 16 north Royal street.

My friends and the public generally are informed that I have REMOVED TO MY NEW RESTAURANT, No 16 north Royal st, where I will keep a fine assortment of LIQUORS, GIN, FRENCH BRANDIES, BONAKAMY BITTERS and WINES, of my own importation; also LAGER BEER and fine CIGARS. This establishment has been recently fitted up for the accommodation of ladies and gentlemen for private suppers, &c, and the parlors and dining rooms are elegantly furnished. The LUNCH COUNTER contains choice delicacies. OYSTERS a specialty. I. RAMMEL,

nov 27-1m No. 16 north Royal street.

GEORGE STEUERNAGEL'S

EXCHANGE RESTAURANT,

No. 30 North Royal st.

Importer of French Brandy

Holland Gin, Irish and Scotch Whiskey, St. Croix and Jamaica Rum,

Rhine, Sherry, Port, Madeira and Claret Wines,

Kuemmel Bitters, &c., &c

NORFOLK OYSTERS received three times a week. nov 9-1y

OYSTERS! OYSTERS

J. R ROBERTS

Has established an OYSTER SHUCKING HOUSE at the Oyster dock, and will keep constantly on hand a supply of the FINEST OYSTERS brought to this market, having facilities superior to others in the business. Families supplied at short notice and satisfaction guaranteed. Prices low. Orders solicited sep 26-tf

WILLIAM H. SMITH,

DEALER IN

FRESH AND SALTED FISH.

FISH WHARF AND STALLS CITY MARKET,

would inform dealers and others that he is prepared to furnish them with all kind of

POTOMAC FISH.

at the lowest possible prices. I would call the attention of buyers to the fact that my brand stands No. 1 in market at all times and I intend to sustain my reputation in that respect.

My stalls, Nos. 4 and 5, Fish Market, will be supplied with fresh fish every morning. They will be superintended by Mr. James G. Grimes, sr., and families can depend on getting the best, whether they come in person or send orders.

Persons at a distance wanting Fresh Fish can depend on getting them packed in good order.

☞ All orders addressed to WM. H SMITH Alexandria, Va., will receive prompt attention.

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ASK YOUR GROCER FOR

Bridgewater Family Flour,

New Process Patented.

THE BEST FLOUR FOR THE MONEY IN ALEXANDRIA.

It received the first SILVER MEDAL at the Paris Exposition, and the manufacturers (Messrs. J. B. Ficklen & Sons) have lately received several large orders from France. Don't fail to try it. CHAS. S TAYLOR, Jr.,

Commission Merchant,

sep 5 No. 11 Union st., Agent

SMOKED BLOATERS for sale by

dec 6 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King st.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

XMAS, 1878.

Great Reduction in Prices.

G. WM. RAMSAY,

COR. KING AND ST. ASAPH STS.

PRIME NEW CURRANTS	6c
PRIME NEW CITRON	20
VALENCIA RAISINS	8
SEEDLESS do	10
MUSCATEL and LAYER do	12
LONDON LAYER do	15
IMPERIAL CABINET do	20
QUARTER BOXES LAYER do	60
MIXED NUTS 15, or	7 lbs for $1 00
NEW FIGS, best	20
Do., good	15
EDAM CHEESE	$1 10
PINEAPPLE do	1 10
ENGLISH PICKLES	35c
ITALIAN MACCARONI	20
GENUINE FRENCH MUSTARD	25
ALBERT BISCUIT	25
LEAFLET do	25
ZOOLOGICAL do	25
FRUIT do	20
(We would call attention to these Crackers as being very fine)	
EXTRA QUEEN OLIVES	50
COXE'S GELATINE 18c, or 6 pkgs for	$1 00
NELSON'S do. 18c, or 6 pkgs for	$1 00
LARGE CANS TOMATOES	10
TURKEY PRUNES	8
CREAM CHEESE	12½
GOOD MINCE MEAT	10
BEST do	12
FANCY NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES	70
PRIME do	50
FAIR do	40
FANCY DRIPS	60
GOLDEN SYRUP	45

CALIFORNIA HONEY IN GLASS.

MAPLE SYRUP AT RETAIL.

FRUIT JELLIES IN FANCY GLASSES.

FRUIT BUTTERS, JELLIES AND PRESERVES, IN BUCKETS AND AT RETAIL, &c., &c. at

Lowest Possible Prices.

AUCTION SALES.

By O'Neal & Lucas, Auctioneers.

IN FRONT OF THE PREMISES, on MONDAY, December 23, at 12 o'clock m., will be offered for sale by auction, to the highest bona fide bidder, the following described property: STORE HOUSE and DWELLINGS, corner of Queen and Pitt streets, fronting 25 ft., more or less, on Queen st., and running back about 150 feet, more or less, on Pitt street to a 20 foot paved alley. The improvements consist of a FRAME HOUSE, containing nine or ten rooms, including a LARGE STORE next thereto; a BRICK and FRAME BUILDING formerly used as a wheelwright and blacksmith shop; next a large and substantial FRAME BUILDING, divided into three dwellings—the whole now and always under rent at a fair rental.

Terms of Sale: Eight hundred dollars on the day of sale, and the residue in three equal instalments at six, twelve and eighteen months from day of sale, with interest; the purchaser to give his bond for the deferred instalments, and a lien to be reserved on the property, or title retained until the purchase money is fully paid.

THOMAS D. HODGKIN
JAMES B. HODGKIN,
Ex'rs. of the est. of Robt. Hodgkin, dec'd.

dec 11—ts

IMMEDIATELY after the above sale will be offered THREE LOTS on Queen street, adjoining the property of John Henderson, south side of Queen, between Pitt and Royal. Terms made known on the day of sale dec 18 ts

By O'Neal & Lucas, Auctioneers.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE Corporation Court for the city of Alexandria, Virginia rendered at the December term, 1878, thereof, in the chancery cause of Skidmore vs. Skidmore and others, the subscribers, commissioners of sale under said decree, will offer for sale by public auction, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of December, 1878, at 12 m., in front of the Market Building, on Royal street, in the city of Alexandria Va., the following described real estate, in the said city of Alexandria, of which A. F. Skidmore died seized, viz:

No. 1 A LOT OF GROUND with a TWO STORY FRAME TENEMENT thereon, on the east side of Henry street, between Cameron and Queen streets, in front about 21 feet, and in depth 123 feet 5 inches.

No 2 A LOT OF GROUND with a TWO STORY FRAME TENEMENT thereon, adjoing lot No 1 on the north, in front about 14 feet, and in depth 123 feet 5 inches

No 3. TWO UNDIVIDED THIRDS OF A LOT OF GROUND adjoining lot No 2 on the north, in front 8 feet, and in depth 123 feet 5 in.

No. 4. A LOT OF GROUND on the east side of Henry street, between Queen and Princess streets, in front 20 feet 2 inches, and in depth 115 feet 11 inches to an alley 15 feet wide

No 5. A LOT OF GROUND on the south side of Queen street, between Henry and Patrick streets in front on Queen street 14 feet 6 inches, and in depth 100 feet to an alley 15 feet wide

Terms of Sale: One third of the purchase money in cash, and the residue in two equal payments at six and twelve months from the day of sale, with interest; the deferred payments to be secured by the notes of the purchasers, with approved security, and the retention of the title to the property sold until they are paid.

JOHN W. JOHNSON,
ALBERT STUART,
dec 13-eots Comm'rs of Sale.

30 BARRELS WENGER'S FAMILY FLOUR; also Bridgewater and Cameron Mills Family, and a full stock of high grade Extra Flour for sale at lowest rates by

dec 2 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King st.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Christmas and Winter Trade of 1878-'79.

GREAT DECLINE IN PRICES.

J. C. MILBURN,

19 NORTH ROYAL STREET,

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA,

Offers at LOWEST PRICES the following carefully selected GROCERIES:

LONDON LAYER RAISINS	15c
LAYER and MUSCATEL do	12
QUARTER BOXES LAYER do	65
HALF BOXES do	$1 20
QUARTER BOXES LONDON do	60
HALF BOXES do	$1 40
PRIME VALENCIA RAISINS	8
PRIME SEEDLESS do	10
PRIME NEW CURRANTS	6
PRIME NEW CITRON	20
COXE'S GELATINE 18c; 6 pkgs	$1 00
NELSON'S GELATINE 18c; 6 pkgs	1 00
ITALIAN MACCARONI	20
EXTRA QUEEN OLIVES	50
ATMORE'S PLUM PUDDING	30 and 50
ATMORE'S MINCE MEAT (the best)	12
ENGLISH CHOW CHOW	35
ENGLISH PICKLES	35
GENUINE FRENCH MUSTARD	25
DRIED SUGAR CORN	10
WINSLOW'S CANNED CORN	20
GENESEE VALLEY do	15
APPLE BUTTER	8 and 10
PEACH do	12 and 15
TURKEY PRUNES	8 and 10
FRENCH do	12½
LARGE CANS TOMATOES	10
NEW YORK CREAM CHEESE	12½

We would call especial attention to the following reduced prices of Coffees of our roasting:

Roasted Rio, good	18c
" Rio, best	20
" LaGauyra, best	23
" Maracaibo, best	25
" Old Government Java, best	32
Brown Sugar, fair	6½
" good	7
" choice	7½
Very light Sugar	8
Standard A Sugar	9½
Granulated do	10
Lozenge Powdered do	11
Cut Loaf Sugar	11
Crushed do	11

Green Coffees, Colman's Mustard, Fruit Preserves, Jellies and Butter, Hill's and Havenner's Fine Crackers and Cakes, Cape Cod Cranberries, Evaporated Apples, Dried Fruits, Fine Syrups and Molasses, Canned Goods, Finest Green, Oolong and Japan Teas, &c., &c., all for sale at BOTTOM PRICES.

J. C. MILBURN,

GROCER, TEA DEALER

AND

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

No 19 N. Royal st., Alexa., Va.

AUCTION SALES.

By F. A. Kerby, Salesman.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE—By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Alexandria county, pronounced at its November term, 1878, in the chancery suit of Crocker, guardian, vs. Crocker's executors and others, the undersigned, as special commissioner in said case, will offer for sale by public auction, on SATURDAY, January 18th, 1879, at twelve o'clock m., in front of the Market House, on Royal street, Alexandria, Virginia, a certain PART OR PARCEL OF LAND, lying in Alexandria county, and described as follows: Commencing on the north side of the Columbia turnpike and running thence north eight degrees west forty five and a half rods; thence north eighty three degrees east thirty four and a half rods to the Columbia school house; thence westerly along the north line of said school lot to the northwest corner thereof; thence southerly along the west line of said school lot ten rods, or thereabouts, to the aforesaid turnpike; thence westerly along the said turnpike to the place of beginning, containing two acres of land, together with all the appurtenances belonging.

Terms of Sale: Ten per centum of the purchase money in hand, and the residue upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, evidenced by the bonds of the purchaser, for the deferred payments, in equal instalments, bearing interest from date. The title to be retained until the whole of the purchase money is paid.

COURTLAND H. SMITH,

dec 10-ts Special Commissioner.

By Green & Wise,

[Real Estate Agents and Auctioneers.]

EXECUTORS' SALE OF A VALUABLE WAREHOUSE—We will offer for sale by public auction, on SATURDAY, the 11th day of January, 1879 at 12 o'clock m., on the premises, that VALUABLE FOUR STORY BRICK WAREHOUSE located on the southwest corner of King and Lee streets, in the city of Alexandria Va., now occupied by J. A. Harrison as a feed store, fronting on King street about 30 feet, and running back to a 12 feet alley, and adjoining on Lee street about 78 feet.

Terms of Sale: Cash.

B. H. DULANY,
JOHN A. CARTER,
ARTHUR HERBERT,
Executors of John P. Dulany, dec'd.

dec 11—2awts

By Green & Wise,

[Real Estate Agents and Auctioneers.]

BY VIRTUE of a deed of trust, dated March 27, 1871, and recorded in liber No. 1, page 323, of the land records for the city of Alexandria and by the direction of the party secured thereby, I will sell by public sale on SATURDAY, the 28th day of December, 1878, at ten o'clock a. m., in front of the premises, all that TENEMENT and LOT OF GROUND on the south side of Prince, between Royal and Pitt sts., designated as No 90, 19 ft in front, 81 ft. 5 in. deep. Terms of Sale—Cash.

nov 26-2awlm JAS. F. MUIR, Trustee.

By O'Neal & Lucas, Auctioneers.

WILL BE SOLD ON THE 27th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1878 at 12 o'clock m., by public auction in front of the Market House, a SMALL GARDEN FARM, containing SIX ACRES. The improvements consist of a comfortable HOUSE containing four rooms, barn, stable and a thriving young orchard of select fruit trees, with a well of water in the yard. This land is in a fine state of cultivation; well adapted for the purposes of gardening. It is situated midway between Washington and Alexandria—a part of the Old Factory tract.

Terms: $150 cash on day of sale; the residue to be secured by deed of trust.

dec 17-ts ANDREW F. JINKINS.

MEDICINAL.

VEGETINE

WILL CURE RHEUMATISM.

Mr. Albert Crooker, the well-known druggist and apothecary, of Springvale, Me., always advises every one troubled with Rheumatism to try VEGETINE.

READ HIS STATEMENT:

Springvale, Me., Oct., 12, 1876.

Mr. H. R Stevens:—

Dear Sir,—Fifteen years ago last fall I was taken sick with rheumatism, was unable to move until the next April. From that time until three years ago last fall, I suffered everything with rheumatism. Sometimes there would be weeks at a time that I could not step one step; these attacks were quite often. I suffered everything that a man could. Over three years ago last spring I commenced taking VEGETINE, and followed it up until I had taken seven bottles; have had no rheumatism since that time. I always advise every one that is troubled with rheumatism to try VEGETINE, and not suffer for years as I have done. This statement is gratuitous as far as Mr. Stevens is concerned.

Yours, etc.,
Albert Crooker.

Firm of A. Crooker & Co., Druggists & Apothecaries.

VEGETINE

HAS ENTIRELY CURED ME.

Boston, Oct, 1870.

Mr. H. R. Stevens:—

Dear Sir,—My daughter, after having a severe attack of Whooping Cough, was left in a feeble state of health. Being advised by a friend she tried the VEGETINE and after using a few bottles was fully restored to health.

I have been a great sufferer from rheumatism. I have taken several bottles of the VEGETINE for this complaint, and am happy to say it has entirely cured me. I have recommended the VEGETINE to others with the same good results. It is a great cleanser and purifier of the blood; it is pleasant to take and I can cheerfully recommend it.

James Morse,
304 Athens street.

RHEUMATISM IS A DISEASE OF THE BLOOD.

The blood in this disease, is found to contain an excess of fibrin. VEGETINE acts by converting the blood from its diseased condition to a healthy circulation. VEGETINE regulates the bowels which is very important in this complaint. One bottle of Vegetine will give relief; but, to effect a permanent cure, it must be taken regularly, and may take several bottles especially in cases of long standing. VEGETINE is sold by all druggists. Try it and your verdict will be the same as that of thousands before you, who say, "In ever found so much relief as from the use of VEGETINE," which is composed exclusively of Barks, Roots and Herbs.

"VEGETINE," says a Boston physician, "has no equal as a blood purifier. Hearing of its many wonderful cures, after all other remedies had failed, I visited the Laboratory, and convinced myself of its genuine merit. It is prepared from barks, roots and herbs, each of which is highly effective, and they are compounded in such a manner as to produce astonishing results."

VEGETINE

NOTHING EQUAL TO IT.

South Salem, Mass., Nov. 11, 1876.

Mr. H. R. Stevens.

Dear Sir: I have been troubled with Scrofula, Canker and Liver Complaint for three years. Nothing ever did me any good until I commenced using the Vegetine. I am now getting along first rate, and still using the Vegetine. I consider there is nothing equal to it for such complaints. Can heartily recommend it to everybody. Yours truly,

MRS. LIZZIE M. PACKARD.

No. 16 Lagrange st., South Salem, Mass.

VEGETINE

Prepared by

H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.

Vegetine is sold by all druggists. dec 3

AUCTION SALES.

TRUSTEE'S SALE—In pursuance of a deed of trust executed by S. H. McClure to Peter Wise, dated April 7th 1875, of record in the County Court Clerk's office of Fauquier county, I will expose for sale, for cash, as to so much as will satisfy the amount due Mrs. Elizabeth Payne, on the premises on the FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 1879, a VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND, lying on the Rappahannock river, two miles from Rappahannock station, containing ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHT ACRES, being that portion of the SCOTLAND FARM purchased by the said McClure. HENRY PAYNE,

nov 20-w4w Substituted Trustee.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM AT NOKESVILLE STATION, IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.—By virtue of a deed of trust executed by John Melton and wife on the 26 h day of May, 1874, and duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Prince William County Court in liber No. 29, folio 546, I will offer for sale, by public auction, before the front door of the Court House of said county, on the 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 1879, (that being court day) all of that VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND, lying near Nokesville Station, in said county, containing 249 acres. This land lies immediately upon the railroad running up to the station, and is one of the best improved farms in the county.

Terms of sale: Cash enough to pay the costs and expenses of executing this trust and to discharge the amount secured by said deed of trust remaining unpaid, it being about $950 and the remainder in three equal annual instalments, with interest from day of sale, and the purchaser to secure the deferred payments by deed of trust upon the farm. Selling as trustee, I shall convey only such title as is invested, which however is unquestionable.

ELISHA E. MEREDITH.

dec6 ts Trustee.

JAMES F. CARLIN & SONS,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

HARDWARE, CUTLERY,

&c., &c., &c.

NO 63 KING STREET.

We keep a full stock of Builders Hardware, Saddlery, Hardware, Carriage and Wagon Material; also Iron, Steel, Nails, Horse Shoes, Spokes, Rims, Hubs, &c., to which we invite the attention of country merchants. Prompt personal attention given to orders from the country and satisfaction guaranteed. aug 3-tf

B. F. PEAKE.

DEALER IN

Doors, Sash, Blinds, Hardware,

Paints, Oils, Leads, Cement, Lumber, Lime, Calcined Plaster Slate Mantles, Hearths, &c., &c.,

CORNER KING AND PITT STREETS

dec17-tf Alexandria, Va.

JNO. W. PEAKE. B. W. NALLS.

PEAKE & NALLS,

DEALERS IN

DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, HARDWARE PAINTS, OILS, LEADS, CEMENT, LIME, CALCINED PLASTER, SLATE MANTLES, HEARTHS, &c.

CORNER KING AND ST. ASAPH STS.

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JOHN T. CREIGHTON & SON,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

HARDWARE, CUTLERY, HORSE SHOES Iron, Plough Castings, Nail Rods, Axle Grease, Wagon Materials, Housekeepers' Goods, &c., &c.

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mh 8 Alexandria, Virginia.

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Eighty Years Historical Review.

Fashionable people, as well as statesmen, like the excitement of political capitals. In our own country a simple President is a sad damper on shoddy visitors and speculative residents. President Jefferson, more than eighty years ago, grossly outraged polite society by refusing to continue or countenance weekly receptions, and everybody remembers how he offended the ladies when Washington had not a decent hotel within its ten miles square, by walking into the Presidential Mansion in muddy boots, after they had called to see him. Madison followed with his jolly Dolly; who established a sort of dangerous sentiment in her receptions. The next President, Monroe, was as cold as an iceberg. John Quincy Adams was the embodiment of unresponsive New England hauteur. "Old Hickory" came in 1828 9, and although by no means a ladies' man, wrecked his first cabinet on account of Mrs. Timberlake. Mr. Van Buren succeeded him, and made a Knickerbocker society in the White House; but he was so genteel that even his naughty son John could not extemporize a scandal for him. Then we had General Harrison, who died before his reigne was a month old, giving way to John Tyler, with his airy son, Robert, and they went on in a row with the whigs, so neglected because they had no party of their own, that nobody seemed to care if they were bad or good. James K Polk and Mrs. Polk came in 1846. At last we had a real lady in the White House—stately, southern, and safe; nothing could be more attractive. All their four years' reign was socially blameless and respectable. They were followed by General Taylor, his household, Col. Bliss and his handsome wife. But as old Zach died at the end of his first year, that dream was soon over, leaving Mr. Fillmore to eke out the term; cold, conservative and selfish. Along came dashing Frank Pierce, but his wife was an invalid, and as his only son was killed in a railroad accident a month before his father was installed, that administration, like nearly all the rest, was conducted almost without a woman. When Frank Pierce left Buchanan came in with his neice, Miss Harriet Lane, as mistress of the White House. Nothing could have been more cheering; her reign was one of roses, and she was immensely esteemed. She lives to-day, much loved as the handsome wife of a Baltimore Banker. Mr. Lincoln succeeded, but the rebellion turned the White House into a semi military barrack, and his administration closed with his assassination, leaving Mrs. Lincoln, his widow, a living ruin. The sociedency that arose on his grave made no social mark, though nothing could have been more reputable than the ladies of A. Johnson's family. General Grant, of all his predecessors, seems to have been most fortunate in his wife and children. He had eight years of civil and domestic comfort. His successor, Mr. Hayes, is having an equally pleasant experience.

Such is the brief domestic record of the Presidency since the door of the nineteenth century was opened. The first and second chief magistrates Washington and John Adams, had no special domestic happiness to exempt them from the general rule. The retrospect is curious and interesting. During these eighty years the Old World has been drenched in blood to maintain its several governments. England alone has held her sway without alteration. France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Belgium and Holland have all been the alternate prey of revolution and anarchy. All have been swept by war or subjected to change. The social element has suffered conspicuously. Queens have been deposed with their Kings. Courtiers have fled for refuge to foreign lands. Assassinations have preceded and supplimented great wars. Fashions have passed away with dynasties. But through all there is one profound truth, that mankind is happier in the mass in the sunset of the century than it was in the dawn. Certainly, the most stable government is Anglo-Saxon. Where the English language is spoken, and English laws administered, there has been a greater aggregate of human happiness. Such is the retrospect of eighty years, or, rather since the election of George Washington in 1789. The aggregate is before the world, and there is no place where it can be more profitably studied than in the city of Washington, and no page of it is more interesting than that which records the inner life of our sixteen Presidents.—*Forney's Progress.*

A VAST ENGLISH ESTATE.—The Chatsworth estate of the Duke of Devonshire contains two thousand acres, which he retains for his private park and flower garden, besides thousands more that are rented for farming. His park is bounded on all sides by hills, which cut it off from the rest of the world, and no other house than his own can be seen from the windows of his grand mansion. His flower garden alone comprises one hundred and two acres, wherein sixty laborers are constantly employed to keep it in order. The remainder of the two thousand acres is all in grass and woodland, and stocked with deer. A forester has charge of the estate, and the understanding with him is that he shall have at his disposal all the produce from the deer—venison, pelts, horns, etc. on condition that he shall keep at least two thousand head of deer on the herd.

PREPARING FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—Throngs of people are trooping the streets, the young and the old wear smiling faces, and both in homes and public places there are many signs of preparation for the coming Christmas. The stores of almost every description are keeping open later than usual at night, and their windows rival the pictures of the 'Arabian Nights' to the youthful vision. People are hanging up holly in their houses, the churches are arranging for floral decoration of the sanctuaries sisters and wives are crocheting and embroidering outwardly their gay surprises for brothers and for husbands, and among the poor and rich alike there is a spirit of cheerfulness and satisfaction abroad that belongs alone to the associations of the holiday season.

DOUBLE FACED FUR, BEAVER ULSTERS AT DEALHAM'S.

NOVELTIES IN DRESS BOOTS AND SHOES.—The most elegant assortment of the latest styles Boots and Shoes ever seen in this country, comprising all the latest fashions. All of these goods have been made to our own order, under our personal supervision, and according to our idea of the tastes and wants of the retail trade. We shall be most happy to exhibit these beautiful goods to all, whether they desire to purchase or not. WADDEY,

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EXTRA LARGE SUITS AT DEALHAM'S.

NOTICE.—All persons who have claims against the estate of JOHN LAPHEN, deceased, will present them without delay, and those indebted to the said estate will please make payment to MARY LOUISA LAPHEN,

dec 11-w4w Administratrix.

51 CTS. FOR SUGAR CURED SHOULDERS

dec 6 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King st.