

FELICIANA DEMOCRAT.

WHAT IS RESPECTABLE SOCIETY?

We heard a man, otherwise intelligent enough, lately sneer at another, "because said he, "one never meets him in respectable society." The speaker did not mean, however, that the person he affected to look down upon was immoral, but merely that his circle of inmates was not composed of the fashionable or the rich.

This notion of what constitutes respectable society, is quite a favorite one with that class of individuals whom Thackeray has so significantly called "snobs." Empty pretence always making its own characteristics a standard, by which it strives to measure the respectability of persons at large. In a community of mere money-getters, wealth is the test of respectability. Among the proud narrow-minded, effete nobility of the Faubourg St. Germain, respectability depends upon being descendants from ancestors, who have married their cousins for so many centuries, that neither muscles nor brains are left any longer to degenerate descendants. With the dandy officers who constitute a considerable portion of the American Navy, respectability consist, in having sponged on "Uncle Sam," in wearing gilt buttons, and in bilking tailors. Every conceited fool thinks himself in likeway, the only man really weighted, the only person who is respectable.

But true respectability depends on no such adventitious circumstances. To be respectable is to be worthy of respect; and he deserves respect who has most virtue. The humblest man who bravely does his duty, is more worthy of respect, is more truly respectable, than the covetous millionaire among his money bags, or the arrogant monarch upon his throne. The fine lady who back-bites her neighbor, is less worthy of respect than an honest washwoman. The prodigal noble, though he may wear a dozen orders at his button-hole, is not often really as respectable as the shoe-black who cleans his boots. That which is called "the world" exalts the one and despises the other, but it does not make them respectable according to the real meaning of that word. Their respectability is but a hollow sham, as they themselves frequently feel; and those who worship them bow down to a Fetish, a thing of feathers and tinsel. The selfish idle drone, who wastes life in his own gratification, and dissipates the fortune of his progeny, is not and cannot be respectable; but the hard working, self-denying father, who wears out his life to bring up his children, is, even though he be but a day laborer. Nothing can make Dives fit to lie on Abraham's bosom, while Lazarus is welcome there, even with the sores the dogs have licked.

This false view of life, which would measure respectability by a conventional standard, is totally at variance with our republican institutions. It creates an "imperium in imperio," for while the law declares all citizens equal, it erects a social standard which endeavors to ignore that great truth. The coarse, brutish, knavish, profligate criminal—in short all who fall short of their duty to themselves and their fellow-men—are those who are not "respectable," and this, whether they are rich or poor. While those who live honestly, and strive to do what good they can, constitute what is really the respectable class, irrespective of the fact whether they eat with silver forks or steel ones.

He is prepared to furnish Balls, Soirees, Weddings, Assemblies, Dinner Parties (public or private), and social gatherings, of whatever kind, with every article required. It would be to the interest of country merchants and others, to call, examine, and leave their orders.

HORSES AND MULES FOR THE SOUTH.

The neglect of grain crops by the cotton planters of the South, has been often and justly animadverted upon. The maxim—"produce, if possible, all of your home supplies at home"—cannot be too often or too deeply impressed upon the agricultural community of the Mississippi Valley South.

But there is one corollary from this maxim, which so far we believe, has been but little agitated or discussed. With every natural facility for growing fine horses and mules, all the cotton States (excepting a small portion of Tennessee) are tributary to Kentucky and the Western States for their supplies of those useful and indispensable auxiliaries of man, whether engaged in agriculture or commerce.

There is no reason why Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Texas, should not raise all of their own horses and mules. There is no earthly reason why these States should not also raise all of their own corn, hogs, cows, &c.—There is likewise no earthly reason why these States should not pay particular attention to the improvement of the breeds of all the different kinds of stock.

It is sometimes said that the South is not a good grazing country, and therefore not suitable for growing fine stock. A moment's consideration will show that this is the purest "fudge." The lowlands bordering upon every perennial stream in the South—from the lordly Tennessee to the smallest brook "singing its quiet tune," are capable of being made, at little expence, the finest pastures in the world.

Look at the Tennessee bottom; how many millions of acres are there, yet awaiting the occupancy of the grazer, to whose purpose they are better suited than to those of

any other class of agriculturists! So of Obion, Forked Deer, Hatchie, Wolf, Tallahatchie, the upper Tombigbee, and all the streams, large or small, of the South, including the mighty Mississippi, large portions of whose immense bottoms are admirably adapted to all the requirements of the stock-grower.

When will the South be true to herself? When will Southern men learn their true policy? When will they learn that every thing produced at home—corn and horses, peas and hogs, potatoes and mules, shucks and sheep, brogans and beef—is saving of always double, and often quadruple, of what the same article would cost, if they have it to buy?—Memphis Eagle & Enquirer.

WHEAT GROWING IN LOUISIANA.

EDITORS SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR.—The extensive circulation of your valuable journal throughout the South, induces me to apply to you for information upon a subject to which the intelligent farmers and planters of this Parish are now looking with much interest—the growth of wheat. The high price of flour and the difficulty we have experienced in obtaining it at any price for the last twelve months, have satisfied every body that we must put our shoulders to the wheel if we desire to avoid a continuance of the present state of things. Little or no attention has ever been paid to the growth of wheat in this part of the State. I do not know a single plantation or farm on which an acre of wheat is sown, and my acquaintance is general in this Parish.—Yet, more than half a century since, the Spanish government planned and partly carried out a scheme for supplying her military posts, throughout the State—and the Havana, with flour, to be raised in this section of Louisiana.

We believe that the soil of our uplands is well adapted to the growth of wheat, and we desire to give it a fair trial. Will you give us the results of your experience and observation as to the kind of wheat best adapted to the climate of north Louisiana; the time of sowing, &c.?

Believing that wheat grown in Georgia, Alabama or Mississippi would do better than any brought from the North or West, I would like to know where we could apply for a good article of seed wheat for use this fall?

By attention to the above request you will oblige your subscribers in this Parish, and particularly your subscriber and correspondent, WM. H. HENDERSON.

Bastrop, La. May, 1855. REMARKS.—We will endeavor to reply in full to the inquires of Mr. HENDERSON in our August or September number. In the meantime, let us hear from our friends in Louisiana, who have been successful in raising Wheat.—Eds.

CONFECTIONARY AND FAMILY GROCERY.

THE UNDERSIGNED, thankful for the liberal patronage which he has received for a series of years during which his efforts to please and accommodate, he trusts, has afforded general satisfaction, with the view of increasing that approbation and support has made large and valuable additions to his present extensive assortment.

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- Candies, assorted Ginger, Canton
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do Brandy Strawberry cordial
Candies, new style Raspberry do
Cordials ass'd, superior Orgeat do
do common Currants
Muscat wine Citron, preserved
Currant jelly Cloves and nutmegs
Quince do Almonds, pecans
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- Pork and bacon sides Mess Beef, by the half
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Arrow root, Number Six; half pint quart bottles,
Ammonia carb. Nutmegs, oil bergamot
Adhesive plaster, Pink root, pipevine,
Allspice, Pot ash, paint brushes,
Balsam, Fir and Tolu, Quinine, sal soda
Bay Rum, blue stone, Soda bicarbonate
Blue mass, black lead, Seidlitz powders
Black Snake root, Sarsaparilla, sponge
Borax, blister plaster, Syrup squills, starch
Calomel, Eng. & Am. Varnish, venetian red
Calcined magnesia, Whiting, gum drops
Camphor, Castile soap, Brandy, Port wine
Castor oil, per gallon and bottle,
Cinnamon,
Cayenne pepper, Brushes of all kinds
Charcoal powder, Lily white, pomatum
Chlores, chrome green, Black lead, hair oil
Citrate of Iron, Brown's ess. ginger
" " Quinine, Yeast powders
Cod liver oil, Scales and weights
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Composition powder, Thermometers
Copperas, cream tartar Sauff, Scotch
Dorers powders, " macaboy
Elm Bark, ergot, Scarificators, catheters
Epsom salts, Lancets, spring do
Extracts of all kinds, Cupping glasses
Flax seed, flor sulphur, Patent medicines
Ginger, glue, Thompson's eye water
Gum guac, gum myrrh Wistar's balsam of wild
Gun arabic, do opium, cherry
Honnan's anodyne, Graeffenberg Pills
Henry's magnesia, Bachelor's hair dye
Iodide potassa, indigo, Barry's trichophorus
Jalap, Ayer's cherry pectoral
Lamp black, litherage, Fahnestock's vermifuge
Lunar castic, Winer's
Lemon syrup, Hoffland's bitters
Matches, mace, Fancy soaps, variety
Fancy perfumery, ass'd Tapers,
Playing cards, &c. &c.

A. SCHLANKER'S CONFECTIONARY AND FAMILY GROCERY.

THE subscriber still continues the above business at the old stand on Commercial Row. Thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore received from the citizens of Clinton, and the public generally, he will spare no efforts to deserve a continuance of the same.

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Particular attention will be paid to the furnishing Balls, Dinners, Weddings, &c., with cakes, candies, sweetmeats, fruits, wines, cordials, and such other articles as may be wanted for such occasions.

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- Candies, assorted,
Rock candy,
Cakes and pastry, assorted,
Confectionaries,
Preserves,
Raisins, best brand,
Cinnamon and spices,
Almonds and Pecans,
Cloves, nutmegs, and currants,
Cordials assorted, superior and common,
Strawberry, raspberry, orgeat, cordials,
Jellies; currant, quince, orange, guava,
Sugar cured hams of the best quality,
Mess beef, by barrel, or retail,
Cheese; Swiss, German, and western,
Coffee, tea, chocolate, butter,
Mackerel, salmon, dried apples,
Pickles, ketchups,
Soap, candles, star and spermaceti,
Wines; Port, Madeira, Claret, Champagne, Muscat,
Brandy, superior and common,
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A. SCHLANKER.

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Gents' cravats, all kinds,
Bonnet, cap, and belt Ribbons,
Trimmings for ladies dresses,
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It is time for us to go back to those pure principles upon which the great fabric of democracy rests; which principles originated and defined by those who created, and best understood the true meaning of the constitution. It is time that the friends of state sovereignty should rally around some common nucleus, to resist the wild latitudinarianism of the age, and evident tendency of the republic towards concentration—to end at best in a mixed monarchy. It is time for each states-rights man to feel that he must give his own personal individual influence to the defense of the very corner-stone of our constitutional government.

We send the Review to the subscribers of the State-Rights Register, and feel confident that they will respond heartily to the call.

The true Democracy have a great battle to fight, a great principle of self-government to uphold, an inspired Constitution to defend. May each one of us feel that it is an individual duty.

LOYD & CAMPBELL, Publishers.

WASHINGTON, April, 1855.

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