

INTERESTING TO TRAVELERS.

The man who leaves his home, be it high or be it low, be he rich or be he poor, always finds cause to complain of the change. We read in books of English Inns, of roaring fires in old-fashioned fire-places, of tall candlesticks, bustling waiters and tidy landladies; but we often have felt that these descriptions were the fruits of the imagination of the author. Most of our *halls*, or *liveries*, or *inns*, as you please to call them, in America, are horrible places to live in. Of course, we can only speak of America, not having, as yet, "expanded our body or enlarged our mind" by foreign travel.

We are led into this train of thought by finding on our table a neat little note, headed, "ALMOND'S INDIAN QUEEN HOTEL." The proprietor of this Hotel, Mine host Almond, is a Delaware man. When we say that, we say a good deal for him; but we are prepared to add that he keeps a first class house, that his rooms are neat and clean, his furniture new and elegant, his parlors commodious, convenient and cheerful; his dining room spacious, his table loaded with substantial well cooked and delicacies well selected; his bar well attended and supplied with choice brandies, wines and other liquors. We do not hesitate to recommend our friends to make their homes at the INDIAN QUEEN, when business or pleasure call them to Wilmington. We copy Mr. Almond's Note:

"ALMOND'S INDIAN QUEEN HOTEL.

Dear Sir—

The location of this old established and deservedly popular *First Class Hotel*, is in the most pleasant part of the city, and in the immediate vicinity of all the principal *Schools, United States Courts, Custom House and Post Office*, as well as all other important places of business. The rooms are large and well ventilated; the furniture of the finest material, and made to order expressly for this establishment. The recent additions, alterations and improvements render it the most desirable Hotel in the city, and by strict attention to the comfort of guests, the undersigned hopes to merit and receive a liberal share of public encouragement. He therefore respectfully solicits your patronage.

CHARLES M. ALMOND, Proprietor.

Grimshaw's Catalogue.

The following articles will be furnished Wholesale and retail, at No. 161 Market street.

- Grimshaw's Cough Mixture,
- Grimshaw's Ink,
- Grimshaw's Pine Liniment,
- Containing Goulard's Extract and Olive Oil.
- Grimshaw's Vegetable Cathartic Pills,
- Containing Santalina Lozenges,
- and Perfumery

for the Handkerchief.

FLAVORING EXTRACTS.

- Extract of Lemon,
- Extract of Rose,
- Extract of Orange,
- Extract of Vanilla,
- Extract of Bitter Almonds,
- Peppermint Water.

Also,

- Essence of Lemon,
- Essence of Peppermint,
- Lavender Compound,
- Laudanum,
- Paragoric,
- and the celebrated *Castor Oil*.

Besides all the usual preparations dispensed by Druggists.

Photographic Chemistries supplied to Artists at *Libraries*.

TO PHYSICIANS.

Our new preparations will be noticed from month to month. We sell at Philadelphia prices:

IRON.
 Valerianate of Iron,
 Phosphate of Iron,
 Citrate of Iron and Quinia,
 Citrate of Iron,
 Compound Syrup of Phosphates of Iron, Lime, Potash and Soda. This is a most useful preparation in affections of a tubercular or serofulous nature.

FLUID EXTRACTS.
 The most convenient form for administering medicines is in the form of FLUID EXTRACTS, which combine efficacy with minuteness of dose:

- Fluid Extract of Dandelion— Useful in affections of the stomach and liver.
- Fluid Extract of Senna— Convenient as a purgative or laxative; especially useful in infantile cases.
- Fluid Extract of Pink Root and Senna— A good Vermifuge.
- Fluid Extract of Buchu— Unlike the humbug preparations, so much advertised, this does contain the virtues of Buchu. The leaves of the plant from which this is prepared act on the kidneys. It is also beneficial in affections of the bladder.
- Fluid Extract of Lupulin, and Fluid Extract of Ergot.

DR. GRIMSHAW offers a few choice liquors for medicinal purposes.

- Good Brandy, (not warranted) \$4 per gallon.
- Fine Brandy, \$6
- Extra (just out of bond), \$8 50
- Fine and Superior Whiskey;
- Wolfe's Schiedam Schnapps—a pure Gin for medicine;
- Port and Sherry Wines;
- London Brown Stout;
- Scotch Ale.

THE JUICES OF PLANTS.

The negro of Louisiana delights to suck the juice of the "Sugar Cane green"—the Mexican peon imbibes the fermented juice of the Cactus or Maguey—the yankee revels in the luxury of his sugar camp; but, we wish to confine our remarks to the milk juices of plants. All of our readers are familiar with the Cactus in its manifold shapes—it graces the conservatory of the wealthy and adorns the cottage of the poor. This plant is one of a numerous tribe of milk-bearing plants which, when wounded, exude a white, milky juice. We select this as a familiar specimen. It is our intention, however, to speak in this article of one species of the milk bearing plants, viz: the "Cautchoon," which yields the *gum elastic*. This tree is found in Brazil and Guiana—probably in Central America. India Rubber, as its hardened juice is familiarly called, derives its name from its geographical location and the early use of the article for crasing pencil marks. In boyhood's day we remember that this substance, now so familiar to all and so general in its applications, was only used by the artist or school-boy to erase a mark on paper; then we remembered the first gum shoes—ugly, uncouth, ill-shaped concerns, which have now yielded to the elegant and comfortable sandal and over-shoe. We save our bones and flesh by India Rubber Springs under our railroad cars; the huge, strong, swift locomotive is buoyed up by it; the baby is swung to sleep in its stammer on this omnipresent comforter; the boy has his *bat balls*, the girl, her *putter balls*; the baby, his rattle; we cut our teeth on an India Rubber ring, and we comb our heads with India Rubber combs, of which we have endless varieties. The Machinist and the Factory man press it into their service; it is used flat and it is used round. Surgical instruments are made of it; indeed, what is

not made of it! If we commended its use by making professions for our feet, we are about to adapt it now-a-days in the important use of shattering our heads.

Cautchone is almost indestructible. It is not affected by the atmosphere. Oxygen, that universal element and powerful combiner, does not seize upon it as upon the hard iron or stately tree. Most mineral acids which decompose all other substances, leave it uninjured. Possessing these properties, it is one of the most useful articles to man.

Being almost indestructible and not being subject to decay, it is the very substance out of which to construct Roofing. Our friends, WHEELER & CAMPBELL, of whom we spoke in our last, apply WEST'S PATENT GALVANIC ROOFING, which is light and durable. It can be applied over an old, leaking roof, without disturbing the shingles, or interfering with the house or comfort of the inmates. Being so light, the framing and rafters may be correspondingly light, and thus much money may be saved in the first cost of a building. It needs no painting. Address: Wheeler & Campbell, Wilmington, Delaware.

QUACKERY.

We have neither time nor inclination to enter into a disquisition on the meaning of the term which stands at the head of this article. We have not space to devote to a history of this hydra-headed monster, which has withstood the Herculean efforts of science and of satire. We desire, at the present moment, merely to show the inconsistency of those who advocate and encourage the nefarious *Quack Medicines*, commonly called *Patent Medicines*.

If a man offers the community any sort of spirituous liquors at three or six cents a glass, it is the fashion of the day to call him a *rum seller*, and to pour upon his head all sorts of curses and abuses. We are not prepared to say that we will turn "rum seller," and "retail" double distilled damnation," as "John Barycorn" is euphronically styled by teetotalers; but we do say that we would as soon retail *grog*, under its own name, and believe *rum selling* to be as honorable as the pressing of Bitters upon the community.

Our newspapers are filled with announcements of Bitter, which unblushingly claim for their respective articles, whose merits they set forth, the virtues of celestial drinks. The proprietors of the "Bitters" manifest either their own ignorance or their contempt for that of the community, by naming their Nostrums *Oxygenated Bitters*. Any child, who has studied the simplest elementary chemistry, ought to know that this is a humbug.

Strange to say, the most rampant temperance men, and those preachers who have been most violent in their denunciations of *rum sellers* and *rum drinkers*, are most frequently found as endorsers of *Patent Bitters*. It is a crime to sell good, genuine Brandy, or first-rate Whiskey, or to take pleasure of Old Jamaica, or even a sip of tart Cider; but it is no crime to induce your neighbor to swallow sints of *Alcohol*, made bitter with the little Quassia or Gentian. The old toper takes his "biters" or his "tod"; there is no humbug about the matter; he wants stimulant and he takes it. Your very temperate man—your sleek individual, who screams out—handle not!" is the foremost in the rank of vendors or endorsers of some alcoholic stimulant, under the name of Bitters—We like things called by their right names; we say, therefore, that the temperance man who indulges in "Bitters," is only taking his *cock-tail* under the name of Medicine; and the Maine Law Mixtures, only betrays his ignorance and inconsistency. His ignorance, inasmuch as he does not know what good drink is; his inconsistency, in condemning one form and recommending another form of alcoholic beverage.

If you want a drink, use the very best Brandy, or Whiskey, or Malt Liqueur. Do not cheat your stomach by buying two dollars Brandy or fifty-cent Whiskey. If you want a drink, be honest about it—take a drink; don't take Bitters.

A MODEL BOOK-BUYER.

The last number of Harper's Weekly has a portrait of "Mr. Brown," whose stomach had been fully proved for, however his mind had been neglected, seated in a book store for the purpose of furnishing his library. "Let me see," says he, "I'll take twelve feet of them, 'sorted'—black, red and yellow blind, and two and a quarter feet of them spotted backed velvets, to fill up over the door of the library."

Another picture represents the same Mr. Brown visiting a picture factory, for the purpose of purchasing paintings for his magnificent gallery of art:

Brown— "I want a picture 4 by 6, exactly as I have just 'at space to spare."
 Dealer— "Any particular subject—Moonlight, Eruption of some of the Volcanoes, or a domestic subject, or—"
 Brown— "Don't care what subject, or who is the painter, so that, it is 4 by 5 exactly."
 Brown is accommodated.)

DELAWARE STEAM SOAP WORKS,
 THIRD AND ORANGE STREETS,
 Wilmington, Delaware.
 R. D. HICKS

CLEANLINESS IS NEXT TO GODLINESS.

We notice that our friend, Mr. R. D. Hicks, has taken the large

STEAM SOAP FACTORY,
 of the late Enock Roberts, corner of Third and Orange streets, Wilmington, Delaware.

Country storekeepers will do well to call on MR. HICKS, at the

DELAWARE SOAP WORKS,
 and purchase, *White, Brown and Soft Soaps*, also, candles, &c.

Mr. Hicks has been so long known to the people of this vicinity as Cashier of the Farmers' Bank, in which situation his promptness & courtesy have done him a universal favor; so that we need not assure our readers that all who buy from him, will receive the utmost attention. The Prices at the Delaware Soap Works will be regulated by the rates in the Philadelphia Market.

E. B. Pendleton,
MANUFACTURING JEWELER,

Corner of 4th and Market, sts.
 WILMINGTON, DEL.

All kinds of Hair Jewelry manufactured. Also, Plain Gold Rings, Studs, Sleeve Buttons, Society Badges, &c. OLD Jewelry repaired and made to look as well as NEW.

TO COUNTRY MERCHANTS.

DR. GRIMSHAW will furnish, either by his trader, who will call at each store, or at his store, (only wholesale) all sorts of "NOTIONS" such as Suspenders, Belts, Combs, viz:—Redding, fine tooth, children's long, puff, pocket, &c. Brushes, Harmonicons, Patent Jewelry, India Rubber Goods, viz:—Balls, Rattles, Gum Rings, Fiddle Strings, Pins, Needles, Cottons, Boot Laces, Stay Laces, Hoops, Spool Thread, Patent Tread, &c., &c. All sold at Philadelphia prices, and delivered at the store.

Country Merchants will save freight by purchasing at No. 161 Market street, Wilmington.