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IMPORTERS OF HAVANA CIGARS,
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JOHN C. BICKEL is this day admitted as a partner in our House.
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Philadelphia, Jan. 1, 1861. jan-tuf1m

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The undersigned, successor to the late firm of J. & T. WOOD, will continue the business in all its branches at the above stand. Power Looms and all machines connected with them; Embossing Calleaders, Lard Oil Presses, Stamping, and Machine Work in general.
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Philadelphia, Jan. 28, 1861. ja4-3m

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STONE, QUILTY, & BURTON,
No. 232 SOUTH FRONT STREET,
PHILADELPHIA,
Beg leave to inform Railroad Companies, and others interested in bridge construction, that they have formed an association in business with JOHN W. MURPHY, Civil Engineer, (author and inventor of the above well-known plan of iron bridge,) and are prepared to execute orders, from any part of the country, from his designs and personal superintendence.
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ja19-3m FOR STONE, QUILTY, & BURTON.

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REMOVAL.—PASCHALL MORRIS has removed his Agricultural and Seed Warehouse from Seventh and Market streets, to his New Stand, 1130 MARKET Street, opposite Farmers' Market.
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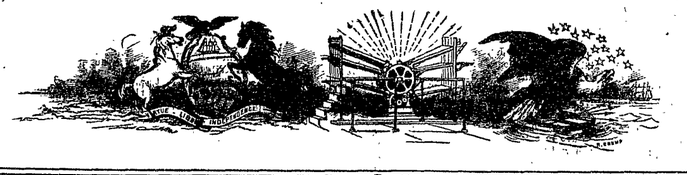

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THE CRAVAT STORE
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THE COLLAR STORE
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GENT'S PATENT ENAMELLED COLLAR
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BEST LINEN CHOKER.
CRAVATS, SCARFS, AND NECKTIES IN END LESS NUMBERS
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ALL KINDS OF GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS.
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The Corner is
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All Wool Flannels,
Good Large Blankets,
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AT THORNLEY & CHIGM'S,
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Last Month of Winter.
Last Month of Winter.
Last Month of Winter.
Last Month of Winter.
Last Month of Winter.
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Winter Dress Goods Below Cost.
WE ARE DETERMINED TO REDUCE OUR STOCK!
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Linen Sheetings,
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Linen Damasks,
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Russia Crash Diapers,
Crumb Cloths, Stair Crash,
Woollen Druggets, Table Covers,
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Curtain Materials,
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Piano Covers, and Worsted Damasks.
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SOUTHEAST corner SIXTH and ARCH Streets.
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Balmorals, retail.
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They are positively sold at half before purchasing elsewhere.
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CLOAKS.—The largest stock, the best assortment, the choicest colors, the finest qualities, the most superb trimmings, the newest styles, the best work, and decidedly the lowest prices in the city, at IVENS', 23 South NINTH Street. nol5-3m

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Entire stock of Dress Goods at second prices.
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We offer it to the trade at the
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1,000 Quintals Grand Bank Codfish.
500 boxes Hartfordshire County Cheese.
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Salampero, Argentines,
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Which they will sell at less than their former prices, in consequence of having better facilities for manufacturing, and being under less expenses.
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"To Point a Moral."

The last number of *Punch* contains two cartoons, by John Leech, somewhat in the style of Hogarth's pictorial satires upon the evils of England's Social system.

The first, entitled "The Stable," represents a landlord exhibiting his stable to *Mr. Punch*. There it is, neat and nice, clean and well-ventilated, occupied by favorite horses, well-cared-for, well-fed, and well-covered, too, with woollen horse-cloths intended to keep the fortunate quadrupeds warm and comfortable, to a degree. The self-complacent landlord says "Yes, *Mr. Punch*, nice, clean, airy boxes, plenty of light, perfect drainage and ventilation. The best of food and water, and kind treatment. That's my plan!"

The other cartoon bears the name of "The Cottage." Here, however, it is *Mr. Punch*, not the landlord, who acts as Cicerone. A miserable laborer, unkempt and unshaven, sits on the side of a wretched bed, endeavoring to warm his horny hands by a miserable fire, made of boughs and brambles picked up by the road-side. In the bed is his wife, with two children—one of them an infant. In one corner, on the floor, lies a young man,—the laborer's eldest son, perhaps,—and in another corner, also, on the floor, lies a young woman and another child. Near the landlord, who seems somewhat astonished at the scene, stands another daughter, who has reached womanhood, and apparently will soon be a mother without being a wife. Wretched poverty reigns supreme in this miserable cottage. *Mr. Punch*, pointing out these things to the landlord, significantly says, "Your stable arrangements are excellent! Suppose you try something of the sort *here!* Eh?"

These pictures, unhappily "founded on fact," only too truly represent the condition of the laboring classes in many parts of England. This very month, Mr. Layard, the lately-elected member of Parliament for Southwark, one of the metropolitan boroughs, presided, among his new constituency, at the opening of a ragged school. He argued that the sums which are now devoted to missionary labors abroad might be spent with infinitely more advantage at home, in educating and advancing the children of those who are now left to help themselves, and repay, with terrible interest, the wrongs which they have received at the hands of society. "The foundation of society was," he said, "that large swarming mass of the community in the lower walks of life, which, in point of numbers, formed a hundred to one of the higher classes; and, consequently, if that superstructure were based on a mass of crime and ignorance, the upper classes of society would not be considered safe." He proceeded to show that the condition of this class largely affected the taxation of the country; because, so long as they were suffered to remain in ignorance and crime, the taxes of the country would be spent in punishing that ignorance and crime. Mr. Layard thus placed the issue on a basis which addresses the sympathy of the upper classes, and makes an appeal to their selfishness and their fears.

Recent disclosures respecting the condition of the agricultural laborers in Wiltshire, founded on a personal inspection of the cottages in which the laborers lived—some as heads of families, others as lodgers—represent them all as wallowing in filth, and steeped in ignorance and moral depravity. A further investigation of the subject has revealed the painful fact that, in proportion to the population, more criminals are to be found in the agricultural districts than in the most densely populated cities. It has also been ascertained that the illegitimate children born in the rural parishes form a larger per centage of the births, and this is attributed to the indiscriminate herding of the sexes in the small and ill-ventilated cottages, which are too small for the wants, necessities, and decency of the inmates; and this system is now declared to be pretty general throughout the farmsteads of England. Two or three years back, disclosures hardly less appalling occurred with reference to the condition of the agricultural population in Scotland, and *Punch's* pictures, perhaps, may shame the landlords, English and Scotch, into improving the dwellings of their tenant-laborers.

Indeed, a step has already been made in the right direction. Lord Palmerston, who is quick in *seeing*, though not very alert in *doing*, what is right, attended a meeting at Romsey, in his own country parish, a fortnight since, held to consider the state of the habitations of the poorer and laboring classes. He gave, as the result of inquiries instituted by a competent medical man, that, in Romsey, "there was a great number of habitations which were *not fit for the occupation of human beings*, that they were destitute of all those accommodations and conveniences requisite for a decent dwelling-house, and that they were positively unhealthy, owing to the want of ventilation and the absence of a sufficient number of cubical feet of space for each person who lived in them." Mr. Cowper, Palmerston's stepson, who has made the condition of the poor his study, said "there are in all large towns and in every rural district a certain number of dwellings in which a proper state of decency, of propriety, and of self-respect cannot by possibility be attained, in which health cannot be preserved, and in which the whole moral atmosphere of the family is tainted and deteriorated." Mr. Cowper's suggested remedy is to build proper habitations for the laboring classes, the necessary funds being raised and the necessary operations carried on by a joint-stock company, and a profit of 4 to 6 per cent. on the investment being reckoned on as certain.

Something must be done, for the peasantry of England are more badly housed now, in their dog-holes of one-roomed cottages, than the Irish peasantry *were*, twenty years ago, in their miserable cabins, with the pig ("who paid the rent") occasionally sleeping with the family.

We really believe that the negro population in the South are better lodged, better fed, better cared for, and less worked than "the bold peasantry," which Goldsmith said, nearly a century ago, was England's "pride."

THE WINTER IN PRUSSIA.—The Berlin correspondent of the *Daily Advertiser*, under date of January 6th, writes that the sleighing is excellent in Prussia, and is enjoyed by all classes of the population. He makes the following reference to our countrymen in Berlin:

Of the affairs in my own country I purposely refrain from speaking. We have in Berlin many representatives from the Southern States, all *Union* men, and the news by each arrival is eagerly devoured, but our latest dates, December 20th, bring but little encouragement. Night and morning we pray for our country and for Union. But little is said abroad in relation to our troubles; foreigners look on with amazement, and are quietly waiting for the result. I have looked everywhere for notices of the President's message; nothing, however, was said about it, though in many journals it was printed in full.

THERE is to be a novelty at the Crystal Palace in the shape of a water-barometer in the centre, some thirty-five feet high, and registering and showing plainly to the eye the effect of the atmosphere on water, which is more nearly, yet equally truthfully, displayed in the barometer of quicksilver. The mind of the populace may the more readily, perhaps, appreciate under his aspect the marvellous changes which the atmosphere works in the mass of water on the face of the earth, a large idea which quicksilver may not has suggested.

GREECE, so quiet and so prosperous since her emancipation from the brutal rule of the Turk, seems destined to strife and suffering should general war break out in Europe next spring. The Greeks, forgetful of their sufferings prior to their erection into a kingdom under King Otho, complain of their want of free legislation, and will probably join Hungary and Wallachia, should they rise against Austria.

THE Government in British India has issued a circular permitting the Episcopal churches also various stations to be used by chaplains of the Church of Scotland. The Bishop of Calcutta endorses the Government circular, considering it "a reasonable act of courtesy to the Church of Scotland."

A CAVE 2,000 feet deep has recently been explored, near San Domingo, on the Tehuantiec route. It has at some time been inhabited, as several broken jars have been discovered then

The Crittenden Amendment.

[For The Press.]

Much has been said and written concerning the above, but in this city, at least, it is evident that much misapprehension exists concerning its real character and necessary effects. I propose, very briefly, to consider some of its features, and to state the reasons why the great body of our Northern Senators and Representatives doubtless find it impossible, consistent with clear and imperative duty to their constituents and their country, to vote therefor. In the first place, it appears clearly unconstitutional. One of the sections of the so-called compromise provides it shall *never* be repealed or altered. The Constitution, in so many words, permits and provides for amendments thereto. Can anything be more simple, yet conclusive, than the propriety and force of this objection?

Again, it has but the name and reputation of being a compromise,—it is not one, in fact. To the South it gives everything in dispute; to the North, it magnanimously surrenders that which has long been universally conceded to be their own. To be sure, it permits the exclusion of slavery north of thirty-six thirty, but that territory is already secure to freedom. South of that line, not only is the application of the good old-fashioned principle, "that Congress should make all needful rules and regulations for the Territories," prevented, but the people of the Territories themselves are excluded from forming and framing their own institutions. Slavery can be forced upon them, while in a territorial state, even if ninety-nine hundred of the people have clearly expressed their opposition thereto. The bayonets of the Federal army could be employed for that purpose. A Congressional slave code, if deemed necessary, could be obtained. In short, all the demands that the most ultra men of the South ever made would hereby be granted. This, then, in this respect, is this much-lauded compromise—three of the great parties in the late Presidential contest are to surrender their principles and views, and to beg those from the other and an unsuccessful party. The Republicans are to abandon their opposition to slavery extension; the Douglas men to give up their adherence to squatter sovereignty; the supporters of Bell to throw aside their neutrality on the question, and, like Hosea, breathless, repentant sinners, into the arms of the political saints—the Breckinridge Democracy. There is no escaping this conclusion: adherence to the Crittenden proposition, so far as the Territorial question is concerned, is practically adherence to the Breckinridge platform, and an admission that that, and none other, is sound and right. Again, to all intents and purposes slavery is thus made a national institution, existing by virtue of the Constitution, and protected where its power extends. The views of the framers of the Government, and, with one or two exceptions, of all the great men that have been born to the nation—of the Washingtons, Jeffersons, and Madisons; Hamiltons, Jays, and Adamses; Clays, Websters, and Bentons—that slavery is a local, exceptional institution, existing only when established by positive law, and not being capable of existence in the absence thereof, is trampled under foot, and the new and monstrous doctrine is practically promulgated that slavery is under the protection of the General Government, wherever the stars and stripes float. For, incorporate in the Constitution the principle that slaves are property *as things* are, which our fathers were so opposed to, that Madison, in the Convention, proposed our National Chart, said he "thought it wrong to admit in the Constitution the idea that there could be property in man," and in vain we look for the word slave therein, and it necessarily follows that the "peculiar institution" is peculiar no longer, and that the Northern mind is therefor is concerned. It being national, as citizens of a Republic, we