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IMPORTER AND JOBBER OF
LACES,
RIBBONS, EMBROIDERIES,
WHITE GOODS, &c., &c.
HAS REMOVED TO
No. 15 NORTH FOURTH STREET.
Has a full line of the above Goods. Also, importing daily, JOB LINES, Auctions, to which Cash Buyers at time Buyers are invited. feb21-3m

SPRING TRADE.
H. DUBRING & CO.,
Nos. 21 and 23 NORTH FOURTH STREET,
Have just opened their stock of
ENGLISH AND FRENCH FANCY
HOSIERY,
GLOVES, AND SMALLWARES,
And solicit an inspection of their complete and well-selected stock.
ESPECIALLY ADAPTED TO
SOUTHERN AND SOUTHWESTERN TRADE.
feb4-3m

BURNETT, SEXTON & SWEARINGEN
Are now opening at their Store,
No. 449 MARKET STREET,
Above Fourth, North Side,
A HANDSOME ASSORTMENT OF
NEW SPRING STYLES
OF
FANCY DRY GOODS,
OF THEIR OWN IMPORTATION,
And invite the attention of Buyers to their stock, which they offer for sale by wholesale, on the most liberal terms.
feb9-3m

SCHAFFER & ROBERTS,
439 MARKET STREET,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
HOSIERY, GLOVES,
SMALL WARES, COMBS,
BRUSHES, LOOKING GLASSES,
GERMAN AND FRENCH FANCY GOODS,
AND
TAILORS' TRIMMINGS.
feb1-3m

Boots and Shoes.

NEW YORK SHOE HOUSE.
EMERSON, BREWSTER, & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS AND
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
BOOTS & SHOES,
168 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.
EMERSON BREWSTER, LORIN STORER, JARED BREWSTER, N. Y. WM. C. GRANGER, N. Y. Boston. GEO. F. FLAGG, Boston.
mar30-1m

HENDRY & HARRIS,
MANUFACTURERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
BOOTS AND SHOES,
N. W. COR. THIRD AND ARCH STREETS,
PHILADELPHIA. feb1-3m

WHELAN & CO.
WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
BOOTS,
SHOES,
AND
STRAW GOODS.
No. 513 MARKET STREET.
feb21-3m

BOKER & BROTHERS,
WHOLESALE
BOOTS AND SHOES,
422 MARKET STREET,
UP STAIRS.
feb24-3m

B. P. WILLIAMS & CO.,
WHOLESALE
BOOT AND SHOE
WAREHOUSE,
No. 16 SOUTH FOURTH STREET.
feb1-3m

JOS. H. THOMPSON & CO
WHOLESALE
BOOT AND SHOE
WAREHOUSE,
No. 214 MARKET STREET.
☞ A large and general assortment of Eastern and City-made Boots constantly on hand. feb1-3m

LEVICK, RASIN, & CO.,
BOOT AND SHOE WAREHOUSE
AND
MANUFACTORY,
No. 526 MARKET STREET, Philadelphia.
We have now on hand an extensive stock of Boots and Shoes, of all descriptions, of our own and Eastern Manufacture, to which we invite the attention of Southern and Western buyers. feb1-3m

FRENCH BOOTMAKER—AUGUST BOTTICHER, No. 106 North FOURTH Street, respectfully informs the public, and SOUTHERN and WESTERN MERCHANTS particularly, that he continues to manufacture Fashionable Boots and Shoes to order; assuring those who patronize him that no will guarantee that his work will give satisfaction, both as regards superior finish and excellence of material. Prices reasonable. feb14-3m

Silk and Dry Goods Jobbers.

SPRING TRADE NOTICE
1859.
RAIGUEL, MOORE, & CO.
Are now receiving their Spring Importations and exhibiting at their Salesrooms,
220 & 222 N. THIRD ST.,
The most extensive, elegant, and complete stock of FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS ever before offered by them, and presenting unusual attractions to the trade generally.
Their extensive stores having been remodelled and fitted up for the exclusive accommodation of this class of Goods a separate department, viz:
DOMESTICS,
GINGHAMS, PRINTS, AND LAWNS,
SILKS,
DRESS GOODS,
WHITE GOODS,
CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES,
SHAWLS AND MANTILLAS,
HOSIERY, NOTIONS, & TRIMMINGS,
CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS,
UMBRELLAS & PARASOLS,
To all of which the attention of BUYERS is invited.
CLOSE AND PROMPT BY MORNING BUYERS.
feb2-3m

325 MARKET STREET. 325
A. W. LITTLE & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS OF
SILKS, FANCY DRESS GOODS,
RIBBONS, TRIMMINGS, GLOVES,
SHAWLS, MANTILLAS,
EMBROIDERIES, &c., &c. feb21-3m

THE CALL of FASHION now is DRAWING the attention of the CITY TRADE to the STORE of EDWIN HAIGH, corner of ARCH and SIXTH Streets, where the latest department of Fancy Goods may be found, as well as Table Linen, Linen Sheetings, Linen Diapers, Linen Towels, all of which are unrivalled. apl6-tf

Dry Goods Jobbers.

JOSHUA L. BAILY,
213 MARKET STREET,
INVITES SPECIAL ATTENTION TO A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
FRENCH DRESS GOODS,
TO BE OPENED THIS DAY,
CONSISTING
MANY CHOICE AND NOVEL FABRICS,
BESIDES A LARGE VARIETY OF
STAPLE STYLES.
WILL ALSO OPEN, THIS DAY,
THIRTY CASES
MERRIMACK PRINTS,
ALL NEW PATTERNS.

1859.
HERRING & OTT,
N. W. Corner FOURTH and MARKET Sts.,
Are now prepared to offer a
SPLENDID AND COMPLETE
ASSORTMENT
OF
SILKS, RIBBONS,
TRIMMINGS, EMBROIDERIES,
FANCY GOODS, &c.
feb1-3m

YARD, GILLMORE & CO.
Nos. 48 and 42 NORTH THIRD STREET,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
SILKS, RIBBONS, DRESS GOODS,
WHITE GOODS, LACES, LINENS,
EMBROIDERIES, &c.
HOSIERY, GLOVES, MITTS & SHAWLS.
feb2-3m

SITER, PRICE, & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS,
815 MARKET STREET.
feb1-3m

SHAPLEIGH, RUE & CO.,
IMPORTERS OF
LINENS,
WHITE GOODS,
LACES, and
EMBROIDERIES
No. 339 MARKET STREET.
☞ Our present stock, selected in the best European markets by ourselves, is the most complete we have ever offered. feb1-3m

McCLINTOCK, GRANT, & CO.,
Importers and Wholesale Dealers
IN
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, and
TAILORS' TRIMMINGS,
333 MARKET STREET,
(UP STAIRS,)
feb1-3m Philadelphia.

SPRING OF 1859.
JOHN E. ELLISON & SONS,
355 MARKET STREET,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE JOBBERS OF
CLOTHS,
CASSIMERES, AND VESTINGS,
To which the attention of BUYERS is invited.
feb1-3m

FITHIAN, JONES, & CO.,
WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
240 MARKET STREET,
Four doors below Third, South side,
feb1-3m PHILADELPHIA.

JOHN H. BROWN & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
No. 307 MARKET STREET,
North side, above Third Street,
feb2-3m PHILADELPHIA.

1859 SPRING IMPORTATIONS 1859
DALE, ROSS, & WITHERS,
511 MARKET Street, and 513 COMMERCE Street,
PHILADELPHIA,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
SILK AND FANCY GOODS,
Have now open a complete stock, to which they invite the attention of Buyers. feb1-3m

PETER RIEGEL, JNO. WIEST,
JACOB RIEGEL, WM. S. BAIRD, D. B. ELVIN
RIEGEL, BAIRD, & CO.,
LATE RIEGEL, LAMB, & CO.
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
IN
DRY GOODS,
No. 47 NORTH THIRD STREET,
PHILADELPHIA.
OUR
SPRING STOCK
Is now complete in all its departments, and ready for Buyers. Prompt-paying merchants, from all parts of the Union, are respectfully solicited to call and examine for themselves. feb16 3m

Shoe Findings.

WM. JOHNS & SON,
(Successors to the late Jos. T. Johns,)
Importers and Dealers
IN
SHOE STUFFS and TRIMMINGS,
LASTINGS, GALLOONS,
LACETS, &c., &c.
AT THE OLD STAND,
Northeast corner of FOURTH and ARCH Streets.
feb1-3m

LAING & MAGINNIS,
No. 30 NORTH THIRD STREET,
Importers of, and Dealers in,
SHOE MANUFACTURERS' GOODS,
And all kinds of Shoe Tools.
UFFIELD'S PATENT BOOT TREES.
CRIMPING MACHINES.
LEATHER ROLLING MILLS.
SEWING MACHINE SILKS,
THREADS, and NEEDLES.
ENGLISH, IRISH, and AMERICAN SHOETHREADS.
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EDWIN W. PAYNE,
Importer and Dealer
IN
BOOT, SHOE, and GAITER MATERIALS,
Iron Building, N. W. corner ARCH and FOURTH Sts.
LASTINGS,
GALLOONS,
SHEETINGS,
VELVET KID,
PATENT LEATHER.
CONGRESS WEB, TOILET SLIPPER UPPERS,
feb1-3m SHOE THREADS, LACES, &c.

Stationery.

HENRY COHEN,
IMPORTER AND DEALER IN
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
STATIONERY.
MANUFACTURER OF ENVELOPES IN EVERY VARIETY AND STYLE.
☞ AGENT FOR ARNOLD'S ENGLISH WRITING FLUID.
507 CHESTNUT STREET,
mar23-3m OPPOSITE THE STATE HOUSE.

Dry Goods Commission Houses.

RIDGWAY, HEUSSNER, & CO.,
Importers of WOOLLENS,
Are receiving full supplies of
SUPERIOR CLOTHS,
DOESKINS,
PRIOCOTS, FANCY CASSIMERES, &c.
From the following celebrated manufacturers—
FREDERIC BECKING (Little Ticket.)
W. A. JOHANNY ABSON.
GEVERS & SCHMIDT (5. and M. Cloths.)
ZAMBONA BROTHERS.
N. TOMMINS & CO., and others.
feb1-3m 506 CHESTNUT Street.

FARRELL & MORRIS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
IMPORTERS
OF
CLOTHS, DOESKINS, &c.,
232 CHESTNUT STREET,
feb1-3m Philadelphia.

SPRING TRADE, 1859.
SHIPLEY, HAZARD, & HUTCHINSON,
112 CHESTNUT STREET,
Are now opening a large and full stock of
LAWNS, CHALLIES, PRINTS, and other
DRESS GOODS,
To which the attention of the trade is invited Also,
DOMESTIC GOODS,
Comprising Fairhill, Osnaburgs, Woodward Doeskins, Brown Sheetings and Shirtings, Mariners' Stripes, Blue Drills, Vest Paddings, &c., &c.

ROCKFISH SHEETINGS—Just received and for sale by
SHIPLEY, HAZARD, & HUTCHINSON,
112 Chestnut street.

BISCHOFF'S celebrated Cloths and Doeskins, together with other desirable makes of German Woollens, just received and for sale by
SHIPLEY, HAZARD, & HUTCHINSON,
feb4-3m 112 Chestnut stre

DRILLS & SHEETINGS FOR EXPORT.
BROWN, BLEACHED, & BLUE DRILLS.
HEAVY & LIGHT SHEETINGS,
Suitable for Export, for sale by
FROTHINGHAM & WHILDEN,
26 South FRONT ST., & 26 LETITIA ST.
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Watches, Jewelry, &c.

NEW AND HANDSOME STORE,
No. 712 CHESTNUT STREET,
(OPPOSITE THE MASONIC HALL)
THOMAS C. GARRETT
Begs leave to inform his former customers and the public generally that he has fitted up, in a neat and handsome style, the store No. 712 CHESTNUT Street, and stocked it with
WATCHES, JEWELRY,
SILVER AND PLATED WARE
of the newest and most desirable patterns, worthy of examination by any desiring to purchase goods of the kind.
The repairing of WATCHES and JEWELRY will receive, as heretofore, careful attention.
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JAMES WATSON,
IMPORTER
OF
WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.,
No. 325 MARKET STREET.
Constantly on hand a full assortment of Vacheron and Constantin Watches. feb1-6m

BAILEY & CO.,
FORMERLY
BAILEY & KITCHEN,
Have removed to their new Fire-proof, White Marble Store,
819 CHESTNUT STREET,
NORTH SIDE, BELOW THE GIRARD HOUSE,
Now opening their Fall Stock of
IMPORTED JEWELRY, PLATED WARES, AND FANCY GOODS,
To which they invite the attention of the public.
SILVER-WARE, WATCHES, DIAMONDS, AND PEARLS,
AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
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J. S. JARDEN & BRO.
MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS OF
SILVER-PLATED WARE,
No. 304 Chestnut Street, above Third, (up stairs,) Philadelphia.
Constantly on hand and for sale to the Trade,
TEA SETS, COMMUNION SERVICE SETS, URNS PITCHERS, GOBLETS, CUPS, WAITERS, BASKETS, CASTORS, KNIVES, SPOONS, FORKS, LADLES, &c., &c.
Gilding and plating on all kinds of metal. se2-1y

Carriages.

S. W. JACOBS,
No. 625 ARCH STREET,
Has finished and for sale a full assortment of all the most modern styles of
CARRIAGES.
Also, a great variety of desirable SECOND HAND CARRIAGES, that have been but very little used, which will be sold low. mar21-3m

GEORGE W. WATSON'S
CARRIAGE REPOSITORY,
Nos. 1217, 1219, and 1221
CHESTNUT STREET.
mar6-3m.

CARRIAGES
OF THE MANUFACTURE OF
WILLIAM D. ROGERS.
REPOSITORY,
1009 CHESTNUT STREET 1011
feb16-4m

ROBERT SHOEMAKER & CO.,
N. E. COR. FOURTH AND RACE STREETS,
PHILADELPHIA,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
MANUFACTURERS OF PAINTS IN OIL,
IMPORTERS OF FRENCH PLATE
AND
WINDOW GLASS.
DEALERS IN AMERICAN WINDOW GLASS.
ap21-3m

LOOKING GLASSES.
Now in store the most extensive and elegant assortment of
LOOKING GLASSES,
For every space and every position, and at the most moderate prices
LOOKING GLASSES
In the most elaborate and the most simple frames.
LOOKING GLASSES
Framed in the best taste, and in the most substantial manner.
LOOKING GLASSES
Furnished by us, are manufactured by ourselves in our own establishment.
LOOKING GLASSES
In MAHOGANY and WALNUT frames for Country Sales.
JAMES S. EARLE & SON,
816 CHESTNUT STREET,
ap1-tf PHILADELPHIA.

"METROPOLITAN TEA STORE."
TEAS! TEAS! TEAS!
A choice selection of
GREEN AND BLACK TEAS,
OF RECENT IMPORTATION.
ALSO,
COFFEE,
ROASTED AND GROUND DAILY,
BY
STEAM ENGINE
"YOUNG AMERICA."
CHARLES SMITH,
Nos 913 and 915 MARKET STREET.

HAMS! HAMS! HAMS!
Prime and sugar-cured Hams,
10 CENTS PER POUND.
Also, new sugar-cured Shoulders
AT 8 CENTS PER POUND.
CHARLES SMITH,
mh14-3m Nos. 913 and 915 MARKET STREET.

Carpetings.

CANTON MATTINGS.
JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER LOT OF
FRESH IMPORTED
CANTON MATTINGS,
CONSISTING OF
4-4 5-4 and 6-4 "EXTRA PARLOR."
4-4 5-4 and 6-4 RED CHECK.
4-4 5-4 and 6-4 WHITE "MANHING."
4-4 CHENE AND FANCY do.
PRICES REDUCED.
BAILY & BROTHER,
No. 920 CHESTNUT STREET.
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NEW CARPETING.
JAMES H. ORNE.
CHESTNUT, BELOW SEVENTH,
Has received, by late arrivals
FROM EUROPE,
A full assortment of New Styles
CARPETING.
CANTON MATTING,
A large variety of all widths and colors. ap9-1m

CARPETINGS.
SOLE AGENCY IN THIS CITY
OF THE
AUBURN THREE-PLYS,
SUPERFINES,
AND VENETIANS,
MANUFACTURED BY
JOSIAH BARBER,
With all grades of WOOL, WOOL AND COTTON, and ALL-COTTON INGRAINS.
ATWOOD, RALSTON, & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS' AGENTS,
ja31-3m 509 MARKET STREET.

CARPETINGS,
OIL CLOTHS, AND MATTINGS,
WOLFE, WILSON, & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 132 CHESTNUT STREET,
Agents for
TAPESTRY VELVET,
THREE PLY,
INGRAIN,
VENETIAN, HEMP, DUTCH,
COTTON, LIST, AND RAG
CARPETS,
Which we are receiving daily from the Manufacturers, and are prepared to offer the trade on liberal terms.
Having the Agency for some of the best and most desirable goods, we can offer inducements not heretofore to be had in Philadelphia. All goods sold at Manufacturer's prices. Orders carefully attended to.
☞ Also, Agents for Black and White Wadding, a large supply of which we have constantly on hand.
feb1-4m

McCALLUM & CO.,
CARPET MANUFACTURERS,
GLEN ECHO MILLS, GERMANTOWN.
ALSO,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
CARPETING,
OIL CLOTHS,
MATTING,
RUGS, &c.
WAREHOUSE, 509 CHESTNUT STREET,
OPPOSITE THE STATE HOUSE.
We have now on hand an extensive stock of Carpeting, of our own and other makes, to which we invite the attention of Western and Southern buyers. fe21-2m

AUSTIN BROWN,
WHOLESALE DEALER IN
FLOOR OIL-CLOTHS,
THE LARGEST STOCK IN PHILADELPHIA.
No. 164 NORTH THIRD STREET,
ap15 3m* S. W. corner of Race, up stairs.

STAIR ROD MANUFACTORY.
WILER & MOSS,
225 SOUTH FIFTH STREET,
BELOW WALNUT. ap4-1m

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BELOW WALNUT. ap4-1m

Wholesale Clothing.

A. T. LANE,
WHOLESALE CLOTHING
WAREROOMS,
No. 419 MARKET STREET,
feb1-3m PHILADELPHIA.

Hardware.

MOORE, HENSZEY & CO.,
Nos. 427 MARKET, and 416 COMMERCE Streets.
PHILADELPHIA,
Keep constantly on hand a large stock
OF
HARDWARE,
CUTLERY, GUNS, &c.,
Which are offered to BUYERS on Liberal Terms.
feb23-3m

C. H. & GEO. ABBOTT,
No. 18 North FOURTH STREET,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
HARDWARE, CUTLEY, GUNS, ETC.
ALSO, NAILS, CASTINGS, &c.,
All of which are offered to Buyers on the most favorable terms. mar28-2m

TRUITT BROTHER & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
HARDWARE,
CUTLERY,
GUNS,
PISTOLS, &c.,
529 MARKET STREET, 529
BELOW SIXTH, NORTH SIDE,
PHILADELPHIA. fe21-3m

China and Queensware.

1859 QUEENSWARE. 1859
BOYD & STROUD.
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS,
Have now on hand a complete stock of
FRENCH AND ENGLISH
CHINA, GLASSWARE,
AND QUEENSWARE,
(At their old stand)
No. 82 NORTH FOURTH STREET,
(Four doors below Merchants' Hotel,)
To which they invite the attention of
WHOLESALE BUYERS. fe21-3m

SHRONK & EARNEST'S
LIME AND PLASTER DEPOT,
S. W. corner RIDGE Avenue and WILLOW Street, Philadelphia.
Wood-burnt Lime; Calcined, Casting, and Dentists' and Land Plaster; Cement, Plastering Hair, and White Sand delivered to order, or carefully put up for shipping. my2-1m*

The Press.

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The Press.

MONDAY, MAY 9, 1859.

Books and their Authors.

A good literary journal, such as they have in France and England, and such as we have *not* in this country, is an admirable institution. In Paris there are half a dozen such. In London, there are the *Athenæum*, the *Critic*, and the *Literary Gazette*. A detailed account of each and all of these will one day appear among our Sketches of the London Newspaper Press, but we may briefly intimate here that the *Athenæum*, established in 1828, by the late JAMES SILK BUCKINGHAM, has been the property of a Mr. DILKE, since 1830, and—albeit crotchetty as regards English and notoriously unjust as respects American authors, has a commanding influence and circulation:—that the *Critic*, a fairer and abler critical journal, was founded, eighteen years ago, by Mr. EDWARD W. COX, lawyer and poet, who still owns and conducts it:—and the *Literary Gazette*, the oldest of all the weekly reviews, was established by WILLIAM JORDAN, in 1817, and was conducted by him for thirty-four years.

Various attempts in this line have been made in this country, only two of which, within our own time, are worthy of remembrance. These are the *Literary World*, ably, fairly, but rather too mildly conducted by those accomplished brothers, Messrs. DUYCKINCK, authors of the "Cyclopædia of American Literature," and a remarkably spirited weekly, called "The Criterion," edited by Mr. CHARLES R. RODE, the present conductor of that excellent advertising medium, "The American Publishers' Circular." Both of these were New York publications, The *Literary World*, which was conscientious, if over-kind, ran a course of several years. *The Criterion*, established some time afterwards, was quite a microcosm of Literature, but did not live over a year. It ought to have been better supported than it was, and so did publishers and men of letters think—*after* it was discontinued. *Then* they missed and mourned it, and were ready to croon out, with the Irish Keeners, the mournful lachrymation, "Ohone, Ohone! why did you die?" Dr. J. W. PALMER and some more of the really able young *literateurs* of New York contributed largely to it, and Mr. RODE sank several thousand dollars in attempting to establish it. The non-success of *The Criterion* is discreditable to the literary character of the country.

Here, on our table, is the London *Athenæum*, for April 16. Being of the old fogy order, this Journal will not publish on the afternoon of Friday, so as to allow its transmission to this country by the mail steamer which leaves Liverpool every Saturday. Therefore, instead of now having the *Athenæum* of April 23, by the *Niagara*, we have it just a week older. But, at any rate, let us glean some information from its pages—commencing with the advertisements, which tell us what London publishers are doing.

The first thing worth notice is an address from publishers "to the Electors of the United Kingdom," cautioning them not to vote for any candidate who will not pledge himself to vote for the Repeal of the Paper Duty—amounting to six cents per lb. It is on impost which must fall—Mr. DISRAELI himself admits that—but if the public think that when the price of books or paper will be reduced, very certainly they will be mistaken. Paper-sellers and publishers alone will gain, for they will pocket the abatement.

Next, a gentleman in Surrey advertises that "Eleven curious old newspapers, published between the years 1641 and 1679, relating the Great Rebellion in Ireland, the Advance of the Scottish Army into England, the Siege of Berwick and Hull, the Execution of CHARLES I., the Death and Funeral of OLIVER CROMWELL, the Great Fire of London, with interesting notices of NELL GWYNNE, DRYDEN, MILTON, BUNYAN, the Intrigues of the Court of CHARLES II., Extraordinary Occurrences in various Counties, with very singular Advertisements, are now reprinted in Fac-simile, and sent free on receipt of 48 postage stamps." A dollar for a *fac-simile* reproductions of a few old newspapers seems a pretty stiff price, but we dare say that curiosity will tempt people to buy.

Here are advertised various Parliamentary Papers, at prices little over cost. The gratuitous distribution of these documents is limited. What the public want, the public buy. How would this avail with our Congressional Documents?

Passing by various announcements of auction-sales of literary property, remainders, stereotypes, engravings, and so on, we find PUTTICK & SIMPSON advertising a three-days sale, as follows:—

A very interesting and select Collection of Autograph Letters, principally of English Poets, and comprising specimens of extreme rarity, many of which have not hitherto appeared in the sales; Autographs of Sir R. Blackmore, Sir W. Blackstone, Boswell, Burns, Byron, Campbell, Coleridge, Congreve, Cowper, Dryden, B. Franklin, Mrs. Rowe, Southey, Voltaire, Sir W. Scott, &c; numerous Musical and Dramatic Autographs, Garrick Correspondence; also, a large Collection of Dramatic Autographs, from an early period, arranged with illustrations, in two volumes; also, nearly 100 Unpublished Letters of Alexander Pope, throwing much new light on his share in the translation of the Odyssey, &c.

How our friend Mr. DREER, whose autograph collection is already so rich—so abounding in national, historical, and literary treasures—would like to attend that sale and make liberal bids for some of *its gems!* In the same boat, for they have the same tastes, are Dr. SPRAGUE, of Albany; Mr. TEFFT, of Savannah; and a score of other collectors whom we could name. One hundred letters of ALEXANDER POPE and a lot of Garrick Correspondence! It makes one wish to be in London, even if only to look them over. Happy the men who can buy!

The Shaksperian battles seem as interminable as the Wars of the rival Roses—the kingly houses of York and Lancaster. The Rev. ALEXANDER DYCE announces an octavo volume of Strictures on Mr. COLLIER's new edition of SHAKSPEARE. If ever there was a poet overlaid with criticism and commentary, it is "the divine WILLIAMS," as M. PONSARD, of the French Academy has been pleased to call him.

Lots of new books coming out. CHAPMAN & HALL, who are DICKENS's publishers, announce the Autobiography of ROBERT HOUDIN, Ambassador, Author, and Conjuror, a book which, in French, has already gained an European reputation;—an illustrated History of Tobacco, by F. W. FAIRHOLT, artist and antiquarian;—GEORGE AUGUSTUS SALA's Gaslight and Daylight, with some London scenes they shone upon, a collection of his *Household Words'* articles—a third edition of CARLYLE's FREDERICK the Great, *ten* dollars for the two volumes, for which the HARPERS charge *two*;—a second edition of the Wanderer—poems by OWEN MEREDITH, only son of *the* BULWER, but TICKNOR & FIELDS, of Boston, have just published *all* this new writer's poems in one *bijou* of a blue and gold volume.

JOHN MURRAY announces none but oldish books—not even a new edition.

LONGMAN & Co. have published an 8vo, the first volume of the Speeches of the managers and counsel in the great trial, by Impeachment, of WARREN HASTINGS, printed from the short-hand reports, by and with the authority of the British Government. HURST & BLACKETT, successors to H. COLBURN, the very Napoleon of book-advertisers and puffers, announce a new novel, by DINAH MARIA MULOCK, author of "John Halifax, Gentleman;"—Lectures on Art, Literature, and Social Science, by that erudite gentleman, his Eminence Cardinal WISEMAN,—Life and Times of GEORGE VILLIERS, first Duke of Buckingham, (whom ANNE of Austria loved and FELTON assassinated,) by Mrs. THOMPSON:—The Realities of Paris Life, with Illustrations, by the author of "Flemish Interiors;"—and a crowd of novels.

ROUTLEDGE has Holywood Hall, an English tale of 1715, by Mr. JAMES GRANT, not the Editor of the Tap-tub; and a translation of Eugenie Grandat, a novel, by BALZAC. These same publishers have brought out, for half a dollar, Vol. III. of PRESCOTT's Philip the Second.

SMITH, ELDER, & Co.—the firm which had the good taste and good luck to perceive that CHARLOTTE BRONTE'S "Jane Eyre" was a gem, though as yet in obscurity—promise Tracts of SCHLEIERMACHER'S Life, from his correspondence, translated from the German;—England and her Soldiers, by HARRIET MARTINEAU;—Shelley Memorials, edited by Lady SHELLEY, daughter-in-law of the poet, and worthy of the name she bears;—Life and Liberty in America, with eight tinted illustrations, by Dr. CHARLES MACKAY, the popular song writer, and Editor of the *Illustrated London News*;—The Two Paths, by Mr. RUSKIN;—HENRY BROOKE'S old novel, "The Fool of Quality," edited, with a biographical preface, by the Rev. CHARLES KINGSLEY;—and Indian Scenes and characters, sketched from Life, by Prince ALEXIS SOITYKOFF.

THOMAS MILLER, basket-maker and poet, has published, with thirty illustrations, The Poacher, and other Pictures of Country Life. There are new editions of the late CHARLES PHILLIPS's Life of Curran, Speeches at the Bar, and Vacation Thoughts on Capital Punishments. Moreover, a new Life of Dr. Arnold, the Rugby Schoolmaster, is announced, from the pen of E. J. WORBOISE. It is a cheap work—but the best view of ARNOLD is in "Tom Brown's Schooldays," a jewel of a book, (republished by TICKNOR & FIELDS, of Boston,) which we should like to place in the hands, sure it would speedily reach the heart of every school-boy in the land.

That wearisome Mrs. ELLIS, who sets herself up as a pattern-woman, and writes dreadfully good and awfully dry books, is bringing out the Mothers of Great Men, with a portrait of NAPOLEON's mamma. BENTLEY will publish that, and also a story called Village Belles, by the author of "Mary Powell."

A second edition of Adam Bede is out, and the discussion continues whether GEORGE ELIOT, whose name appears on the title-page, is a real or imaginary name. The following letter to the editor of the *Times* does not throw much light upon the subject:

"SIR: The Rev. H. Anders has, with unquestionable delicacy and unquestionable inaccuracy, assured the world through your columns that the author of *The Scenes of Clerical Life* and *Adam Bede* is Mr. Joseph Liggins, of Nuneaton.

"I beg distinctly to deny that statement. I declare on my honor that that gentleman never saw a line of those works until they were printed, nor had he any knowledge of them whatever.

"Allow me to ask whether the act of publishing a book deprives a man of all claim to the courtesies usual among gentleman? If not, the attempt to pry into what is obviously meant to be withheld—my name—and to publish the rumors which such prying may give rise to seems to me quite indefensible; still more so to state these rumors as ascertained truth. I am, sir, yours, &c.,

"GEORGE ELIOT."

A new and able book, full of personal and political anecdotes, relating to public men living and dead, is DANIEL OWEN MADDYN's "Chiefs of Parties, Past and Present." Of course, the APPLETONS or the HARPERS will republish it. Perhaps, as DELISSER & PROCTER have lately made biography their specialty, they may adopt it among their excellent reprints.

In an obituary notice of LADY MORGAN, the Irish authoress, we lately took leave to doubt that declaration of her age, which made her born in 1783. In a biography of her Ladyship, in the *Athenæum*, very particular in details, it is positively stated that she was born in 1777—which makes her in her 83d year, when she died. We mention this because a correspondent informed us that he thought we had made her too aged. The fact is, as the *Athenæum* says, "The year of her birth she never would tell." She removed to London, from Dublin, eighteen years ago; and, though her style, as a writer, was very bad—her English being grotesquely tesselated with ungrammatical French and Italian—she loved Ireland well, and boldly wrote in its defence, when patriotism was not only difficult but dangerous.

The Cyclopædia of Anatomy and Physiology, edited by Dr. ROBERT B. TODD, and commenced by him twenty-five years ago, has been just completed. It is published by LONGMAN & Co., of London, in six volumes. It is richly illustrated with fine wood-engravings, and is made very accessible for reference by an admirable general Index.

We conclude with a capital parody upon one of MOORE's National Airs, which has appeared in *Punch*. To understand it fully, the reader will recollect that *Temple* is the family-name of Lord PALMERSTON—that though they have somewhat opposed latterly, RUSSELL obtained PALMERSTON's support to his motion for smashing the Derby-Disraeli Reform Bill—and that the defeat of the Ministry, which RUSSELL expected would secure his own return to office, only eventuated in the Dissolution of Parliament, which may give the Government a majority much greater than that which lately backed Lord JOHN RUSSELL. Here is the parody:

CANZONET ON THE LATE CRISIS.

AIR—"*A Temple of Friendship.*"

"A Temple in friendship," cried Russell enchanted,
"I'll bind to our cause, and make Derby resign;"
The Temple was sought: John's petition was granted:
Thought he, "Sure, of office the shoes are now mine!"

So he flew to the House, with the speed of Pandora,
On her mission of bringing destruction when sent:
And there entered a Notice, he thought 'twas a floorer,
The deadliest weapon his art could invent.

The battle was fought: John his forces combining
With the Temple and Bright, broad of back as of brim,
A victory gained: counted votes thirty-nine in
Majority: Jack swore 'twas plenty for him.

But what were his thoughts, when a few evenings after
'Twas announced—To the country the House is despatched:
Cried Dis, in his sleeve silly venting his laughter,
"You counted your chickens, John, ere they were hatched!"

This is really as good as any of PALMERSTON's own squibs, forty years ago, in "The New Whig Guide."

Letter from Lycoming County.

[Correspondence of The Press.]

WILLIAMSPORT, May 4, 1859.

I observe in your paper of to-day a letter from your correspondent in this place, which reviews somewhat hastily the case of the Commonwealth vs. Updegroff, which was an indictment for libel against Clinton Lloyd, Esq.

The omission of some important facts, which it is to be hoped was not intentional, has done much injustice to Mr. Updegroff.

It is correctly stated that one Miller, convicted with others for conspiracy to commit burglary, made disclosures after his sentence to the district attorney, Mr. Lloyd, implicating Mr. Updegroff, and others in passing counterfeit money. It should have been added, that in an affidavit, which Miller afterwards made, he states that Updegroff, Winegarden and others, whom he had implicated by his disclosures to Lloyd, were entirely innocent of any complicity whatever in the matter, and confessing that he had invented the story to impose upon Mr. Lloyd, and induce him to procure his pardon.

It was further in evidence on the trial that he called on Mr. Lloyd on the evening before the United States Court, in June last, and stated to him that he could not swear as he had before stated to him.

Other matters were stated in the affidavit reflecting rather discreditably upon Mr. Lloyd. This affidavit, procured without the knowledge of Mr. Updegroff, subsequently came into his possession; and as it so fully vindicated him from the charges made against him, and which were then patent to every person in the neighborhood, and explained the manner in which the slanders against him had originated, he exhibited it to several of his friends who knew he had been charged by Miller for the only purpose of vindicating himself.

The exhibition of this affidavit was the libel for which action was brought The defence offered to prove the truth of the libel. Two witnesses testified that Miller, his wife, and Lloyd were on the river bank at twelve o'clock on Sunday night, and when they (Miller and wife) got into the boat Lloyd returned.

An anonymous letter was also shown in evidence, regularly post-marked, and proved to have been obtained from Miller, to whom it was directed, which, by experts from Philadelphia and other parts of the State, and persons well acquainted with Mr. Lloyd's handwriting at home, was believed to be in his handwriting. This letter admits the truth of Miller's affidavit which was the libel complained of; it desires Miller to "keep out of the way lest his testimony should be procured in this libel suit." It adds, also, the promise of a reward to both Miller and his wife, if they will do as the writer requests, and threatens if he does not do as the letter requires, that he will "have him *caged for the penitentiary.*"

Subsequently Lloyd pursued him with the United States marshal to Canada, where he was arrested upon the oath of Lloyd, and is now in the jail, at Pittsburg, awaiting trial, upon charges of counterfeiting, &c., and Mr. Lloyd is to be a witness against him.

The jury, when discharged, stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal. It has been stated by the jurors themselves, that they were not so much in doubt as to whether Mr. Updegroff was justifiable, under the circumstances, in exhibiting the affidavit, but as the defence was put upon the ground that the libel was true, the jury could not bring themselves to believe that Mr. Lloyd was guilty of the charges which Miller made against him in his affidavit. It is much to be regretted that this controversy, in its unfinished state, should have found its way into the public papers, but this statement is due to the truth, as well as to the character of Mr. Updegroff, and embodies only what was given in evidence in the case on the trial. JUSTICE.

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