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Offers the best terms to ADVERTISERS, and its prices will always correspond with the general advertising rates of other cities.
TWELVE LINES or less will constitute a square.
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IN THE
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For the Year 1866.
ALL TRANSIENT ADVERTISEMENTS PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.
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TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELLERS AND SHIPPERS.
THE OLD AND ESTABLISHED
BALTIMORE STEAM PACKET CO.,
Carrying the
UNITED STATES MAIL,
and
ADAMS' EXPRESS FREIGHT,
as well and favorably known to the Traveling Public as the
OLD BAY LINE,
Are now Running their magnificent, safe and commodious Steamers,
THOMAS KELSO,
CAPT. GEO. W. RUSSELL;
ADELAIDE,
CAPT. JAMES CANNON;
The THOMAS KELSO was built for, and is expressly adapted to, the Bay Route, and excels in the splendor of her outfit any steamer now plying these waters. She is provided with Hot and Cold Baths, and all modern convenience.
The ADELAIDE has been recently rebuilt and refurnished throughout. Her accommodations are of a superior order. She is so well known that further comment is unnecessary.
These Steamers leave the Company's Wharf, on Wide-Water street, opposite the Atlantic Iron Works, Norfolk, DAILY, at 3½ o'clock, and High Street Wharf, Portsmouth at 4 o'clock, P. M., SUNDAYS EXCEPTED, touching at Old Point.
Passengers by this Line arrive in Baltimore in time to connect with the early trains to Washington and all points North and West.
Baggage checked to all points, and passengers and baggage conveyed to the depots free of charge.
The Wharf of the Company has been put in excellent order, and is fitted expressly for the protection of freight and other accommodation of Shippers.
Freight taken at low rates and promptly delivered.
For further information inquire of D. C. BALL, Agent, Portsmouth, or to the Purser of the Steamers.
THOS. H. WEBB, Agent.
Norfolk, Va.
Norfolk, December 12, 1865. dec12—tf

BALTIMORE STEAM PACKET COMPANY.
STEAMER "EOLUS,"
FROM
NORFOLK AND PORTSMOUTH TO FORT MONROE, EASTERN SHORE, MATHEWS COUNTY,
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
The New and Fast Steamer
"EOLUS," Captain P. McCarrick,
commenced her regular trips to the above-named places on the 9th SEPTEMBER.
This Steamer will leave the Company's Wharf, on Wide Water street, opposite the Atlantic Iron Works, Norfolk, at 6½ o'clock, a. m. (touching at Portsmouth and the Government Wharf, Town Point), every
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY,
for Cherrystone—every
TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY,
for Mathews and Gloucester counties and Yorktown, touching at Old Point, going and returning each trip.
This Steamer connects with the Baltimore Steam Packet Company's Steamers "THOS. KELSO" and "ADELAIDE," for Baltimore, and all points North and West.
Through tickets sold on this Steamer for Baltimore and her connections.
This Steamer is especially adapted to the service in which she is engaged, being very Fast, having Fine Accommodations, and is noted as an excellent Sea Boat, and will make her trips regardless of the weather.
For freight or passage, apply to D. C. BALL, Agent, Portsmouth, or to the Purser of the Steamer.
All freight must be prepaid.
THOS. H. WEBB, Agent.
Norfolk, December 12, 1865. dec12—tf

FOR
RIO DE JANEIRO.
CALLING AT
ST. THOMAS,
PARA,
PERNAMBUCO
and BAHIA.
the United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Company will dispatch regularly,
ON THE 29TH OF EVERY MONTH,
A NEW AND FIRST-CLASS
STEAMSHIP,
To leave at 3 o'clock, P. M., from Pier 43 North River.
All letters have to pass through the Postoffice.
An experienced Surgeon will be in attendance on board.
For freight and passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to THOMAS ASCENCIO & CO.,
oct26—3m No. 17 Broadway, New York.

FOR PHILADELPHIA.
RICHMOND AND NORFOLK STEAM PACKET COMPANY—SEMI-WEEKLY.
THIS LINE IS COMPOSED OF THE SWIFT, FIRST-CLASS STEAMERS
VIRGINIA,
(CAPTAIN SNYDER
MAY FLOWER,
(CAPTAIN J. ROBINSON
CLAYMONT,
(CAPTAIN E. ROBINSON;)
And one of them will leave Higgins' Wharf, Norfolk every TUESDAY and SATURDAY, forming a Semi-Weekly Line of fast and reliable Steamers, with good passenger accommodations and plenty of freight room.
For freight (which will be taken at low rates, or passage), apply to
THOS. P. CROWELL & CO., Agents,
Higgins' Wharf, or No. 6 Campbell's Wharf,
Norfolk, Va.
One of these Steamers leaves Philadelphia every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY for Norfolk.
aug26—tf

HARNDEN EXPRESS.
OFFICE, NO. 16 ROANOKE STREET.
SAFE, RELIABLE,
COURTEOUS, PROMPT.
Owing to the facilities offered us by the
NEW LINE OF STEAMERS,
and our connection with all the
RELIABLE EXPRESS COMPANIES
IN THE UNITED STATE
EAST, WEST, NORTH and SOUTH,
We are prepared to forward
FREIGHT, MONEY, and VALUABLE PACKAGES, &c.
at lower rates than ever offered the public before.
NOTES, DRAFTS and BILLS for COLLECTION made on all accessible POINS, and RETURNS PROMPTLY DELIVERED.
SHIPPERS in NORFOLK and PORTSMOUTH will find it to their advantage to give us a call before engaging their freight by any other Express.
Freight delivered in Portsmouth without extra charge.
For further particulars apply at the Office, No. 16 Roanoke street.
Express closes for the North 2.45 P. M.
" " " South 6.30 "
oct11—tf F. R. HILL, Agent.

COASTING MANIFESTS
FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE
nv22—tf

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NOTICE.
NORFOLK AND RICHMOND STEAMERS.
On and after
TUESDAY Dec. 5th
The steamers
M. MARTIN
AND
CITY OF RICHMOND,
Will leave from the wharf at the foot of Roanoke and Market Squares, for RICHMOND daily, "SUNDAYS excepted," at 9½ A. M., until further notice.
dec 4—tf J. J. MARTIN, Agent.

NEW LINE STEAMERS.
FOR OLD POINT AND BALTIMORE.
CARRYING
THE NATIONAL AND HARNDEN'S EXPRESS FREIGHT.
The new and elegant Steamers,
GEO. LEARY (Captain Blakeman),
JAMES T. BRADY (Captain Landis),
DICTATOR, (Capt. Mulligan,)
Leave Norfolk for Baltimore, DAILY, (Sundays excepted) at 3½ o'clock, P. M.
Through Tickets sold for all principal cities North and West. Passengers and baggage transferred from boat to ars free of charge.
Fare to Baltimore $4 00
" " " and return 6 00
The Superior Accommodations
offered by the
NEW LINE STEAMERS
are well known by the traveling public. The Steamers are all NEW, constructed with great regard to speed, comfort and safety, and are commanded by experienced, courteous and attentive officers. Their superior speed enables them to make sure connections with all trains, thereby causing no delay at either end of the route to travelers.
The Fare has been reduced by the general solicitation of the traveling public, to whom we feel grateful for their very liberal patronage, which, we trust, by a just course, to continue to merit.
N. B.—Passengers and baggage transferred to and from Portsmouth free of charge.
Leave Norfolk from wharf foot of Roanoke and Market Squares. H. V. TOMPKINS, Agent.
oct27—tf

PEOPLE'S LINE FOR NEWBERN
AND THE
INTERIOR OF NORTH CAROLINA!
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
The Only and Entirely New Route.
The Steamers of this line will leave mail wharf, Norfolk for Newbern, on the arrival of the boats from Baltimore on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
Returning, will leave Newbern Tuesdays, Thursday, and Saturdays, connecting with railways for Goldsborough, Raleigh, Weldon, Beaufort, Morehead City and Wilmington.
The various lines of Railways are nearly all completed in the State of North Carolina, and passengers will have little or no difficulty in reaching their destination on any of the lines of Railway.
The boats are of the first class, and commanded by men of experience, who will see no pains spared to make passengers comfortable.
Being entirely an Inland Route, it will be found far more pleasant than by a sea route.
☞ Freight taken at Low Rates.
For further information, apply to
W. C. EDWARDS,
Roanoke Island, N. C.
GEO. OLNEY, Newbern, N C. jy 1—tf

FOR BOSTON.
Freight of every description will be received at the wharf of the
PEOPLE'S STEAMBOAT COMPANY
for Boston and other Eastern cities.
The goods will be taken to Baltimore by the OLD BAY LINE, and thence to Boston by the Steamships of the
BALTIMORE AND BOSTON LINE.
Through Tickets will be given accordingly, on as reasonable terms as heretofore, and the goods will have greater despatch. For freight or passage apply to
JAMES PATTEN, Agent,
dec16—tf Norfolk, Va.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
TOUCHING AT MEXICAN PORTS,
AND
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL,
Leave Pier No. 43 North River, foot of Canal street, at 12 o'clock noon, on the 1st, 11th and 21st of every month (except when those dates fall on Sunday, and then on the preceding SATURDAY), for ASPINWALL, connecting, via Panama Railway, with one of the Company's Steamship's from Panama for SAN FRANCISCO, touching at ACAPULCO.
FEBRUARY 1st,
HENRY CHAUNCEY,
CAPTAIN GRAY;
connecting with
COLORADO,
CAPTAIN WATKINS.
10TH,
ATLANTIC,
CAPTAIN MAURY;
connecting with
SACRAMENTO.
CAPTAIN CAVERLY.
21st,
NEW YORK,
CAPTAIN HORNER;
connecting with
CONSTITUTION,
CAPTAIN FARNSWORTH.
Departures of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with Steamers for SOUTH PACIFIC PORTS. Those of 1st touch at MANZANILLO.
THROUGH PASSAGE RATES IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin, $300; Second do., $200; Steerage $100
A discount of ONE QUARTER from steamers' rates allowed to second cabin and steerage passengers with families. Also, an allowance of ONE QUARTER on through rates to clergymen and their families, and school teachers; soldiers having honorable discharges, HALF FARE.
One Hundred Pounds Baggage allowed each adult. Baggage masters accompany baggage through, and attend to ladies and children without male protectors. Baggage received on the dock the day before sailing, from steamboats, railroads, and passengers who prefer to send down early.
An experienced Surgeon on board. Medicines and attendance free.
A Steamer will be placed on the Line January 1st, 1866, to run from NEW ORLEANS to ASPINWALL, via HAVANA.
For Passage Tickets or further information, apply at the Company's Ticket Office, on the Wharf, FOOT OF CANAL STREET, NORTH RIVER, NEW YORK.
dec2—3m F. W. G. BELLOWS, Agent.

NOTICE.
On and after the 29th INSTANT, the Steamers of the Baltimore Steam Packet Company,
OLD BAY LINE,
will leave the Company's Wharf on East Wide-Water street, opposite the Atlantic Iron Works, Daily, for
BALTIMORE,
OLD POINT,
CHERRYSTONE,
MATHEWS,
GLOUCESTER and
YORKTOWN.
T. H. WEBB, Agent.
Norfolk, November 28, 1865. nov28—tf

ADAMS' EXPRESS COMPANY.—
OFFICE NO. 54 CHURCH STREET,
(THEATRE BUILDING.)
FREIGHT, MONEY, and VALUABLES forwarded with care and despatch to all parts of the United States.
BILLS, DRAFTS, &c., collected, and prompt returns made.
Our wagons call in any part of Norfolk and Portsmouth for goods to be forwarded: and will deliver without extra charge, all goods that arrive by Express.
Express going North closes at 2.30 P. M.—going South, at 6 P. M
sept6-tf. J. H. RIGNEY, Agent

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NEW YORK AND VIRGINIA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THE
OLD LINE,
FOR
NEW YORK.
The New and Elegant Side-Wheel Steamships,
NIAGARA,
GEORGE W. COUCH, COMMANDER,
and
SARATOGA,
A. L. KING, COMMANDER,
Leave Norfolk for New York every
WEDNESDAY and SUNDAY, at 8 o'clock, P. M.
Returning they will leave New York every
WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock, P. M.
For expedition and security this route, as past experience has proven, will be found the best in every respect.
In the construction of these Steamers SPECIAL attention has been paid to the finish and comfort of the Saloons and State-Rooms, in order to induce travel by them.
Passengers can secure their Tickets and State-Rooms before the arrival of the ships by applying to the Agents.
When ordering goods from New York, the patrons of the line are requested to order by the "OLD LINE," New York and Virginia Steamship Company, Pier 21, North River.
Freight taken at low rates.
J. M. SMITH & BROTHER,
dec22—tf Agents, Town Point, Norfolk.

ATLANTIC COAST MAIL
STEAMSHIP LINE
FOR NEW YORK!
THE NEW AND FIRST CLASS SIDE-WHEEL STEAMSHIPS
HATTERAS AND ALBEMARLE,
Will leave Norfolk for New York as follows:
HATTERAS, CAPT'N LEWIS PARISH,
Will leave Dickson's Wharf every WEDNESDAY at 8 o'clock, A. M.
ALBEMARLE, CAPT. H. A. BOURNE,
Will leave Dickinson's Wharf every SUNDAY at 8 o'clock, A. M.
Passengers by this line will be only one night at sea.
Returning, these Ships leave New York every
WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY,
at 12 M., from Pier No. 36, North River.
These Ships have superior accommodations for passengers and freight.
The undersigned having been appointed Agent of this Line, would respectfully ask the continuance of the patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed by the public, and would beg leave to assure them that he will endeavor to give satisfaction.
All freight shipped by this Line will be taken at low rates and promptly delivered.
Passage and rooms can be secured before the arrival of the steamers by applying at the office.
For Freight or Passage, apply at the office of the Company, on Dickson's Wharf, East Wide Water street, adjoining the wharf of the
BALTIMORE STEAM PACKET COMPANY.
jan12—tf T. H. WEBB, Agent.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WRIGHT, CARTER & CO.,
GENERAL SOUTHERN LAND AGENCY,
No. 62 BROADWAY
NEW YORK,
Negotiate LOANS for FARMERS and PLANTERS; also for ASSOCIATIONS, CORPORATIONS and COMPANIES, and partnerships for the cultivation of COTTON, SUGAR, RICE and all SOUTHERN PRODUCTS; also for the LUMBER and TURPENTINE business, in special demand. Orders are solicited.
Organize Associations for the development of MINING and MANUFACTURING interests and the SETTLEMENT of SOUTHERN LANDS.
Purchase and forward MACHINERY, IMPLEMENTS, SUPPLIES, &c., for FARMERS, PLANTERS and MINERS.
Give careful attention to the collection and securing of debts, and the adjustment and settlement of claims of every description.
Their correspondents and associates are men of the highest professional ability, business capacity and social position in their respective localities. Their plan of business is thoroughly systematic, and all its details are carefully arranged to ensure the utmost responsibility and reliability. All business entrusted to them or their correspondents will receive prompt attention. Their compensation will consist ENTIRELY of COMMISSIONS, and charges will be moderate.
AUTHORIZED REFERENCES.
PETER COOPER Esq., New York.
A. A. LOWE, Esq., Pres. Charmber of Commerce N. Y.
JAS. COOKE, Esq., Philadelphia.
GEO. H. STUART, Esq., Philadelphia.
Messrs. FOLGER, CARTWRIGHT & CO.,
No. 22, Wide Water Street,
Agents for the city of Norfolk.
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BURNING OF THE MUSEUM.
LETTER FROM MR. BARNUM.
NEW YORK, July 14, 1865.
Messrs. Herring & Co.:
GENTLEMEN:—Though the destruction of the American Museum has proved a serious loss to myself and the public, I am happy to verify the odd adage, that "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good," and consequently congratulate you that your well-known safes have again demonstrated their superior fire-proof qualities in an ordeal of unusual severity.
The safe you made for me some time ago was in the office of the Museum, on the second floor, back part of the building, and in the hottest of the fire.
After twenty-four hours of trial, it was found among the debris, and on opening it this day, has yielded up its contents in very good order—books, papers, policies of insurance, bank bills, all in condition for immediate use, and a noble commentary on the trustworthiness of Herring's Fire-Proof Safes.
Truly yours,
P. T. BARNUM.
HERRING'S PATENT CHAMPION SAFES!
The most reliable protection from fire now known.
HERRING & CO.'S PATENT BANKERS' SAFES, with Herring & Floyd's Patent Crystalized Iron, the best security against a burglar's drill ever manufactured.
HERRING & CO.,
No. 251 Broadway, cor. Murray street, New York.
FARREL, HERRING & CO., Philadelphia.
HERRING & CO., Chicago.
☞ KNOWLS & WALFORD Agents, Richmond, Va.
oct7—tf

W. M. CLARK & CO.
BANKERS
AND
DEALERS IN
GOV'RNM'NT SCURITIS,
MAIN STREET, OPPOSITE BANK STREET,
Keep on hand and buy and sell, at market rates, all issues
OF
UNITED STATES BONDS,
SEVEN-THIRTY TREASURY NOTES,
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES,
CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS, &c.
Southern STATE BANK NOTES, BONDS and SECURITIES bought at the highest figures.
COLLECTIONS MADE ON ALL POINTS.
dec21—tf

WINE AND LIQUOR STORE,
N. A. THOMPSON & Co.
No. 20 WATER AND ROANOKE STREETS,
We offer to consumers and to the trade a large and well selected stock of
BRANDIES,
WINES,
GINS,
RUM,
WHISKIES,
BITTERS,
ALES and PORTER,
N. A. THOMPSON & CO.
oct11—tf No. 20 corner Water and Roanoke Streets.

MEDICAL.

THE GREAT STRENGTHENING TONIC.
(NOT A WHISKEY PREPARATION.)
HOOFLAND'S
GERMAN BITTERS,
WILL CURE
DEBILITY! DEBILITY!!
Resulting from any cause whatever.
H
PROSTRATION OF THE SYSTEM
induced by
SEVERE HARDSHIPS, EXPOSURE, FEVERS,
or
Diseases of Camp Life.
SOLDIERS, CITIZENS, MALE OR FEMALE, ADULT OR YOUTH,
Will find this Bitters a pure Tonic, not dependent on bad liquors for their almost miraculous effects.
O
DYSPEPSIA,
And Diseases Resulting from Disorders of the Liver and Digestive Organs,
are cured by
HOOFLAND'S GERMAN BITTERS.
This Bitters has performed more Cures, gives better Satisfaction, has more Testimony, has more Respectable People to vouch for it than any other article in the market.
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We defy any one to contradict this assertion, and
WILL PAY $1,000
to any one who will produce a certificate published by us that is not genuine.
HOOFLAND'S
GERMAN BITTERS,
Will Cure every Case of
CHRONIC OR NERVOUS DEBILITY
and
DISEASES OF THE KIDNEYS.
F
Observe the following Symptoms, resulting from Disorders of the Digestive Organs:
Constipation, Inward Piles, Fulness of Blood to the Head, Acidity of the Stomach, Nausea, Heartburn, Disgust for Food, Fulness or Weight in the Stomach, Sour Eructations, Sinking or Fluttering at the Pit of the Stomach, Swimming of the Head, Hurried and Difficult Breathing, Fluttering at the Heart, Choking or Suffocating Sensations when in a lying posture, Dimness of Vision, Dots or Webs before the Sight, Fever and Dull Pain in the Head, Deficiency of Perspiration, Yellowness of the Skin and Eyes, Pain in the Side, Back, Chest, Limbs, &c., Sudden Flushes of Heat, Burning in the Flesh, Constant Imaginings of Evil, and GREAT DEPRESSION OF SPIRITS.
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REMEMBER
That this Bitters is not Alcoholic, contains no Rum or Whiskey, and cannot make Drunkards, but is the Best Tonic in the World.

Read Who Says So.
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[From the Rev. W. D. Seigfried, Pastor of Twelfth Baptist Church, Philadelphia.]
Gentlemen:—I have recently been laboring under the misfortune of the loss of my voice, and have tried many remedies recommended by friends, and some of them tested, but without relief. Your Hoofland's German Bitters were recommended by persons who had tried them, and whose favorable mention of these Bitters induced me to try them. I must confess that I had an aversion to Patent Medicines from the "thousand and one" quack "Bitters," whose only aim seems to be to palm off sweetened and drugged liquor upon the community in a sly way, and the tendency of which, I fear, is to make many a confirmed drunkard. Upon learning that yours was really a medicinal preparation, I took it with happy effect. Its action, not only upon the stomach, but upon the nervous system, was prompt and gratifying. I feel that I have derived great and permanent benefit from the use of a few bottles. Very respectfully yours,
W. D. SEIGFRIED,
No. 254 Shackamaxon street.

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[From the Rev. E. D. Fendall, Assistant Editor Christian Chronicle, Philadelphia.]
I have derived decided benefit from the use of Hoofland's German Bitters, and feel it my privilege to recommend them as a most valuable tonic, to all who are suffering from general debility or from diseases arising from derangement of the liver. Yours truly,
E. D. FENDALL.

[From the Rev. D. Merrige, Pastor of the Passayunk Baptist Church, Philadelphia.]
From the many respectable recommendations given to Hoofland's German Bitters, I was induced to give them a trial. After using several bottles I found them to be a good remedy for debility, and a most excellent tonic for the stomach. D. MERRIGE.

[From the Rev. Wm. Smith, formerly Pastor of the Vincentown and Millville (N. J.) Baptist Churches.]
Having used in my family a number of bottles of your Hoofland's German Bitters, I have to say that I regard them as an excellent medicine, specially adapted to remove the diseases they are recommended for. They strengthen and invigorate the system when debilitated, and are useful in disorders of the liver, loss of appetite, &c. I have also recommended them to several of my friends, who have tried them, and found them greatly beneficial in the restoration of health.
Yours truly, WM. SMITH,
No. 906 Hutchinson street, Philadelphia.

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[From the Rev. Joseph H. Kennard, Pastor of the Tenth Baptist Church.]
I have been frequently requested to connect my name with commendations of different kinds of medicines, but regarding the practice as out of my appropriate sphere, I have in all cases declined; but with a clear proof in various instances, and particularly in my own family, of the usefulness of Dr. Hoofland's German Bitters, I depart for once from my usual course, to express my full conviction that, *for general debility of the system, and especially for Liver Complaint, it is a safe and valuable preparation.* In some cases it may fail; but usually, I doubt not, it will be very beneficial to those who suffer from the above causes. Yours, very respectfully,
J. H. KENNARD,
Eighth below Coates street.
Philadelphia, December 24, 1864.

Rev. J. S Herman, of the German Reformed Church, Kutztown, Berks County, Pa., was cured of Dyspepsia of twenty years standing.

A. M. Spangler, Editor of the *Culturist*, No. 25 North Sixth street, Philadelphia, says this Bitters was recommended to him by a medical friend, and six bottles cured him of complete prostration of the nervous system.

Rev. J. Newton Brown, D. D., Editor of the Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge and Christian Chronicle, Philadelphia.
Rev. Thomas Winter, D. D., Pastor of Roxborough Baptist Church.
Rev. Levi G. Beck, Pastor of the Baptist Church, Pemberton, N. J., formerly of the North Baptist Church, Philadelphia, at present Pastor of the Baptist Church at Chester, Pa.
These gentlemen express, in the strongest terms, their favorable opinion of this Bitters.

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BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS!
☞ See that the signature of "C. M. JACKSON" is on the wrapper of each bottle.
☞ Should your nearest Druggist not have the article, do not be put off by any of the intoxicating preparations that may be offered in its place, but send to us, and we will forward, securely packed, by express.
PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MANUFACTORY,
NO. 631 ARCH STREET,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
JONES & EVANS,
[Successors to C. M. JACKSON & CO.,]
PROPRIETORS,
☞ For sale by Druggists and Dealers in every town in the United States. dec25—2awly

The Norfolk Post.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1866.

THE PRESIDENT'S VIEWS IN REGARD TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

WASHINGTON, January 28, 1866.

The following is the substance of a conversation which took place to-day between the President and a distinguished Senator:

The President said that he doubted the propriety, at this time, of making any further amendments to the Constitution. One great amendment had already been made, by which slavery had forever been abolished within the limits of the United States, and a national guarantee thus given that that institution should never again exist on the land. Propositions to amend the Constitution were becoming as numerous as preambles and resolutions at town meetings called to consider the most ordinary questions connected with the administration of local affairs. All this, in his opinion, had a tendency to diminish the dignity and prestige attached to the Constitution of the country, and to lessen the respect and confidence of the people in their great charter of freedom. If, however, amendments are to be made to the Constitution changing the basis of representation and taxation (and he did not deem them at all necessary at the present time), he knew of none better than a simple proposition, embraced in a few lines, making, in each state, the number of qualified voters the basis of representation; and the value of property the basis of direct taxation. Such a proposition could be embraced in the following terms:

"Representation shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this Union according to the number of qualified voters in each state.

"Direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this Union according to the value of all taxable property in each state."

An amendment of this kind would, in his opinion, place the basis of representation and direct taxation upon correct principles. The qualified voters were, for the most part, men who were subject to draft and enlistment when it was necessary to repel invasion, suppress rebellion and quell domestic violence and insurrection. They risk their lives, shed their blood and peril their all, to uphold the Government and give protection, security and value to property. It seemed but just that property should compensate for the benefits thus conferred by defraying the expenses incident to its protection and enjoyment. Such an amendment, the President also suggested, would remove from Congress all issues in reference to the political equality of the race. It would deny any qualification of their own voters with regard to color, and thus the number of representatives to which they would be entitled in Congress would depend upon the number upon which they conferred the right of suffrage.

The President, in this connection, expressed the opinion that the agitation of the negro franchise question in the District of Columbia at this time was the mere entering wedge to the agitation of the question throughout the states, and was ill-timed, uncalled for, and calculated to do great harm. He believed that it would engender enmity, contention and strife between the two races, and lead to a war between them, which would result in great injury to both, and the certain extinction of the negro population. Precedence, he thought, should be given to more important and urgent matters, legislation upon which was essential for the restoration of the Union, the peace of the country and the prosperity of the people.

TRIAL OF GEN. BAKER. The trial of Gen. Baker before the criminal court has developed some interesting facts in relation to the detective system and pardon brokerage. It appears from the testimony of Lieut. Hine that last July he was detailed by the Assistant Secretary of War, and placed at the disposal of Gen. Baker, and directed to act under his orders. He was introduced to Mrs. Cobb, the plaintiff, as Captain Howell, and as an ex-Confederate Captain, who was seeking for pardon. She told him she had great facilities for obtaining pardons, but would not inform him what influence she had used. Captain Hall drew up a statement or petition, signed as Clarence J. Howell, and affixed a spurious magistrate's certificate. He presented this to Mrs. Cobb, who said anything could be done with money. A contract was entered into, and the pardon was procured. The money paid to her had been marked, and this was afterward found on her person and taken away from her. It was a part of the money used to entrap this pardon broker.

The witness acknowledged that he made false statements to her. During the proceedings, Judge Hughes, as counsel for Mrs. Cobb, said it was a conspiracy; and in order to break up a legitimate business, these self-constituted guardians of the honor of the Government induced this lady to do the very thing they professed to be anxious to break up. Even a thief cannot be convicted if money is placed in his way by conspirators to entrap him; and the conspirators are justly execrated. And now Baker and his conspirators, and a man who drew a false and fraudulent paper, and acknowledges that it was such, and who forged a magistrate's certificate, need not put on a look of dignity and talk to me. The days of bullying are passed, and the courts of justice are wide open, and the oppressors and midnight robbers must come under the law, and their deeds must be known and spoken of.

These remarks were followed by applause, which was suppressed by the court, and the Marshal was directed to clear the room if it was repeated.

REBUILDING OF CHARLESTON, S. C.—A letter from Charleston says nearly a thousand laborers have been engaged to clear the district which was burned by the great fire of 1861, and to erect new buildings. The contractor promises to have two hundred sightly and convenient stores and residences ready for occupancy by the first of July, in one district alone, while individuals are actively engaged in repairing and rebuilding in different localities.

A nuptial tie is not always the result of a beau-k

HE PLAYED UPON A HARP WITH A THOUSAND STRINGS.

A DISCOURSE DELIVERED AT BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI, BY A REVERENT FLATBOAT CAPTAIN.

"I may say to you, my breethering that i am not an edicated man, an' I am one o' them as belives that edication is necessary fur a gospel minister, fur I believe the Lord edicates his preachers jest as he wants 'em to be edecated, and, although I say it that oughtn't to say it, yet in the state of Indianny, whar I live, thar's no man as gits a bigger congregation nor what I gits.

"Thar may be some here to-day, my breethering, as don't know what persuasion I am uv. Well, I may say to you, my breethering, that I'm a Hardshell Baptist, but I'd ruther hev a hard shell as no shell at all. You see me here to-day, my breethering, drest up in fine close; you mout think I was proud, but I am not proud, my breethering, and although I've been a preacher uv the Gospel for twenty years, and although I'm captain uv that flatboat that lies at yur landing, I'm not proud, by breethering.

"I'm not a gwine ter tell you edzackly whar my tex may be found; sufficey it tu say, it's in the leds of the Bible, and you'll find it somewhar 'tween the first chapter of the book of Generation and the last chapter of the book of Revolutions, and ef you'll go and sarch the Scriptures, as I have sarched the Scriptures, you'll not only find my text thar, but a great many uther texes as will do you good to read, an' my tex, when you shift find it to read thus:—

"'And he played on a harp of a thousand strings sperits of just men made perfeck.'

"My text, breethering, leads to speak of sperit. Now thars a great many kinds of sperits in the word—in the fust place, thar's the sperits uv turpentime, and then thar's the sperits as sum folks call liquor, and I've got as good artikel of them kind uv sperits on my flatboat as ever was fotched down the Mississippi river; but that's a great many other kind of sperits, for the tex sez 'He played on a harp of a thousand strings sperits of just men made perfeck.'

"But I'll tell you the kind uv sperits as is meant in the tex: it's fire. That is the kind of sperits as is meant in the tex, my breethering. Now thar, s a great many kinds of fire in the world. In the fust place, thar's the common sort uv fire you lite a segar or pipe with, and then thar's cam-fire, fire before you're reddy and fall back, and many other kinds uv fire, for the tex sez; He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck.'

"But I'll tell you of the kind of fire as is ment in the tex, my breething—it's hell-fire! an' that's the kind uv fire as a great many of you'll come to, ef you don't do better nor what you bin doin'—for 'He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck.'

'Now the different sorts of fire in the world may be likened unto the different persuasions in the world. In the fust place, we have the Pharisaical persuasion' set, and the may be likened unto a turkey buzzard, that flies up into the air, and he goes up and up till he looks no bigger than your finger nail, and the fust thing you know he cums down and down, and is a filin' himself on the karkiss of a dead hoss by the side uv the road—and 'He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck.'

"And then thar's the Methedis, and they may be likened unto the squirrel runnin' up into a tree, for the Methedis believes in gwine on from one degree uv grace to another, and finally on to perfeckshun, and the squirrel goes up and up, and he jumps from lim' to lim,' and branch to branch, and the fust thing you know he falls, and down he cums flummux, and that's like the Methedis, for they is allers fallin' from grace, ah! 'And he played on a harp of a *thou*-sand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck.'

"And then, my breethring, thar's the Baptists, ah! and they hev bin likened unto a possum on a 'simmon tree, and the thunders may roll, and then the earth may quake, but that possum clings thar still, ah! And you may shake one foot loose, and the other's thar, and you may shake all feet loose and he laps his tail round the lim,' and he clings fur-ever—'He played on a harp of a *thou*-sand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck.'"

Here the reporter could no longer contain himself, and his notes became entirely unintelligible.

GREAT TRUTHS IN FEW WORDS.

Some persons cannot look forward to the future, but only backward to the past. They have but one eye, and that in the back of their heads.

Even as dead bodies supply the material for living ones, so the minds of the dead furnish thoughts for the growth of the minds of succeeding generations.

Providence is undoubtedly the overseer of the poor in this world, but business is his real estate agent.

By pulling your finger from the water you leave no hole in the fluid, and by dying you leave no vacancy in the world.

One of the commonest cases of transformation is for a toper to *turn into* a grog shop.

The thought of being nothing after death is a burden insupportable to a virtuous man, even though a heathen.

Courage does not consist in feeling no fear, but in conquering fear. He is the hero who, seeing lions on either side, goes straight on, because there his duty lies.

A wag, speaking of the cruel treatment of a child by its mother, says: "The child should at least have the careful attention of some one, or it will be prematurely added to the kingdom of heaven, and thus, perhaps, permanently separated from its kindred.

Mrs. Partington says that Ike, having become enamelled of a siren of Boston, has led her to the menial altar. He didn't appear the least bit decomposed. On the back of his wedding cards were little cubebs with wings.

A punster says, "My name is Somerset. I am a miserable bachelor. I cannot marry; for how could I hope to prevail on a young lady, possessed of the slightest notion of delicacy, to turn a Somerset."

GRANT AND BUTLER. It should not be supposed that, because Generals Grant and Butler are given to sharp mention of each other through their published reports, they entertain such bitterness of feeling that they cannot meet socially. Within the last day or two they have met and chatted most amicably.—*New York News.*

GENERAL MEXICAN NEWS.

Letters from Escobedo recently intercepted show the plan of campaign devised by him, and is sketched forth in the following terms in a communication addressed by him to the Juarist Governor of Tamaulipas:

We will remain in the states of Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas and San Luis so as to occupy the attention of the imperialists, in accordance with the wish of his Excellency the President and Commander-in-Chief.

General Cortina saw fit to separate from us this side of Reinosa, as that brave patriot did not concur in our views. General Cortina does not suppose that there is any practicable base of operations beyond Matamoros. But I regret to inform you that the popularity of the cause has declined at Matamoros. That city has experienced a great reaction in favor of the traitors, caused evidently by the influence of foreign gold. The change at Matamoros was not caused as much by the defeat of our forces as by the acts of paid traitors.

Your plans had met with the approval of General N. Cortina. The city—which was supposed to be most difficult, if not impossible, to capture—would have been delivered to us by those valiant citizens who still preserve in their hearts the name and traditions of their invaded country; but, unfortunately, Mejia was apprised of our plans by his informal secret police, the existence of which no one suspected at the time, and so our valiant friends were hanged or shot without form or trial.

I shall shortly arrive at Aqueloros by the Alamo road, and, in order to carry out the plan conceived by his Excellency President Juarez, I shall