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## EXCHANGE HOTEL.

J. G. P. HOOE, Proprietor.

THE undersigned have leased the  
ICE HOUSE HOTEL and have  
opened it for the reception of guests.  
The House and furniture will immedi-  
ately undergo a thorough renovation,  
and no pains will be spared to make  
the premises as comfortable and at-  
tractive as possible.

The table will be bountifully sup-  
plied, and a full corps of servants en-  
gaged to be in constant attendance on  
our boarders. The doors will be open  
at all hours, of both the day and night.  
Both travelers and regular boarders  
will find it to their interest to give us  
a call.

The subscriber has had considera-  
ble experience in the business and  
confidently appeal to the public to aid  
him in his efforts to maintain a first  
class Hotel in this community.

J. G. P. HOOE.  
January 11th, 1872.

## The Jewel COFFEE HOUSE.

THE SUBSCRIBER has again  
taken charge of the long estab-  
lished

JEWEL COFFEE HOUSE

—AND—

BILLIARD SALOON,

and will endeavor to keep it up to its  
former reputation under his manage-  
ment. He has laid in a

FULL SUPPLY OF THE BEST LIQUORS.

An attentive and competent Bar  
Keeper will always be on hand, to at-  
tend to the wants of his customers.

LUNCH EVERY DAY AT 10 M.

JOHN BOGAN.  
January 11 1872.

## LIVERY Stable.

DAN TAYLOR

WISHES TO INFORM HIS  
friends and the public gen-  
erally that he has opened at

GOFFE'S OLD STAND,

a first class Livery Stable.

Intending to be always on hand, he  
assures his customers, that their stock  
will not be neglected.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNER-  
SHIP.

THE Firm of W. & T. Whitty, is  
this day dissolved by limita-  
tion, Mr. William Whitty will con-  
tinue the business on his own account,  
and liquidate the affairs of the late  
firm.

WILLIAM WHITTY,  
THOMAS WHITTY.  
Alexandria, La., January 19th 1872.  
Feb. 3-5t.

## CONSEQUENCES OF HIS TAKE.

BY MRS. AMELIA E. BARK.

"A life in which nothing happens."

Such had been mine, at least until my  
twentieth year, when my aunt died,  
leaving me the handsome house in  
which I am now living, in a quiet  
street. There was much other prop-  
erty, and no inconsiderable sum of  
money, besides a pretty little farm  
miles out of the city. I was in fact a  
rich woman, and what was still bet-  
ter, a perfectly free one, and I enjoyed  
my liberty for the first few weeks with  
all the abandon of an uncaged bird. But  
as winter came on I grew a little  
lonely. I had been to the farm, and  
found it a weariness. Not even the pride  
of possession could reconcile me to its  
solitude and monotony. I had tried a  
watering-place, and the patronage of  
some and the servility of others had  
so wounded and disgusted me, that  
early in September I came back to my  
home in the city. It had become plain  
to me, moreover, that some sort of  
chaperon was necessary, for though I  
knew I was able to take care of my-  
self, society did not seem to think so;  
and I had been continually irritated by  
the constant proposals of friends to  
look out for me a suitable person.

But if I was to have an incumbent  
I was determined to select it myself,  
and after some consideration I wrote  
to my old teacher asking her to accept  
the position. This scheme had its ad-  
vantages and its drawbacks, as every  
scheme has; the advantages being  
that Mrs. Whitney was a thorough  
lady, a clever housekeeper, and quite  
manageable; the disadvantage being  
that she had a daughter whom I must  
also take, and whose position it would  
be difficult to define.

However, the agreement was made;  
Mrs. Whitney was installed as Lady  
Proprietor, and Rose Whitney, as my  
companion. Then, soon after, the  
usual round of winter gaieties began,  
and though etiquette forbade, my tak-  
ing an active part in them while I was  
in mourning, still I found, in calling,  
shopping, concerts and lectures, most  
abundant recreation.

Mrs. Whitney proved invaluable.  
My house and housekeeping under her  
management were models of comfort-  
able elegance; but Rose was something  
of a trial. She was only sixteen, and  
she was insufferably vain of her pink  
and white prettiness, and her youthful  
blonde. I tried, however, to be kind  
and just to her, for I clothed her hand-  
somerly, and took her with me wherever  
I went. I was careful, too, to avoid  
anything which might make her feel  
her position as a dependent; and for  
these things I think I deserve some  
credit, for the servitude of one woman  
to another is generally a very, very  
one.

One evening my lawyer called to  
transact some business with me. He  
remained to dinner, and proposed af-  
ter it to take us to hear some famous  
singer. There seemed to be no reason  
for a refusal; for the night was fine  
and the moon full; besides I had no other  
engagement; so the offer was accept-  
ed. As we were going up the wide  
stairway at Steinway Hall, a gentle-  
man accidentally trod on my dress. He  
stopped a moment to apologize. My  
friend recognized him, and introduced  
us. I had heard of Frank Ellers be-  
fore, and had read many of his contri-  
butions to various magazines, so I felt  
no little pleased and excited at the  
recontre. His chair happened to be  
next to mine, and our acquaintance  
made such progress that I made no  
objection to his proposal to walk home  
in the clear frosty night. So Rose  
and lawyer Denton, and I and Frank  
Ellers made a very merry party, and I  
went to bed that night with a strange-  
ly happy feeling in my heart.

Next morning he made a formal  
call, and indeed though I don't know  
quite how it happened—before long  
he was always calling on some pleas-  
ant pretext or another. Rose grew  
quite familiar with him, and indeed  
Frank took a great interest in the  
pretty child, and persuaded me to have

## LET US HAVE PEACE.

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## POOR SOL WARING.

Thirty years ago Solomon Waring  
was a very fine-looking young man,  
of more than ordinary intelligence.  
His parents were well-to-do farmers  
residing near Nyack, and left, at their  
death, a goodly estate for their chil-  
dren. At twenty years of age Solomon  
engaged himself in marriage to a  
beautiful young girl living in Spring  
Valley, and the celebration of the  
wedding was set for a day just three  
months after the making of the en-  
gagement. During the interim Solom-  
on could think of nothing else but  
the approaching union, and his whole  
business was to make preparations for  
the life after the wedding.

He was thus engaged one day, when  
tidings of the illness of his betrothed  
reached him. He repaired to her bed-  
side, and for a month watched her and  
waited upon her with the tenderness  
and patience of a fond mother. She  
died, however, and Solomon, though  
hoping against hope while life lasted,  
yielded to despair. His mental pow-  
ers were completely wrecked. He  
did not attend the funeral, but confin-  
ed himself to his room in his father's  
house, and refused to leave it until  
the day on which the wedding cere-  
mony was to have been performed. Then  
he left the house never to return. He  
was attired in his wedding suit, and  
carried in his hand a heavy stick. In  
answer to their inquiries, he told his  
parents that he was going to look for  
his wife, and had provided himself  
with the club for the purpose of killing  
the scamp who had taken her from  
him.

From that time forward Solomon  
journeyed repeatedly through the  
country in furtherance of his mission.  
He has steadily refused to change his  
clothing, and to the day of his con-  
finement in the asylum he wore the  
same suit, or what was left of it,  
which he had worn when he left home  
on his wedding day. His shoes ran  
out. He wore them until they would  
stay on his feet no longer. Some one  
stole his coat and hat, and for several  
years back he has been traveling with-  
out either. Shoesless, hatless, and  
coatless, he travels with nothing but  
his undershirt and ragged wedding  
paragon upon his limbs, and still  
carrying the stick with which he first  
started out from house to house, beg-  
ging his food during the warm weather,  
and lodging in the county house  
in the cold season. During court ses-  
sion he appears in this attire in the  
court room. He says that he is await-  
ing to redress the wrong done him in  
the carrying away of his fiancée.  
He has ever been considered harm-  
less; but the other day a woman re-  
fused him some little favor, and he  
attacked her with the ferocity of an  
enraged tiger. He was arrested and  
lodged in the county house. An in-  
quiry was made into his sanity, and  
as a result he was sent to the asylum,  
where his board is paid out of his es-  
tate—*N. Y. Times.*

A SENSIBLE WITNESS.—"Mr.  
Brown, you said the defendant was  
honest and intelligent. What makes  
you think so? Are you acquainted  
with him?"

"No, sir; I have never seen him."

"Why, then, do you come to such a  
conclusion?"

"Because he takes ten newspapers,  
and puts 'em in advance."

Verdict for defendant.

## BUSINESS LAW.—It is not legally necessary to say on a note "for value received."

A note on Sunday is void.

A note obtained by fraud, or from a  
person in a state of intoxication, can-  
not be collected.

If a note be lost or stolen, it does  
not release the maker; he must pay it.

An endorser of a note is exempt  
from liabilities if not served with  
notice of its dishonor within twenty-four  
hours of its nonpayment.

A note by a minor is void.

Notes bear interest only when so  
stated.

Principles are responsible for the  
acts of their agents.

Each individual in a partnership is  
responsible for the whole amount of  
the debts of the firm.

Ignorance of the law excuses no one.  
It is a fraud to conceal a fraud.

The law compels no one to do im-  
possibilities.

An agreement without considera-  
tion is void.

Signatures made with a lead pencil  
are good in law.

A receipt for money paid is not leg-  
ally conclusive.

The acts of one partner bind all the  
others.

Contracts made on Sunday cannot  
be enforced.

A contract made with a minor is  
void.

A contract made with a lunatic is  
void.

It is a striking fact that the  
dying never weep. The sobbing,  
heartbreaking agony of the circle of  
friends around the death-bed, call forth  
no responsive tears from the dying.  
Is it because he is insensible and stiff  
in the chill of dissolution? That can-  
not be, for he asks for his father's  
hand, as if to gain strength in the  
mortal struggle, and leans on the  
breast of his mother, sister, or brother,  
in still conscious affection. Just  
before expiring, he calls the loved  
ones, and, with quivering lips, says,  
"Kiss me!" showing that the love he  
has ever borne in his heart is still  
fresh and warm. It must be because  
the dying have reached too deep for  
earthly sorrows too transcendent for  
weeping. They are face to face with  
higher and holier things with the  
Father in Heaven and His angels.  
There is no weeping in that blessed  
abode to which he is hastening.

OVER MODEST.—A young lady with  
a number of others who were injured  
by a railroad accident near Boston,  
was carried to a hospital. The surgeon  
came round and said to the fashion-  
able miss: "Well, madam, what can  
I do for you?" "Doctor, one of my  
limbs is broken." "One of your  
limbs?" said he; "well, which one is  
it?" "Oh, I can't tell you, doctor, but  
it's one of my limbs." "One of your  
limbs," thundered the doctor, out of  
patience; "which limb is it—the limb  
you thread a needle with?" "No,  
sir," she answered with a sigh; "it's  
the limb I wear a garter on." The  
doctor attended to her and said:  
"Young woman, never say limbs  
again in a hospital; for when women  
gets as fastidious as that the quicker  
she dies the better."

MRS. PARTINGTON SPEAKS AGAIN.—  
Mrs. Partington entered the office of  
the Probate Judge (called "Civillan")  
and inquired, in her blindest tone:  
"Are you the civil villian?" "Do  
you wish to insult me, madam?" said  
the Judge. "Yes," replied the am-  
iable old lady; "my brother died de-  
testated, and left three infidel children,  
and I'm to be their executor; so I  
want to insult the civil villian about it."

"What in the world will be-  
come of these Chicago people?" said  
Mrs. Snubbins, glancing over her  
morning paper. "Why, they have  
not even recovered their health yet,  
not one of 'em."

"Not recovered their health, what  
do you mean?" quoth her astonished  
partner.

"Mean," she returned, "have not  
the reports in the papers, every morn-  
ing since the fire, been headed, 'Chi-  
cago Ill.?'"