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Frustra laborat, qui omnibus placere studet:—"He labours vainly, who endeavours to please every one."

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Cheap Watches and JEWELRY.

AT the Philadelphia Watch and Jewelry Store, No. 96, North Second street, corner of Quarry.

Gold Lever Watches, full jewl'd, 18 car. cases,	$45 00
Silver Lever Watches, full jew'd	23 00
Silver Lever Watches, 7 jewels,	18 00
SilverLepineWatches, jew'd, 1st qual.	14 00
Superior Quarter Watches,	10 00
Imitation quarter watches, not war.	5 00
Gold Spectacles,	8 00
Fine silver spectacles,	1 75
Gold bracelets, with topaz stones,	3 50
Ladies' Gold Pencils, 16 carats,	2 00

Gold finger rings, 37½ cts. to $8; Watch Glasses—plain 12½ cts, patent 18¾, lunet 25. Other articles in proportion. All goods warranted to be what they are sold for O. CONRAD.

On hand, some Gold and Silver Levers, Lepines and Quarters, lower than the above prices.

dec'r 19, 1846.

Steam Iron Railing Factory,

RIDGE ROAD,

ABOVE BUTTONWOOD STREET,

PHILADELPHIA.

AT THIS establishment may be found the greatest variety of Plans and beautiful Patterns for

IRON RAILING

in the United States, to which the attention of those in want of any description, and especially for Cemeteries, is particularly invited.

The principal part of all the handsome Railings at Laurel Hill, Monument, and other celebrated Cemeteries in the city and county of Philadelphia, which have been so highly extolled by the public press, were executed at this manufactory.

A large Ware-Room is connected with the establishment, where is kept constantly on hand a large stock of ready-made IRON RAILINGS, ORNAMENTAL IRON SETTEES, IRON CHAIRS, new style plain and ornamental IRON GATES, with an extensive assortment of IRON POSTS, PEDESTALS, IRON ARBORS, &c. Also in great variety, Wrought and Cast Iron ORNAMENTS, suitable for Railings, and other purposes.

The subscriber would also state that in his Pattern and Designing Department he has employed some of the best talent in the country, whose whole attention is devoted to the business—forming altogether one of the most complete and systematic establishments of the kind in the Union.

ROBERT WOOD, Proprietor,
Ridge Road, above Buttonwood St.
Philadelphia, February 6, 1847. 5m.

Hover's First Premium Ink.
No. 87

North Third street Philadelphia.

The celebrity of the Inks manufactured by the subscriber, and the extensive sales consequent upon the high reputation which they have attained, not only throughout the United States, but in the West Indies and in China, has induced him to make every necessary arrangement to supply the vast demand upon his establishment. He is now prepared with every variety of Black, Blue and Red Inks, Copying Inks, Indelible Ink, and Ink Powder, all prepared under his own personal superintendence, so that purchasers may depend upon its superior quality.

Hover's Adamantine Cement, a superior article for Mending Glass, China, Cabinet Ware, &c., useful to every Housekeeper, being a white liquid, easily applied, and not affected by ordinary heat—warranted.

☞ Pamphlets, containing numerous testimonials of men of science, and others, will be furnished to purchasers.

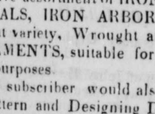
For sale at the Manufactory, Wholesale and Retail, No. 87 North Third Street, opposite Cherry Street, Philadelphia, by

JOSEPH E. HOVER,
Manufacturer.

February 6, '47. 1y

For Chester Town and Centreville.

THE STEAMER



MARYLAND,

WILL leave Baltimore on WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst., for Chester and Centreville, from her usual place starting lower end of Dugan's wharf. leave Centreville at 11 o'clock, and Chester Town at 1 o'clock for Baltimore. Fare $1.

☞ B. All baggage at the owner's risk.

L. G. TAYLOR.

March 20, 1847.

Lumber.

RECEIVED and for sale 40,000 feet seasoned Boards.

A. W. SPARKS.

Chester Town, March 27, 1847.

LADIES slippers from 12½ to $1.

WICKES & BRO.

FOR sale by Wilmer and Nicols a good assortiment of hats, of different kinds from $1. 2½

WOOL-CARDING AND Manufacturing.

THE subscribers having formed a copartnership in the above business, beg leave to inform the public, that they will manufacture

CLOTHS, KERSEYS, BLANKETS;

8-4 wide, *FLANNEL and LINSEY*, at very moderate prices, and exchange *Cloth for Wool*; they also card Wool into Rolls.

For the convenience of those at a distance, Wool may be left with the following gentlemen, with instructions:

Mr. B S Brevett, near Rock Hall,
Messrs. Wickes & Bro., Chestertown,
Mr. George Crossley, Hepbron Town,
Mr. T. B. Crookshanks, Cecil county.

Our machinery is in fine order and in excellent working condition. The strictest and promptest attention will be given to the business, and in returning manufactured articles or Rolls. Pledging ourselves to a faithful performance of duty we solicit a portion of public patronage.

JAMES MAY,
SAMUEL SAVIN.

Swan Town, Kent co., Md,
April 24, 1847. 4m

THE STEAMER



CAMBRIDGE

Will leave her new wharf at the corner of Light and Conway sts. Baltimore, on Monday morning 12th inst. at 7 o'clock, for Corsica and Chester Town and return same day. Passage $1. The above route will be continued until further notice. All baggage at the owner's risk. All freight must be paid on delivery.

JOHN D. TURNER.

april 10, '47.

A FARM FOR SALE.

MR. WM. THOS. HURTT, on account of his health, will dispose of his Farm which he purchased of William Graves, Esq., lying on Chester River, about five miles below Millington on navigable water.

This farm is said to be pleasantly and handsomely situated—is about two miles from New Market—contains about

300 ACRES,

Is in 3 fields with good fencing, could easily be divided into five fields, a fair proportion is in

and the soil good. It adjoins the lands of Mr. Isaac Spencer and others.

The DWELLING is a frame—but in good repair with a kitchen attached.—There are also a *Granary, Corn House, Carriage House and Stable* in tolerable repair.



Mr. Robert Wilson the Tenant or Mr C. W. Spry, who resides in the neighborhood and is well acquainted with the Farm, will give any information that may be desired.

For Terms or further particulars apply to GEORGE VICKERS,
Chester Town.

May 29, 1847. 7w

NOTICE.

SEALED proposals will be received by the clerk of the Levy Court of Kent county until Tuesday the 13th day of July 1847, for building a bridge 50 feet long, 20 feet wide, with stone abutments five feet high, over the head waters of Langford's Bay near Shaw's mill, where the public road now passes; the timbers to be of white oak and two inch white pine flooring; also two causeways one at each end of the bridge 75 and 100 feet in length, five feet at the abutments with a gradual slope to each, and to be made with brush and stone covered with dirt. The bridge and causeways to have a good and substantial railing. And also for making a new road 20 feet wide with the necessary bridges and embankments of best materials and work manship at same place to commence at the race bridge and to run in a straight line until it intersects the main road opposite the flood gates.

Also for making a new road as laid down by the Commissioners appointed by Kent county Court on Eastern Neck Island, 72 perches long and 20 feet wide; 42 perches in length of which to be made at an elevation of 2 feet 8 perches, 1 foot in heighth and the remaining 22 inches 6 inches high.

June 17, 1847.

FOR sale by Wilmer & Nicols a beautiful French black Cloth, just from Philadelphia

PLOUGH castings, Wiley Points, 20 cts. all others 5 cts lb.

WICKES & BRO.

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A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER,
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POETRY.

THOUGHTS AND DUTIES.

BY C B KENNEDY.

Full many a light thought man may cherish,
Full many an idle deed may do;
Yet not a deed or thought may perish—
Not one but he shall bless or rue.

When by the wind the tree is shaken,
There's not a bough or leaf can fall
But of its falling heed is taken,
By one who sees and governs all.

The tree may fall and be forgotten,
And buried in the earth remain;
Yet from its juices ran or rotten,
Springs vegetating life again.

The world is with creation teeming,
And nothing ever wholly dies,
And things that are destroyed in seeming,
In other shapes and forms arise.

And nature still unfolds the tissue
Of unseen works by spirit wrought;
And not a work but has its issue
With blessings or with evil fraught.

And thou may'st seem to leave behind thee
All memory of the sinful part;
Yet oh, be sure thy sins shall find thee,
And thou shalt know its fruits at last.

AN ANSWER TO THE QUESTION.

"What harm this War has done to us."

Col. Wm. B. Campbell's first regiment of Tennessee volunteers numbered 1 000 brave men on their march to Mexico. Only 350, rank and file, of this gallant regiment returned with their Colonel to their homes.

Col. Wm. T. Haskell's 2d regiment of Tennessee volunteers numbered 1,040 on their march to Mexico. Only 360 of these gal ant men, rank and file, returned with Col. Haskell to their homes and friends—their wives and children—their fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, and other relatives and friends

The rest of them—*thirteen hundred and thirty*—sickness and bullets, disease and shot, and swords, have consigned to an early grave in a foreign land, from their native homes, without coffins and winding sheets, or headstones to tell who they are or where they are. Poor fellows! mournful and vacant are many loved homes and fireside-; but the sleeping dead know it not. They repose beneath the burning sands of an inhospitable clime, promiscuously thrown oge her; and there they must rest in quiet till the last loud trump calls the nations of the earth to stand before the God of Armies!—*Jonesborough Whig*

THE Hon R Johnson being invited to attend the Whig Festival at Philadelphia on the 4th, returned the followins answer:

BALTIMORE, July 3, 1847

GENTLEMEN—The invitation with which you have honored me, to the dinner to be given by the Whigs of Philadelphia, on the 4th instant, I have delayed answering, under a hope that I might be able to accept it. But I am constrained by engagements, not within my control, to decline it.

Nothing could gratify me more than to unite with such Whig brethren as you represent, in commemorating the anniversary of our nation's birth day, and in cultivating that pure and patriotic spirit which animated the men of the Revolution, and is now seen influencing the Whigs of the Union.

Under its guide and by its power, the freedom proclaimed in seventy-six, was nobly upheld and secured, and will be in this, our day, I trust and believe, as nobly maintained and preserved. I ask you to unite with me therefore in this sentiment:

The Whig Spirit—No occasional disaster in '76 could stop its progress. No occasional disaster now, can withstand its power, or arrest its triumph."

With regard, gentlemen,
Your ob't. serv't,
REVERDY JOHNSON.

Messrs. Benjamin Matthias and others, Committee, &c., Philada.

On the letter being read at the dinner, the following was offered by the Committee:

The Hon. Reverdy Johnson—One of the shining lights of the United States.—Ever ready—ever able in the Whig cause

REMARKABLE PROPERTIES OF GUANO.—A native of 'Down East,' describing with characteristic exageration, the remarkable properties of Guano, as a promoter of vegetation said, that a few hours after planting cucumber seeds, the dirt began to fly and the vines came up like a streak; and although he started off at the top of his speed, the vines overtook and covered him, and on taking out his knife to cut the 'darned things,' *he found a large cucumber gone to seed in his pocket.*

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

We have received the official proceedings of the Democratic Gubernatorial Convention, but deem it unnecessary to publish them as we gave the substance of them in our last.

The vote cast for a candidate were as follows:

Allegany county—3 Thomas, 2 Stewart
Frederick county—5 Stewart, 1 Thomas.
Montgomery county—5 Thomas.
Baltimore county—6 Thomas
Baltimore city—6 Stewart
Harford county—3 Lloyd, 2 Thomas.
Kent county—4 Humphreys.
Queen Ann's county—3 Thomas, 1 Humphreys.
Talbot county—4 Thomas.
Caroline county—2 Stewart, 2 Thomas.
Dorches.er county—5 Stewart.
Worcester county—5 Stewart.
Somerset county—6 Stewart.
Anne Arundel county—6 Thomas.
Prince George's county—5 Thomas.
St. Mary's county—4 Stewart.
Charles county—4 Thomas.
Calvert county—4 Thomas.
Washington county—3 Stewart, 3 Thomas.
Cecil county—2 Humphreys 3 Thomas.
Carroll county—5 Thomas.

Result—Thomas 56. Stewart 47. Humphreys 7. Lloyd 3.

GEN. TAYLOR'S PRINCIPLES.—The Louisville Journal appends the following remarks to the letter of Gen Taylor to the editor of the Signal:

"This letter is from the Cincinnati Signal The Louisville Democrat, in republishing it says: "It will be seen that Gen Taylor will not permit himself to be used by the Whig party." Gen. Taylor, in the phrase to which the Democrat refers, means nothing more than that he will not enter into the Presidential canvass as a partisan—that he will not be the candidate of a mere party, but the candidate, if one at all, of all such people of the United States as may think proper to honor him with their suffrages. Still he does not deny, nor will he deny, that in his opinions and feelings he is a whig. Within the last three days we have seen a letter from Gen. Taylor, in which he twice declares, unequivocally and in so many words, that he is "A WHIG." In that letter, however, he strongly disclaims every thing like partisan asperity and expresses an ardent desire to see the country delivered from the evils which partisan violence has brought upon it."

ANCIENT TEETOTALERS.

Cyrus, of Persia, when a young prince, visited his uncle, Cyaxares, and to show that there was no merit in being a good cup bearer, took the cup from Sacas, who acted in that capacity.

Astyages, history informs us, admitted his skill, but laughingly observed, "the young waiter has forgotten one thing."

"What have I forgotten?" asked Cyrus

"To taste the wine, before you handed it to me and your mother."

"I did not forget that, but I did not choose to swallow poison."

"Poison!" exclaimed the king.

"Yes, there must be poison in the cup, for they who drink of it sometimes grow giddy and sick, and fall down."

"Then you never drink in your country!" inquired Astyages.

"Yes, but we only drink to satisfy thirst, and then a little water suffices."

This occurred nearly two thousand four hundred years ago, yet it is as true as if it were an event of yesterdey—that intoxicating drink is a poison.

WHAT I HAVE SEEN AND HEARD.

I have seen a lady adorned with costly apparel, clothed in silk and velvet, with her fingers ornamented by rings, and her wrists by jeweled bracelets; and that lady's seamstress, who was entirely dependent upon her daily earnings, has remained unpaid for months.

I have seen a young girl expend dollars upon a useless trinket, who half an hour before, had refused a shilling to a needy beggar.

I have seen a mother cheerfully lavish money to purchase her daughter's expensive and superfluous dresses; and I have heard the same mother grumble that she had to pay servants such enormous wages.

CAUTION TO ICE CREAMERS.—The Nantuckett Inquirer of the 9th instant says: "A quantity of lemon ice cream had been put into a tin freezer on Tuesday morning, and allowed to remain there, in a liquid state, until Wednesday noon, when it was frozen, and about thirty gentlemen and ladies ate pretty freely of the cream. The consequence was, that they were all made sick, a few of them so severely, that for an hour or two during the night, it was feared they would not recover. All, however, are now convalescent. The action of the acid in the mixture on the tin lining of the freezer, for more than twenty four hours, produced an active poison, and the sufferers may congratulate themselves that they escaped with only being made sick A tin vessel of vanilla cream stood unfrozen in the same way, from Tuesday till Wednesday, but those who ate of that were not at all injured by it."

CHINESE.—When any of their wives are indisposed, they fasten a thread round her wrist, the cord of which is given to the physician, and it is only by the motion which the pulsation communicated to it that he is allowed to judge of the state of his patient.

ELOQUENCE AT A DISCOUNT.—"May it please the Court," said a Yankee lawyer before a Dutch Justice, the other day, "this is a case of the greatest importance. While the American Eagle, whose sleepless eye wathes over the welfare of this might republic, and whose wings extend from the Alleghanies to the Rocky Chain of the West, was rejoicing in his pride of place"

"Shtop, dare! shtop dare, I say! vat has dis suit to do mit eagles? Dis haa nottin to do mit the wild bird. It is von sheep," exclaimed the Justice

"True, your honor, but my client has rights here——"

"Ye's client has no right to de eagle!"

"Of course not, but by the laws of language—"

"Vat cares I for de laws of de language, I understant de laws of de State and dat ish enough for me. Confine your talk to de case."

"Well, then, my client, the defendant in this case, is charged with stealing a sheep, and——"

"Dat will do! dat will do! your client is charged mit shtealing a sheep, just nine shi lin. De gourt will adjourn to Bill Vergeson's to drink!"

TURKISH CRUELTY.—Talking of cucumbers, they almost entirely compose, in summer, the nourishment of the Turks.—The Sultan, Mahmoud II. was excessively fond of this fruit, or rather vegetable, and cultivated it with his own hands in the Seraglio gardens.

Having one day perceived that some of his cucumbers were missing, he sent for his head gardener, and informed him that should such a circumstance occur again, he would order his head cut off. The next day three more cucumbers had been stolen upon which the gardener, to save his own head, accused the pages of his highness of having committed the theft. These unhappy youths were immediately sent for, and having all declared themselves innocent, the enraged Sultan, in order to discover the culprit, commanded them one after another to be disemboweled. Nothing was found in the stomach or entrails of the first six victims, but the autopsy of the seventh proved him to have been the guilty one.

AMERICAN FASHION ESTABLISHED IN MEXICO.—A Tampico letter of the 16th ult. has this paragraph:

"Is it not astonishing! A few days ago a number of American ladies arrived in this city from New Orleans—dressed, of course, in accordance with the latest fashion—and, as common, certain fictitious enlargements of proportion *beautified* their persons. This afternoon, while several Mexican senoritas were passing, I observed two dressed in American costume, and judging from appearance, had donned as robust a bustle as was ever lugged about by an American belle. As these were the first I have seen worn by Mexicans, it was certainly amusing to see them strut thro' the streets, as proud of their bag of bran as a mother is of her only child Surely, the Mexican ladies are becoming enlightened."

PRIDE AND HUMILITY.—I never yet found pride in a noble nature, nor humility in an unworthy mind. Of all trees, I observe that God hath chosen the vine—a low plant, that creeps upon a helpless wall; of all beasts, the soft and patient lamb; of all fowls, the mild and guileless dove.—When God appeared to Moses, it was not in a lofty cedar, nor the sturdy oak, nor the spreading palm, but a bush. As if he would, by these selections, check the arrogance man. Nothing procureth love, like humility; nothing hate like pride.—*Feltham's Resolves*

CAUSE OF THANKFULNESS.—A minister was once speaking to a brother clergyman, of his gratitude for a merciful deliverance he had just experienced. "As I was riding here to day," said he, "my horse stumbled and came very near throwing me from a bridge, where the fall would have killed me, but I escaped unhurt"

"I can tell you something more than that," said the other. "As I rode here today, my horse did not stumble at all."

We are too apt to forget common mercies.

MR PRESCOTT, THE HISTORIAN.—We learn from the Boston Advertiser, that the last mail from London brought to Mr Prescott a diploma from the Royal Society of Literature, the first, we believe, ever sent to a citizen of the United States, and one whose value was materially increased in this instance by a note from the most distinguished man of letters now alive in England, Mr. Hallam, the President of the Society, expressing his great personal respect for Mr. Prescott, and the great value he places upon his works.

MR. CLAY AND THE WAR.—Mr. Clay, in reply to a letter from some gentlemen, in Maine, who had sent him a present of some scythes, and referred in their letter to the Mexican war, says: "Yes! gentlemen, I certainly concur with you in deprecating this Mexican war, the causes which brought it about, and the manner of its commencement. I sincerely wish that every bayonet and sword employed in its prosecution, by both belligerents, were converted into scythes, plowshares and axes, and they dedicated to their respective uses in the innocent and peaceful arts of life."

☞ "Trying times," as the loafer said on entering the Criminal Court.

FILIAL REVERENCE IN CHINA.—In China let a son become ever so rich, and a father ever so poor, there is no submission, in point of obedience, that the latter cannot command, or that the former can refuse.—The father is not only absolute master of his son's estate, but of his children also; whom if they displease him, he may sell to strangers. When a father accuses a son before a mandarin, there needs no proof of his guilt; for they cannot believe that any father can be so unnatural as to bring a false accusation against his own son.

STRANGE EVENT.—At a recent sacrament at the Secedar Church, at Cadiz, Ohio, while the members were at the table, some six or eight persons were attacked with a violent fever so suddenly that they were compelled to leave the church for home and a sick bed. The disease spread rapidly through the congregation, and upwards of one hundred members have since been taken dangerously ill—whole families have been prostrated, and a considerable number have since died.

CHURCHES IN NEW YORK.—According to Doggett's new directory, the number of churches of each denomination in the city is as follows:—Baptist 26; Congregational 9, Dutch Reformed 15; Friends 4; Jewish 9; Lutheran 3; Methodist Episcopal 31; Methodist Protestant 1; Presbyterian 33; Associate Presbyterian 3; Protestant Episcopal 41; Roman Catholic 17; Unitarian 4; Universalist 4; Welch 2; Miscellaneous 12

THE BETTER WAY.—The sons of the poor die rich—while the sons of the rich die poor. What encouragement to toil through life in acquiring wealth to ruin our children! Better to go with our money as we go along—educate our sons—ensure their virtues by habits of industry and study, and let them take care of themselves.

MEDIATION.—In the House of Commons on the 11th of June, in reply to a question from Dr. Bowring, Lord Palmerston said that an offer of mediation on the part of Great Britain between the United States and Mexico, had been made by the former as well as the present government, but that as yet it had not been accepted by either of the belligerants.

In the last Nashville Whig we find the reply of Col. Haskell, of the second Tennessee Regiment, to Gen. Pillow's late publication in the New Orleans papers. It is written in very respectful language, but it completely annihilates Mr. Polk's major general. Some portions of it are really rich.—*Louisville Journal*

SODA COFFEE.—The flavor of coffee may be improved by adding forty to fifty grains of carbonate of sodo to each pound of roasted coffee. In addition to improving the flavor, the soda makes the coffee more healthy, as it neutralizes the acid contained in the infusion.

JUST SO.—Five of the sweetest words in English language begin with H, which is only a breath:—Heart, Hope, Home, Happiness and Heaven. Heart is a hope-place and home a heart place; and that man sadly mistakes, who would exchange the happiness of home for any thing less than heaten.

THE VOICE OF GEORGIA.—The Whig State Convention of Georgia met in Milledgeville, on the 1st inst., and unanimously nominated Gen. Duncan L. Clinch as a candidate for Governor, and unanimously adopted a resolution recommending General Taylor for the next President of the United States.

FLY SWARMS.—Cincinnati and its vicinity is troubled with immense swarms of flies, of a dark brown color, and about one inch in length. They appear in masses of millions, and present the appearance of a black cloud. The same phenomenon is noticed in some paats of Indiana.

An over-the-way neighbor fairly posed us the other night by asking us the simple question. "When is a fish crazy?" and assured us it was only when the aforesaid fish was *in-sane*. We left immediately.—*Burlington Gaz.*

THE insurance offices will have to pay £47,000, the amount of the policies effected on the life of Mr O'Connell; but little of this large sum goes to his family, the insurances having been principally effected by third parties.—*English paper.*

APPOINTMENT.—We learn from Annapolis, that the Governor has appointed Col. Wm. R. Stuart to the office of Commissioner of State Lotteries, in place of Judge James Harwood, deceased.

TRAITS OF THE HODMEN.—"Och, murtheration!" exclaimed a hod-carrier, "I've got a piece of *morther* in me eye!"

"Morther, is it," replied his companion; "shin just put in a piece of a brick-bat, and you'll have a *wall* eye iv it."

NAMES OF RIVERS.—Monongahela—Falling in of banks. Muskingum—The elk's eye. Mississippi—Father of rivers. Ohio—Fine or fair river. Potomac signifies the river of Swans.

A person said to his friend, who was learning to take snuff, that it was wrong to teach his nose a bad habit, as a man generally follows his nose.

☞ "I am a straight forward man," as the toper said when he pitched into the gutter, "and nothing else."

☞ "May I B 1 of the lovers of U," as the Miss of 6 teen said 2 a 10 der 4 leg of mutton B 4 she S a piece of it.

MEW?—An Ohio paper announces the marriage of Mr. J. B. Kitton to Miss Eliza Jane Kitton. *Scat.*