

THE COLUMBIA SPY.



INDEPENDENT, FEARLESS & FREE.

COLUMBIA, PA., Saturday, Nov. 5, 1864.

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A PAGAN TEMPLE IN A CHRISTIAN CITY.

It is curious to reflect that, while many denominations of Christians are making strenuous efforts to propagate the principles of their religion among the people of China, they erect their temples and fill them with idols in the very shadow of Christian churches here.

Among those here, the chief deity is called Josh or Joss, and, so far, maintains a fair reputation. The new temple is three stories high, and Josh sits in the upper story. The front of the temple, above the upper story, is open, and finished in the form of a lofty arch.

Upon each side of the image are ranged wands, maces, spears and battle-axes, while Josh himself reposes amid a profusion of gaudy tinsel trappings and scarlet silk droppings. Upon each altar were large, colored wax tapers burning, and some of them supported on the backs of dragons; others on diminutive French lap-dogs of brass.

The walls of each apartment are hung with signs bearing inscriptions from the sacred books of their philosophers and "Good words for Justice." The inscription is a curiosity, and a fixed fact in San Francisco.

At about two o'clock P. M. an express wagon was hauled up before the door, laden with three or four hogs and sheep, and a large quantity of chickens, etc., most of them cooked whole. Upon the arrival of these offerings there was a tremendous rattle and clatter of drums and cymbals; a shrieking of reed pipes and explosion of squiggles, as if a great band of the gorilla species had got out their whinny and started on the terrible war-path after buzzards.

It might be expected that the image, when inhabited by the divine essence, would get up and move around, but it sat still. The chickens were cooked and arranged in fantastic shapes, some of them painted, furnished with heads like men, with cotton hair and bouquets of artificial flowers in their hands.

PECUILIARITIES OF AUTHORS.—The French historian, Mezerai, wrote only by candle-light, even in the day-time and in the middle of summer. He never failed to conduct his visitors to the door with a candle in his hand; and whenever he wrote, a bottle of wine was placed on the table.

Charles Mason, of New Haven, sold a merino buck at Vermont State Fair, last week, for \$3000.

THE subscriber would respectfully announce to the patrons of his Mill, that the advance price of the business of his establishment compels him to charge his customers an advance on former rates, and makes this method to inform them of the following are the prices for work done at his Mill:

For working Floorings per M. \$4.50
For working Feathered Boards per M. 4.00
Surfacing one side, per M. 2.50
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PHILADELPHIA. INCORPORATED 1791. Assets \$1,350,000. Loss or damage by fire on Buildings, Merchandise, Furniture, &c., for long or short periods, or permanently on Buildings, by lightning, or by any other cause.

FRANKLIN HOUSE RESTAURANT. JACOB S. MILLER would respectfully inform the citizens of Columbia and vicinity, that he has opened a NEW AND SPACIOUS RESTAURANT.

WHEELER & WILSON'S SEWING MACHINES ARE UNRIVALLED. For Sale by W. G. PATTON, June 11, '64. Locust St., Columbia, Pa.

TRIMMINGS. WHOLESALE & RETAIL. WILLIAM MENCKE & BROTHER, No. 804, Arch Street, Phila. A full assortment of Ladies' Sewing Machines, &c.

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THE OLD ORIGINAL GALLERY. The subscriber has completely re-fitted his establishment, and his gallery cannot be surpassed by any in the country, and he hopes by careful personal attention to give the public better pictures than have heretofore been produced.

HOUSE URNISHING EMPORIUM. THE citizens of Columbia and vicinity, are respectfully invited to call and examine my large and varied assortment of

HOUSEKEEPING GOODS. Comprising every variety of TIN WARE, SILVER-PLATED WARE, TABLE CUTLERY, FANCY GOODS, &c.

DO YOU WANT A GOOD GOLD PEN? If so, call and examine our stock of Warren & Ladd's Fine Gold Pen, the best now in market, and warranted to give satisfaction.

NEW STOCK OF GOODS. WE have just received a new stock of Goods direct from first hands, and are enabled to sell them as cheap as any other in the city.

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FRANKLIN FIRE INSURANCE CO.

OF PHILADELPHIA. Assots on Jan. 1, 1864. \$2,457,840 05.

GEORGE SEIBERT'S CABINET WAREHOUSES AND MANUFACTORY. Locust St., a few rods below 3rd St., COLEMAN, LAN COY, PA.

THE FAMILY MEDICINE STORE, 633 FELLOWS' HALL, COLUMBIA, PA. A FRESH supply of Drugs and Medicines, Pure Compound Spices, Flavoring Extracts, Rice Flour, &c.

PATENT MEDICINES. Castle, Palm and Face Soaps, Tooth Powders and Tooth Paste, (one in particular, the best ever offered in Columbia.)

COACH MAKING. Coach, Carriage & Buggy MANUFACTORY. Second street, nearly opposite LUTHERAN CHURCH, COLUMBIA, PA.

SEWING MACHINES. Wheeler & Wilson. THE cheapest and best Sewing Machine in the Market. A recognized to be unrivaled.

IRON AND STEEL. THE subscribers have received a new lot of a large stock of all kinds and sizes of Cast and Malleable Iron.

SPORTSMEN LOOK HERE! 100 double and single barrel guns, just received at the Hardware Store of J. RUMPLE & SON.

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS. THE Largest assortment ever offered in Columbia, at the cheap book store of WM. U. HESS.

LOCAL FREIGHT NOTICE.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAIL ROAD COMPANY. ARE now prepared to receive and forward FREIGHT on the Philadelphia & Pottsville Road, and from all stations where they have agents, at the following rates per hundred pounds:

Articles of 1st Class. Fresh Fish, Fruits in bins, Cedar and Wooden Pottery & Ale in bottles.

Articles of 2d Class. Flour, Pottery in kegs, Pork, (fresh), Poultry, (dressed), Feathers.

Articles of 3d Class. Apples, Cakes, Cheese, Clover & Grass Seed, Melons, Crockery, Candles, Gunpowder, Gun and Rifles, Herring in boxes and kegs.

Articles of 4th Class. Coal, Cotton, Fish, Grain of all kinds, Nails and Spikes, Pitch, Potatoes, Rosin, Salt, Sugar, Tobacco, (leaf), Tin, Turnips, Vinegar, Window Glass.

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS. Having secured a very large stock at the lowest cash prices, we are determined to sell lower than any other house in the city.

STATIONERY DEPARTMENT. We have taken pains to get up a very large and good assortment of Stationery of all kinds.

PORTABLE PRINTING OFFICES. For the use of Merchants, Druggists, and others, who wish to do their own printing, cheaply and expeditiously.

BELL'S SPECIFIC PILLS. WARRANTED IN ALL CASES. CAN be relied on! Never fail to cure! No change of diet required!

THE COLUMBIAN AND SHOE STORE.

REMOVED to the corner of Front and Locust Streets, where is kept constantly on hand a full and complete assortment of BOOTS SHOES, GAITERS, &c.

WE MANUFACTURE TO ORDER, and keep constantly on hand, a stock of ready-made work. Repairing promptly attended to.

HATS, CAPS, STRAW GOODS, &c. A full assortment of Hats and Caps of the latest styles, always kept on hand.

THE COLUMBIA INSURANCE COMPANY, OF COLUMBIA, LANCASTER COUNTY, PA. FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT.

CHAIRS, CHAIRS. All kinds of Chairs, of any style or manufacture to order. Cane Windsor, Arm and Rocking Chairs; Settees, Camp and Counter Stools, Sofas, Tete-a-tetes, and various styles of Dressing, Plain and Fancy Bureaus, Sideboards, Sofas, Card, Dining and Centre Tables, Common, Fancy and French Bedsteads, all of which will be sold on the most reasonable terms.

GIRARD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA. Capital \$200,000. Securities \$300,000.

MANURES! MANURES!! Farmers! Please take Notice! That TASKER & CLARK'S SUPER PHOSPHATE OF LIME, one of the best FERTILIZERS now in market.

OUR MEAT AND BONE COMPOST, made from refuse Meat and Bone from the Slaughterhouse, is well adapted to promote the growth of Corn, Potatoes, Turnips, &c.

TO THE LOVERS OF THE FRAGRANT WEED. BE it known throughout the length and breadth of Columbia and vicinity, that GEORGE M. BOOTH, Locust Street, next door to the Post Office, has the finest and most varied assortment of TOBACCO AND SEGARS in the Borough of Columbia.

WANTED. EVERY ONE to know that the way to save money, is to buy your goods at the Cheap Store of Maltby & Case. A general assortment of Spring Goods just received. Columbia, Pa. MALTBY & CASE.