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July 27 WILLIAM B. SCOTT.

COMMENTARIES on the Jurisdiction Practice, and Peculiar Jurisprudence of the Courts of the United States, vol. 1, by George Ticknor Curtis.
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Our assortment for both Ladies and Gentlemen was never so complete as at present, embracing every description, which we offer unusually low.
M. W GALT & BROTHER,
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Jan 18

THE SONS OF THE SIRES, A HIS- tory of the Rise, Progress, and Destiny of the American Party, and its probable influence on the next Presidential election, to which is added a Review of the Letter of the Hon. Henry A. Wise against the Know-nothings, by an American.
The History of Mason and Dixon's Line, contained in an Address delivered by John H. B. Latrobe, of Maryland, before the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, November 8, 1854.
Mirana Elliot, or the Voice of the Spirit, by S. M. H.
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Feb 15

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for September is a magnificent number, filled with superior engravings, and for sale at Shillington's bookstore.
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GENERAL AGENCY.—The undersigned most respectfully informs, by this notice, his friends and the public in general, here and elsewhere, that he has opened an Agency Office for the prosecution of claims of every description against the government, before the several departments or Congress; procure pensions, bounty lands, extra pay, and arrearage pay, and will attend to the buying and selling of real estate, the renting of houses, and a general collecting business; he will also furnish parties at a distance with such information as they may desire from the seat of government. Charges will be moderate. Office, at present, will be on M near 18th rtreet.
References.
Hon. J. C. Dobbin, *Secretary of the Navy*
Hon. J. Davis, *Secretary of War.*
N. Callan, esq., *President of the Board of Common Council.*
Gen. John M. McCalla, *Attorney at Law*
James H. Caustin, esq.
W. C. Reddall, *State Department.*
SAMUEL G. TAYLOR
Jan 17—tf

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WILLIAM B. SCOTT,
Sept 17—tf On H between 19th and 20th sts

WOOD GAS.—CAUTION.

BE it known that I, the subscriber ob- tained letters patent in December, 1851, for an apparatus for the destructive distillation of wood, and the making therefrom of tar or pitch at pleasure, and gas; and that in the judgment of competent persons the invention of an apparatus recently patented by W. D. Porter cannot be used by him or any other person without infringing my said patent. And, further, that what *is patented* by said Porter rightfully belongs to me, as I expect to prove ere long before the United States Patent Office; and, further, that the use of said Porter's invention involves also a process which I am now claiming before the United States Patent Office, and which has been adjudged to be patentable to the first inventor thereof, and which said W. D. Porter has formally disclaimed, as appears upon the public records of said office, of which an official copy is hereto annexed, and also a copy of his claims.
In the *National Intelligencer* of the 25th instant Mr. Porter announces that he has secured by patent the "exclusive right to making gas from wood," and threatens prosecution to all parties infringing his patent. I ask how this statement comports with the fact of my patent of December, 1851, and how far the threat can intimidate under such circumstances? Mr. Porter's claim is based upon a movable perforated diaphragm, and was so understood by the Patent Office, as it appears from the records of the Patent Office that his claim was at first refused as interfering with a prior patent to Robert Foulis, of Canada, for an equivalent contrivance. This claim, as given below, and in which the perforated diaphragm is the saving clause, is what Mr. Porter calls securing the "exclusive right to making gas from wood." The statement carries absurdity on its front, and is a libel on the good sense of the Patent Office If such a claim or right had been granted, it would forbid every coal-kiln and charcoal manufactory in the country.
The following copies of correspondence and extracts from the records of the Patent Office will show the true state of the case:

United States Patent Office,
August 25, 1854.

Sir. In reply to your letter of this date, asking "if any patent has been granted to W. D. Porter, dated 22d August, 1854, or at any other time, or to any other person or persons, securing to him or them "*the exclusive right of making gas from wood*," and whether any such claim was made by W. D. Porter, under his application for a patent, which letters patent were issued bearing the above date, you are informed that W. D. Porter's claims are believed to be c nfined to his apparatus; and, further, this office is not aware that a patent has been granted heretofore for the *exclusive right of making gas from wood.* It would, however, be unjustifiable to expect me to make an extended investigation to answer your request.
I am, respectfully, your obedient servant,
C. Mason, Commissioner of Patents.
W. P. McConaell, Esq.,
Care of Prof. C. G. Page, Washington, D. C.

The United States Patent Office—To all persons to whom these presents shall come, greting:
This is to certify that the annexed is a true copy from the files of this office of an extract from a paper filed in the matter of the application of W. D. Porter for letters patent, in accordance with which application letters patent were issued to the said W. D. Porter on the 22d day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.
In testimony whereof, I, Charles Mason, Commissioner of Patents, have caused the seal of the Patent Office to be hereunto affixed
[L. s.] this 25th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and of the independence of the United States the seventy-ninth. C. Mason.

Copy of disclaimer of W. D. Porter in his application for "an improved still for making wood gas," filed August 5, 1854. Letters patent issued August 22, 1854.
"I do not claim as my invention and discovery the improvements in making gas from wood, viz: subjecting the products of destructive distillation therefrom to a high degree of heat, substantially as has been described and for the purposes set forth in the specification of W. P. McConnell."

The United States Patent Office—To all persons to whom these presents shall come greeting:
This is to certify that the annexed is a true copy from the records of this office of an extract from the specification of W. D. Porter's patent, issued in the twenty second day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.
In testimony whereof, I, Charles Mason, Commissioner of Patents, have caused the seal of the Patent Office to be hereunto
[L. s.] affixed this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and of the independence of the United States the seventy-ninth. C. Mason.

Extract from Specification of W. D. Porter on which letters patent were issued August 22, 1854.
Claim.—What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by letters patent is:
"The construction of a gas apparatus or still, consisting of a metallic or other cylinder B, the cones E and D, diaphram plate C, and exit pipe F, substantially as described in the foregoing specification, and shown in the accompanying drawings."
The truth of the above may be ascertained from the records of the Patent Office, to which all have access.
WM. P. McCONNELL.
By his attorney CHAS. G. PAGE.

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Discovery of the Sources of the Mississippi River, by Henry R. Schoolcraft.
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Dec 1 (News.)

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Washington Sentinel.

From the Louisville Journal.

If *this* is not poetry we may despair of ever finding it:

The Poet to Her who Scorns Him.

BY MRS. JANE MARIA MEAD.

Why do I cherish and admire
A light that scorches with its flame,
And perish, through a vain desire
To wreathe its glory round my name?

Why do I offer on thy shrine,
My heart, my life, as sacrifice?
And kneel, as to some form divine,
And seek my heaven in thy dear eyes?

Why should I thus—by love subdued—
Presumptuous bard!—aspire to thee;
And water, with my heart's best blood,
The tree of immortality?

I lavish on thy heart's cold urn
The love thou wilt not—canst not prize;
I watch thy every glance—and turn
Scorched—humbled—blasted—from thine eyes.

How dearly have I purchased fame
By this wild worship at thy feet!
O Fate reclaim thy gift—*a name*—
And yield me *love*—so doubly sweet!

My songs have stirred the hearts of men,
And fired to youth the gray in years;
They pluck the flowers—they reap the fruit
From plants I watered with my tears.

O! Laura, wert thou less divine,
Or had my soul not known—nor felt
Thy wondrous power, at thy dear shrine
I had not madly—vainly knelt.

I loathe the world, nor seek to wear
Its wreath of immortality!
Applauding millions shout in vain;
Thy praise were more than fame to me!

The world is ravished with my lays
And glad ears drink their faintest tones,
Ah! what avails the world's wide praise,
Since thou art deaf, and thou alone!

While fainting, dying 'neath thy gaze,
I tune anew my voice and lyre:
Thus martyrs bear the torturing blaze;
Thus burn—thus sing—and thus expire.

Medina, Feb. 1855.

The Most Popular Plant in the World.

There is no plant whose history shows so many vicissitudes as that of the Tobacco, (*Nicotiana tabacum.*) Imported from America soon after the discovery of that continent, it was received into the old world with a species of enthusiasm. It was not long, however, before some of the evils and inconveniences involved in the use of it began to appear, and a host of enemies were raised up against it. Theologists pronounced it an invention of Satan, which destroyed the efficacy of fasting. Councils forbade it to all ecclesiastics under their control. Popes Urban VIII. and Innocent XI. punished the use of it with excommunication; Sultan Amurah IV. with the most cruel kind of death; Shah Abbas II. with penalties almost as severe; Michael Feodorovitch Tourieff offered a bastinado for the first offence, cutting off the nose for the second, and the head for the third offence; Prussia and Denmark simply prohibited; and James, of England, wrote against it. Finding, however, that no penalties, however severe, could check the indulgence in a luxury so highly appreciated, sovereigns and their governments soon found it much more advantageous to turn it into a source of revenue; and the cultivation of tobacco was gradually subjected almost everywhere to fiscal regulations or monopolies. Tobacco was in such general use in America when first discovered, and was there so widely spread, that is difficult to come to any conclusion as to what precise part of that vast continent is its native country—probably some portion of the Mexican empire. As to the precise dates of its introduction into Europe, it has been already stated that it followed closely upon the discovery of America. The Spaniards under Columbus had scarcely landed in Cuba in 1492 when they began to smoke cigars; but they could only fully appreciate its luxury when, in 1518, Fernando Cortez occupied the island of Tobago, where the plant was found growing in great abundance. Hernandez, the naturalist, was, it is believed, the first who brought it into Spain from Mexico, in 1539. It was introduced into Portugal from Florida by one Flamingo, and into France by Father Andre Thevet, or by some friend of his, although the more common opinion is that the first seeds received were those sent about the year 1560 to Queen Catharine of Medicis by Jean Nicol, French ambassador in Portugal. It was probably raised also in England a few years later, but received no notice till its well-known introduction by Sir Francis Drake, from Virginia, 1585. In Tuscany it was first cultivated under Cosmo de Medici, who died in 1574, having been originally raised by Bishop Alfonso Tornibuoni from seeds received from his nephew, Monsignor Nicolo Tornabuoni.

Next to salt, tobacco is the most generally consumed of all productions. The annual consumption here is on an average 16.86 ounces, or considerably more than a pound weight to every man, women, and child throughout the United Kingdom. Moreover, this consumption is greatly on the increase. Between the years 1821 and 1831 the increase was at the rate of about one ounce per head; during the next ten years it was somewhat less than an ounce; but from 1842 to 1851 it was three ounces; making an increase of nearly 44 per cent. in proportion to the population within the last 30 years. In Denmark, exclusive of the Dutchies, the average consumption in 1851 was nearly 70 ounces per head. But this is nothing to what is used in warm countries. If the population of the earth be taken at 1,000 millions, and the consumption reckoned as equal to that of Denmark, or 70 oz. per head, the produce of the whole world will amount to nearly two millions of tons (1,953,125) a year. The value of the quantity thus reckoned, at 2d. a pound, amounts to above £36,000,000 sterling.—*London paper.*

The Sound Dues.

The following article on a subject of interest to this country we find in the correspodence of the London Daily News:

Copenhagen, April 16.

The Stettin journal, *Norddeutsche Zeitung*, contains a long article on the Sound dues, and confirms the statement, already communicated, that the official notice of the expiration of the treaty between the United States and Denmark has been sent off from Washington, and is now probably in the hands of the cabinet of Copenhagen. The result is looked forward to with great curiosity and some anxiety. The first American ship that passed the Sound will, of course, refuse to pay the duty, but will be compelled by *force majeure*, and have to pay the amount under protest. The captain will then complain to his Government at Washington, and from the well-known energy of Uncle Sam, a reclamation will be forwarded to Copenhagen, demanding satisfaction for stopping an American vessel on the high seas. What then will follow is uncertain. It is not likely that a war will ensue between the two countries, nor is it indeed to be supposed that England would permit the breaking out of actual hostilities under the present aspect of European affairs, which are already quite entangled enough. But in all probability the hitherto existing diplomatic relations between the two cabinets will be broken off, accompanied by a threat of retaliation and even of laying embargo on Danish property and Danish ships in the ports of the United States. But this dispute will no doubt open the eyes of European nations, and call their attention to the subject of the Sound dues, and as Denmark's claims to levy them will no more bear close investigation than those of Hanover to the Stade dues, the chances are that an arrangement will be made by the maritime power of Europe with Denmark *a l'aimable*, and end in the total abolition of the Sound dues. It is absurd to suppose—as the Berlin *Kreuz Zeitung* would lead its readers to believe—that England has any interest in keeping up the delusion about the Sound dues, from fear of competition with the Baltic ships. England has given sufficient proof of her sincerity in adopting the principles of free trade, by abolishing the antiquated navigation laws and throwing open not only the direct and intermediate foreign commerce of the country, but also the home coasting trade to the competition of ships of all nations. Besides, England suffers more from the infliction of the Sound dues than any other single nation, and in fact as much as all of them put together.

The Allies and the Turks.

"Such protection as vultures give to lambs" the Turks are likely to receive from the allies. The London *Times* says the Turks "look with satisfaction to a prospect of peace, because it will give them the right to demand an evacuation within the fixed term, and the Porte will most assuredly strenuously oppose any attempt to delay the retirement of the allied armies, *although no one believes that the western nations will abandon the countrg* to all the miseries and dangers of a status quo, but rather that they will, *by persuasion or by force, compel the Ottomans to submit to their presence* until those changes are effected which alone can strengthen and save the empire."

Kossouth, in a letter to the New York *Times*, argues that the whole conduct of the allies, in negotiation or war, has been governed by fear of Austria. He says:

"They will thank Austria if she only graciously consents not to take up arms openly against them for the czar. They will swallow her neutrality and kiss her hand to boot But as somebody has to pay the bill, so they turn on their friend Turkey. They keep their intrusive dominion over Constantinople—will not leave it—hold a fortified camp near it, and hold the Black Sea and the Bosphorus. In a word, to avenge themselves on Russia and Austria, they keep their hold on Turkey, and by tearing to pieses the sovereignty of the sultan, by lacerating the treaty of 1841, transform their friendship into a dominion, and act like masters where they were admitted as friends. The *Moniteur* does clearly intimate as much. Poor Turkey!—fatal friends."

The *Moniteur* of Monday contained the official views on the diplomatic negotations, and gave the authentic interpretation of the third point in the following words:

"To demand of Russia to limit her naval forces, *or* to neutralize the Black Sea—that is to say—*To exclude all vessels of war to whatever nation they may belong*, is to exact from her much less than we have already acquired by the war, and which it depends on ourselves to keep without effort. In order that Russia might not re-enter the Black Sea, what would it require? *It would require four vessels of each of the three maratime nations, France, England and Turkey. These scouring the Black Sea would suffice to occupy it, and to transfer its domination from the shores of the Crimea to the Bosphorus.* That which Russia has lost—that which she cannot recover by the war even if it be of long duration—is her preponderance in the east. That which she can legitimately demand is her share of influence in the affairs of the world. She will find, if it should be necessary, a coalition of all the states to restrain her ambition; *but no one wishes to humiliate her.* That which is demanded from her Europe has the right and it is her duty to exact from her. If she gains it, the repose of the world is assured, the object of the allied powers is achieved; *if she refuses it the war must continue and decide it."—Boston Post.*

Division of the Spoils.

The majority of the New Hampshire Legislature, which consists of Abolitionists, Whigs, and Know-nothings "fused," will have at the session in June, the selection of two United States Senators—one for the full term of six years, and the other to fill a vacancy. John P. Hale, of abolition memory, who had removed to New York city to practice law, but who hastened to resume a residence among the granite hills when the prospects of the new coalition began to look flattering, is, it is said, to have the long term, while the short one is to be at the disposal of the Whig branch of the happy family, and is likely to fall to the lot of Daniel Clark, or of Mr. Bell, the recent Whig candidate for governor. Mr. Hale is a man of ready, popular talents, and of attractive social qualities, whose principles—whether of Aboiitionism or Know-nothingism—do not sit heavily enough upon him to be oppressive.

[*Albany Argus.*

From the Chicago Times.

Death and Destitution of Kansas Emigrants.

We collate from the Cincinnati *Enquirer* the following facts of an outrageous fraud resulting in the death of one, and the destitution of the other members of a large family. John Garrison with his family, a wife and seven children, resided in Westchester county, New York, where they were comfortable and happy, owning a small farm; they were visited by George Walters, agent of the Kansas emigration society, who for ten dollars, gave them the character of emigrants of that society and as such entitled to land and aid upon their arrival in the territory. He persuaded them to abandon their happy home, under the bright auspices of the friends of liberty. They sold out, reached Kansas in March, found no such township as they had been sent to, and could obtain no aid or assistance of any kind. In actual despair they turned homeward. At St. Louis they took passage to Louisville, and on the way Garrison sickened and died from want. Two children also sickened and will die it is thought. A few citizens of Louisville, generously raised a sum of money to send the poor afflicted widow and children to their old home at the North. What a rebuke. Slaveholders feeding and giving money to enable the emigrants of the Kansas Aid Society to return!

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