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PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

W. B. LEWIS,

ATTORNEY and Counsellor at Law, Alexandria, La.—Will practice in this and adjoining parishes. d15-1y.

BARLOW & WADDILL,

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW.—Office at Alexandria and Marksville. n24-1y

W. P. SHROPSHIRE,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, ALEXANDRIA, LA.

OFFICE South side of Public Square, one door above Morris, Hyman & Cazabat's office. August 19, 1860-1y.

JOHN OSBORN,

ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW, Alexandria, La.

Office second door from the Post Office. August 18, 1860-1y.

B. J. HUTCHINS

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW, and Justice of the Peace, Alexandria, La.

☞ Office on Second Street, in the rear of the New Court House. aug 18-1y.

L. F. PARKER,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT Law, Alexandria, La.

All business entrusted to his care will be attended to with punctuality and dispatch. aug13-1y

M. R. ARIAH,—Attorney and Counsellor at Law, Alexandria, La.

Will attend, particularly, to Succession Business Adjustment of Executors' Accounts, and all business of this character.

Prompt attention given to collections due parties at a distance, and to the general business of the profession. aug 12-1y.

HITCHCORN & BARBIN,

WILL attend to any legal business entrusted to them in the Thirteenth and adjoining Judicial Districts.

☞ Office in Marksville. aug 12-1y.

HYMAN & CAZABAT,

ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS AT LAW Residence Alexandria, La.

☞ Will practice their profession in this and the adjoining Parishes. aug 12-1y.

DR. R. L. LUCKETT,

HAVING located in Rapides, offers his professional services to the citizens of the surrounding country.

Office on Dr. L. Luckett's plantation, Red River. aug25-1y

DR. W. J. JOHNSTON & SMITH GORDON.

HAVING entered into partnership, will practice in town and country.

☞ Office on public Square, immediately in the rear of the Court House. aug 12-1y.

DENTISTRY.

Drs. Lee & Davis,

DENTISTS,

Third Street, above the Ice House Hotel,

ALEXANDRIA, LA.

DR. LEE tenders his thanks to the Citizens of Alexandria and vicinity, for the liberal patronage extended to him, and would announce that he has associated with him in business, Dr. A. W. DAVIS, late of St. Louis, Mo., who comes well endorsed as a skillful operator, and has been engaged in the successful practice of Dentistry for ten years past.

Hoping by this announcement to be better prepared to meet the demands of his patrons, and offer increased facilities to all who may require any of the various operations in Dentistry.

References will be given when desired. All communications directed to them at Alexandria, La., will meet with prompt attention. Teeth extracted when necessary with the aid of Anæsthesia, preventing all suffering or inconvenience to the patient, and with entire safety and certainty as to the result. dec15-1y

Dr. J. Y. Kilpatrick,

DENTIST.

HAVING qualified himself in all the late improvements in the art, offers his services to the citizens of Rapides in the various departments of his profession.

OFFICE AT THE FULTON HOUSE,

dec15-1y ALEXANDRIA, LA.

FOR SALE.

A VALUABLE SUGAR PLANTATION, situated on Bayou Rapides, containing one thousand acres. For further particulars apply or address, E. L. TANNER.

21-tf Cheneyville La.

GUNS, Canes and Revolvers. Just received a full of Gun Canes, arranged for rifling ball or shot, weighing from 20 to 24 ounces—a very neat, simple, safe and efficient article. Also one dozen Revolvers, weighing only eleven ounces,—Ball's patent, of the most reliable weapons of self defence that can be found. For sale at

aug 6-tf R. C. HETHERWICK'S.

NOTICE.

TO the Stock Subscribers of the Louisiana Central Stem of the Mississippi and Pacific Rail Road Company.

The Directors of this company having closed a contract on the 16th of last month with Mr. J. D. Champlin for the building of sixty miles of this Road from the Atchafalaya River to Cotile, on terms that is satisfactory.

The subscribers are notified and requested to pay five per cent of the amount of their subscriptions on demand to A. G. Brazee Esq., the Treasurer; ten per cent for the first of November next; ten per cent on the first of December next; and ten per cent on the first of January next.

Prompt collections are necessary and further subscriptions are respectfully solicited for the promotion of this important enterprise.

aug 4-tf H. BOYCE, President.

FLOUR, COFFEE, SUGAR, CANDLES, Soap, Salt

Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Whisky

Brandy, Wines, &c.

for sale at small advances by

aug 6-tf R. C. HETHERWICK.

GENTLEMEN'S Clothing for Fall and Winter, in suits or separate, of every variety of style and pattern for sale by

aug 6-tf R. C. HETHERWICK.

DRESS MAKING IN ALL its BRANCHES.

MRS. DEVER would take this occasion to respectfully inform the Ladies of Alexandria and the Parish generally, that she is still carrying on the

Dress-Making Business,

at her residence opposite the residence of Dr. S. A. Smith. She is now prepared to cut, fit and make garments for Ladies and Children, in the neatest possible style, and at very short notice.

Mrs. Dever takes this method of thanking the Ladies for their past patronage, hoping by strict attention to their wants to merit a continuance of their patronage for the future nov7-1y

MORE NEW GOODS —AND— NEW FASHIONS.

We have just received and are now opening a new lot of fashionable Bonnets and Millinery goods generally.

Come and look at our trimmed Paper Patterns, and you will see how the latest and most fashionable dresses, Basques &c., should be made.

If you want something that is good and fashionable to wear give us a call.

Nov 21-tf M. A. ZENKER & Co.

BUSINESS CARDS.

QUEYROUZE & LANGSDORFF.

WHOLESALE Grocers and Importers of French Wines, Liquors and Brandies, 11, 13 and 15 St. Louis st., New Orleans. dec29

TO PLANTERS.

THE SUBSCRIBER having made arrangements in St. Louis for the purchase of CORN, PORK and such other supplies of Western Produce as planters may need, is now taking orders for that purpose. Such of the planters of Rapides Parish as he cannot be able to see in person, and who may desire to entrust him with their orders will please address him at Alexandria, care H. Robertson & Co., or leave their orders with those gentlemen.

dec22-tf W. A. B. MURRAY.

BECKER & CO.,

General Commission Merchants.

NO. 11 CITY BUILDINGS,

SOUTH COMMERCIAL STREET,

Saint Louis, Mo.

ORDERS for Plantation supplies of all kinds solicited, and filled with dispatch, at lowest market rates.

Our Agent, MR. B. STOUT, is now on Red River, prepared to take the orders of our numerous friends of last season, as well as all others who may desire direct shipments of their supplies from the West. He can be found in Alexandria at the office of our friends Messrs. H. Robertson & Co., and will cheerfully give any information that may be required as to our market, manner of doing business, prospects for shipping, &c., &c., and when absent his whereabouts can be known by applying as above.

BECKER & CO.,

dec22-6m St. Louis, Mo.

THE UNDERSIGNED, Parish Surveyor, will attend to the location of Land Warrants and the selection and entry of lands at the several Land Offices of the State. He may be found at Rosenthal's store, Latourche's Bridge, or a note through the Alexandria Postoffice will meet with prompt attention. JNO. T. MULLOWNY,

aug 12-tf. Parish Surveyor.

JOSEPH McEVOY,

DEALER IN

WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, AND

FANCY GOODS,

Ice House, Hotel, Alexandria.

Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired and warranted. Engraving neatly executed. Orders from the country for any article connected with his business, will receive prompt attention. au13-1y.

C. L. DOLL,

Professor of Music.

ATTENDS to all matters connected with his profession, the purchase of instruments, etc. Pianos with the most recent improvements, including the Dolge's Patent Piano. Tuition payable monthly, all other business cash. Office at J. McEvoy's Jewelry Store, Ice House Hotel.

aug 4-1y.

N. C. GILLETT.—Dealer in and Importer of foreign and domestic Wines and Liquors, No. 88 Tchupitoulas Street, New Orleans.

Agent for Hamilton's Bourbon and other brands of superior old whisky. aug 12-1y.

E. SHEPSON & Co.

IMPORTERS OF

BRANDIES, Gins, Whiskies, Wines, &c &c. Market Street, Philadelphia.

Agents for J. H. Mesnan, Schiedam; T. T. Mesnan, Fene & Fils, La Rochelle; Gautier, Fres Cognac. aug 6-1y.

SLATE—SLATE.

DIRECT IMPORTATION.

Welsh Roofing Slates.

ENGLISH RIDGE TILE.

Contracts made for Slating in any part of the State.

☞ Strict attention given to orders from the country. J. F. BROWN.

aug 4-1y. No. 6 Union Street, New Orleans.

U. WENTHROOH,

Carriage Maker and Repairer,

CORNER OF BAYOU RAPIDES AND SIXTH STREET ALEXANDRIA.

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Rapides and adjoining parishes, that he still carries on the Carriage business in all its branches.

PAINTING,

TRIMMING,

WOOD WORKING

AND BLACKSMITHING.

Having on hand a large assortment of MATERIAL of the BEST QUALITY, he will endeavor to do all work entrusted to his hands with dispatch, and to suit the most fastidious, at moderate prices.

In addition to his former business, he will keep on hand an assortment of *BUGGIES* and *HARNESS* which he will sell at New Orleans prices and terms.

Give me a call before sending your orders to New Orleans. dec22-1y

RAPIDES ACADEMY,

Of Alexandria, Louisiana.

FOR BOYS.

CONDUCTED BY

William Whitty.

THIS INSTITUTION is open in the new building belonging to MRS. KEMP, and which is situated back on 4th, and between 3d and 4th streets, at the south south-western part of the town. The premises have extensive grounds attached to them for exercise and recreation. The location is one which has an air of country retirement and tranquility, and is as healthy, of an and convenient.

Professors of high talents are employed to teach English, French, Latin, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, History, Geography, Book-Keeping, etc.

Strict attention will be paid to pupils to give them a solid and refined education, and to fit them for Commercial, Agricultural, Mechanical, Civil Engineering, or other pursuits in life.

TERMS:

For Day Pupils, 3 4 to 5 dollars per month.

☞ School hours from 9 till 12, and from 2 till 4 o'clock.

The above Scientific and Literary establishment is open the year round. d15-tf.

NOTICE.

GREAT INDUCEMENT TO BUILDERS.

Cypress Lumber at Fifteen Dollars per Thousand.

I WILL deliver Cypress Lumber at any point on Red River between Alexandria and my Landing, or at Alexandria, at fifteen per thousand; also, Cypress Shingles at five dollars per thousand. The shingles made by my mill, are more perfect, uniform, smoother and better than can be made by hand, or any other machine extant. They are planed by the action of the saw which cuts out shavings with the grain of the wood like a grooveing plane. Mechanics can do one-third more work per day, and make a more perfect roof than can be made with shingles made by hand or from any other machine now in use. These shingles can be had at $4 50 per thousand when orders exceed fifty thousand. Having two steam saw mills, and a shingle mill constantly in operation, I am prepared to fill all orders promptly.

☞ Orders left with my agent Mr. E. Johnson, or at his drug store will have prompt attention.

Apr. 6-tf J. M. Wells.

NEW BUTCHERY.

THE UNDERSIGNED would respectfully inform the citizens of Alexandria and vicinity, that they have opened a new Butchery in this place, and are prepared to furnish Families, Planters and Steamboats with

CHOICE BEEF,

at the shortest possible notice.

Orders from Planters and Steamboats are respectfully solicited.

A share of the public patronage is solicited.

Sept9-tf McKENNEY & CO.

STEAMBOATS.

REGULAR NEW ORLEANS Red River packet **T. W. Roberts**, R. B. Roberts, Master. This magnificent steamer, having been built during the past season expressly for the Lake Bisteneau and lower Red River trade, will make regular trips from Minden, Alexandria and New Orleans.

☞ Her accommodations are unsurpassed by any boat in the trade. d16-ds

NEW ORLEANS, ALEXANDRIA AND Natchitoches packet, **Wm. M. Levy** Ned Tuckette, Master, Carter Branon, clerk.—This new, magnificent and fast running steamer will ply regularly between the above named ports and all intermediate landings. d10-ds

NEW ORLEANS, ALEXANDRIA, NATCHITOCHES regular packet **Rapides**, Jno. C. DOWTY, Master C. J. BALSTOW, Clerk.

This favorite steamer having resumed her place in the above named trade will continue to run as a Regular Packet during the entire season. For safety, comfort and speed the Rapides is unsurpassed by any boat on Red River, her officers are all experienced men. All business entrusted to her will be promptly and faithfully attended to. For freight or passage apply on board or to m. d6-ds A. RACHAL, Agent.

FOR SHREVEPORT, HURRICANE AND CAROLINA BLUFFS, AND ALL INTERMEDIATE LANDINGS.

THE NEW AND ELEGANT LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMER.

COUNTESS.

GEO. T. WILSON, MASTER.

The COUNTESS only draws eighteen inches light, and was built expressly for the trade, and is a first class passenger packet furnished throughout in superior style.

For freight or passage apply on board. d16ds

REGULAR RED RIVER PACKET.—The new and magnificent first class passenger packet DE SOTO, H. B. Beard, Commander, Geo. R. Rosser, Clerk, will run as a regular packet between New Orleans and Shreveport, Grand Bayou, Coushatta Chute, Campte, Grand Ecore, St. Maurice, Montgomery, Cotile, Alexandria, Norman's, Barbin's, and all intermediate landings.

She will commence her regular trips as soon as the water will permit, and continue throughout the season.

During the past summer the the De Soto has been built expressly for the Red River trade. Having superior accommodations, and for comfort, safety and speed is not surpassed, by any boat in the trade, the officers take this occasion to solicit a share of patronage.

N. B.—Particular attention paid to plantation and way business. oct13-ds

NEW ORLEANS, ALEXANDRIA. Grand Ecore and Natchitoches regular passenger packet **W. Burton**, SAM LAWSON, Master, having been purchased expressly for the above trade, will leave New Orleans on the sufficient rise in the River and continue throughout the season.

The Burton is unsurpassed by any Boat in the trade for comfort, strength or speed, and will give special attention to all plantation and way business.

For freight or passage apply on board or to nov3-ds A. RACHAL, Agent.

REGULAR NEW ORLEANS and Shreveport U. S. Mail Packet—For Shreveport, Grand Bayou, Coushatta, Campte, Grand Ecore, St. Maurice, Montgomery, Cotile, Alexandria, Norman's, Barbin's and all intermediate landings on Red River—The new, elegant and swift running passenger packet steamer STALLCUP, CHARLES DAVIS, Master, C. F. HAYES, Clerk, will make regular trips in the trade. For freight or passage apply on board de

REGULAR RED RIVER Packet—The new, magnificent, first class passenger packet LOUIS D'OR, CORNY JOHNSON, Master, will run as a regular packet between New Orleans, Hurricane and Carolina Bluffs, Shreveport, Grand Bayou, Coushatta, Campte, Grand Ecore, Cotile, Alexandria, and all intermediate landings on Red River. During the last summer the LOUIS D'OR has been built expressly for the Red River trade, and for comfort, safety and speed, is not surpassed by any boat in the trade. For freight or passage apply on board. dec8-ds

REGULAR RED RIVER PACKET.—For Shreveport, Grand Bayou, Coushatta, Campte, Grand Ecore, St. Maurice, Cotile, Alexandria, Norman's, Barbin's and all intermediate landings on Red River—The entirely new, fast running, very light draught passenger packet steamer B. L. HODGE, JOHN SAUNDER, Master. For freight or passage apply on board. dec8-ds.

REGULAR NEW ORLEANS and Natchitoches Packet—For Natchitoches, Grand Ecore, St. Maurice, Cotile, Alexandria, Norman's, Barbin's and Gordon's Landings—The fast and splendid passenger packet steamer MARY T, WM. KIMBALL, Master, will run as a regular packet in the above trade, taking freight for all landings on Cane and Black rivers. For freight or passage apply on board. dec8-ds

NEW AND SPLENDID JEWELRY.

Fancy Articles of Every Variety at

T. STEBBINS',

FRONT STREET, ALEXANDRIA, LA.

THE undersigned has just received from New York a new and splendid assortment of

JEWELRY

of every description, and is prepared to furnish at the lowest prices, any goods in his line which is comprised of Watches, of all the best makers.

Diamond Breastpins,
Finger-Rings,
Necklaces,
Ear-Rings,
Bracelets,
Lockets,
Chains,
Gold Pens,
Gold Pencils,
Gold Thimbles,
Silver Thimbles,
Gold Dollars,
Quarter Dollars,
Dime Pieces,
Medals,
Fob Chains,
Vest Chains,
Watch Keys,
Watch Guards,
Watch Chains,
Watch Crystals,
Watch Springs,
Watch Pins,
Watch Tools,
Clocks,
Spectacles,
Gold Pens,
Gold Pencils,
Gold Thimbles,
Silver Thimbles,
Gold Dollars,
Quarter Dollars,
Dime Pieces,
Medals,
Fob Chains,
Vest Chains,
Watch Keys,
Watch Guards,
Watch Chains,
Watch Crystals,
Watch Springs,
Watch Pins,
Watch Tools,
Clocks,
Spectacles,
Fine Silver Ware,
Plated Ware,
Clocks.

As well as all other kinds of Gold Jewelry, Tea-Spoons, Pitchers, Spoons, Forks, &c., Fine Silver Ware, Plated Ware, Clocks.

And a general assortment of Fancy Goods, Canes, &c.

☞ Orders for goods will receive prompt attention and a prompt reply.

☞ Watches and jewelry repaired with neatness and dispatch.

aug 6-1y. T. STEBBINS.

A FEW MORE DAY AND PIANO SCHOLARS can be taught by Mrs. V. Bontabin. Inquire at her residence on Front Street or at the store H. Robertson & Co. nov3-2m

New Goods.

I WOULD beg leave to inform my friends, customers, and the public generally, that I am now receiving and opening a well assorted stock of

Fall and Winter Goods,

comprising every variety, shade and style of Ladies' dress goods, Flats, Riding Hats, Prints, Bleached and Brown Cottons, Linens, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Cloaks, Mantillas, &c., &c., &c.

Gents' Clothing and Furnishing Goods,

Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Oil Clothing, &c., &c.

Russett Brogans, Linseys, Lowells, Plaids, Blankets, Mud Boots, Saddlery, Hardware, Queensware, Woodenware; all kinds of Tobaccos, Liquors, Candles, Soaps, &c.

All of which will be sold at moderate profits, and a liberal discount made for CASH. Great pleasure will be taken in showing the stock, and no charge made for trouble. For further particulars call in and examine for yourselves.

oct13-tf R. C. HETHERWICK.

GUTTA PERCHA GIN BAND MATERIAL of all sizes, for sale low by

aug 6-tf R. C. HETHERWICK.

JOB PRINTING,

OF ALL SORTS AND SIZES,

DONE IN THE

NEATEST STYES

—AT THE—

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE,

Second Street, Bouldioit's Brick Building.

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THE PROPRIETOR of the CONSTITUTIONAL newspaper takes this occasion of returning his thanks to his former friends for the liberality with which they supported him while conducting the RED RIVER AMERICAN, and would inform them that he is again a candidate for their favor and encouragement.

The material in the CONSTITUTIONAL office is entirely new and of the very best quality, and no effort shall be spared to execute all work in as neat a manner as it can be done in the State, and at as reasonable rates as it can be done out of New Orleans.

Hoping to see the familiar faces of all his old friends, and as many new ones as possible, he says to them that he will always be found at his post.

TO ADVERTISERS.

The CONSTITUTIONAL has the largest circulation of any paper in North Louisiana, and it will consequently be found an excellent advertising medium. To its former patrons, both at home and at New Orleans, St. Louis, New York, Philadelphia and other cities, he tenders his sincere thanks for past favors, and hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

☞ No Northern advertisements inserted unless accompanied with the cash, or arrangements be made to settle for the same in New Orleans.

THE SACCHAROMETER

BAGASSE FURNACE.

PATENTED July 1st, 1857. Steam Trains and Chambers, under my patents for 1856 and 1859. My patented arrangement for using two pressures of steam in sugar boiling apparatuses, only requires to be understood to establish the decided advantages it possesses over all other arrangements, because it is based upon correct and scientific principles, and reduces to a complete system the boiling by steam in sugar apparatuses. Can be adapted to almost any Sugar House.

IMPROVED FURNACES FOR COAL EITHER UNDER BOILERS OR KETTLES.

I will also furnish the very best boiler now in use, and especially adapted for plantation use, which

COSTS LESS,

is more DURABLE and absolutely SAFER and at the same time more economical in FUEL than any other arrangement of BOILER whatever. Can be furnished at very short notice.

Force Pumps for hot water and plantation machinery generally.

The undersigned would respectfully refer parties who may not have had an opportunity of witnessing the operation of any of his Furnaces, to the following named gentlemen, sugar planters, who have them erected on their places.

William J. Fort, Esq., one, Magnolia Plantation, West Feliciana.

Hon. B. F. Kenner, two, Ashland and Bowdon Associates.

R. H. Barrow, Esq., one, Yatton; Dr. J. W. Lyle, one, Smithfield; James R. Duvall, Esq., one, Ashland; West Baton Rouge.

Arthur Dennis, Esq., one, False River Point Company.

Messrs. J. W. & S. McCutchen, one, Ormand, St. Charles.

John R. Thompson, Esq., one, Claiborne, Iberville.

John P. Williams, Esq., one, Willow Glen, Rapides near Alexandria, La.

Dr. John Cowan, one, Experiment, Rapides, near Alexandria.

Messrs. J. C. Cottell & R. M. Davis, one, Manchac, Manchac River, La.

A. H. BLISSARDE,

aug 6-tf St. Charles street, New Orleans.

NOTICE.

THE copartnership heretofore existing under the firm of H. Kendall Carter, & Co., expires this day by limitation. The concern in business will be settled by H. Kendall Carter, and the cotton gin business by Daniel Pratt.

H. KENDALL CARTER,

DANIEL PRATT.

New Orleans, October 1, 1860.

THE Cotton Factorage and Commission business will be continued as heretofore by H. Kendall Carter.

I SHALL continue to furnish Gin Stands as heretofore at the old stand, 15 St. Charles street. My office is on the second floor, No. 6. Gin Stands constantly kept on hand to supply customers. I do not deem it necessary to say anything of the merits of my Gin Stands, as I sell I do so upon actual trial, which are distributed through nearly the whole cotton growing country. Not being able to supply the demand the last season, I am extending my factory so as to be enabled to make 1000 stands next season, and shall then hope to be enabled to supply the demand promptly.

aug 6-1y. DANIEL PRATT.

TO THE PEOPLE ALONG THE BENEFIT OF THE IMPROVEMENT.

TAGART & FARRS,

LATE IMPROVED

SEWING MACHINES.

WE have long been engaged in the Sewing Machine business and know the good and bad qualities of Machines. In the Machine we have aimed to avoid the troubles, and bring out the good points of all the others and make this in every way

A FIRST CLASS MACHINE.

The Machine is large, having sufficient space under the arm in which to turn the work. Sits flat on the table, turns back on hinges; is entirely closed on the under side so that no oil can get on the dress or dust to the Machine; it carries a straight needle; sews from two common spools without rewinding, neither spool requires any fastening, and both in sight above the Machine; it runs very easily and is almost noiseless in operation; it is well finished; very simple in construction, every working part being firmly secured, consequently not liable to get out of order; the construction is such that they need not drop a stitch or break a needle; the driving wheel is on the outside of the table, entirely free from contact with a lady's dress; they will do all kinds of sewing done by any Machinery, from heavy leather to the finest Swiss Muslin by simply changing the thread and needle; the seam is acknowledged to be the strongest and most elastic made by Machinery, will not rip, though every third stitch be cut; the same Machine will stitch, hem, bind, fell, tuck, gather, quilt, cord and embroider beautifully. A lady to be pleased and once said with a Machine must have one that will do good work and yet so simple of adjustment that she herself can adjust and keep it right for every kind of work without the aid of a skilled Machinists.

Our object is to sell a Machine that will give perfect satisfaction to the purchaser. The working part never require change, consequently all trouble of putting them in order is avoided. All Machines warranted. Price from $50 to $75.

The Machine can be seen at the store of R. C. Hetherwick or at the residence of

JOHN DEVER, Agent

dec8 For Louisiana and Texas

PISTOLS! PISTOLS!!

I HAVE just received an assortment of Pistols of the newest styles with the latest improvements, comprising:

Derringers, 2 and 2 1-2 inch barrels,
Revolvers of various kinds,
Breech-Loading Revolvers,
Cartridge Pistols, single barrel,
Gun and Pistol Caps, &c.,

all of which I will sell at a small advance on prime cost.

oct20-tf JOSEPH McEVOY.

JUST ARRIVED a lot of Candles, the best assortment ever offered in Alexandria, Chocolate and Cocoa.

nov17 ST. JOHN & BURGIS.

POETRY.

CARRIER'S ADDRESS.

CLOUDS in yon eastern sky;
And trailing vapors on the dusky earth;
And the sad portent of a nation's sigh,
Heralds a kingly birth.

Lay the old Monarch low!
From all the gracious promise of his reign,
Our footsteps, sad and slow,
Have brought but Care and Pain!

Cast o'er his rigid bier,
Not the immortal Amarant! ine crown,
But the sad Cypress of the of the orphan's tear,
Orphaned by War's dread frown.

From fair Italia's plains,
Swells high the requiem of the buried Year;
We shudder: for our own star pales and wanes
Beneath the horrors of an untold fear.

And Gallia's sunny sky,
Brings neither light nor hope to many a heart
Which watched the well beloved go forth to die:
Ah! must we learn from him that saddest part?

Lay the old Monarch low!
And greet the new king with a hopeful song;
God wot! our starved hope needs better cheer,
Than meets us from a clamorous, ribald throng.

O God of Union, hear!
And guide us in this hour of sorest need;
The Dragon's teeth were sowed, and *now*, in fear,
We watch the sprouting of the cursed seed.

O God of Battles, hear!
And nerve us by the old heroic songs,
Which teach how pure, how lofty, and how clear,
Swells the war chorus of a people's wrongs.

The Southern sunlight glows,
And every ray as in that age that wanes,
Tells of some lofty patriot pulse which throws
Its life, and heat, into warm Southern veins.

O Pelican! wave o'er us!
Teach us some *righteous* battle song to raise,
When hand to hand with God's blue sky above us,
Brother meets Brother, in hot bloody fray.

O Pelican! safe guide us!
Our bark is tossed on most tempestuous sea:
Breakers ahead! and rocky shores around us,
And Peace and Union from the mainmast flee.

By purest hopes within us,
By the direst Nemesis which shapes our course—
Union! we crave from Brothers' love within us,
War, we proclaim when love is met by force.

Cast to the Southern wind,
Our Banner, with its type of Motherhood—
Hearth, home and friends, within its folds we bring
In one strong, mighty chord of Brotherhood.

And in this day of need!
Ere Christmas song's are sill at in the air,
Remember then, who first the hungry fed,
The blessed harvest from a little seed.

O! the poor carrier boy
Need some one comfort for this time of sorrow;
Something to make a thrill of hope and joy,
And bring some gladness to my heart to-morrow.

Leprosy in the East—The Loathsomeness of the Disease.

The lepers of the East are the most loathsome objects that meet the traveler's eye. Here is a description of one, given in a letter from Jerusalem, by a correspondent of the Morning Star.

Suddenly their starts up a human being at your feet. You stop in horror. You turn away in disgust at the sight. But still she throws herself in your path, and will not go. The hair and eye-brows have fallen from the poor beggar. Through yawning zones that are festering and black pustrule the cheek bones! The flesh is drawn away from the glistning teeth!—What feet! They are distorted masses of sores—gaping wounds. The hands which she holds up are evidently dropping away, joint by joint, as the disease grows upon them. Nearer she moves these shriveled arms and legs, drawing their rags about them and smiling at your horror with a ghastly, sickening smile. She tries to speak, and with a fascination strangely peculiar to whatever is perfectly lovely or awful, you bend down to hear her. There is a hoarse, gasping rattling in the throat, and the leper voice comes scarcely to be understood: "Howajii, Allah, Buckseech." "Traveler, in the name of God, money!"

By her is a beautiful little girl. What has she, with her flesh so soft and white to do with that hideous being? How deep are those black eyes! Her gentle voice is full of music, as a lark at sunrise, and her lips are as fresh as a new-blown rose. Her long hair falls with the folds of her head-dress half way down to her clubby bare feet, and there is a lightness in her step that fills you with admiration. Would you know who she is? That child is a leper. In a few years she is sure to be just like her mother, who just now begs you for a few bits of money. Poor thing, to be born to such a fate, and no possible hope! There is a worm at the heart of that rosebud. Is not her voice more sad than her parent's, though gently and sweetly she smiles as she says: "Allah, Buckseech, Howajii."

Do you see those wretched hovels just west of the gate of Jerusalem, clinging to the side of the wall? Dirt and filth surround them. Their thatched roofs seem ready to fall. It is the lepers' quarter.—The law forbids their touching you or mingling with other men, so that none go to minister to them. But the law does not rebuke their want, and they throw themselves in your path, as their ancestors, the lepers of Samaria, did boldly through hunger approach the Assyrian camp.—They recognize no law among themselves, not even the form of marriage. Passion consumes the finer feelings, and rules their souls just in proportion to the leprosy which is even increasing on the body.—Their offspring inherit a curse; no joy—no hope, only a curse—cursed by the world and by their parents, they soon learn to curse themselves.

Cold boiled rice, with a little melted butter, a little salt, and some milk, with a couple of well beaten eggs, will make fine breakfast cakes, baked like buckwheat.

A MODERN DICTIONARY.

Critic.—A large dog, that goes unchained and barks at everything he does not understand.

Distant Relations.—People who imagine they have a claim to rob you if you are rich and to insult you if you are poor.

Belle.—A beautiful but useless insect without wings, whose colors fade on being removed from the sunshine.

Heart.—A rare article; sometimes found in a human being. It is soon destroyed by commerce with the world, or else becomes fatal to its possessor.

Housewifery.—An ancient art; said to have been fashionable among young girls and wives; now entirely out of use, or practised only by the lower orders.

Editor.—A poor wretch, who every day empties his brain in order to fill his stomach.

Wealth.—The most respectable quality of man.

Virtue.—An awkward habit of acting differently from other people. A vulgar word. It creates great mirth in fashionable circles.

Honor.—Shooting a friend whom you love through the head, in order to gain the praise of a few others whom you hate and despise.

Laughter.—An agreeable and contagious convulsion of the human countenance on receiving a tailor's bill, or being asked to return an umbrella.

Opera.—A species of dramatic entertainment to which the audience bring apples and oranges.

Cigar.—A slender, yellow, speckled tube, formed of the leaves of a wonderful plant, discovered by Raleigh. When women turn false, and men selfish—when your creditor dans you like a fiend, and your debtor takes the Act—when the future looks dark and the present dreary—by the fragrance of this little instrument extracted by means of fire you are for a brief period rendered insensible to every sorrow, and lulled into dreams more entertaining than those of sleep.

Satirical Poems.—Harmless impertinence in verse.

Marriage.—The gate through which the happy lover leaves his enchanted regions and returns to earth.

Death.—An ill-bred fellow, who visits people at all seasons, and insists upon their immediately returning his call.

Author.—A dealer in words, who gets paid in his own coin.

Friend.—A person who will not assist you because he knows your love will excuse him.

Wedded Bliss.—A term used by Milton.

Bargain.—A ludicrous transaction, in which each party thinks he has cheated the other.

Doctor.—A man who kills you to-day to save you from dying to-morrow.

Lunatic Asylum.—A hospital, where detected lunatics are sent by those who have had the adroitness to conceal their own infirmity.

Goal.—The penalty of misfortune, and often the reward of virtue.

Tragedian.—A fellow with a tin pot on his head, who stalks about the stage, and gets into a violent passion for so much a night.

Jury.—Twelve prisoners in a box, to try one or more at the bar.

Young Attorney.—A useless member of society who often goes where he has no business to be, because he has no business where he ought to be.

States Evidence.—A wretch who is pardoned for being baser than his comrades.

Public Abuse.—The mud with which every traveler is spattered on his road to distinction.

BISHOP AMES AND NEWSPAPERS.—The Pacific Advocate says:

In his address to the conference, just before reading out the appointments, Bishop Ames alluded to the various methods by which an itinerant preacher might render himself useful, and among others he spoke of circulating newspapers as an important means of doing good. In his first circuit some thirty years ago, he had been very active in this direction, and he said he used to say to his members, as a reason that they should take newspapers, that he had had experience as a school teacher, and that it was his deliberate opinion that two dollars spent for a good newspaper was of more value as an educator in the family than ten dollars paid to a school master for tuition. "And," remarked the Bishop, "thirty years observation has but confirmed that opinion."

Col. Pecad, Garibaldi's Englishman, says of rifle shooting in battle: "Mind it ever you go rifle shooting, use your rifle in a scientific manner. Recollect not to always kill your man but to wound him—then it takes two men to carry him off, and those two men never by any chance come back the same day. With a double barrel rifle, therefore you may get rid of six men at each discharge."

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LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

SUBLIMITY AND VARIETY OF THE BIBLE.—The true reason why some literary men disbelieve the Bible, is the one given by Dr. Johnson—"because they are ignorant of its contents." And the same may be the reason why so many readers fail to read this "book divine." Mrs. Ellis in her "Poetry of Life," has well said:

With our established ideas of beauty, grace, pathos and sublimity, either concentrated in the minutest point, or extended to the widest range, we can derive from the scriptures a fund of gratification not to be found in any other memorial of past or present time. From the worm that grovels in the dust to the track of the leviathan, in the foaming deep—from the moth that corrupts the secret treasure, to the eagle that soars above the clouds—from the wild beast of the desert, to the lamb within the shepherd's fold—from the consuming locusts, to the cattle on a thousand hills—from the rose of Sharon to the cedar of Lebanon—from the clear crystal stream, gushing from the flinty rock, to the wide waters of the deluge—from the barren waste, to the fruitful vineyard, and the land flowing with milk and honey—from the lonely path of the wanderer, to the gathering of a mighty multitude—from the tear that falls in secret, to the din of battle and the shout of a triumphant host—from the cottage to the throne, from the mourner clad in sackcloth, to the prince in his purple robes, from the gnawing of the worm that dieth not, to the seraphic vision of the blessed, from the still small voice to the thunders of Omnipotence, from the depth of hell, to the regions of eternal heaven, to the regions of eternal glory, there is no degree of beauty or deformity, no tendency to good or evil, no shade of darkness or gleam of light, than does not come within the cognizance of the Holy Scripture, and therefore there is no expression or conception of the mind that may not here find a corresponding picture; no thirst for excellence that may not meet with its supply; and no condition of humanity excluded from the unlimited scope of adaptation and sympathy comprehended in the language and spirit of the Bible."

The Entrance to a Woman's Life.—There is a touching beauty in the radiant look of a girl just crossing the limits of youth and commencing her journey through the checkered space of womanhood. It is all dew sparks and morning glory to her ardent, buoyant spirit, as she presses forward exulting in blissful anticipation. But the withering heart of the conflict of life creeps on; the dew-drops exhaled; the garlands of hope, shattered and dead, strew the path; and too often, ere noon-tide, the brow and sweet smile are exchanged for the weary look of one looking for the evening rest, the twilight, the night.

A Bad Memory.—"Mary, my love, do you remember the text of this morning?"

Mary—"No, pa; I never can remember the text—I've such a bad memory."

Mother—"By the way, did you notice Susan Brown?"

Mary—"Oh, yes, what a fright! She had on her last year's new bonnet done over, a pea-green silk, a black lace mantilla, brown boots, an imitation of Honiton collar, a lava bracelet, her old ear rings, and such a fan! O, my!"

Mother—"Well, my dear, your memory is certainly *bad*."

NEVER OLD.—We had the following little gem of poetical philosophy in the Chicago Journal:

There are two things in nature that time cannot reach; two things that never grow old; the ocean and the sky. So far as we can see, the one is as unrent, unwrinkled, and fair as when God unfolded and pitched His great blue tent over Paradise, and let his glory through the "eyelet holes" He had left. Ah! Time may creep about here in the dust; he may come down on the tops of the mountains; he may play with his cloudy toys a little above us, but he cannot reach the crystal walls that close us in. So here we are, day under the hoverings of a young heaven, and how glad and grateful we ought to be that

——"heart within and God o'er head,"

and never grow old at all.

So far as we can see, too, the ocean shakes off at every heave of its crested kings all allegiance to time; so far as we know, it wipes out with every surge, the traces of his footsteps, and is as young this day as it was when Solomon rigged his fleet and sent it wherever Ophir might lie for a cargo; as young as it was when God shook it from the hollow of His hand in the cup of earth, as one would sprinkle a rain drop or two upon a flower that is fading for water. And we are glad again when we think of it; exultant that time cannot reach *that* either—at least not.

And why shouldn't we be glad? Does he not pass his hand over the graves of our dead, and they are gone? Does he not