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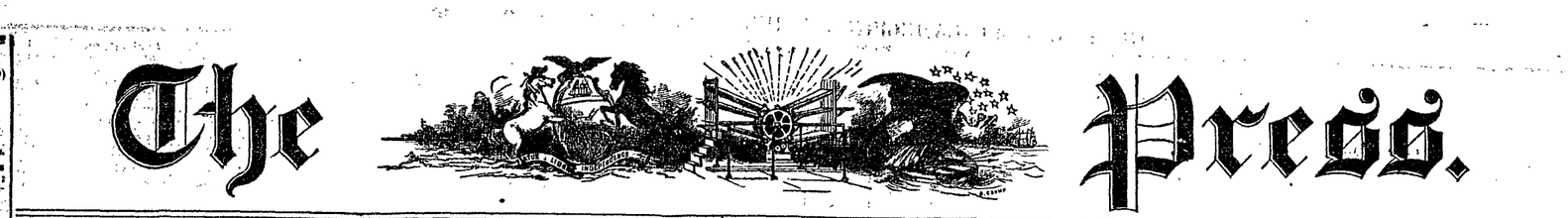

VOL. 3.—NO. 163. PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1860. TWO CENTS.

DRY-GOODS JOBBERS.

SPRING GOODS.
BARCROFT & CO.,
NOS. 405 AND 407 MARKET STREET,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS.
Stock now complete and ready for buyers. fs4 6w

SPRING, 1860.
BENJAMIN V. MARSH, JEWIS HAYWARD, EDW'D V. TOWNSEND, HENRY NEEDLEMAN, RICHARD WOOD, ALBERT H. SHIPLEY,
R. WOOD, MARSH, & HAYWARD,
Importers and Wholesale Dealers in
DRY GOODS
AND
CLOTHING,
fs3-3m No. 609 MARKET Street, Philadelphia.

WURTS, AUSTIE, & McVEIGH,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
IN
DRY GOODS,
No. 31 MARKET STREET,
Above Third.
Charles Wurts, Henry Austie, Hamilton P. McVeigh, John S. Weimar, Joseph Burnett. PHILADELPHIA. fs3 3m

FITHIAN, JONES, & CO.,
WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS.
No. 240 MARKET STREET.
NEW GOODS receiving every day for CITY AND NEAR TRADE. fs3-3m

SHAPLEIGH, RUE, & CO.,
Importers of
LINENS, WHITE GOODS, LACES, and EMBROIDERIES,
NO. 529 MARKET STREET.
☞ Our present stock, selected in the best European Markets by ourselves, is the most complete we have ever offered. fs3-3m

PRICE, FERRIS, & CO.,
IMPORTERS OF
WHITE GOODS, LINENS, MITTS, EMBROIDERIES, LACES, MANTILLAS, &c.,
Nos. 525 MARKET STREET,
AND
522 COMMERCE STREET.
☞ Our stock is selected by a member of the firm in the BEST EUROPEAN MARKETS. [fs3-1m

SPRING, 1860.
CHAFFEES, STOUT & CO.
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
NO. 598 MARKET STREET. fs3-3m

WM. S. STEWART & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS OF
SILK
AND
FANCY DRESS GOODS,
505 MARKET Street,
Have now in store, and are constantly receiving a full assortment of New and Desirable SPRING GOODS, Purchased for cash, to which they invite the attention of the trade, buyers six months buyers. Styles of Printed Fabrics constantly on hand. fs3-3m

JOHN B. STRYKER & CO.,
NO. 210 MARKET ST., SOUTH SIDE, AB. THIRD,
PHILADELPHIA.
WHOLESALE DEALERS
IN
BRITISH, FRENCH, AND AMERICAN
DRY GOODS.
Also, Carpets, Oil-Cloths, and Mattings, bought daily at auction, and SOLD AT REDUCED PRICES. fs3-3m

DE COURSEY, LAFOURCADE, & CO.,
HAVE REMOVED TO
NO. 631 CHESTNUT STREET,
JAYNE'S HALL,
WHERE THEY ARE NOW RECEIVING
THEIR SPRING IMPORTATIONS
OF
MEN AND BOYS' WEAR,
To which they invite the attention of dealers in such goods. s31-1mo

JNO. B. ELLISON & SONS,
839 MARKET STREET,
(Second door below Fourth,)
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS OF
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, AN TAILORS' TRIMMINGS,
Would invite the attention of buyers to their large lines of FANCY CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, and different makes of FOREIGN CLOTHS and DOESKINS, in Blacks and Colors; and offer the exclusive sale in Philadelphia of HILGER'S celebrated make of Cloths and Doeskins; also, La Favorita Sewings, (warranted 16 oz. to the pound,) and MACHINE TWIST in all colors. fs3-3m

SITER, PRICE, & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS OF
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
No. 515 MARKET STREET,
PHILADELPHIA.
fs3-3m

PAPER HANGINGS, &c.

TO CLOSE BUSINESS.
HART, MONTGOMERY, & CO.,
NO. 522 CHESTNUT STREET,
Will sell out, through this winter and next spring, their large stock of
PAPER HANGINGS,
Consisting of every variety connected with the business,
AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.
FINE FRENCH PAPERS AT 30 PER CENT. BELOW COST.
Persons wanting their Houses Papered, can get great
BARGAINS. ja28-tf

STATIONERY.

1860. NEW FIRMS AND 1860.
CHANGES.
WM. F. MURPHY & SONS,
No. 259 CHESTNUT STREET,
Below Fourth,
PRACTICAL MANUFACTURERS OF
BLANK BOOKS,
Made of Linen Stock.
Special Orders promptly executed.
Checks, Drafts, Notes, Copying Presses, Letter and Note Papers, and Envelopes, with a choice stock of
dif-3m COUNTING-HOUSE STATIONERY.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

BOKER & BROTHERS,
MANUFACTURERS AND WHOLESALE
DEALERS IN
CITY AND EASTERN-MADE
BOOTS AND SHOES,
Nos. 432 and 434 MARKET STREET,
Below FIFTH Street, South side,
fs3-3m PHILADELPHIA.

LEVICK, RASIN, & CO.,
BOOT AND SHOE WAREHOUSE
AND
MANUFACTORY.
NO. 505 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA.
We have now on hand an extensive stock of BOOTS and SHOES, of every description, of
OUR OWN AND EASTERN MANUFACTURE,
to which we invite the attention of Southern and Westernbuyers. fs3-3m

ALCOHOL, FLUID, and PINE OIL, in barrels and half barrels, manufactured fresh, daily, and delivered, for sale by ROWLEY, ASHBURNER, & CO., 16 WHARVES. ja31

DRY-GOODS JOBBERS.

JOSHUA L. BAILY,
IMPORTER AND JOBBER,
NO. 213 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA,
HAS NOW OPEN
A LARGE AND VERY COMPLETE STOCK
OF
STAPLE AND FANCY
DRY GOODS,
SELECTED FOR THE
SPRING TRADE OF 1860.
INCLUDING
LINEN GOODS IN ALL VARIETIES.
DRESS GOODS AND SHAWLS,
CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES,
JEANS AND COTTONADES,
BLACK SILKS AND MOURNING GOODS.
ENGLISH AND AMERICAN PRINTS.
A FULL LINE IN STANDARD MAKES OF
DOMESTIC GOODS.
WHE LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTMENT OF
MERRIMACK PRINTS
IN ANY JOBBING HOUSE IN THE UNION.
ALLENDALE, MANCHESTER, DATES, AND MARSEILLES QUILTS.
We now offer, for the first time in this market, the
SNOW-SHOE GINGHAMS
Which for beauty of Designs, goodness of Colors, and Quality are unequalled by any other goods at the price.
TERMS—Notes at six months, or five per cent. discount for cash within thirty days. fs4-tf

MCCLINTOCK, GRANT, & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS,
AND
TAILORS' TRIMMINGS,
No. 323 MARKET STREET, (Up Stairs,)
Are now opening their Spring Stock, to which they invite the attention of the trade. fs4-3m

J. W. GIBBS & SONS,
No. 521 MARKET STREET,
Are now opening their
SPRING STOCK OF GOODS
Adapted to
MEN'S WEAR,
In which will be found a full assortment of
CLOTHS, DOESKINS, VESTINGS, TRIMMINGS, &c.
fs3-1m

C. SOMERS & SON,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
CLOTHS,
CASSIMERES,
VESTINGS,
TAILORS' TRIMMINGS, &c.,
No. 33 SOUTH FOURTH STREET,
(Between Market and Chestnut Streets,)
PHILADELPHIA. fs3-1m
WILLIAM M. SOMERS CHALLEN SOMERS.

A. W. LITTLE & CO.,
SILK GOODS,
No. 525 MARKET STREET.
fs3-3m

WHOLESALE CLOTHING.

LIPPINCOTT, REMINGTON & SCOTT,
MANUFACTURERS
AND
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
CLOTHING,
494 MARKET Street, and 419 MERCHANT Street,
PHILADELPHIA.
A full and complete stock of every style and class of machine-made Clothing, fully equal to that manufactured in any other city. fs3-2m

HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS.

HOUSE FURNISHING STORE.
WILLIAM YARNALL,
No. 1020 CHESTNUT STREET,
(Immediately opposite the Academy of Fine Arts.)
Invites the attention of HOUSEKEEPERS and others to his extensive assortment of
USEFUL HOUSEKEEPING GOODS,
TABLE CUTLERY,
NURSERY FENDERS,
CHAFING DISHES,
FIRE SCREENS,
PLATE WARMERS,
TEA ROYS, &c., &c.
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WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.

PRATT & REATH,
N. W. CORNER FIFTH AND MARKET STREETS,
IMPORTERS OF
WATCHES,
JEWELRY, PLATED WARE, &c., &c.
fs3-1m

SILVER WARE.
WM. WILSON & SON
Invite special attention to their stock of SILVER WARE, which is now unusually large, affording a variety of pattern and design unsurpassed by any house the United States, and of finer quality than is manufactured for table use in any part of the world.
Our Standard of Silver is 925-1000 parts pure
The English Sterling.....925-1000 "
American and French.....900-1000 "
Thus it will be seen that we give thirty-five parts purer than the American and French coin, and ten parts purer than the English Sterling. We melt all our own Silver, and we guarantee the quality as above (925), which is the finest that can be made to be serviceable, and will resist the action of acids much better than the ordinary Silver manufactured.
WM. WILSON & SON,
S. W. CORNER FIFTH AND CHERRY STS.
N. B.—Any fineness of Silver manufactured as agreed upon, but positively none inferior to French and American standard.
Dealers supplied with the same standard as used in our retail department.
Fine Silver Bars, 900-1000 parts pure, constantly on hand. ms24-6m

HARDWARE.

HANDY & BRENNER,
NOS. 92, 95, AND 97 NORTH FIFTH STREET
PHILADELPHIA,
WHOLESALE COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
For the sale of all kinds of
AMERICAN MANUFACTURED HARDWARE,
AND IMPORTERS OF
GERMAN, BELGIAN, FRENCH, AND ENGLISH
HARDWARE AND CUTLERY,
Keep constantly on hand a large stock of Goods to supply Hardware Dealers.
BUTCHER'S FILES,
By the cask or otherwise.
BUTCHER'S EDGE TOOLS,
BUTCHER'S STEEL OF VARIOU KINDS.
WRIGHT'S PATENT ANVILS AND VICES,
SKIP CHAIN,
And other kinds in every variety.
SOLE AGENTS FOR
SHARP'S REPEATER PISTOL,
WEIGHING ONLY 5¾ OUNCES.
SHARP'S NEW MODEL RIFLES AND PISTOLS.
EDWARD S. HANDY. JNO. S. BRENNER. G. P. BRENNER.
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MOORE, HENSZEY, & CO.
HARDWARE,
CUTLERY,
and GUN
WAREHOUSE,
No. 497 MARKET, and 416 COMMERCE Streets
PHILADELPHIA. fs3-3mo

JUST RECEIVED, PER
VIGO,
A consignment of new and beautiful
STEREOSCOPIC VIEWS,
which we offer at very reasonable prices.
EDWARD PARRISH,
ja24-tf 600 ARCH Street.

MILLINERY GOODS.

STRAW AND MILLINERY GOODS.
LINCOLN, WOOD, & NICHOLS,
No. 785 CHESTNUT STREET,
(Between Seventh and Eighth,)
Have now in store a
COMPLETE STOCK OF
SPRING GOODS,
EMBRACING
STRAW HATS AND BONNETS,
MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S STRAW GOODS,
FANCY AND CRAPE BONNETS,
FRENCH FLOWERS, RIBBONS, and
MILLINERY GOODS IN GENERAL,
To which they respectfully invite the attention of merchants.
Cash and short-time buyers will find special advantage in examining this stock before purchasing. fs3-3m

J. HILLBORN JONES,
Importer and Manufacturer of
FANCY SILK
AND
STRAW BONNETS,
ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS,
FEATHERS, RUSCHES, &c.
The attention of City and Country Dealers is invited to a large and varied stock of the above goods at
439 MARKET STREET,
fs3-3m Below Fifth.

1860. STRAW GOODS. 1860.
THOMPSON & JENKINS,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
STRAW GOODS,
HATS AND CAPS,
SILK BONNETS,
ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS,
RUCHES, &c.
NO. 528 MARKET STREET.
Buyers are requested to examine our stock.
THOMAS F. FRALEY is engaged with the above house, and solicits the patronage of his friends.
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MILLINERY
AND
STRAW GOODS
EXCLUSIVELY.
ROSENHEIM, BROOKS, & CO.,
431 MARKET STREET, NORTH SIDE,
Are now opening, for the Spring Trade, the most extensive and choicest stock in their line ever collected together under one roof.
RIBBONS of every conceivable description.
BONNET MATERIALS.
FRENCH ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS.
RUCHES, and all other millinery articles
STRAW BONNETS IN IMMENSE VARIETY.
CHILDREN'S AND MISSES GOODS, DO.
BLOOMERS, SHAKER HOODS, &c.
Conscious of our superior facilities in obtaining our supplies, we flatter ourselves that superior inducements, both as regards choice of selection and moderation in prices, cannot be met with. fs3-3m

FOR
EVENING PARTIES
BERTHAS,
CAPES, SETS,
SLEEVES, and CUFFS,
In Real Lace, Crape, Illusion,
Blond and Imitation,
in great variedies, of the
NEWEST STYLES.
ALSO,
TARLATANS, ILLUSION,
Much below the usual prices.
WARBURTON'S,
1004 CHESTNUT Street, above Tenth Street,
806 South SECOND Street, below Spruce.
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LADIES' DRESS TRIMMINGS.

FEBRUARY 4, 1860.
WM. H. HORSTMANN & SONS,
FIFTH AND CHERRY STREETS, ADJOINING
FACTORY,
MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS
OF
LADIES' DRESS
AND
MANTILLA TRIMMINGS,
We are now prepared to offer a large and desirable stock of Ladies' Dress and Mantilla Trimmings, together with a full line of colors.
ZEPHYR WORSTEDS,
SHETLAND WOOL,
EMBROIDERING CHENILLE,
&c., &c.,
To which the attention of the Trade is directed.
SOLE AGENTS FOR RYLE'S SPOOL-SILK.
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1860. SPRING. 1860.
EVANS & HASSALL,
IMPORTERS OF
LADIES' DRESS TRIMMINGS,
No. 31 S. FOURTH STREET,
Are now opening a fine assortment of
NOVELTIES FOR THE SPRING SEASON,
To which they invite the attention of buyers. fs5-1m

SADDLERY, HARNESS, &c.

LACEY & PHILLIPS,
HARNESS, SADDLES, AND ROBES.
THE PRIZE MEDAL at the World's Fair, held in London, in 1851, was awarded to us for the best Harness.
THE PRIZE MEDAL at the World's Fair, held in New York, in 1853, was also awarded to us for the best Harness.
Having since then greatly enlarged our manufacturing facilities, we are now prepared to offer to the public at
EXTENSIVE ESTABLISHMENT
Nos. 30 and 32 South SECOND St., above Chestnut,
PHILADELPHIA,
The most complete assortment of articles in our line of business, such as Harness, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Riding Saddles, Bridles, Driving and Riding Whips, Fly Nets, Horse Covers for Summer and Winter use. Buffalo and all other kinds of robes.
Our goods are manufactured in the very best style of workmanship, and with the
ONE QUALITY OF LEATHER,
which is the best the market can furnish.
Attention is asked to the following scale of prices:
Good plain serviceable single harness from ..... $12 to $25
" fancy " " ..... $25 50 to $35
Plain double harness " ..... $40 to $50
Country harness makers can be supplied with harness cheaper than they can manufacture them.
n19-6m&3m

MEDICINAL.

MRS. WINSLOW,
AN EXPERIENCED NURSE AND FEMALE Physician, presents her attention to mothers for her
SOOTHING SYRUP
FOR CHILDREN TEETHING,
which greatly facilitates the process of teething, by softening the gums, reducing all inflammation; will allay
ALL PAIN, and spasmodic action, and is
SURE TO REGULATE THE BOWELS.
Depend upon it, mothers, it will give rest to yourselves and
RELIEF AND HEALTH TO YOUR INFANTS.
We have put up and sold this article for over ten years, and can say, in confidence and truth of it, what we have said of no other preparation, NEVER HAS IT FAILED in a SINGLE INSTANCE, TO EFFECT a CURE, when timely used. Never did we know an instance of dissatisfaction by any one who used it. On the contrary, all are delighted to speak in terms of highest commendation of its magical effects and medical virtues. We speak in this matter what we do from experience, and place our judgment of what we have done in instance where the infant was in the agonies of death, and the friends had given up all hope, when a few bottles of the Syrup was used, with results that have ever after been a source of pleasure to us, in view of the happiness it conferred upon parents and friends.
This valuable preparation is the prescription of one of the most EXPERIENCED and SKILLFUL NURSES in New England, and has been used with never-failing success in THOUSANDS OF CASES.
It not only relieves the child from pain, but invigorates the stomach and bowels, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. It will almost instantly relieve GRIPING IN THE BOWELS AND WIND COLIC, and overcomes convulsions, which, if not speedily remedied, end in death. We believe it the best and surest remedy in the world, in all cases of DYSENTERY and DIARRHŒA IN CHILDREN, whether it arises from teething or from any other cause. We would say to every mother who has an infant suffering from any of the foregoing complaints, that she should stand between her suffering child and the prejudice of ignorance, and not let her suffering child suffer one day longer, when she can be SURE—yes, ABSOLUTELY SURE—of the relief and cure, by the use of this medicine. Full directions for using will accompany the genuine, unless the fac-simile of CURTIS & PERKINS, New York, is on the outside wrapper.
☞ Sold by Druggists throughout the world. Principal Office, No. 13 DUANE Street, New York. 1y36-3y
☞ Price 25 cents a bottle

NEW CROP NEW ORLEANS SUGAR.—50 hhds prime new crop N. O. Sugar, for sale by JAMES GRAHAM & CO., 164 Street. fs9

COMMISSION HOUSES.

FROTHINGHAM & WELLS,
35 LETITIA STREET, AND 34 SOUTH FRONT STREET.
COTTONADES.
Suitable for both Clothiers and Jobbers, in large variety.
SUMMER COATINGS AND CASSIMERETTS
Made by Washington Mills.
Orders taken for these desirable goods for Spring trade.
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SHIPLEY, HAZARD, & HUTCHINSON,
NO 119 CHESTNUT ST.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
FOR THE SALE OF
PHILADELPHIA-MADE GOODS.
s2-3m

FARRELL & MORRIS,
323 CHESTNUT STREET.
IMPORTERS,
AND
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
CLOTHS,
CASSIMERES,
DOESKINS, AND
SATINETS.
SPRING AND
SUMMER COATINGS,
MANTELETS,
PANTALOON STUFFS,
&c., &c.
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1860. 1860.
AMERICAN WOOLLENS.
FANCY CASSIMERES,
NEW SPRING STYLES.
CASHMARETS,
ALL COLORS AND QUALITIES.
BLACK DOESKINS,
FINE TO SUPER.
KENTUCKY JEANS,
ALL-WOOL FILLING.
SATINETS,
PRINTED, PLAIN, AND MIXTURES.
COTTON WARP CLOTHS,
ALL GRADES AND COLORS.
TWEEDS, TALMA CLOTHS, &c.
FOR SALE BY THE AGENTS,
RICHARDS, HAIGHT, & CO.,
8 STRAWBERRY STREET.
Ja25-th&m 8t

FROTHINGHAM & WELLS,
34 SOUTH FRONT,
AND 35 LETITIA STREET,
Are AGENTS for the sale of Goods Manufactured by the following Companies, viz:
MASSACHUSETTS,
LACONIA,
GREAT FALLS,
LYMAN,
CABOT,
DWIGHT,
PERKINS,
IPSWICH,
BARKLEY.
Stout, Medium, and Colored Sheetings, Shirtings, Jeans, and Drills.
ROBESON'S BLUE PRINTS,
TWEEDS, HAMPDEN COMPANY'S
WASHINGTON BLUE PRINTS,
(Formerly Bay State)
Shawls, Piano and Table Covers, Printed Fellings, Flannels, All-Wool and Cotton Warp Cloths, heavy Satinets and blue Beavers, Cassimeres, and Tweeds. Also, Kersaveys, Satinets, and Tweeds. o1-stuth-6m

PATENT FUR AND SEAL SKIN COATINGS.
THE SUBSCRIBERS,
SOLE AGENTS IN THE UNITED STATES
For the above description of goods of the well-known manufacture of
MESSRS. EDWIN FIRTH & SONS,
OF
HECKMONDWIKE, YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND.
Are preparing to exhibit samples of the various qualities, and to take orders for immediate or future delivery, to suit the convenience of the trade.
The goods cannot be purchased through the customary channels in England, and all orders for the United States must go through the subscribers.
WRAY & GILLILAN,
PHILADELPHIA, and
FANSHAWE, MILLIKEN, & TOWNSEND,
ja10-tuth&s3m New York.

WOLFE & CO.,
WHOLESALE
CARPETING, OIL-CLOTH, AND MATTING
WAREHOUSE.
NO. 132 CHESTNUT STREET,
☞ Agency for Philadelphia Carpet Manufacturers.
fs5-3m

CARPETINGS.

M'CALLUM & CO.,
CARPET MANUFACTURERS,
GLEN ECHO MILLS, GERMANTOWN,
Also, Importers and Dealers in
CARPETINGS,
OIL CLOTHS,
MATTING, RUGS, &C.
WAREHOUSE 509 CHESTNUT ST.,
(Opposite the State House.)
Southern and Western buyers are respectfully invited to call. fs6 3m

CARPETS.
F. A. ELIOT & CO., Nos. 33 and 34 North FRONT Street, are the SOLE AGENTS in Philadelphia for the ROXBURY CARPET COMPANY, and have constantly for sale a full assortment of VELVET and TAPESTRY CARPETS, of choice patterns.
Also, a large supply of the various kinds of CARPETS manufactured in Philadelphia city and county, from nearly all the best manufacturers.
Dealers will find it to their interest to call and examine these goods, which are offered for sale on the most favorable terms.
N. B.—F. A. ELIOT & CO, being the Sole Agents in Philadelphia for the sale of the Worsted and Carpet Yarns spun by the Saxonville Mills (formerly the New England Worsted Company,) and being agents also for the Baldwin, Wilton, and Abbott Companies, have peculiar facilities for keeping constantly for sale the various kinds of Carpets manufactured in Philadelphia, on the most favorable terms. fs17-3m

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.
DRUGGISTS,
IMPORTERS, AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
DRUGS,
CHEMICALS,
CORKS,
SPONGES,
AMERICAN AND FOREIGN ESSENTIAL OILS, &c.,
And Manufacturers and Sole Proprietors of
B. A. FAHNESTOCK'S VERMIFUGE,
Nos. 7 and 9 NORTH FIFTH STREET,
East side, a few doors above Market,
fs3-3m PHILADELPHIA

DRUGS, GLASS, PAINTS, &c.

ROBT. SHOEMAKER & CO.
NORTHEAST CORNER
FOURTH AND RACE STREETS,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
Importers and Dealers in WINDOW GLASS, PAINTS, &c., invite the attention of
COUNTRY MERCHANTS
To their large stock of Goods, which they offer at the lowest market rates. oct-tf

TAR AND PITCH.—250 bbls. Wilmington Tar; 200 kegs Wilmington Tar; 350 bbls. Pitch in store, and for sale by ROWLEY, ASHBURNER & CO., No. 16 S. Wharves. ja31

CHEESE.—375 boxes Herkimer County Cheese, in store, and for sale by C. G. SADLER & CO., ARCH street, 2d door above Front. fs4

The Press.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1860.

A Book from Florence Nightingale.

Very little has been heard of Florence Nightingale since the War in the Crimea, when, with a self-devotion which History and Humanity will unite to place in immortal recollection, she exhibited that practical philanthropy which, to their honor be it recorded, her sex have always unostentatiously exercised in mitigation of bodily or mental anguish. There are few, very few occasions, when Woman is called upon to act in public. She flourishes best in seclusion,

"Curtained from the sight
Of this base world, illuming
Only one mansion with her light."

but every man of sense and feeling will confess that in his hour of bodily pain it is *her* hand which has most gently smoothed his pillow, *her* sympathy which in mental suffering has poured the most healing balsam into the wounds of his spirit. *It is the fashion to speak* too lightly of the gentler and better sex:—none do it save those who have chiefly been familiar with the worst specimens of Womanhood.

Somewhat over five years ago a noble band of gentlewomen (we hate the conventional substitute "ladies," and avoid using it,) quitted England to devote themselves, as far as human aid and tenderness could, to mitigate some of the worst evils which relentless war inflicts upon man, either in the battle field or by the deadly diseases engendered from scanty food, encampment in unhealthy positions, vicissitudes of weather, severity of climate, and the many other ills, infectious ailments included, which the cruel game of warfare inflicts upon the thousands who are necessitated to join it. The service which Florence Nightingale rendered to her country, to say nothing of the value to the world of such an example of self-devotion, cannot be adequately estimated. Independent of the immediate relief which she and her assistants rendered *to the wounded at Scutari* and Balaclava, must be considered the immediate and wholesale reorganization and improvement of the army-hospital system of England.

Such a woman neither sought nor would receive any public acknowledgment for what she did. Title was offered her by Queen Victoria, but all that she accepted from her Majesty, and that as a mark of personal regard, was a decorative jewel, accompanied by an affectionate autograph letter. Repeated invitations to Court were sent her, but she declined them all, until, finally yielding to Victoria's personal solicitation, she went to Balmoral, the remote rural residence of Royalty, where she was introduced, by the Queen herself, to her children, and breathed in new health with the fresh air from the hills of Braemar. Finally, when, to raise a suitable national testimonial, a sum exceeding $600,000 was subscribed, Florence Nightingale, still unsolicitous for self, appropriated the money to an institution at which nurses might be educated, thus, in fact, perpetuating the good which her own action and her own example had so efficiently executed in the Crimea.

Florence Nightingale, be it noted, had herself voluntarily gone through such a course of training as she has now provided for others. Born in the year 1823, at Florence, (whence her given name,) she received from her father, Mr. William Shore, of Leigh Hurst, Derbyshire, such an unusually extended education as she acquired great proficiency in the classics and the exact sciences, and a general delight of research in art and music. With the aid of an excellent musician, she became nearly all the modern languages, and speaks French, Italian, and German as fluently as English. After travelling largely, particularly in the East, Florence Nightingale voluntarily placed herself in the well-known institution at Kaiserwerth, on the Rhine, where Protestant Sisters of Mercy are trained to nurse the sick and perform other acts of charity. By this time her father had changed his hereditary surname of SHORE to that of NIGHTINGALE, on succeeding to the large estate of Embley Park, Hampshire. After three months' severe training at Kaiserwerth, in the summer of 1851, during which she voluntarily relinquished the only chance of visiting the Great Exhibition, Florence Nightingale returned to England, where she might have lived in the enjoyment of every ease, comfort, and pleasure which ample fortune could command or a highly cultivated mind enjoy. She placed herself at the head of a Sanatorium for Governesses in London, and speedily reduced its previously antagonistic and rude elements into good working-condition. The interval between effecting this and volunteering to go to the Crimea was passed in rural retirement. Since her return, her health has not recovered its tone. In fact, Florence Nightingale's active discharge of self-imposed duties has left her almost a confirmed invalid.

In her retirement, however, Florence Nightingale—the glory of one sex and the admiration of the other—has not been idle. It is impossible that such a mind could rust in inaction. She has done what none other could do so well—written a Handbook entitled "Notes on Nursing; what it is, and what it is not," which was published in London a fortnight ago. This small volume is the result of her practical experience in the art of caring for the sick. In this country, as in England, the duty of relieving human suffering is too much left to children and old women. Our own Census returns do not place nurses among those classed as having particular occupations. The Census of Great Britain and Ireland, also taken in 1850, does so distinguish them, and thence we learn that of the private nurses (domestic servants employed as nurses) in the United Kingdom, nearly one-half are under twenty, while of public or professional nurses about one-half are over sixty years of age. What sort of nurses the old women make may be judged from Charles Dickens' descriptions in "Martin Chuzzlewit." We, who have lived many years in London, and have known it for more than half our life, can aver, from personal observation and from reliable reports from the unhappy experience of others, that Sairey Gamp and Betsey Prig are pretty accurate portraits, and by no means extravagant caricatures of the class they conjointly represent.

In England, then, and, it may be feared, in this country, also, the duty of tending the sick is assigned to those who are too young or too old to do any thing else. Hence, no doubt, the high rate of mortality among infants and young children, as well as in the number of invalids who might have survived, had they been properly taken care of. The amount of needless, or at least relievable suffering occasioned by careless, and, above all, by ignorant nursing, cannot be calculated.

Florence Nightingale's book, based on great personal experience, and written by a high intellect, is eminently practical. She knows what ought to be done in a sick room, and she teaches how to do it. A tender and sympathetic mind alone could have produced these "Notes on Nursing." She does not pretend to teach a woman how to nurse, and, once in her life, at least, every woman has to perform this duty of affection, but she asks her to teach herself, and gives hints for her teaching.

We shall let Florence Nightingale speak for herself. Here is an extract from her chapter on Noise:

"Never to allow a patient to be waked, intentionally or accidentally, is a *sine qua non* of all good nursing. If he is roused out of his first sleep, he is almost certain to have no more sleep. It is a curious but quite intelligible fact, that if a patient is waked after a few hours' instead of a few minutes' sleep, he is much more likely to sleep again. Because pain, like irritability of brain, perpetuates and intensifies itself. If you have gained a respite of either in sleep you have gained more than the mere respite. Both the probability of recurrence and of the same intensity will be diminished; whereas both will be terribly increased by want of sleep. This is the reason why sleep is so all-important. This is the reason why a patient waked in the early part of his sleep loses not only his sleep, but his power to sleep. A healthy person who allows himself to sleep during the day will lose his sleep at night. But it is exactly the reverse with the sick generally; the more they sleep, the better will they be able to sleep.

"I have often been surprised at the thoughtlessness (resulting in cruelty, quite unintentionally) of friends or of doctors, who will hold a long conversation just in the room or passage adjoining to the room of the patient, who is either every moment expecting them to come in, or who has just seen them, and knows they are talking about him. If he is an amiable patient, he will *try to* occupy his attention elsewhere and not to listen; and this makes matters worse—for the strain upon his attention and the effort he makes, are so great that it is well if he is not worse for hours after. If it is a whispered conversation in the same room, then it is absolutely cruel, for it is impossible that the patient's attention should not be involuntarily strained to hear. Walking on tip-toe, doing anything in the room very slowly, are injurious, for exactly the same reasons. A firm, light, quick step, a steady, quick hand are the desiderata; not the slow, lingering, shuffling foot—the timid, uncertain touch. Slowness is not gentleness, though it is often mistaken for such; quickness, lightness, and gentleness are quite compatible.

"If friends and doctors did but watch, as nurses can and should watch, the features sharpening, the eyes growing almost wild, of fever patients who are listening for the entrance from the corridor of the persons whose voices they are hearing there, these would never run the risk again of creating such expectation or irritation of mind. Such unnecessary noise has undoubtedly induced or aggravated delirium in many cases. I have known such in one case death ensued. It is but fair to say that this death was attributed to fright. It was the result of a long whispered conversation, within sight of the patient, about an impending operation; but any one who has known the more than stoicism, the cheerful coolness, with which the certainty of an operation will be accepted by any patient, capable of bearing an operation at all, if it is properly communicated to him, will hesitate to believe that it was more fear which produced, as was averred, the fatal result in this instance. It was rather the uncertainty, the strained expectation as to what was to be decided upon.

"I need hardly say that the other common cause, namely, for a doctor or friend to leave the patient and communicate his opinion on the result of his visit to the friends just outside the patient's door, or in the adjoining room, after the visit, but within hearing or knowledge of the patient, is, if possible, worst of all.

"It is, I think, alarming, peculiarly at this time, when the female ink-bottles are perpetually impressing upon us 'woman's' 'particular worth and general missionariness,' to see that the dress of women is daily more and more inviting them for any 'mission' or usefulness at all. It is equally unfitted for all postic and all domestic purposes. A man is now a more handy and far less objectionable being in a sick-room than a woman. Compelled by her dress, every woman now either shuffles or waddles; only a man can cross the floor of a sick-room without shaking it. What is become of woman's light step—the firm, light, quick step we have been asking for?"

It is probable that we may return to this book of Florence Nightingale's. In this work she renders as much service to suffering humanity as she did in the hospitals in Scutari. It ought to be in every house, as a family hand-book. Published in London at half a dollar, it might be advantageously republished here for twenty-five cents, and we should be surprised if at least half a million copies were not sold in six months. Of course, every woman of education, at the head of a household, would buy one copy, out of respect to Florence Nightingale, and then, having read it, purchase another to give away—just as we bestow this hint upon publishers.

Letter from New York.

PLOW OF TRAVEL TO CALIFORNIA—IMPORTANT MOVEMENT OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE—EFFORTS TO REMOVE STEAMBOAT LANDINGS UP TOWN—THE GOLDEN OVIEDO—NEW JERSEY DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION—THE SEVENTH REGIMENT'S GYMNASIUM—THE ELM STREET CALAMITY.

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The travel to California is large as ever. The Baltic, which left here for Aspinwall yesterday, carried out eight hundred passengers, among whom were Governeur Kemble, Wm. Whitewright, Jr., and Isaac Townsend, directors of the Panama Railroad Company, Charles Augustus Davis, Charles H. Russell, and other prominent citizens, some going for pleasure, others for business. The Northern Light also left at the same time with about five hundred passengers.

The teachers of Columbia College, actuated by a public spirit worthy the warmest commendation, contemplate making that institution entirely free to the admission of students from all parts of the country. In addition to its old endowments, the State of its College Lands, the accession of capital that places it in a position to make the proposed change with entire ease. The present location, near Central Park, is not only more eligible for educational purposes, but has the advantage of more spacious grounds, and is in all respects more desirable. The staff of the college is very efficient, and its financial condition in the highest degree satisfactory.

Persons holding property down town, in the vicinity of the wharves, are slightly exercised in reference to a movement to require the Fall River, and Long Island Steamboats to remove their landings to the upper part of the city. Certain parties owning river property up town, and having influence with lobbymen and legislators at Albany, have concocted the removal scheme to enhance the value of their real estate, though against the wishes and interests of merchants and the travelling community. Should the landings be changed it is alleged that merchants will be heavily taxed through increased freight charges, travellers be swindled more by unscrupulous hackmen, and severe embarrassment ensue to the Eastern steamboat trade and travel generally. On the other hand, the relief the change would afford the blockade which now embarrasses the down-town thoroughfares cannot be questioned.

The golden Oviedo, accompanied by his beautiful young bride, left town yesterday for HAVANA on board the Quaker City. Since the day on which their nuptials were celebrated, with princely ceremonial, at the Cathedral, they have passed the time in Boston and this city, enjoying themselves, apparently, like very sensible people, and eschewing the demonstrative way of life adopted by the Don prior to his wedding. They now go to Cuba, to have a good time on his estates there.

I observe that the Democratic State Executive Committee of New Jersey have issued a call to the Democratic electors to hold meetings in their several towns, and appoint one delegate for every one hundred Democratic votes, and one for every fraction over fifty votes polled at the last gubernatorial election, to represent said electors in a State Convention, to be held at Trenton, on Wednesday, 28th of March, to appoint fourteen delegates to the Democratic National Convention to be held at Charleston.

The members of our famous Seventh Regiment are about to erect, in Lafayette place, the largest and most splendid gymnasium in the Union. It will be eighty by seventy feet, and two stories high. The first floor will be used for dressing and bath rooms, and the second, which will be twenty-six feet high, for the gymnasium. A reading room will be connected with the establishment, so that, while the development of the body is the main object in view, the cultivation of the mind will not be neglected.

The recent fatal calamity in Elm street, by which eighteen inmates of a tenement house were hurried into eternity, has imparted a little pluck to our coroner's juries. The jury empannelled in that case have presented that, in their opinion, the owner of the premises was responsible,