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For the Intelligencer. WINTER.

BY JOBIAH F. PASSMORE. The stormy, winter months have come With ice, and snow, and hail ; The fields are white, the woods are bare, In icy sleep the waters are.

Oh ! how unlike the morry May. When flowers spring up from day to day, When gentle winds make young buds shoot, And young birds sing, and farmers sport.

All nature sings in merry May, With joyance comes the gentle winds; All praise the month that brings us flowers, All praise it and its cooling showers.

Few praise the surly Winter months, With winds and clouds and drifting snow All fear that cold and chilly wind, That whistles from the dreary North

Yet, though the Winter months are cold, They are the pleasant months to me; They bring the long and pleasant eves. With time to farm my mental field. NEW PROVIDENCE, I857.

On Banks and Currency.

WASHINGTON, C. STREET, Nov. 15, 1857. To the Editors of the National Intelligencer :

GENTLEMEN : Many papers, desirous of vor of such an institution at the beginning of his presidency. I have to remind all business.

such papers that what was so said was said before Gen. Jackson saw a prospect of re-storing the currency of the Constitution, in the world; unsafe even for solid and these small notes being in the hands of the and that, after he saw that prospect, he well conducted banks, there being enough masses, when they get alarmed, they assaid nothing more in favor of Banks, National or State, but the contrary, and down of themselves every few years, and institution which issued the notes, demand labored during the remainder of his public to drag down the rest with them. The laws the money, break the banks, and propagate life to restore and preserve the hard money put few restraints or penalties upon them; the alarm which they themselves feel until currency which the founders of our Gov- and these restraints and penalties are reg- it becomes general; for nothing is more ernment had secured (as they believed) for ularly repealed just as often as the comus. The plan of that restoration and pres- munity needs the bonefit of them. It is thing more unmanageable. 5. It pillages ervation consisted of five parts, namely: by name in some places, and by fact in the poor and the ignorant; for every base 1. To revive the gold currency by correct- others, a system of "free banking," which note; every one that is counterfeit, or on ing the erroneous standard of 1791. 2. the hard-money Democracy was accustomed a broken bank, or on a bank that never To create a demand for hard money by to call "free swindling." Anybody be-existed, although it will run for a while, making it the exclusive currency of the comes banker that pleases, and issues small must stop somewhere; and, when it does, Federal Treasury. 3. To make sure of notes and sends them off to a distance to is sure to stop in the hands of the poor and this hard money by keeping it in its own be circulated and lost, and to sink upon uninformed, upon that class least able to treasuries. 4. To suppress all paper cur- the heads of the laboring people. + A fa- bear the loss, who have no advantage from rency under twenty dollars by a stamp vorite plan is to issue notes at one place banks while in operation, and who bear duty. 5. To wind up all defaulting banks | payable at another far off, out of the way, the loss when they stop. 6. It excites to by a bankrupt law against 'delinquents.

The first three of these five parts were ac-complished, and to these we are indebted That mode of doing business was invented 1857-from bank suspensions and depreci- he was in Great Britain, not in the United be sent abroad and sunk upon the hands of sovereign power, except in the United try through a foreign war-the Mexican- | British Parliament immediately took cogni- is so sunk being clear gains to the manu- an attribute of sovereignty, and was placed acuteness of the senses ?- now, say, there without paper money, and with the public

office is so general at this time in our country, and so ardent, that, in arraying a class so large, so influential, and active against the unstamped notes, their circulation would be effectually check-mated.

was still more against the bankrupt act proportionable rate of specie to the liabili- arrived, and very little gone out; so that I got my head in and was about to open against bankrupt banks than against the ties is even prescribed; and where five, three hundred millions would be the pres- the lantern, when my thumb slipped upon stamp tax on notes; and, acting with the ten, fifty, an hundred paper dollars for ent estimate of the amount of gold and the tin fastening, and the old man sprang habitual opponents of the party to which one hard one in the vault, is frequently silver in the country; being one hundred up in bed, crying out "who's there?" they professed to belong, easily defeated issued. all the bills. The open objection came

from the lawyers, with their professional unworthiness, and that one thing has been idea, drawn chiefly from British statutes, discovered-ut is dispensation of the specie subjects of the bankrupt law,\* although basis! Throughout the world, so far as Twenty millions was the whole amount at after night, hearkening to the death every late British statute on the subject in- paper money is known, a specie basis is that time, and that all in silver-not a watches in the wall. cludes banks, (the Bank of England ex- deemed necessary to an institution which particle of gold being then in circulation. sion (that of 1813-'14-'15) ninety-two of the United States. Paper upon paper the whole Union possessed at the time of was not a groan of pain or grief. Oh, no ! these banks had been subjected to commis- has become the vogue with us. Stocks, the termination of the first National Bank; it was the low, stifled sound that rises from sions of bankruptcy. But this remedy was and the notes of other banks, are the the whole supply being then but ten mil-not of English, but of Roman origin, as "sandy" foundation upon which a large lions, and that all silver. its name would show, ("bancus," and proportion of our banks are built. I do not expatiate upon the evils of small "ruptus,") and bankers were the original

objects of the law, as the same name also shows. "Broken Bench" is the English of the Latin name, and was so called betime, as now in the east) had their benches business; and when any one became delinquent, or criminal, he was driven away and his bench was broken. And thus, in its origin, bankruptoy was a process against Britain; and hence retains its original | they have given value, instead of burning name of Broken-Bench-the bench so bro-

it when rejected by a knowing one as counquoting what General Jackson said in fa- public that the banker himself was insol- it again to an ignorant person, who receives vent, and deprived of his place of doing | it, and who goes through the same process when rejected in his hands. 4. Small Banking in the United States is the

notes make the panics and bring on the of the unsolid and badly conducted to fall semble by thousands at the doors of the contagious than a monied panic, nor any-

banking in the United States, where no that time more than twelve millions have I kept on pushing it steadily, steadily.

But one thing was wanting to complete try would employ. Three hundred mil- an hour I did not move a muscle, and in the title of our banking system to utter lions is exactly fifteen times as much as the meantime I did not hear the old man the United States possessed in the time of lie down. He was still sitting up in the the late Bank of the United States .- bed listening, just as I have done night issues promises to pay specie. Not so in And it is exactly thirty times as much as knew it was the groan of mortal terror. It

Under these circumstances, (\$300,000,- a night, just at midnight, when all the 000 in gold in the country, peace and paper money; they are palpable to every prosperity throughout Europe and Amer-observer, and only require enumeration: ica, great crops and good health,) there 1. It drives away all hard money of equal was nothing in the state of the country to cause the bankers (money changers of that denominations ; for, in a competition be- justify the suspension, or anything to justify tween two currencies, the meanest is always | its continuance. The only solution of such in public places, on which they sat and did the conqueror and chases the other out of a catastrophe is the obvious one, to wit, the field. 2. It is the great source of the the failure of bad banks and the consecrime of counterfeiting; for the mass of quent run which their failure made upon the counterfeits consist of small notes. 3. the good ones. The insolvent pulled down the solvent; and the Legislatures of sev-It demoralizes the community ; for people, banks and bankers, and still is in Great not being willing to lose a note for which eral States have put all on an equality; but the solvent should repulse the association. The living body should not be tied the establishment of a National Bank, are ken being the sign and warning to the terfeit, put it back in the pocket and offer to the dead one. The solvent should recommence their payments, and make visible the broad line between the sound and the rotten, which the Legislatures have covered up; and public sentiment would then soon

up; and public sentiment would then soon death, in approaching the old man, had dispose of the latter in spite of legislative stalked with his black shadow before him, indulgence. The solvent banks can and will resume,

beyond the evil of the day; but those who that caused him to feel-although he look ahead and see new evils in the perspective, and to the legislative power whose pressure of my head within the room. duty it is to provide against evils before they happen, something more will be seen to be necessary. A recurrence of such down, I resolved to open a little, a very, calamities, in the view of all such, should

be guarded against, and can effectually be done by two acts of Federal legislation-a stamp-duty on paper currency, and a bank-rupt law against bankrupt banks. There is not a monarch in Europe who

would treat his subjects, or suffer them to be treated, as the people of the United States are treated by the base part of their own banks, and the indulgent Legislatures and difficult to be got at, so as to com- swindling; for knaves, with nothing but which legalize their violations of law, prombrass for their capital, and that in their | ises and contracts. The issue of currency faces instead of their coffers, are induced and its regulation is an attribute of soverfor twenty years exemption—from 1837 to by a Scotchman of Aberdeen in 1806; but to set up manufactories of small paper, to eignty, and everywhere is exercised by the instinct, precisely upon the damned spot. ated currency; also, for carrying the coun- States; and the British Ministry and the those among whom it is scattered; all that States. Here, also, it was intended to be you mistaken for madness is but over

violating the act, either by issuing, receiv- | But in Great Britain it is not sufficient that the United States, since the correc- deeds or thoughts. I fairly chuckled at cheerily, they chatted of familiar things. ing, or passing the unstamped paper, should | this proportion of one-third is required to tion of the gold standard twenty-three the ides. And perhaps the old man heard | But, ere long, I felt myself getting pale, be a disqualification to retain or receive a be on hand, but it must be shown, and that years ago, have received a supply of gold me, for he moved in the bed suddenly, as and wished them gone. My head ached received a supply of gold me, for he moved in the bed suddenly, as and wished them gone. My head ached received a supply of gold me, for he moved in the bed suddenly, as and wished them gone. My head ached ached received a supply of gold me, for he moved in the bed suddenly, as and wished them gone. My head ached ached received a supply of gold me, for he moved in the bed suddenly, as and wished them gone. My head ached ached ached a supply of gold me, for he pursuit of continually, that it is there.\* This is ac- to four or five times the amount which the if startled. Now you may think that I and I fancied a ringing in my ears; but complished by the publication of the quar- business operations of the people could drew back-but no. His room was as still they sat and still chatted. The ringterly weekly average of the liabilities and employ. Of that amount the leading banks black as pitch with the thick darkness, (for ing became more distinct; I talked more assets of the bank, from which the public estimated two hundred and ninety millions, the shutters were close fastened, through freely to get rid of the feeling; but it can always see when the bank has crossed to be remaining in the country at the com- fear of robbers,) and so I knew that he continued and gained definiteness, until at the line of safety. How different this from mencement of the present panic; and since could not see the opening of the door, and length I found that the noise was not within my ears.

No doubt I now grew very pale, but I talked more fluently, and with a brightened whice. Yet the sound increased, and what could I do ? It was a low, dull, quick sound-much such a sound as a watch makes when enveloped in cotton. I gasped

for breath, and yet the officers heard it not. I talked more quickly, more vehemently, but the noise steadily increased. I arose and argued about trifles, in a high key, and with violent gesticulations, but the noise

Presently I heard a slight groan and I steadily increased. Why would they not be gone ? I paced the floor to and fro with heavy strides, as if excited to fury by the observations of the men ; but the noise

world slept, it has swelled up from my own granted it upon the boards, but the noise arose above all and continually increased. bosom, deepening with its dreadful echo the terrors that distracted me. I say I It grew louder-louder ! And knew it well. I knew what the old man still the men chatted pleasantly and smiled. awake ever since the first slight noise, pected--they knew. They were making a when he had turned in the bed. His fears mockery of my horror. This I thought and this I think. But any thing better had been ever since growing upon him .---He had been trying to fancy them cause-than this agony. Any thing was more less, but could not. He had been saying tolerable than this derision. I could bear less, but could not. He had been saying those hypocritical smiles no longer. I felt to himself, "It is nothing but the wind in that I must soream or die. And nowthe chimney; it is only a mouse crossing again-hark! louder! louder! louder! the floor;" or "it is merely a cricket which Villains." I shrieked, "dissemble no has made a single chirp." more ! I admit the deed; tear up the

Yes, he had been trying to comfort himelf with these suppositions, but he had planks; here! here !--- it is the beating of found all in vain. All in vain, because his hidedous heart !"

and the shadow had now reached and en-DR. JOHN M'CALLA, DENTIST .-- Offic. No. 4 East King street, Lancaster, Pa. apr 18 tf 13 veloped the victim. And it was the mournand that will satisfy those who do not look | ful influence of the unperceived shadow REMOVAL .-- WILLIAM S. ANWEG Attorney at Law, has removed his office from his R Attorney at Law, has removed his office from hi former place into South Duke street, nearly opposite th Trinity Lutheran Church. neither saw nor heard me-to feel the apr 8 tf 12 **CAMUEL H. REYNOLDS, Attorney a** Claw. Office, No. 14 North Duke streat

When I had waited a long time, very patiently, without hearing the old man lie DR. S. WELCHENS, SURGEON DEN. very little crevice in the lantern. So I D TIST.—Office, Kramph's Buildings, second floor, North East corner of North Queen and Orange streets, Lancas ter, Pa. jan 20 tf 1 opened it-you cannot imagine how stealthily, stealthily-until at length a single dim ray, like the thread of the spider, shot from out of the crevice and fell upon the

vulture eye. It was open, wide, wide open, and I grew furious as I gazed upon it. I saw it with perfect distinctness-all a dull blue with hideous veil over it that chilled the very marrow in my bones; but I could see nothing else of the old man's face or person, for I had directed the ray, as if by And now-have I not told you that what

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the country at this time full fifteen times swindlers, and so put an end to their as much hard money as we had in the time operations. No stamp duty, no bankrupt of the late Bank of the United States ; act, and no requisition to keep any proporand we are indebted to the want of tionate amount of hard money on frauds from the beginning, and the bad banking. governing the good ; a general suspension

n a season of peace and prosperity; people are forced to use depreciated paper tionate to their liabilities, seems to be unwhen there is more hard money in the country than its business could employ; yet that requisite is a legal and fundamenmen and women begging for work, and unable to obtain it, when the country needs the proportion of one-third in gold of all they can do, and has the means to pay the total amount of its liabilities in circufor it; families crying for bread, when a lation and deposits is the rate enforced : bountiful Providence has given the most and below that proportion the Bank of exuberant crops that were ever seen ; the England does not deem itself safe. Thus business of twenty five millions of people deranged, disordered, and thrown out of ioint; and all this the work of the base thorpe's committee, in 1832 : "The averpart of the banks, falling down of them- age proportion, as already observed, of selves for want of foundations, and drag- coin and bullion which the bank deems it ging the solid ones after them. For it is prudent to keep on hand, is at the rate of in this case of bank suspensions as it is with a ship sinking at sea, where those who bilitres, including deposits as well as cannot swim drag down those who can. -- issues." A stamp duty on their notes, and a bank- Ward Norman, a director of the Bank rupt process against themselves, would ... For a full state of the circulation and have saved the country from the calamities deposits, say twenty-one millions of notes it now endures; for many of the base order and six millions of deposits, making in of banks would have been unable to "make the whole twenty-seven millions of liabilifor want of money to pay for ties, the proper sum in coin and bullion for currency' stamps on their notes, and others would the bank to retain is nine millions." And have been proper subjects for the bankrupt to the same effect swore other directors.process in the first few days of their exis-

tance. The restoration of the gold currency was effected under General Jackson's Administration ; the establishment of the hardmoney currency for the Federal Government and the keeping of its own money in ment and the keeping of its own money in its own treasuries, was accomplished under Mr. Van Buren, both of which Presidents the full recomplishing for a command. That preamble says: "Whereas divers and sundry Mr. Van Buren, both of which Presidents took the full responsibility of recommend-ing these three measures, and also the two others---the two for the imposition of a stamp duty on all paper money under twenty dollars, and for a bankrupt act against defaulting banks. Bills were re-peatedly brought into Congress for both defection of the paper-money wing of Democratic party. The most plausible of the open objecttook the full responsibility of recommend-Democratic party. The most plausible of the open objec-

tions made against the stamp duty was in the expense, and the extensive machinery for its collection. That was answered by providing a cheap and simple process for both purposes-a clerk in the Treasury Department for a superintendent of the business, and the clerks of the Federal courts to deliver out the stamps which they received from the treasury. The amount of the duty, and whether it should apply to all notes or only to those intended to be suppressed, were questions on which there was room for some diversity of opinion. \_\_\_\_\_ for it. "They have issued \$17,000 in bills and had circu-The pre-dominant opinion was that there tared the duty upon all notes issued as a "Five thousand dollars in bills were taken by a "Five thousand dollars in bills were taken by a should be duty upon all notes issued as a currency, (for what more fit to be taxed than the moneyed power?) the duty being the same on all notes, and such as the large ones could easily carry and the small ones not. The amount of the duty was held necessary to be large—far greater than.in Great Britain; for there no note is re-issued; no one goes out of the bank a second time, so that the duty in England is paid every time the bank puts out a note. Not so in the United States. Here a note is re-issued until it is worn out; until thas become too ragged to hold together, or has become too ragged to hold together, or that the Lecompton bank, without a dollar in hard money, obtained its certificate from the Governor too filthy to be handled, or too defaced to this summer past in this wise: It borrowed \$2,000,

zance of the inventor and his imitators, facturer. 7. It induces and even compels in the hands of Congress, and limited to came to my ears a low, dull, quick sound and placed them all in the category of people to be wasteful of their money; for the issue of gold and silver, and the regusecurities above par; also, for having in and placed them all in the category of people to be wasteful of their money; for hand the two latter parts of the plan for completes the license and unbounded free-what we now see: nearly two thousand dom, and the perfect title to periodical banks in the country, a great part of them explosions, which belong to American added to, until enough accumulated to make

This last requisition, that of keeping on hand an amount of hard money proporknown (even in name) in the United States tal condition of the Bank of England; and swore Mr. Horsley Palmer, Governor of the Bank of England, before Lord Ala third of the total amount of all her lia-And thus swore Mr. George

\*The American lawyer soldom looks beyond the statute of Elizabeth, which was the first to confine the bankrupt process to merchants and traders; if they would look a little further back—look into the reign of that Queen's father—they would find a stat-ute sufficiently comprehensive to include others be-sides merchants and traders; and the preamble to which is an accurate description of many of those

"The obstant of New York and State and State and State and and State and and State and of the Granite Bank of Voluntown appeared in the market. The bank commissioners were in this city at the time, and though having their hands full of business in various parts of the State, they repaired at once to Voluntown. There a vory richissene was opened to them. They found, we understand, the following state of affairs: "The managers of the bank, on or about the 1st instant, procured (i. e. borrowed for the docasion) a package of bills or a package of something which they called \$30,000. This was the paid in capital of the bank, and upon this they commenced business, though on Saturday last they sent this same package back to New York, as they claim, to produce specie for it.

be deciphered. A small duty is, therefore, sufficient in Great Britain; it would require a very heavy one to be its equivalent in the United States. Among the penalties for Girculation

a purchase of something needed and useful. | be false to ourselves and to them ?

8. It subjects the payer to be cheated or worsted in change; for, giving paper in payment, he must receive the change in other paper, and for this purpose, the meanest, most ragged, dirty, and worthless will always be picked out and shoved upon him. In short, such are the evils, the crimes, the demoralization, and cheating of small paper money, that all nations, except the United States, place it in the category of a criminal agent, and suppress it accordingly. Twenty-odd years ago, when we were aboring to restore the constitutional cur-

rency to the Government and the people, the ready objection, repeated by all the friends of paper money, was, that there was not gold and silver in the world to carry on the business of the United States and the ready answer to that objection was, that there was precisely enough! and that exactly enough would come to the United loved the old man. He had never wronged States if we would only create a demand for it by correcting the gold standard, his gold I had no desire. I think it was make it the Government currency, and sup- his eye-yes, it was this! He had the eye pressing small paper. Only a part of these of a vulture—a pale blue eye with a film things have been done, and there have over it. Whenever it fell upon me my flowed into the United States, or been obtained from our own mines, about four or five times as much gold as the business of

the United States could employ. The sup- the eye forever. oly has been nearly a thousand millions of ollars, and the business of the United States would only employ about two hundred millions. This is not guess work, seen how wisely I proceeded! with what but bottomed upon authentic data; for the statistics of political economy show that dissimulation I went to work ! I was never nations can only use certain amounts of kinder to the old man than during the money, some more, some less, according to whole week before I killed him. And every their pursuits. Thus, a highly manufacturing country, where the employer needs of his door and opened it-oh, so gently money incessantly to carry on his business And then, when I had made an opening in the purchase of raw materials, and the payment of operatives, and in the con- lantern, all closed, so that no light shone struction or repair of buildings and ma- out, and then I thrust in my head. Oh, chinery, and where the operatives them- you would have laughed to see how cunselves need money daily for the support of their families, the quantity of money re- very slowly-so that I might not disturb quired is far greater than in an agricultural and planting country, where the farmer raises his own supplies, and has his head within the opening so far that I could crops and produce to pay large demands. see the old man as he lay upon his bed.-And therefore England, the foremost manufacturing country, requires the greatest amount of money; and has it, to wit: about eleven dollars a head ; and Russia, so largely agricultural, requires the least amount of money, and can employ but about four dollars a head. So the United States, in small part manufacturing and largely agricultural and planting, would find her maximum demand for money somewhere half way between the two-say, eight dollars a head ; which, at the present amount of the white population, (say twentyfive millions,) would give two hundred millions as the national demand; always remembering that the great payments are made with crops and bills of exchange founded on the proceeds of industry. And thus it becomes a proposition demonstrated

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such is the natural, honest and just con- lation of its value. For our present govtempt and distrust of small notes, that he ernment was formed by hard-money men, or she that receives one, hurries off to lay who had seen and felt the disastrous and it out for something not needed, while a demoralizing effect of paper money, and piece of gold of the same amount would be were anxious to save their posterity from valued and cherished, and laid by and such calamities as they had suffered .-They did their part to save us. Shall we

Respectfully, THOMAS H. BENTON. The Tell-Tale Heart.

BY EDGAR A POE.

## Art is long and Time is fleating, And our hearts, though stout and brave, Still, like muffled drums, are beating Funeral marches to the grave.—Longfellow. True !---nervous---very, very dreadfully

nervous I had been, and am; but why will you say that I am mad ? The disease had sharpened my senses; not destroyed, not dulled them. Above all was the sense of hearing acute. I heard all things in the heaven and in the earth. I heard many things in hell. How, then, am I mad ?-Hearken! and observe how healthily, how calmly, I can tell you the whole story. It is impossible to say how first the idea entered my brain; but, once conceived, it haunted me day and night. Object there was none. Passion there was none. me. He had never given me insult. For blood ran cold; and so, by degrees, very gradually-I made up my mind to take the life of the old man, and thus rid myself of

Now this is the point. You fancy me mad. Madmen know nothing. But you should have seen me. You should have caution-with what foresight-with what night, about midnight, I turned the latch sufficient for my head, I first put in a dark ningly I thrust it in. I moved it slowly, the old man's sleep.

It took me an hour to place my whole Ha! would a madman have been so wise as this? And then, when my head was well in the room. I undid the lantern cautiously !--- for the hinges creaked. I undid it just so much that a single thin ray fell upon the vulture eye. And this I did, for seven long nights-every night just at midnight--but I found the eye always closed; and so it was impossible to do the work; for it was not the old man who vexed me, but his Evil Eye. And every morning, when the day broke, I went boldly into his chamber and spoke courageously to him, calling him by name in a hearty tone, and inquiring how he had passed the night. So you see he would have been a very profound old man, indeed, to suspect that every night, just at 12, I looked in upon him while he slept.

Upon the eighth night I was more than \*Every three months you may see in the leading London newspapers a notice in about these words: "Quarterly average of the weekly liabilities and assets of the Bank of England, from the 12th day of becomber, 1847, to the 6th of March 1848, both in-clusive, published pursuant to the act 3d of William IV., cap 98: LIABILITIES. ASSETTS. Control of the second of the s sagacity. I could scarcely contain my £22,792,000 feelings of triumph. To think that there

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when enveloped in cotton, I knew that sound well, too. It was the beating of the old man's heart. It increased my fury, as the beating of a drum stimulates the R. J. T. BAKER, Homœopathic Physoldier into courage. D sician, successor to Dr. McAllister. Office 19 E. Orange st., nearly opposite the First Ger-uan Reformed Church. Lancaster, April 17 (tf-13)

But even yet I refrained and kept still ; I scarcely breathed, I held the lantern motionless. I tried how steadily I could maintain the ray upon the eye. Meantime the hellish tattoo of the heart increased. It grew quicker and louder every instant. The old man's terror must have been extreme! It grew louder, I say, louder every moment! Do you mark me well ? I have told you that I am nervous-so I am. And now, at the dead hour of the night, and amid the dreadful silence of that house, so strange a noise as this excited me to uncontrollable wrath. Yet for some minutes longer, I refrained and kept still. But the beating grew louder, louder. I thought the heart must burst!

And now a new anxiety seized me. the sound would be heard by a neighbor. His last hour had come ! With a loud yell I threw open the lantern and leaped into COACH MAKING.--The subsoriber re-spectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he still carries on the COACH MAKING, in all its various branches, at his shop, in the aliey run-ning east from the Court House, rear of Sprecher's and Lechler's Hotels, Lancaster, where he continues to make to order, and at the lowest possible prices, CARRIAGES of every description, of the best materials and in the most substantial manner. B<sup>2</sup> All new work warranted. Repairing also attended to with dispatch. He respect-fully solicits a share of public patronage. my 51 y 16 WILLIAM COX. CARTES' UNION HOTEL.--NO. 2000 Market street, above 6th street, Philadelphia, Pa.the room. He shrieked once-only once. In an instant I dragged him to the floor and pulled the heavy bed over him. I then sat upon the bed and smiled gaily to find the deed so far done. But for many minutes the heart beat on with a muffled sound. This, however, did not vex me; it would not be heard through the walls. At length it ceased. The old man was **TATES' UNION HOTEL...NO. 200** Market street, above oth street, Philadelphia, Pa.-The undersigned, late of the American House, Columbia, Penna., takes pleasure in informing his friends, and the public generally, that be has taken the above well-known and popular HOUSE, (long known as the Red Lion Hotel), which he has filled up with entiroly New Furniture and Bedding of a superior quality. The house has also been renovated and impro-red in a manner which will compare favorably with any of the Hotels in the City, and cannot fail to give satisfac-tion to those who may patronize this establishment. The TABLE will always be supplied with the choicest Provision the market affords; and the Bar with the PU-REST AND BEST LIQUORS. Nothing shall be left undone to make his Guestis comfortable, and he flatters himself that by strict attention to business, he will merit and re-ceiva a liberal share of public patronage. May 22 tota dead. I removed the bed and examined the corpse. Yes, he was stone, stone dead. placed my hand upon the heart and held there many minutes. There was no pulsation. The old man was stone dead. His eye would trouble me no more.

If you still think me mad you will think so no longer when I described the precautions I took for the concealment of the body. The night waned, and I worked hastily, but in silence. First of all I dismembered the corpse. I cut off the head, arms and legs. I then took up three planks from the flooring of the chamber, and deposited all between the scantlines. I then replaced the boards so cleverly, so cunningly, that no human eye-not even his-could have detected anything wrong. There was nothing to wash out -- no stain of any kind-no blood spots whatever. I had been too weary for that. A tub had caught all-ha! ha '

When I had made an end of these labors was four o'clock, still dark as midnight. As the bell sounded the hour there came a knocking at the street door. I went down to open it with a light heart ; for what had I now to fear ? There entered three men. who introduced themselves with perfect suavity as officers of the police. A shriek had been heard by a neighbor during the night; suspicion of foul play had been aroused; information had been lodged at the police office, and they (the officers) had been deputed to search the premises. I smiled, for what had I to fear. I bade

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