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WASHINGTON HOUSE, C. NEFF, Proprietor, Corner of Market & Second Streets, opposite the Court House, Sunbury, Pa. aug28, 70.

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NATIONAL HOTEL, AUGUSTUS W. WALD, Proprietor, Georgetown North-COUNTY, PA., at the Station of the C. & R. W. Choice wines and from every passenger train free of charge. The tables are supplied with the best of the market affords. Good stabling and attentive ostlers.

HUMMEL'S RESTAURANT, LOUIS HUMMEL, Proprietor, Commerce St., SHAMONK, PENNA. Having just refitted the above saloon for the accommodation of the public, is now prepared to serve his friends with the best refreshments, and fresh Lager Beer, Ale, Porter, and all other malt liquors.

EUROPEAN HOTEL, JOSEPH BACHER, Proprietor, Third Street, near the Depot, SUNBURY, PENNA. This hotel is conducted on the European plan. Meals at all hours day and night. A Ladies' Saloon attached. The best of Liquors kept at the bar. Charges moderate. [May 15, 72.]

BERLYN'S HOTEL, JOSIAH BERLYN, Proprietor, Lower Mahanoy township, Northumberland county, Pa., at the foot of the Mahanoy, near the station, South Union, Trevorton, Gettysburg, &c. The choicest Liquors and Segars at the bar. The tables are provided with the best of the season. Stabling large and well suited for drovers, with good ostlers. Every attention paid to make guests comfortable. Nov. 11, 1871-1y.

Eating House. WALTZ & BRIGHT, Third Street, opposite the Moore & Disinger buildings, SUNBURY, PENNA. have opened an Eating House, and furnish meals at all hours. Fish, Turtle, Oysters, &c., are served up in the best style. Families supplied with Turtle Soup, &c., at the shortest notice. The best of Malt Liquors at the Bar. June 22, 1872-1y.

Business Cards. W. S. RHODES & CO., ANTHRACITE COAL, SUNBURY, PENNA. Office with Haas, Fagely & Co., corner of Arch and Second Streets. Country custom respectfully solicited. Feb. 4, 1871-1y.

ANTHRACITE COAL! VALENTINE DIETZ, Wholesale and Retail dealer in every variety of Anthracite Coal, SUNBURY, PENNA. All kinds of Grain taken in exchange for Coal. Orders collected and filled promptly. Orders left at S. F. Nevin's Confectionery Store, on Third Street, will receive prompt attention, and money returned for the same as at the office.

NEW COAL YARD, THE undersigned having connected the Coal business with his extensive FLOUR & GRAIN trade is prepared to supply families with the VERY BEST OF COAL. CHEAP FOR CASH. Egg, Stove and Nut, constantly on hand. Grain taken in exchange for Coal. J. M. CADWALLADER, Sunbury, Jan. 15, 1870-1y.

DeW Advertisements. SUNBURY MARBLE YARD, opposite the Court House, SUNBURY, PENN'A. THE undersigned has returned from the Vermont Marble Quarries with 50 TONS of Marble for Monuments, Grave-Stones, &c., &c. He has bought at such figures that will allow him to sell better stone, for less money, than heretofore. The best Sutherland Falls Marble, which is better than Italian. Rutland is now sold as low as the Manchester. Those who want anything in the Marble line, for Monuments, Grave-Stones, or other purposes, will find it to their interest to call and examine this large stock, as better bargains can be secured than buying from parties 'huckstering' round the city. All lettering will be done in the neatest and most improved style. W. M. DAUGHERTY, Sunbury, June 29, 1872.

NEW Flour, Feed, Fruit and Vegetable Store, Spruce Street, between Front and Second, SUNBURY, PA. JOHN WILVER, having just opened a Store at the above place, where all kinds of the best brands of Flour and Feed will be sold at greatly reduced prices. The celebrated Buck's Mills Flour will be kept constantly on hand. Also, all kinds of Feed, Grain, Corn, Oats and Rye, chopped or whole. Potatoes, Apples, Cabbage & Fruit generally, at a cheaper rate than can be bought elsewhere. All goods delivered Free of Charge. Call and examine my stock and ascertain the prices before purchasing elsewhere. JOHN WILVER, Sunbury, Dec. 2, 1871-1y.

Up De Graff's EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY, SUNBURY, PENN'A. THIS Institution is now open for the reception of Patients for the treatment of Disease of the EYE, EAR, THROAT, LUNGS, CATARRH, &c., &c., &c. operations in GENERAL SURGERY. Our collection of INSTRUMENTS is large, comprising all the latest IMPROVEMENTS, enabling us to meet in all forms. Physicians are invited to accompany Patients to our Institution for operations. By request of many Citizens, we will attend to calls in GENERAL PRACTICE.

Infirmary, Clement's Building, CORNER THIRD AND MARKET STS., SUNBURY, PA. C. E. UP DE GRAFF, Physician and Surgeon. Sunbury, Feb. 2, 1872-1y.

J. W. WASHINGTON'S GRAND BARBER SHOP. The old-fashioned shop of the town. We decline the best, but at the same time consider that the mighty truth may be seasonably spoken without manifesting an unbecomingly amount of vanity and ostentation. About twenty years ago I began my business career in this place—half my lifetime thus far spent, I have stood upon the floor of our shop—day after day, night after night, and through the sharp blue gleaming steel, and with that elapse of time embraced by the mighty folds of that eventful period have I labored nearly every body in the country (in common parlance) and to oblige the public interest we have publicly announced to our patrons old and new that we are ready to shave them all again three hundred thousand times or more. Come when you please, but in time is the maximum we are always ready to work, forenoon or afternoon, to shave you, hair cut you, shampoo you, wash your face, or perform, comb and arrange the hair with artistic skill, in the "water fall" or water raise style to suit the customer. We work to please, not to please to work. To give the proof we hold in hand. A few doors above Depot, near Market Street. Oct. 1, 1870.

LIQUOR STORE! CHRISTIAN NEFF, Second Street, opposite the Court House, SUNBURY, PA. Respectfully invites the attention of Retailers and others, that he has on hand, and will continue to keep on hand, the following: FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC LIQUORS, Consisting of Pure Brandy; Cognac, Cherry, Ginger, Rosebelle and Oatard. Superior Pure Irish Copper-Distilled, Manganese, Apple and Nectar. PURE HOLLAND GIN! Wines: Champagne Wine, Sherry, Port and Claret. Crab Cider, Champanne Cider, N. E. Ham, Brown, Stout and Scotch Ale. STOMACH AND BAR BITTERS, And all other Liquors which can be found in the city markets, which will be sold at Wholesale and Retail. Every article guaranteed as represented. Also, a large lot of DEMONIAHS and BOTTLES, always on hand. Orders promptly attended to, and public patronage respectfully solicited. G. NEFF, Sunbury, July 3, 1869-1y.

JACOB SHIPMAN, THOMPSON DRUGS, Fire, Life and Accident INSURANCE AGENCY, or SHIPMAN & DERR, MARKET STREET, SUNBURY, PA. COMPANIES REPRESENTED. N. American, Philadelphia, Assets, \$2,753,280. Enterprise, 2,583,265. Manhattan, New York, 1,368,091. S. American, 862,570. Lorillard, 1,656,139. Vonkers & N. York, 882,180. Hanover, 750,000. Commercial Union, 1,000,000. Lycoming, Muncy, Franklin, Philadelphia, 2,825,731. Home, New York, 4,516,968. Hartford, Hartford, 2,544,210. Phoenix, 1,627,010. Travelers, 1,501,067. Farmers Ins. Co., York, 1,000,000. N. British & Mercantile, 14,866,394. Nonamer, New York, 365,100. Norwich, Norwich, 7,300,000. New England Mutual Life, 7,300,000.

BALTIMORE LOCK HOSPITAL. DR. JOHNSTON, Physician of this celebrated Institution, has discovered the most certain, speedy, pleasant and effectual remedy in the world for DISEASES OF IMPURE BLOOD. Weakness of the Head, Lungs, Strictures, Affections of Kidneys and Bladder, Involuntary Discharges, Impotency, General Debility, Nervousness, Dyspepsia, Irritability, Low Spirits, Confusion of Ideas, Palpitation of the Heart, Timidity, Tremblings, Dizziness of Sight or Giddiness, Disease of the Head, Throat, Nose, Ears, and other Organs, Lame, Stomach or Bowels—these terrible Disorders arising from the Solitary Habits of Youth—those secret and solitary practices more fatal to their victims than the most violent venereal diseases of Ulcers, blighting their most brilliant hopes of anticipations, rendering marriage, &c., impossible.

YOUNG MEN especially, who have become the victims of Solitary Vice, that dreadful and destructive habit which annually sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of young men of the most exalted talents and brilliant intellect, who might otherwise have embraced shining careers with the thunders of eloquence or walked to ecstasy the living lyre, may call with full confidence.

MARRIAGE. Married Persons or Young Men contemplating marriage, aware of Physical Weakness, (Loss of Procreative Power), Nervousness, Irritability, Palpitation, Organic Weakness, Nervous Debility, or any other Disqualification, speedily relieved. Who does not place himself under the care of Dr. J. may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and confidently rely upon his skill as a Physician.

ORGANIC WEAKNESS, Impotency, Loss of Power, immediately Cured and Full Vigor Restored. This Distressing Affection—which renders Life miserable and marriage impossible—is the penalty paid by the victims of Improper Indulgences. Young persons are too apt to commit excesses from not being aware of their consequences. Now, being deprived of the pleasures of healthy offspring, the most serious and destructive symptoms to both body and mind arise. The system becomes deranged, the Physical and Mental Functions Wakened, Loss of Procreative Power, Nervous Irritability, Dyspepsia, Palpitation of the Heart, Indigestion, Constitutional Debility, a Wasting Frame, Cough, Consumption, Decey and Death.

A CURE WARRANTED IN TWO DAYS. Persons ruined in health by unlearned pretensions, who keep them trilling month after month, taking poisons and injurious compounds, should apply immediately.

DR. JOHNSTON, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, Graduated from one of the most eminent Colleges in the United States, and the greater part of whose life has been spent in the hospitals of London, Paris, Philadelphia and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that were ever known; many troubled with ringing in the head and ears, sleepless, great nervousness, being alarmed at night, and exhibiting, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangement of mind, were cured immediately.

TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE. Dr. J. addresses all those who have injured themselves by improper indulgence and solitary habits, which ruin the body, and render them unfit for either business, study, society or marriage.

These are some of the sad and melancholy effects produced by early habits of youth, viz: Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Pains in the Back and Head, Dizziness of Sight, Loss of Muscular Power, Palpitation of the Heart, Dyspepsia, Nervous Irritability, Decey and Death, &c., &c., &c. Functions, General Debility, Symptoms of Consumption, &c.

MENTALLY—The fearful effects on the mind arising from the dread of venereal disease, a confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil-Forebodings, Aversion to Society, Self-Distrust, Loss of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils which attend this infamous and contaminating habit.

THOUSANDS of persons of all ages can now judge what is the cause of their declining health, losing their vigor, becoming weak, pale, nervous and emaciated, having their eyes, ears, nose, throat, cough and symptoms of consumption.

YOUNG MEN Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured, render marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.

A pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons, before contemplating MARRIAGE, reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to early habits of youth, viz: Pleasure finds that he has imbibed the seeds of this painful disease, it too often happens that an ill-timed sense of shame, or dread of discovery, leads him from applying to the physician, and education and respectability, can alone relieve him, delaying till the constitutional symptoms of this horrid disease make their appearance, such as: sore throat, disordered bowels, neuralgic pains in the head and limbs, dimness of sight, deafness, nodes on the shin bones and arms, blotches on the head, face and extremities, prostrated with night sweats, and other symptoms, till the plate of the mouth or the bones of the nose fall in, and the victim of this awful disease becomes a horrid object of commiseration, till death puts an end to his sufferings, and sends his soul to that Undiscovered Country from whence no traveller returns.

A melancholy fact that thousands DIE victims to this terrible disease, through falling into the hands of Ignorant or unskilful FRETTERS, who, by the use of that infamous Poison, Mercury, &c., destroy the constitution, and incapable of curing, keep the wretched sufferers month after month taking their wretched or injurious compounds, and instead of being restored to a renewal of Life Vigor and Happiness, in despair leave him with ruined Health to sigh over his galling disappointment.

To such, therefore, Dr. J. announces, and sends himself to preserve the most inviolable Secrecy, and from his extensive practice and observations in the great Hospitals of Europe, and the first in this country, viz: England, France, and elsewhere, he is enabled to offer the most certain, speedy and effectual remedy in the world for all diseases of impure blood.

DR. JOHNSTON'S OFFICE, No. 7, S. FREDERICK STREET, BALTIMORE, M. D. Left hand side going from Baltimore street, a few doors from the corner. Fall not to observe name and number.

No letters received unless postpaid and containing a stamp to be used on the reply. Persons writing should state their name, a portion of advertisement describing symptoms.

There are so many False, Designing and Worthless Impostors advertising themselves as Physicians, trifling with the health of the people, that Dr. Johnston deems it necessary to say especially to those unacquainted with him, that he is a Graduate of the Diplomas always hang in his office.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE PRESS. The many thousands cared at this Establishment, year after year, and the numerous important Surgical Operations performed by Dr. Johnston, witnessed by the representatives of the press and many other papers, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, bespeak his standing as a gentleman of character and responsibility, is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted. His diseases speedily cured. February 18, 1872-1y.

Select Poetry. THE OLD, OLD HOME. BY CATHERINE G. POYAS. When I long for antient memories, Like angel troops they come, If I fold my arms to ponder On the old, old home. The heart has many passages, Through which the feelings roam, But its middle aisles is sacred To the thoughts of old home.

Where infancy was sheltered, Like rose-buds from the blast, Where girlhood's brief cytherean, In joyousness was passed; To that sweet spot forever, As to some hallowed shrine, Like a bright and glorious vision— 'Tis her old, old home.

A father sat, low proudly, By that heartstone's side, And told his children stories Of his early manhood's life; And with a child's "could you?" Thus a mother counts her treasures, In the old, old home.

The birthday gifts and festivals, The blended voices hymn, The heart's sweet melody, While the longers are dragging out a miserable lifetime in privation and poverty, the hard-working boy lives at his ease, respected and honored.

Remember this, boys, if you desire to make your way in the world. There is much to be learned from the life of a man who is poor, and you will never acquire either if you are a longer about the streets and a shirk at your business. Everybody suspects a lad who is often seen about saloon doors or tavern steps. It undermines a boy's character for honesty very rapidly, and in the society he finds there, and such habits tend to anything but industrious ways.

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold." Print that text on your heart, and carry it with you in all your ways and ways. If you are led to see it, it is far more than "fifty thousand dollars" to you.

THE SUCCESSFUL REUSE.—A girl, young and pretty, and above all, gifted with an air of admirable candor, lately presented herself to me, desiring me to consult you on a grave affair. I want you to oblige a man I love, to marry me in spite of himself. How shall I proceed?

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"Then you will produce witnesses who will testify to having seen you remain alone with him on each of the three occasions, and to have trifled with your affections."

"Very well, Monsieur, I will retain you as counsel in the management of this affair. Good-day."

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He had been laboring a year on one of his circuits, and before leaving for his new field, he gave his people, who dearly loved him, his farewell sermon.

At its close he said: "My dear brethren, this is my last address to you. I am going from you and you may never hear the voice of James Moore again."

"Amen!" came loudly from the seat before him.

He looked at the man with a little surprise, but, thinking it was a mistake, went on.

"My days on earth will soon be numbered. I am an old man, and you may not only never hear the voice of James Moore, but never see his face again."

"May his curse rest on those who have cheated the Lord, and ground the poor under their heels, who have honored Him with your substance, who have been kind to the poor, and—"

Pausing and looking the intruder in the face, and pointing to him with his finger, "May his curse rest on those who have cheated the Lord, and ground the poor under their heels. Say amen to that brother."

The shot told. He was not interrupted again.

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GOLDEN TEXT FOR BOYS.—A man of very pleasing address, but very dishonest in his practices, once said to an honorable merchant whose word was as good as his bond, "I would give fifty thousand dollars for your good name."

"Why so?" asked the other, in some surprise. "Because I could make a hundred thousand out of it," replied the merchant.

The honorable character which was at the bottom of that good name he cared nothing for; it was only the reputation which he could turn to account in a money point of view which he coveted. But a good name could not be bought with gold; it, of all other possessions, must be fairly earned. When it is possessed it is a better business capital than a great sum of money. It is a capital any boy or girl may secure. Honesty must be its foundation even to the smallest particulars. When an employer says, "that is a boy I can trust," he will always give you more in demand, provided he joins with it industry. "Of his early manhood's life," said the merchant, "I have seen many a man who has been diligent and rich."

It seems hard at the time, maybe, this ceaseless daily round of work, while other boys are lounging about store steps, or playing ball on the green. But the reward will be richly yours. While the longers are dragging out a miserable lifetime in privation and poverty, the hard-working boy lives at his ease, respected and honored.

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Never too late to learn. Socrates, at an extreme old age, learned to play on musical instruments. Cato, at eight years of age, commenced to study the Greek language, and Ptolemy, when between seventy and eighty, commenced the study of Latin. Boccaccio was thirty-five years of age when he commenced his studies in polite literature. Yet he became one of the greatest masters of the Tuscan Dialect; and Petrarch being the other two.

Sir Henry Spelman neglected the sciences in his youth, but commenced the study of them when he was between fifty and sixty years of age. After this he became a most learned antiquarian and lawyer.

Dr. Johnson applied himself to the Dutch language but a few years before his death. Dadozeo Monaldi, at the great age of one hundred and fifteen, wrote the memoir of his own times.

Ogilby, the translator of Homer and Virgil was unacquainted with Latin and Greek until he was past fifty.

It is never too late to commence his philosophical pursuits till he had reached his fiftieth year.

Dryden, in his sixty-eighth year, commenced the translation of the Iliad; his most pleasing production.

We could go on and excite thousands of examples, but we will content ourselves with a few, either for liveliness or amusement at an advanced age. But every one familiar with the biography of distinguished men, will recollect individual cases enough to convince him, that none but the sick and indolent will