MINERS' JOURNAL,

AND POTTSVILLE GENERAL ADVERTISER.

"I WILL TEACH YOU TO PIERCE THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH, AND BRING OUT FROM THE CAVERNS OF MOUNTAINS, METALS WHICH WILL GIVE STRENGTH TO OUR HANDS AND SUBJECT ALL NATURE TO OUR USE AND PLEASURE —DR. JOHNSON.

WEEKLY BY BENJAMIN BANNAN, AGENT FOR THE PROPRIETOR, POTTSVILLE, SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, PA.

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MEDICINES.

DR. STEELLING'S PULMONARY SYRUP,

The Great Panacea for Consumption ! ! !

ALSO Asthma, Influenza, Hooping Cough, Croup, Scarlet Fever, Measles, difficulty of Breathing, Bronchitis, Spitting of Blood, Pains in the Breast, and ll other diseases of the Lungs.

CONFIRMED.

Extraordinary cure of Asthma, by Steelling's Pulmonary Syrup, attested to by Capt. Samuel R. Burnell, merchant of Potter's Creek, Monmouth County, New Jersey, the father of the unfortunate young sufferer.

POTTERS CREEK, June 6th, 1844.

DR. STEELING—Dear Sir:—I have the pleasure of being able to state that my daughter, who had been suffering under severe Asthma for 5 or 6 years, has been entirely cured of that painful disease, by the use of six bottles of your Pulmonary Syrup. She was when first attacked with that complaint, only nine years of age, and suffered with it beyond all description, for the period of near six years, having an attack about every three or four weeks. It was to all appearance, confirmed and immovable—we tried many medicines without any relief whatever. About this time, we heard of the superior efficacy of your Pulmonary Syrup and determined to give it a trial—we procured a dozen bottles of it; the first bottle relieved her very much, and by the time she had taken six bottles, she was perfectly cured!!! It is now three three years since then, and she has not had the slightest attack of the Asthma. She suffered so much when laboring under those attacks that we could hear her breath distinctly over the whole house—she was frequently near suffocating, and we thadquite despaired of her recovery.

I give you the above statement of facts, that others who may be afflicted with this awful disease, may make use of the same means, and we feel assured that with the blessing of Providence, they will find permanent relief. Yours respectfully,

SAMUEL R. BUNNELL.

A loud voice from Philadelphia ! ! !

Read the following strong testimony in favour of Steelling's Pulmonary Syrup, given by the Rev. V. O' Longlass, Pastor of the Mariner's Church, Philadelphia:

PHILADA., July 10th, 1844.

Dr. Steelling—Sir:—I feel much gratified in being able to say to you, that the Pulmonary Syrup you sent, has been used by several persons with great success.—The first person who took it, had been confined to her bed for some time with a severe cough—after taking *only one bottle*, she was almost entirely cured. A Sailor was greatly distressed with a cough, and could not find nothing to relieve him—He took one bottle and called to say that he was *entirely cured ! ! !*—A member of my Church, was taken with the prevailing influenza—He took six of your Antibilious Pills, and a bottle of Syrup, and felt almost entirely restored to his wanted health. While at Woodstown, N. J., a short time since I found Mrs. S. W., labouring under a *severe cough*, and scarcely able to sit up through the day—I felt confident that the Syrup would relieve her; accordingly I sent her a bottle—within a few days, I heard that she was greatly benefited, and in a fair way of a speedy recovery. I an truly say, that almost every one that has taken it, a been more or less benefited, and I can cordially recommend it to all who are in any way afflicted with cough. Yours &c.,

O. DOUGLASS.

The following is from a distinguished Councellor at Law in Bridgton, N. J.

BRIDGTON, December 8, 1841.

Dr. Wm. Steelling—Sir:—It gives me pleasure to have it in my power to bear testimony to your invaluable Pulmonary Syrup. For several years when any one of my family, has been afflicted with a Cough, Hoarseness, Asthma, Influenza &c., &c., we have used it with very beneficial effects—It has invariably afforded relief. In October last, I was attacked in the night, with a confined paroxism of coughing—a dose of the Syrup immediately stopped the cough, and before I had finished the bottle, I found myself completely cured. The cause of philanthropy, most certainly gives you a debt of gratitude, for the acquisition of a medical compound skillfully prepared, pleasant to the taste, containing so many excellent properties, and placed accessable to all, rich and poor, by its reduced prices.

Your Obedient Servant,

ISAAC WATTS CRANE.

Disinterested Testimony ! ! !

Extract of a letter received from the Rev. Wm. Heilig, Pastor of the Lutheran Church, Abbottstown, Pa.

ABBOTTSTOWN, Jan., 10 1842.

Dr. Wm Steelling—Sir:—I take pleasure in informing you that I have been much benefited by the use of your PULMONARY SYRUP—my throat which has been sore, for better than two years, and which was considerably inflamed, when I saw you last, has been greatly relieved—I think by using a few more bottles, a radical cure may be effected—I can therefore recommend it to all who are similarly afflicted

Yours Affectionately, WM. HEILIG.

Samuel Sears, Post Master at Evesham N. J, who is upwards of seventy years of age, was cured of a severe Influenza and relapse by a few bottles of my Pulmonary Syrup.

Samuel Small, of Pemberton, N. J, states that his wife who was nigh unto suffocation with a cough, was restored to sound health by the free use of my Pulmonary Syrup.

The wife of Reuben Mapes, Crowwicks, N. J was entirely cured of a cough of near THREE YEARS standing by my Pulmonary Syrup.

Elizabeth Dubois, of Phila. who was subject to a cough of three years standing, also spitting of blood and who could get no relief from the many medicines she had used, was relieved by one bottle of my Pulmonary Syrup.

Rev. W. A. Roy, Baptist clergyman, Imlaystown, N. J, states that Mrs. Fanny Embley, aged upwards of seventy, had been afflicted for several years with a most distressing and alarming Cough and had used many medicines with little relief, his been almost entirely cured by three bottles of your Pulmonary Syrup—she thinks another bottle will be effectual.

Rev. O. Douglass, Pastor of the Mariner's Church, Philada, gave a bottle of my Pulmonary Syrup to a lady who was confined to her bed with a Cough, after taking which she was almost entirely relieved. He also gave a bottle to a sailor who was greatly distressed with a cough, and could find nothing to relieve him—after taking which he called to say that it perfectly cured him. Mr. Douglass, moreover says that a member of his church who was labouring under severe Influenza was cured immediately by six of my Antibilious Pills and a bottle of my Pulmonary Syrup; also that while on a visit to Woodstown, N J recently, Mrs S.W. of that village, was scarcely able to sit up through the day, from a severe Cold, he sent her a bottle of my Pulmonary Syrup, which gave her immediate relief.

For sale in Pottsville, by JOHN S. C. MARTIN.

July 13 22—

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills

OF THE NORTH AMERICAN COLLEGE

of Health.

NO MEDICINE has ever been introduced to the American Public, whose virtues have been more cheerfully and universally acknowleged, than the above named

WRIGHT'S INDIAN VEGETABLE PILLS.

To descant upon their merits, at this late day, would seem to be wholly unnecessary, as very few indeed who read this article, will be found unacquainted with the real excellence of the medicine. But if further proof were wanting to establish the credit of this singular remedy, it might be found in the fact that no medicine in the country has been so

SHAMELESSLY COUNTERFEITED.

Ignorant and unprincipled men have at various places, manufactured a spurious pill; and, in order more completely to deceive the public have made it in outward appearance to resemble the true medicine. These wicked people could never pass off their worthless trash, but for the assistance of certain misguided storekeepers, who because they can purchase the spurious article at a reduced rate, lend themselves to this monstrous system of imposition and crime.

The patrons of the above excellent Pills, will therefore be on their guard against every kind of imposition, and remember the only genuine Agents in Pottsville, are Messrs. T. & J. Beatty.

The following highly respectable store keepers have been appointed Agents for the sale of WRIGHT'S INDIAN VEGETABLE PILLS, FOR

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY,

and of whom it is confidently believed the genuine medicine can with certainty be obtained:

T. & J. Beatty, Pottsville.
Bickel & Hill, Orwigsburg.
Aron Mattis, Mahantango.
J. Weist, Klingerstown.
Jacob Kauffman, Lower Mahantango.
Jonas Kauffman, do
John Snyder, Friedensburg.
Featheroff, Drey &co. Tuscarora.
William Tacert, Tamaqua.
John Mauger, Upper Mahantango.
M. Ferrider, West Penn Township.
Caleb Wheeler, Pinegrove.
P. Schuyler, &co. East Brunswick Township.
C. H. DeForest, Llewellyn.
E. O. & J. Kauffman, Zimmermantown.
Bennett & Taylor, Minersville.
George Reifsnyder, New Castle.
Henry Koch & Son, McKeansburg.
Abraham Heebner, Port Carbon.
John Mertz, Middleport.
Samuel Boyer, Port Clinton.
Shoemaker & Kauffman, Schuylkill Haven.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS.

The only security against imposition is to purchase from the regular advertised agents, and in all cases be particular to ask for Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills.

Office devoted exclusively to the sale of the medicine, wholesale and reatil, No. 169 Race street, Philadelphia.

☞ Remember, none are genuine except Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills.

WILLIAM WRIGHT

Feb. 21, 8—

NEW DRUG STORE.

E. B. EICHHOLTZ, & CO., respectfully informs the citizens of Pottsville, and Schuylkill county generally, that they have opened, (in the store formerly occupied by Mr. Slater,) a general assortment of

Drugs,	*Medicines,*
Chemicals,	*Paints,*
Oils,	*Dyes,*
Varnishes,	*Putty,*
Glass,	*Spices,*
Patent Medicines, &c., &c.	

And solicits a share of public patronage, confidently assuring the public, that every article in their line, shall be of the first quality, and purely genuine.

Having served a regular apprenticeship to the business in Philadelphia, those who favour them with call can rest satisfied that they will guard strictly against all mistakes, and have there medicines put up with the greatest care and nicety.

Physicians' prescriptions attended to with particuar care at all hours. Country Physcians and Storekeepers, supplied at a small advance on city prices.

December 3, 49—ly.

JOHN HERDMAN'S OLD ESTABLISHED EMIGRANT PASSAGE OFFICE, NEW YORK.

PERSONS wishing to send for their friends from any part of the Old Country, can have them brought out on very accommodating terms, by applying to the subscriber, Their embarcation at Liverpool, will be superintended by a person especially appointed for that purpose, which will prelude delay in Liverpool. The following magnificent Ships, comprise the united Liverpool and New York line, one of which will sail every five days.

Patrick Henry,	Independence,	Ashburton,
John K. Skidder,	Virginia,	New York,
Stephen Whitney,	United States,	England,
Montezuma	amuel Hicks,	Yorkshire,
Hottengeur,	Liverpool,	Oxford,
Queen of the West,	Rochester,	Rosrius,
Siddons,	Sheridan,	Garrick,
Europe,	Columbus,	Cambridge,

Drafts for any amount, payable in any part of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, without discount.—Apply to WM. B. HULL, Agent for JOHN HERDMAN.

Port Carbon, Jan. 19 3—

SPLENDID BIBLE.

HARPER' *ILLUMINATED AND NEW PICTORIAL BIBLE.* To be completed in 50 numbers, at 25 cts. per number.

This great and Magnificent Work will be embellished with Sixteen Hundred Historical Engravings, exclusive of an initial letter to each chapter, by J. A. Adams, more than fourteen hundred of which are from original designs, by J. G. Chapman. It will be printed from the standard copy of the American Bible Society, and contain Marginal References, the Apocrypha, a Concordance, Chronological Table, List of proper Names, General Index, Table of Weights, Measures, &c. The large Frontispieces, Titles to the Old and New Testaments, Family Record, Presentation Plate, Historical Illustrations, and Initial Letters to the Chapters, Ornamental Borders, &c., will be from original designs, made expressly for this edition, by J. G. Chapman Esq., of New York; in addition to which there will be numerous large engravings from designs by distinguished modern artists in France and England—to which a fulindex will be given in the last number.

☞ The great superiority of early proof impressions from the Engravings, will insure to those who give their names at once, the possession of it in the HIGHEST STATE OF PERFECTION. To be completed in about 50 numbers, at 25 cts each.

☞ The subscriber has been appointed Agent, for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to this Bible, in Schuylkill County, where a specimen copy of the Work can be seen.

B. BANNAN

January 6, 1—

CHOICE PERFUMERY.

THE subscriber has just received a supply of the choicest kinds of Perfumery, embracing a general assortment of the best quality—inferior articles are not kept. Among the variety, is the following

Bouq.de Caroline,	}	Treble Extracts
Vervaine,		
Jasmin,	}	For
Geranium		
Patchouly		Handkerchiefs.

Farina Cologne, Lavender, Rose, Florida and Honey Water, double and treble extracts.
Otto of Rose Scent Bottles.
Scent Bags.
Genuine Bear's Oil.
Roussell's Pommade Philocome, or Beef's Marrow
Glenn's India Hair Oil.
Roussell's India Hair Dye.
Michaux's Freckle Wash.
Glenn's Roman Kalydor.
Macassar Oil.
Rose lip Salve.
Cold Cream an excellent article.
Toilet Powder and Boxes.
Vinaigre de Rouge.
Roussell's celebrated Emollient Saponaceous Company, adapted to whitening and softening the skin
Orr's Teeth Wash.
Glenn's Saponaceous compound for Shaving.
Roussell's suriva led Shaving Cream.
Old Brown Windsor Soap.
Roussell's celebrated Almond Soap.
Otto of Rose, Orange, Lemon, Musk, and a variety of other Soaps.
Clothes, Hair, Whisker, Teeth nd Nail Brushes.

All of which will be sold at Philadelphia prices by B. BANNAN, Ag't.

Dec. 14, 40—

NEW CASH DRY GOOD, FANCY AND TRIMMING STORE

IN THE ROOM FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY MRS. PHILLIPS IN CENTRE STREET.

The subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Pottsville and the public in general, that he has just opened a fresh assortment of the newest styles of goods, consisting of

Silks, Lawns, Alpacas, and Balzarines.

with a variety of fancy goods. Also, a new and splendid style of

Prints, Silk, Thibet Alpaca and other shawls, Blue, and Black Cloths of a superior quality.

He has also on hand,

Sewing Silk, Spool and Patent Thread of the best quality, Gloves and Hosiery, Straw Leghorn, Gimp, Braid and other styles of Fancy Bonnets, by the case, doz. or single Bonnet, Men's and Boy's Leghorn als,

All of which will be sold at the lowest cash prices.

Apl. 20 16 1y JOSEPH MORGAN.

IMPORTANT INVENTION.

SUPERIOR WASHING MACHINE.

THE undersigned having become the owner and proprietor of Mr. John Shugert's newly invented Patent Washing Machine, for the county of Schuylkill and is now making the machines at his shop, in Pottsville, where he has a supply on hand for inspection and sale, at the very moderate price of seven dollars.

This machine for cheapness, efficacy and perfection in any respect, is without exception the greatest invention in the known World. It is the only washing machine among the many thousands that have been pronounced PERFECT. It washes without rubbing or scrubbing, tearing or wearing, pressing or squeezing knocks off buttons, does all the finery work of clean sing Hems, Tucks, Frills, &c., in a few minutes; an washes clean all coats, vests, pantaloons, shirts an bed clothing of the dirtiest kind, with less than one tenth part of soap necessary in the ordinary way of washing. A girl of twelve years old can wash more in two hours, than two women in a whole day by hand.

ISAAC SEVERN.

Pottsville, August 3 31—

Dr. BECKER'S EYE SALVE

A fresh supply of Dr. Becker's Eye Salve, a sur remedy for sore and inflamed eyes, just receive and for sale at MARTIN'S Drug Store.

August 17 33

New Shovel Factory.

THE subscriber respectfully calls the attention of our Merchants and others, to his supply of

SHOVELS and HOES,

manufactured at his new Establishment, in New York which are equal in quality, if not superior to those obtained from abroad. His prices will be as low, as an article equal in quality, can be obtained elsewhere, He therefore solicts the patronage of the friends of Home Industry.

☞ Messrs. Clemens & Parvin, are Agents for the sale of my Shovels in Pottsville and vicinity, who will execute all orders left at their Hardware Store:

JOSEPH ALLEN.

New York, Aug. 3. 14—

WILLIAM MURRHEID, MERCHANT'S HOTEL, 41 Courtlandt Street, NEW YORK.

August 24th 24—

Iron! Iron!!

JUST received at the York Store a large and general assortment of Rolled, square, flat, and Round Bar Iron of all sizes. also Hammered square iron from 1 inch to 2¼, rail road tongues, Sledges and Hammers, Crow bars, Slit rods for horse shoes, Juniata nail rods, Band Iron, &c., &c., also Spikes and Nails, in their variety. EDWARD YARDLEY.

Jan. 4, 1845. 1-

Graydon's Forms,

A NEW edition, revised and corrected, and adapted to the present practice. Price $4 50, just published and for sale by

Jan. 4, 1845. B. BANNAN, Ag't.

FIRE INSURANCE.

INDEMNITY AGAINST LOSS BY FIRE

The Franklin Insurance Co.,

OF PHILADELPHIA,

Capital $400,000, Paid in

Charter Perpetual,

CONTINUE to make Insurance, permanent and limited, on every description of property, in town and country on the usual favorable terms. Office 163½ Chestnut Street near fifth Street.

CHARLES N. BANCKER, President.

DIRECTORS,

Charles N. Bancker,	*Samuel Grant,*
James Scott,	*Frederick Brown,*
Thomas Hart,	*Jacob R. Smith,*
Thomas S. Wharton,	*Geo. W. Richards,*
Tobias Wagner,	*Mordecai D. Lewis.*

CHARLES G. BANCKER, Sec'y.

The subscriber has been appointed agent for the above mentioned institution, and is now prepared to make insurance, on every description of property, at the lowest rates.

ANDREW RSSUEL.

Pottsville, June 19, 1841, 25—1y

OFFICE OF THE

Spring Garden Mutual Insurance Company.

THIS Company having organized according to the provisions of its charter, is now prepared to make Insurances against loss by Fire on the mutual principle, combined with the security of a joint stock capital. The advantage of this system is, that efficient security is afforded at the lowest rates that the business can be done for, as the whole profits (less an interest not to exceed 6 per cent. per annum on the capital) will be returned to the members of the institution, without their becoming responsible for any of the engagements or liabilities of the Company, further than the premiums actually paid.

The great success which this system has met with wherever it has been introduced, induces the Directors to request the attention of the public to it, confident that, requires but to be understood to be appreciated.

The act of Incorporation, and any explanation in regard to it, may be obtained by applying at the *Office Northeast corner of 6th and Wood sts., or of* B. BANNAN, Pottsville.

LAWRENCE SHUSTER, President.

L. KRUMBHAAR, Secretary.

DIRECTORS,

Curwin Stoddart,	Robert L. Loughead,
Joseph Wood,	George M. Troutman,
Elijah Dallett,	Samuel Townsend,
P. I. Laguerenne,	Charles to kes,
George W Ash,	Abraham R. Perkins,

May 11, 1844. 19—

The subscriber has been appointed Agent for the above Company, and is now ready to make insurances on all descriptions of property at rates much lower than usual, varying from $2 50 on the $1000 to $10 per $1000 annually. The rates perpetually on stone and brick Buildings in good locations is only ¾ per cent—and if the Company should move to be a profitable concern, the persons insuring in it partake of the profits without incurring any risk. The charter is the same as those of the Insurance Companies in New England. For further part culars appy to the subscriber.

B. BANNAN.

LIFE INSURANCE.

THE GIRARD LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITY & TRUST CO., OF PHILADA. OFFICE 159 CHESNUT ST.

MAKE Insurance on Lives, grant Annuities and Endowments, and receive and execute trusts.

Rates for insuring $100 on a single life.

Age	For 1 year.	For 7 years, annually.	For Life, annually.
20	$0 91	$0 95	$1 77
30	1 31	1 36	2 26
40	1 69	1 83	3 20
50	1 86	2 09	4 60
60	4 35	4 91	7 09

EXAMPLE:—A person aged 30 years next birth-day, by paying the Company $1 31, would secure to his family or heirs $100, should he die in one year; or for $13 10 he secures to them $1000; or for $13 60 annually for 7 years; he secures to them $1000 should he die in 7 years; or for $23 60 paid annually during life he provides for them $1000 whenever he dies; for $65 50 they would receive $5000 should he die in one year.

JANUARY 20, 1845.

THE Managers of this Company, at a meeting held on the 27th December ult., agreeably to the design referred in the original prospectus or circular of the Company, appropriated a Bonus or addition to all policies for the whole of life, remaining in force, that were issued prior to the 1st of January, 1842. Those of them therefore which were issued in the year 1836, will be entitled to 10 per cent upon the sum insured, making an addition of $100 on every $1000. That is $1100, will be paid when the policy becomes a claim instead of the $1000 originally insured. Those policies that were issued in 1837 will be entitled to 8 per cent, or $87 50 on every $1000. And those issued in 1839, will be entitled to 7½ per cent, or $75 on every 100, and in ratable proportions on all said policies issued prior to 1st of January, 1842.

The Bonus will be credited to each policey on the books endorsed on presentation at the Office.

It is the design of the Company, to continue to make addition or bonus to the policies for life at stated periods.

B. W. RICHARDS, President.

JOHN F. JAMES, Actuary.

☞ The subscriber has been appointed Agent for the above Institution, and is prepared effect Insurances on Lives, at the published rates, and give any information desired on the subject, on application at this office.

BENJAMIN BANNAN.

Pottsville Feb. 8th, 5—tf

DR. LEIDY'S Sarsapariila Blood Pills.

THE ONLY PILLS in existence containing Sarsaparilla in their composition.

They purify the Blood and Fluids of the body, and cleanse the Stomach and Bowels from all noxious substances that produce disease.

They are composed entirely of vegetable Extracts, (free from mercury and minerals) which make them the safest, best, and most efficacious of any other pills in existence.

Several thousand certificates of their efficacy have heretofore been published, and their sales *are increasing annually* by thousands. *More than One Million* boxes have already been sold since their introduction.

☞ *MORE THAN 100,000 BOXES* have been sold in Philadelphia alone, the past year; thus shewing that in the place where they are manufactured they have a reputation, greater than any other pills—which arises from the fact that Dr. LEIDY *is well known at home as a regular Physician*, and his pills are consequently employed with greater confidence than any other; in addition to their own efficacy.

Quality and not quantity is a valuable attribute belonging to them; one box doing more good than two to four of others.

He advised, therefore, when necessity requires, to take none other than

DR. LEIDY'S BLOOD PILLS.

Try them: (*they cost but 25 cents a box.*) Try them!

So well satisfied will you be of their good effects, you will never take any others. After you have tried all other kinds, *then try* Dr. Leidy's Blood Pills, the difference will soon be discovered. No change of diet no restraint from occupation, or fear of catching cold need be apprehended, young and old may take them with equal safety.

☞ Principal Office and Depot, Dr. Leidy's Health Emporium, No. 191 North SECOND street, near VINE, (sign of the Golden Ball and Serpents) Philadelphia.

Also, by Klett & Co., Wetherill, & Co., W. Dyott & Sons; A. S. & E. Roberts & Co., and city Druggists generally.

Also by P. Pomp and J. Dickson, Easton, J. F. Long, Lancaster, and most respectable Druggists and Storekeepers in the United States.

Also at J. G. BROWN'S (late W. T. Epting's) Drug Store, Centre street, Pottsville.

May 18, 20—

Roussel's unrivalled Shaving CREAM,

A new and splendid article, is now universally acknowledged superior to any Shaving Cream in the United States or Europe.

This delightful preparation is unequalled for beauty, purity, and fragrance; though somewhat analogous to Guerlain's Ambrosial Cream, and other similar compounds, it far surpasses them all by the emollient pasty consistency of its lather, which so softens the beard as to render shaving pleasant and easy; it possesses great advantages over the imported article, in being freshly prepared from the best materials, with the greatest skill, and is not only the best, but also the cheapest article for shaving. It is elegantly put up in boxes, with splendid gilt labels.

Just received and for sale by

Nov., 9, 45— B. BANNAN, Ag't.

ROUSSEL'S BALSAMIC ELIXIR OF LAUGIER, for the Mouth and Teeth.

THIS wholesome and delightful odontalgic Elixe has been for many years past, the favorite composition of the well known house of Laugier, Pere e Fils of Paris, for keeping the breath fresh and sweet, preserving the gums in a healthy condition, and consequently preventing the decay of the teeth; it is considered a very RECHERCHE article in Paris, and is beyond comparison the most beautiful and perfect preparation of the kind ever offered to the public, since it has received the highest approbation of the most eminent dental surgeons of this city.

The Eau de Laugier, elegantly put up in glass bottles with splendid gilt labels, is a beautiful and valuable article for the toilet, and only needs to be known, to be fully appreciated.

Just received and for sale by B. BANNAN,

Nov., 9 45— Agent.

Fuller's Bird.

"I have read of a bird, which hath a face like, and yet will prey upon, a man; who coming to the water to drink, and finding there by reflection that he had killed one like himself, pineth away by degrees, and never afterwards enjoyeth itself."
—*Fuller's Worthies.*

The wild-wing'd creature, clad in gore,
(His bloody human meal being o'er,)
Comes down to the water's brink:
'Tis the first time he there hath gazed,
And straight he shrinks—alarm'd—amazed,
And dares not drink.

"Have I till now,' he sadly said,
"Preyed on my brother's blood, and made
His flesh my meal to-day!"—
Once more he glances in the brook,
And once more sees his victim's look;
Then turns away.

With such sharp pain as human hearts
May feel, the drooping thing departs
Unto the dark wild wood;
And, where the place is thick with weeds,
He hideth his remorse, and feeds
No more on blood.

And in that weedy brake he lies,
And pines, and pines, until he dies;
And, when all's o'er,
What follows?—Nought! his brothers slake
Their thirst in that same brake,
Fierce as before!

—So fable flows!—But would you find
Its moral wrought in human kind,
Its tale made worse;
Turn straight to *Man*, and in his fame
And forehead read "*The Harpy's*" name;
But no remorse!

Christmas Eve in a Sponging House.

AN INTERESTING SKETCH.

'You promise to come home early, father?' said my eldest-born, Tony.

'At five, my boy. Come! my umbrella.'

'Huzza, Mary! Father will be home at five, and I'm to ask Tommy Davidson, and Julia Stevens to come in after tea, and play at snapdragons, because it's Christmas-eve.'

As I stepped into the street, and closed the door behind me, I felt how rich I was, possessing, as I did, wife and children, whose love made them hail my presence as a blessing. The morning was anything but agreeable; a heavy mist fell upon the ground, covering the pavements with a mass of glutinous mud, that rendered walking difficult; nevertheless, I felt it not; I saw but the merry faces of my darlings clustering round the table, and heard only their joyous voices iterating my name.

The office where I was engaged was in the city and I so far satisfied my employers during two years' servitude, that my salary had been nearly doubled without any solicitation on my part; I did not owe a shilling—as I thought—and I looked forward to a very merry Christmas, and a happy New Year. I had just passed the Angel at Islington, when a young gentleman, in a very shabby tilbury, saluted me with 'Hi! Mister!' and to my surprise pulled up his horse and descended from his vehicle. The young gentleman was no common personage. There was a violent attempt to smother a native vulgarity under a 'genteel' wardrobe. The tailor had done his duty, but Nature was stronger than Art, and the wearer's low life showed through the mass of velvet and broadcloth, and gave a brassy appearance to the massive Mosaic chains and rings which encumbered the vest and fingers of the stranger. 'Your name is Joseph Gardener, is n't it, Mister?' said the gentleman. I answered in the affirmative. 'Then you'll be good enough to get in my gig, 'cos I wants you!'

'Want me, sir! I don't understand you.'

'Few folks does at first,' said the gentleman; 'but then I always carries that as satisfies 'em afore long. There's a copy, and here's the original,' presenting me with a slip of paper, and exhibiting a parchment exactly similar in appearance.

I glanced at the paper, and saw my name, and the Queen's, and John Doe's, all jumbled together. John Doe was enough. I guessed something was wrong, and attempted to stammer out an enquiry but the words stuck in my throat. Why—why—this is—'

'An execution,' said the young gentleman; and you're now in the custody of the Sheriff of Middlesex.'

'What for! I don't owe a shilling.'

'Ha! ha! ha! That's very odd, that is. You're the fourth caption I've made this morning, and not one of them owed a farthing. I don't know how it is but people like you must be very ill used. You're at the suit of Dibbins, you are,' said the gentleman.

'Dibbins! Dibbins! I don't know such a name.'

'And yet it aint such a common 'un as you'd be likely to forget it. But I must trouble you to get in.'

I looked at the gentleman, and saw by the composure of his manner that I was in his power.—To resist would have been to provoke exposure. 'I trust, sir,' said I, 'that you will allow me to return to my family, and apprize them of my situation.'

'Why, writing will do as well. You'll have every accommodation at father's,' replied the gentleman; pointing with the butt end of his whip to a seat in his tilbury, which a very dirty fellow had just vacated.

'But my wife, sir, will——'

'Now, pray don't do the sentiment, sir. *Ours* is bad enough without having our feelings harrowed. Davis, you'll catch that old 'un to-night in Brook street; he's sure to come home for his pudden to-morrow. Now, sir, if convenient.'

I obeyed, as he continued—'You see this is a busy day with us (that's a rum title for a pantomime they've got at the Lane, nodding his head at a huge posting bill on a boarding;) but you see if you let things stand over till the turn of the year, chaps manage to settle, and then wot's to become of us! Live and let live, eh! Mister,' and with such pleasant remarks did he beguile away the time until we arrived at Mr. Jacobs' residence in N—— street.

'Here we arrive' said the gentleman; 'it don't look so bad as you thought it would, eh!—Mister?'

I should have lied if I had said it did not; for that house, like a branded man among his fellows, was made horribly conspicuous by dirt and bars. None passed that house without pausing to look at it; none but felt saddened by the reflection which it awakened. There were other houses to the right and to the left that seemed the dwellings of men, but that one stood out an isolated blot—a thing which the plague-cross could not have made more dreadful. I would not have lived in sight of that place while a hovel had been left, for I should have felt its influence, and have become a savage.

I trembled as the porter turned the key of the huge lock which secured an inner door in a dark passage, and I felt my face crimson as I entered what my gentleman designated the 'coffee room.' Oh! that 'coffee room'—what a mockery! True, there were four boxes with curtains and tables—dirty—filthy dirty. The windows looked into a small paved yard, barred at the top like a cage; yes, it was literally a cage, where man penned up his fellow like a wild beast, barring him from all the good gifts of God, making his poverty and his misfortunes a hundred times more bitter, by thus assimilating their consequences to those of reckless crime. What burning blushes have tingled the cheek of honesty in that loathesome cell, when child, parent, friend, have come to offer aid or consolation to the degraded debtor. What usurious interest has been paid in shame and suffering for promises broken by inevitable necessity, within that den of torture and extortion—the Sponging House! while its keepers have grown sleek upon the fears and sufferings of the victims of a revengeful law.

I thought my heart would have burst with the weight of those bars, for I was physically sensible of their pressure.

'I cannot bear this!' I exclaimed. 'Tell me, sir, why you have brought me here.'

The gentleman held out the slip of parchment.

'I know no one of that name,' I said. 'Can you—will you not be more explicit?'

The fellow smiled. 'Lor, how you go on—you will think nothing of it to-morrow. Will he captain?'

'No, no—nothing when he is used to it,' answered a tall gentlemanly man in a plaid dressing-gown.

Until then I had thought we were alone. I sank down upon a bench almost breathless. Mr. Jacobs regarded me for a few moments with an expression of contempt at my weakness, and then pointing to a name on another slip of parchment, said, 'Do you know him?'

John Knight! my old and trusted friend, John Knight! I understood it all. I had accepted a bill for John, and the rascal had betrayed my confidence in his honor! 60*l.*! I knew that it had saved him from ruin, and this was the return he made me. I never cursed a living thing till then, but I did curse John Knight, and bitterly have I repented of the sin.

'What was to be done?'

My fellow-prisoner answered my query clearly—laconically. 'If you can't get bail or can't pay you must go to quod.'

I had not a friend in London, except my employers, and I feared to acquaint them of my position. I had not more than 10*l.*, in the world, and that was in the savings bank. I rang the bell and ordered a sheet of paper. The boy who brought it to me was a diminutive ditto of my captor—the same sinister look—the same sneering tone.

'Sixpence, Mister.'

'Sixpence! for what?'

'The paper, pen, and ink, *si vous plais.*'

I paid the money, and would have given double to have freed myself from the presence of that boy.

I began a letter to my wife, but, as I wrote, the paper became covered with the faces of my children, and I could not proceed—I could only weep.

I think an hour must have passed before I resumed my letter. I finished it, I know not how, and then rang the bell for a messenger.

That boy in years—that man in cunning—again made his appearance.

'Well Mister?'

'Can I have this letter taken to my house?'

'*Oui, Monsieur,*' said the imp, '*certainement dans un moment.*'

'Then let it be sent off immediately.'

'Hallo!' exclaimed the boy with a grin, 'you understand French! Will you give us a lesson if I bring a book inn presently! I know a good bit, which I've got 'Captions to teach me.'

'Capital!' exclaimed the captain, 'that's learning French without a master!'

'—— as costs anything,' said the boy, with a wink—'I got the alphabet from an old chap as took Scotch snuff, and died in the Fleet; and the first conjugation from a banker's clerk that lost his place 'cos we wouldn't let him out till he'd paid his bill—ha! ha! I went to take him, I did,' added the imp, with a fiendish chuckle.

'You!' The announcement evidently surprised Captain Cool.

'Yes! Mo let me go as a treat—and it *was* one too—it was at Pentonville. 'We've got him,' said Mo. 'How do you know?' said I; and then Mo laughed, and showed me a cob-web that a spider had spun in the night from the door-post to the key-hole—ha! ha! We had him safe enough at 20 minutes to 9.'

'You will give us a lesson, won't you, Mister?' continued the boy, addressing me.

I cannot recollect my reply, but I remember that it gave the lad great offence for a few moments. The captain, however, restored him to good humor, and then desired him to see that my letter was forwarded.

'Well, where's the half crown?' said the boy, 'hallo!' holding the letter at arm's length, 'Islington, is it? three and six.'

Again I submitted to imposition, for I had not the power to dispute.

I sat down moodily by the fire, and thought what a scoundrel was Jack Knight, and what I would say to him when freed from the filthy den of Mr. Jacobs.

My fellow-prisoner was not so gravely disposed He began to hum, 'Here's a health to all good lasses,' and was doubtlessly recalling some Bacchanalian orgie of other days. At length he grew weary of his own music, and after a pause, said, without turning his face from the window:

'Nasty—very nasty day, sir.'

With some effort I replied, 'Yes sir, very nasty indeed.'

'Drizzly,' continued the captain; 'drizzly, a very unpleasant day to be out.'

Had the thunder crackled, and the clouds rained torrents, I would have walked forth bareheaded to have been at liberty.

Perceiving that I was indisposed to converse, the captain relapsed into his musical reminiscences, and I resumed my melancholy reflections.—At last an involuntary exclamation escaped from my lips—'That I should spend a Christmas day in this place!'

I shall never forget the remark which that exclamation, uttered in the bitterness of my soul, elicited from the captain.

'Sir,' said he, with a solemnity of tone which I mistook for sympathy, 'sir, I'll defy any one to make a better pudding than mother Jacobs. I've eaten many of them.

Where was the use of caging such a man!

Hour after hour passed, and yet my wife came not. Was she overpowered by the knowledge of my position? I should have been more cautious in communicating it. Had some accident befallen her on her way to me? It might be thus, and I could not know the truth. The children—then I could only weep again. I sat and dreamed a thousand fancies, until the entrance of a new comer aroused me. He bowed as he entered the room; and without speaking a word sat down on one of the boxes and commenced making calculations in his pocket book. After some minutes had elapsed, he muttered, 'The villain! 2,000*l.*, if they don't take him I'm ruined.'

'Numbers of people ruined just now,' said the captain.

'Yes, yes, answered the man; but few by such treachery as makes me a beggar.'

'Deat me,' exclaimed the captain; 'may I ask how you have been done?'

'By my partner,' answered the man fiercely; 'he has absconded with nearly two thousand pounds.'

'No more—bolted for that!'

'No more!' exclaimed the trader. 'It was out all—but he knows what I have sworn. I am sure he knows it!' and he paced the room rapidly.

'Ha! ha!' said the captain; 'what you'll towel him, eh? take it out in battery.'

'No; I'll do more than that. I can't have made a mistake,' continued he, seating himself and resuming his calculation!

The clock struck nine—no wife! Had the messenger played false, and not taken the letter? Ah! there's a knock. No! it was a man's voice. As I turned from the door my eyes fell on the face of the new comer; I never saw such an expression of demoniacle joy in my life. The door opened, and a tall haggard young man entered the room. There was no mistaking who he was—the partners were together!

Not a word was spoken, but they fixed their eyes upon each other; the one with an expression of devilish triumph—the other with that of abject fear.

Ten—eleven o'clock, and no wife. My anxiety became agonising. And was it thus that I was doomed to pass the eve preceding that day which brought the promise of peace and good will to man; was I to see that day surrounded by evidences of man's revenge and avarice?

The hour for retiring to bed arrived, and the captain volunteered to act as groom of the chamber. As I was entering the sleeping apartment I felt my arm clutched violently, and on turning round, found I was held by the tallest of the new comers.

'For heaven's sake, sir, tell me, are we all to sleep in the same room?'

'It appears so,' I replied.

'I will not trust myself in a room with that man; he has s