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Executed in a superior manner, at the *very lowest prices.* Our assortment of Job Type is large and fashionable, and our Work speaks for itself.

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Including Parchment and Paper Deeds, Mortgages, Bonds, Articles of Agreement, Leases, and a variety of Justices' Blanks, kept constantly for sale, or printed to order.



EDWARD H. SHEARER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.—OFFICE IN COURT street, North side Reading, Pa. [april 26-6mo.

REMOVAL.
WILLIAM H. LIVINGOOD, ATTORNEY AT LAW, has removed his office to the north side of Court street first door below Sixth. [dec 22-tf

JESSE G. HAWLEY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
OFFICE WITH S. L. YOUNG, ESQ., PENN Street, above Sixth, Reading, Pa.
☞ Will be at Friedensburg, every Thursday.
September 29, 1860-1y*

Charles Davis,
ATTORNEY AT LAW—HAS REMOVED HIS Office to the Office lately occupied by the Hon. David F. Gordon, deceased, in Sixth street, opposite the Court House. [april 14

Daniel Ermentrout,
ATTORNEY AT LAW—OFFICE IN NORTH Sixth street, corner of Court alley. [aug 13-1y

David Neff,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN Foreign and Domestic DRY GOODS, No. 25 East ean street, Reading, Pa. [March 10, 1860.

LIVINGOOD'S
United States Bounty, Back Pay and Pension Office,
*COURT STREET, NEAR SIXTH.*
HAVING BEEN ENGAGED IN COLLECTING claims against the Government, I feel confident that all who have heretofore employed me will cheerfully endorse my promptness and fidelity. My charges are moderate and no charge made until obtained.
oct 18-tf] Attorney at Law, Court St., Reading, Pa

ASA M. HART,
(Late Hart & Mayer,)
DEALER IN FOREIGN AND AMERICAN DRY GOODS, CARPETINGS, &c., Wholesale and Retail, at Philadelphia prices. Sign of the Golden Bee Hive, No. 14 East Penn Square. [april 17-tf

P. Bushong & Sons,
MANUFACTURERS OF BURNING FLUID, Absolute, Deodorized and Druggists' Alcohol; also, Fine Oil, which they will sell at the lowest Wholesale prices, at Reading, Pa.
☞ Orders respectfully solicited. [march 12

DR. T. YARDLEY BROWN,
SURGEON DENTIST.
GRADUATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
Dental College. Teeth extracted by Francis' Electro-Magnetic process, with Clarke's improvement. With this method teeth are extracted with much less pain than the usual way. No extra charge. Office in Fifth street, opposite the Presbyterian Church. [april 2-1y

Dr. G. M. MILLER,
SURGEON DENTIST, FROM THE College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia. Office: At his residence in Main street, Hamburg, Pa.
☞ Teeth extracted under the influence of Ether, or by the Electro-Magnetic Machine, without extra charge. Scurvy cured.
☞ He has also Patent and other MEDICINES for sale at his office. [may 31

DR. D. LLEWELLYN BEAVER,
United States Pension Surgeon.
EXAMINATIONS OF INVALID PENSIONERS and applicants for Pensions, from any State, and of both the Army and Navy, made at the corner of Fifth and Walnut street, Reading. ☞ Office hours—from 12 to 2 P. M. Dec. 20-3mo.]

CHARLES LANCASTER,
MEDICAL ELECTRICIAN,
Fourth Street, above Penn, Reading.
January 24, 1863-tf

PENSIONS,
BOUNTIES & BACK PAY.
APPLICATIONS PROMPTLY ATTENDED to. Terms moderate and no charge until obtained.
A. G. GREEN, Attorney at Law,
Jan 31-6mo] Office in Court Street, Reading.

SOLDIERS'
BOUNTY-MONEY, BACK-PAY AND PENSION CLAIMS
PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO BY
A. K. STAUFFER,
Attorney at Law, Office in Court Street,
[Jan 31-tf] READING, PA.

S. M. PETTENGILL & CO.,
No. 37 PARK ROW, NEW-YORK, & 6 STATE ST., BOSTON,
Are Agents for the *Reading Gazette*, in those cities, and are authorized to take Advertisements and Subscriptions for us at our established rates.

WATCHES, GOLD AND SILVER,
CLOCKS AND JEWELRY.
RELIABLE IN QUALITY AND AT LOW Prices. Watch Repairing.—Watches put in perfect order and every one warranted for one year.
JACOB LUDEN,
nov 15-6mo] 21 North Fifth Street, Reading, Pa.

F. P. HELLER,
WATCHMAKER, JEWELER,
AND DEALER IN
WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY,
SPOONS, SPECTACLES, GOLD PENS, &c., Sign of the "BIG WATCH," No. 53½ E. Penn Street, above Sixth, north side, Reading, Pa.
☞ Every article warranted to be what it is sold for Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, &c., repaired with particular attention, and guaranteed. [feb 1-tf

NOTICE.
A PREMIUM WILL BE PAID ON
GOLD, OLD SILVER,
—AND—
PAR BANK NOTES
AT THE
EXCHANGE AND BANKING OFFICE
—OF—
G. W. GOODRICH,
READING, Pa.
August 10, 1861-tf]

JUST RECEIVED,
2000 FLOWER POTS, AT THE OLD JAIL.
14-tf WM. RHOADS, Jr.

BALTIMORE LOCK HOSPITAL
☞ ESTABLISHED AS A REFUGE FROM QUACKERY.
The Only Place Where a Cure Can be Obtained.
DR. JOHNSTON HAS DISCOVERED THE most Certain, Speedy and only Effectual Remedy in the World for all Private Diseases, Weakness of the Back or Limbs, Strictures, Affections of the Kidneys and Bladder, Involuntary Discharges, Impotency, General Debility, Nervousness, Dyspepsia, Languor, Low Spirits, Confusion of Ideas, Palpitation of the Heart, Timidity, Trembling, Dimness of Sight or Giddiness, Disease of the Head, Throat, Nose or Skin, Affections of the Liver, Lungs, Stomach or Bowels—those Terrible Disorders arising from the Solitary Habits of Youth—those secret and solitary practices more fatal to their victims than the song of Syrens to the Mariners of Ulysses, blighting their most brilliant hopes or anticipations, rendering marriage, &c., impossible.
YOUNG MEN
Especially, who have become the victims of Solitary Vice, that dreadful and destructive habit which annually sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of Young Men of the most exalted talents and brilliant intellect, who might otherwise have entranced listening Senates, with the thunders of eloquence or waked to ecstasy the living lyre, may call with full confidence.
MARRIAGE.
Married Persons, or Young Men contemplating marriage, being aware of physical weakness, organic debility, deformities, &c., speedily cured.
He who places himself under the care of Dr. J. may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and confidently rely upon his skill as a Physician.
ORGANIC WEAKNESS
Immediately Cured, and Full Vigor Restored.
This Distressing Affection—which renders Life miserable and marriage impossible—is the penalty paid by the victims of improper indulgences. Young persons are too apt to commit excesses from not being aware of the dreadful consequences that may ensue. Now, who that understands the subject will pretend to deny that the power of procreation is lost sooner by those failing into improper habits than by the prudent? Besides being deprived the pleasure of healthy offspring, the most serious and destructive symptoms to both body and mind arise. The system becomes Deranged, the Physical and Mental Functions Weakened, Loss of Procreative Power, Nervous Irritability, Dyspepsia, Palpitation of the Heart, Indigestion, Constitutional Debility, a Wasting of the Frame, Cough, Consumption, Decay and Death.
Office, No. 7 South Frederick Street,
Left hand side going from Baltimore street, a few doors from the corner. Fall not to observe name and number.
Letters must be paid and contain a stamp. The Doctor's Diplomas hang in his office.
A CURE WARRANTED IN TWO DAYS.
*No Mercury or Nauseous Drugs.*
DR. JOHNSTON,
Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, Graduate from one of the most eminent Colleges in the United States, and the greater part of whose life has been spent in the hospitals of London, Paris, Philadelphia and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that were ever known; many troubled with ringing in the head and ears when asleep, great nervousness, being alarmed at sudden sounds, bashfulness, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangement of mind, were cured immediately.
TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE.
Dr. J. addresses all those who have injured themselves by improper indulgence and solitary habits which ruin both body and mind, unfitting them for either business, study, society or marriage.
These are some of the sad and melancholy effects produced by early habits of youth, viz: Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Pains in the Head, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Muscular Power, Palpitation of the Heart, Dyspepsy, Nervous Irritability, Derangement of the Digestive Functions, General Debility, Symptoms of Consumption, &c.
Mentally.—The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded—Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Aversion to Society, Self-Distrust, Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced.
Thousands of persons of all ages can now judge what is the cause of their declining health, losing their vigor, becoming weak, pale, nervous and emaciated, having a singular appearance about the eyes, cough and symptoms of consumption.
YOUNG MEN
Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.
What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons must, before contemplating
MARRIAGE,
reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial happiness. Indeed, without these the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.
DISEASE OF IMPRUDENCE.
When the misguided and imprudent votary of pleasure finds that he has imbibed the seeds of this painful disease, it too often happens that an ill-timed sense of shame, or dread of discovery, deters him from applying to those who, from education and respectability, can alone befriend him, delaying till the constitutional symptoms of this horrid disease make their appearance, such as ulcerated sore throat, diseased nose, nocturnal pains in the head and limbs, dimness of sight, deafness, nodes on the shin-bones and arms, blotches on the head, face and extremities, progressing with frightful rapidity, till at last the palate of the mouth or the bones of the nose fall in, and the victim of this awful disease becomes a horrid object of commiseration, till death puts a period to his dreadful sufferings, by sending him to "that Undiscovered Country from whence no traveller returns."
It is a *melancholy fact* that thousands fall victims to this terrible disease, owing to the unskillfulness of ignorant pretenders, who, by the use of that *Deadly Poison, Mercury*, ruin the constitution and make the residue of life miserable.
STRANGERS
Trust not your lives, or health, to the care of many Unlearned and worthless Pretenders, destitute of knowledge, name or character, who copy Dr. Johnston's advertisements, or style themselves, in the newspapers, regularly Educated Physicians, incapable of Curing, they keep you trifling month after month taking their filthy and poisonous compounds, or as long as the smallest fee can be obtained, and in despair, leave you with ruined health to sigh over your own galling disappointment.
Dr. Johnston is the only Physician advertising.
His credentials or diplomas always hang in his office.
His remedies or treatment are unknown to all others, prepared from a life spent in the great hospitals of Europe, the first in the country and a more extensive *Private Practice* than any other Physician in the world.
INDORSEMENT OF THE PRESS.
The many thousands cured at this institution year after year, and the numerous important Surgical Operations performed by Dr. Johnston, witnessed by the reporters of the "Sun," "Clipper," and many other papers, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, besides his standing as a gentleman of character and responsibility, is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted.
Skin Diseases Speedily Cured.
☞ No letters received unless post-paid and containing a stamp to be used on the reply. Persons writing should state age, and send portion of advertisement describing symptoms.
JOHN M. JOHNSTON, M. D.,
Of the Baltimore Lock Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.
may 10-1y]

TARRANT'S EFFERVESCENT SELTZER APERIENT.
THIS VALUABLE AND POPULAR MEDICINE has universally received the most favorable recommendations of the Medical Profession and the Public, as the most Efficient and Agreeable
SALINE APERIENT.
It may be used with the best effect in Bilious and Febrile Diseases, Costiveness, Sick Headache, Nausea, Loss of Appetite, Indigestion, Acidity of the Stomach, Torpidity of the Liver, Gout, Rheumatic Affections, Gravel, Piles, and all complaints
WHERE A GENTLE AND COOLING APERIENT OR PURGATIVE IS REQUIRED.
It is particularly adapted to the wants of Travellers by Sea and Land, Residents of Hot Climates, Persons of Sedentary Habits, Invalids and Convalescents; Captains of Vessels and Planters will find it a valuable addition to their Medicine Chests.
It is in the form of a powder, carefully put up in bottles, to keep in any climate, and merely requires water poured upon it to produce a delightful effervescent beverage.
Numerous testimonials from professional and other gentlemen of the highest standing throughout the country, and its steadily increasing popularity for a series of years, strongly guarantee its efficacy and valuable character, and commend it to the favorable notice of an intelligent public.
Manufactured by TARRANT & CO.,
No. 278 Greenwich Street, Corner of Warren Street, New-York.
AND FOR SALE BY DRUGGISTS GENERALLY.
December 27, 1862-3mos

NATIONAL HOTEL,
(LATE WHITE SWAN.)
Race Street, above Third, Philadelphia.
THIS ESTABLISHMENT OFFERS GREAT inducements, not only on account of reduced rates of board, but from its central location to the avenues of trade, as well as the conveniences afforded by the several Passenger Railways running past and contiguous to it, by which guests can pass to and from the Hotel, should they be preferred to the regular Omnibus connected with the House. I am determined to devote my whole attention to the comfort and convenience of my guests.
☞ *Terms, $1 25 per day.*
D. C. SIEGRIST, Proprietor,
Formerly from Eagle Hotel, Lebanon, Pa.
T. V. Rhoads, Clerk. [march 15-tf

GRAINS! (MALT.)
GRAINS CAN CONSTANTLY BE HAD AT LAUER'S BREWERY, corner of Third and Chestnut streets.
F. LAUER.
December 7, 1861-tf

FRESH PEACHES AND TOMATOES, AT PEOCOCK'S,
Feb 7] 40 South Fifth Street.

CONSTITUTION WATER.
THE GREAT REMEDY
FOR THE
CONSTITUTION
AND THE
ONLY KNOWN REMEDY
FOR
DIABETES
AND DISEASES OF THE
KIDNEYS AND BLADDER.
*These Dangerous and Troublesome Diseases, which have thus far Resisted the best directed Treatment, can be Completely Controlled by the REMEDY now before us!*
*THE CURATIVE*
properties of the medicine direct themselves to the organs of secretion, and by no altering the condition of the stomach and liver that the starchy principle of the food is not converted into sugar so long as the system is under the influence of the
*CONSTITUTION WATER,*
which gives those organs time to recover their healthy tone and vigor. We are able to state that the Constitution Water has cured every case of Diabetes in which it has been given.
*STONE IN THE BLADDER, CALCULUS, GRAVEL, BRICK DUST DEPOSITS, AND MUCOUS OR MILKY DISCHARGES AFTER URINATING.*
Disease occurring from one and the same cause will be entirely cured by the Constitution Water, if taken for any length of time. The dose should vary with the severity of the disease, from twenty drops to a teaspoonful three times a day, in water. During the passage of the Calculus, the pain and urgent symptoms should be combated with the proper remedies, then followed up with the Constitution Water, as above directed.
*DYSMENORRHŒA, OR PAINFUL MENSTRUATION, AND IN MENORRHAGIA OR PROFUSE FLOWING,*
Both diseases arising from a faulty secretion of the menstrual fluid—in the one case being too little, and accompanied by severe pain; and the other a too profuse secretion, which will be speedily cured by the Constitution Water.
The disease known as FALLING OF THE WOMB, which is the relaxation of the ligaments of that organ, and is known by a sense of heaviness and dragging pains in the back and sides, and at times accompanied by sharp lacinating or shooting pains through the parts, will, in all cases, be removed by the medicine.
There is another class of symptoms arising from IRRITATION OF THE WOMB, which physicians call Nervousness, which word covers no much ignorance, and in nine cases out of ten the doctor does not really know whether the symptoms are the disease, or the disease the symptoms. We can only enumerate them here. I speak more particularly of Cold Feet, Palpitation of the Heart, Impaired Memory, Wakefulness, Flashes of Heat, Languor, Lassitude, and Dimness of Vision.
*SUPPRESSED MENSTRUATION,*
Which in the unmarried female is a constant recurring disease, and through neglect the seeds of more grave and dangerous maladies are the result; and as month after month passes without an effort being made to assist nature, the suppression becomes chronic, the patient gradually loses her appetite, the bowels are constipated, night sweats come on, and *consumption* finally ends her career.
*LEUCORRHŒA OR WHITES.*
This disease depends upon an inflammation of mucous lining of the vagina and womb. It is in all cases accompanied by severe pain in the back, across the bowels and through the hips. A teaspoonful of the medicine may be taken three times a day, with an injection of a tablespoonful of the medicine, mixed with a half-pint of soft water morning and evening.
*IRRITATION OF THE NECK OF THE BLADDER, INFLAMMATION OF THE KIDNEYS, AND CATARRH OF THE BLADDER, STRANGURY AND BURNING OR PAIN FUL URINATING.*
For these diseases it is truly a sovereign remedy, and too much cannot be said in its praise. A single dose has been known to relieve the most urgent symptoms.
Are you troubled with that distressing pain in the small of the back and through the hips? A teaspoonful a day of Constitution Water will relieve you like magic.
*FOR DYSPEPSIA,*
It has no equal in relieving the most distressing symptoms. Also, Headache, Heartburn, Acid Stomach, Vomiting Food, &c. Take a teaspoonful after dinner. The dose in all cases may be increased if desired, but should be done gradually.
*PHYSICIANS*
Have long since given up the use of buchu, cubebs and juniper in the treatment of these diseases, and only use them for want of a better remedy.
*CONSTITUTION WATER*
Has proved itself equal to the task that has devolved upon it.
*DIURETICS*
Irritate and drench the kidneys, and by constant use soon lead to chronic degeneration and confirmed disease.
READ. READ. READ.
DANVILLE, Pa., June 2, 1862.
Dr. Wm. H. Gregg—*Dear Sir:* In February, 1861, I was afflicted with the sugar diabetes, and for five months I passed more than two gallons of water in twenty-four hours. I was obliged to get up as often as ten or twelve times during the night, and in five months I lost about fifty pounds in weight During the month of July, 1861, I procured two bottles of Constitution Water, and in two days after using it I experienced relief, and after taking two bottles I was entirely cured, soon after regaining my usual good health. Yours truly.
J. V. L. DE WITT.
BOSTON CORNERS, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1861.
Wm. H Gregg & Co.:
*Gents:*—I freely give you liberty to make use of the following Certificate of the value of Constitution Water, which I can recommend in the highest manner.
My wife, who was attacked with pain in the shoulders, whole length of the back, and in her limbs, with *Palpitation of the Heart*, attended with *Falling of the Womb, Dysmenorrhœa*, and *Irritation of the Bladder*. I called a physician, who attended her about three months, when he left for worse than he found her. I then employed one of the best physicians I could find, who attended her for about nine months, and while she was under his care she did not suffer quite as much pain; he finally gave her up and said: "*her case was incurable.*" For, said he, "*she has such a combination of complaints, that medicine given for one operates against some other of her difficulties.*" About this time, she commenced the use of Constitution Water, and to our utter astonishment, almost the first dose seemed to have the desired effect, and she kept on improving rapidly under its treatment, and now superintends entirely her domestic affairs. She has not taken any of the Constitution Water for about four weeks, and we are happy to say it has produced a permanent cure.
WM M. VAN BENSCHOTEN.
MILFORD, CONN., Nov. 19, 1861.
Dr. Wm. H. Gregg:
*Dear Sir:*—I have for several years, been afflicted with that troublesome and dangerous disease—*Gravel*—which resisted all remedies and doctors, until I took Constitution Water, and you may be assured that I was exceedingly pleased with the result. It has *entirely cured* me, and you may make any use of my name you may see fit in regard to the medicine, as I have entire confidence in its efficacy.
Yours truly, POND STRONG.
*THESE ARE FACTS ENOUGH.*
There is no class of diseases that produce such exhausting effects upon the human constitution as Diabetes and Diseases of the Kidneys, Bladder and Urinary Passages, and through false modesty they are neglected until they are so advanced as to be beyond the control of ordinary remedies, and we present the
*CONSTITUTION WATER*
To the public with the conviction that it has no equal in relieving the class of diseases for which it has been found so eminently successful in curing; and we trust that we shall be rewarded for our efforts in placing so valuable a remedy in a form to meet the requirements of patient and physician.
FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS, PRICE $1.
WM. H. GREGG & CO., Proprietors.
Morgan & Allen, General Agents, No. 46 Cliff Street, New-York. [Nov. 29, 1862-1y.

COAL, WOOD, SALT,
LIME & SAND.
SAMUEL BOONE,
(FORMERLY)
John Kissinger, Jr.,
*Corner of Penn and Front Streets, Reading,*
HAS CONSTANTLY ON HAND, AND SELLS at reasonable prices, all kinds of Broken, Egg and Stove Coal; Nut, Chestnut and Bituminous Coal, Salt, Lime and Sand.
☞ Persons in want of anything in my line, will find it to their advantage to give me a call before purchasing elsewhere. I deliver free of extra charge to any part of the city. [nct 6tf

LAUER'S BREWERY
READING, PA.
THE SUBSCRIBER respectfully announces to the public that he has recently enlarged his BREWERY to a considerable extent, and introduced steam-power, and is now ready to supply all demands for
SUPERIOR MALT LIQUORS,
For home and distant consumption. His stock of Malt Liquors, warranted to keep in all climates, is as follows:—BROWN STOUT, PORTER, BOTTLING ALE, DRAUGHT ALE AND LAGER BEER.
june 19-tf FREDERICK LAUER.
N.B.—Allberal per centage will be allowed to Agents abroad.

FRESH GROCERIES
—AT—
REDUCED PRICES,
AT THE
Corner of Fifth and Spruce Streets.
March 1 M. KEFFER & SON.

STRICKLAND & BROTHER,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
BOOKSELLERS & STATIONERS,
23 EAST PENN STREET,
READING, PA.
A LARGE AND WELL SELECTED STOCK of
School, Miscellaneous and Blank
BOOKS,
PRAYER BOOKS,
ENGLISH AND GERMAN BIBLES AND HYMN BOOKS,
*PERIODICALS,*
*MUSIC and MUSIC BOOKS,*
*GOLD PENS, FANCY ARTICLES,*
*NOTE, LETTER, CAP and PRINTING PAPER and PAPER BAGS.*
BLANK BOOKS
—AND—
MERCHANTS' ACCOUNT BOOKS
Made to order; Churches and Sabbath Schools supplied with Tract Society and Sunday School Union publications, at catalogue prices.
☞ Orders from Country Merchants solicited and filled promptly at the lowest wholesale prices.
☞ Teachers supplied with Music at the usual discount.
N. B.—Books and Music sent by mail postage paid, on receipt of Publishers' Prices. jan 18-tf

LOOK HERE!
J. B. RIXSTINE RESPECTFULLY INFORMS his friends and the public, that he has opened a new Store on Penn street, No. 83, next door to J. B. Ritter's Cabinetmaker Store, where he invites the citizens of Reading and vicinity, to his splendid stock of
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
Consisting of *OVERCOATS, FROCK COATS, PANTS* and *VESTS*, of various colors and qualities, got up under his own supervision. He is also supplied with a good stock of
Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings,
which will be made to order in the neatest and most Fashionable Styles at the lowest cash prices. Having considerable experience in this branch of business, he feels confident of giving general satisfaction. He has also on hand a good assortment of Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, such as White Shirts, Overshirts, Undershirts, Drawers, Collars, Cravats of different styles and colors, Stockings and Gloves, and such goods as are found in a Store of this kind.
Jan. 24-3m] JACOB B. RIXSTINE, Reading.
N. B—All goods made in this establishment shall give entire satisfaction or no sale.

LIST OF COLORS:
*Black, Dark Brown, Snuff Brown, Light Brown, Dark Blue, Light Blue, Dark Green, Light Green, Pink, Purple, Slate, Crimson, Salmon, Scarlet, Dark Drab, Light Drab, Yellow, Light Yellow, Orange, Magenta, Solferino, French Blue, Royal Purple, Violet.*
PERFECT FAST COLORS
FAMILY DYE COLORS,
FOR DYING SILK, WOOLEN AND MIXED Goods, Shawls, Scarfs, Dresses, Ribbons, Gloves, Bonnets, Hats, Feathers, Kid Gloves, Children's Clothing, and all kinds of Wearing Apparel, with perfect fast colors.
A Saving of 80 per cent.
These Dyes are mixed in the form of powders concentrated, are thoroughly tested, and put up in neat packages. For twenty-five cents you can color as many goods as would otherwise cost five times that sum. The process is simple, and any one can use the Dyes with perfect success. Directions inside. Manufactured by HOWE & STEVENS, 258 Broadway, Boston.
☞ For sale in Reading by Mrs. S. A. Marshall, and by Druggists and Dealers in every City and Town.
January 3, 1863-3mo

PHILADELPHIA SHIRT
AND
COLLAR HOUSE.
1000 Dozen HICKORY SHIRTS.
1000 do. Gray, Red and Blue FLANNEL SHIRTS.
1000 do. ASSORTED FANCY TRAVELLING SHIRTS.
1000 do. WHITE MUSLIN SHIRTS from $9,25 Upwards.
1000 do. DENIM OVERALLS.
10,000 Pairs COTTONADE PANTALOONS.
MANUFACTURERS OF THE MINER'S WELSH FLANNEL SHIRTS.
And a Large Assortment of LINEN
And MARSEILLES BOSOMS and COLLARS,
And GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS.
For Sale by
BENNETT, RUCH & CO.,
Manufacturers, 217 Church Alley,
Jan 17-3mo] PHILADELPHIA, PA.

"COSTAR'S" VERMIN EXTERMINATORS
For Rats, Mice, Roaches, Ants, Red Bugs, Moths in Furs, Woollens, &c. Insects on Plants, Fowls, Animals, &c. Put up in 25c. 50c. and $1 00 Boxes, Bottles, and Flasks, $3 and $5 sizes for Hotels, Public Institutions, &c.
"Only infallible remedies known."
"Free from Poisons."
"Not dangerous to the Human Family."
"Rats come out of their holes to die."
☞ Sold Wholesale in all large cities.
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## Poetry.

### ON THE MARCH.

A soldier lay on the frozen ground,
With only a blanket tightened around
His weary and wasted frame;
Down at his feet the fitful light
Of fading coals, in the freezing night,
Fell as a mockery on the sight,
A heartless, purple flame.

All day long with his heavy load,
Weary and sore, on the mountain road,
And over the desolate plain;
All day long through the crusted mud,
Over the snow and through the flood,
Marking his way with a track of blood,
He followed the winding train.

Nothing to eat at the bivouac,
But a frozen crust in his haversack,
The half of a comrade's store—
A crust that, after a longer fast,
Some pampered spaniel might have passed,
Knowing that morsel to be the last
That lay at his master's door.

No other sound on his slumber fell,
Than the lonesome tread of the sentinel,
That equal, measured pace,
And the wind that came from the cracking pine,
And the dying oak and the swinging vine,
In many a weary, weary line,
To the soldier's hollow face.

But the soldier slept, and the dreams were bright,
With the rosy glow of his bridal night,
And the angel on his breast;
For he passed away from the wintry gloom,
To the pleasant light of a cheerful room,
Where a cat sat purring upon the loom,
And his weary heart was blest.

His children came—two blue-eyed girls,
With laughing lips and sunny curls,
And cheeks of ruddy glow—
And the mother pale, but lovely now,
As when upon her virgin brow
He proudly sealed his early vow,
In the summer, long ago.

But the reveille wild, in the morning gray,
Startled the beautiful vision away,
Like a frightened bird of the night;
And it seemed to the soldier's misty brain
But the shrill tattoo that sounded again,
And he turned with a dull, uneasy pain,
To the camp-fire's dying light.

## Tales and Sketches.

### HOW A FRIEND WAS KILLED.

There is among the remembrances of my life as a railroad man, one of such sadness, that I never think of it without a sigh. Every man, unless he is so morose that he cannot keep a dog, has his particular friends; those in whom he confides, and to whom he is always cheerful, whose society he delights in, and the possibility of whose death he will never allow himself to admit.

Such a friend had I in George H——. We were inseparable—both of us unmarried; we would always manage to board together, and on all possible occasions to be together. Did George's engine lay up for the Sunday at one end of the road and mine at the other, one of us was sure to go over the road "extra," in order that we might be together.

George and I differed in many respects, but more especially in this, that whereas I was one of the "fast" school of runners, who are never so contented with running as when mounted on a fast engine, with an express train, and behind time; George preferred a slow train, where, as he said, his occupation was "killing time," not "making" it. So, while I had the "Baltic," a fast engine, with drivers six feet and half in diameter, and usually ran express trains, George had the "Essex," a freight engine, with four feet drivers.

One Saturday night I took the last run North, and was to "lay over" with my engine for the Sunday at the Northern terminus of the road until two o'clock, Monday, P. M. George had to run the "night freight" down that night, and as we wished particularly to be together the next day, I concluded to go "down the line" with him. Starting time came, and off we started. I rode for a while in the "caboose," as the passenger car attached to a freight train is called; but as the night was warm and balmy, the moon shining brightly, tinging with silvery white the great fleecy clouds that swept through the heavens like monstrous floating islands of snow drifting over the fathomless waters of the sea, I went out and rode with George on the engine. The night was, indeed, most beautiful; the moonlight shimmering across the river, which the wind disturbed and broke into many ripples, made it glow and shine like a sea of molten silver. The trees beside the track waved and beckoned their leafy tops, looking sombre and weird, in the half darkness of the night. The vessels we saw upon the river, gliding before the freshening breeze, with their signal lights glimmering dimly, and the occasional steamers, with light streaming from every window, and the red light of their fires casting an unearthly glare upon the waters—these all combined to make the scene spread before us, as we rushed shrieking and howling over the road, one of unexcelled beauty. We both gazed at it, and said that, if all scenes in the life of a railroad man were as beautiful as this, we would wish no other life.

But something ailed George's engine. Her pumps would not work. After tinkering with them awhile, he asked the fireman if there was plenty of water in the tank; the fireman said there was, but, to make assurance doubly sure, I went and looked, and lo! there was not a drop. Before passing through the station George had asked the fireman if there was plenty of water. He replied that there was; so George had run through the station, it not being a regular stopping place for the train, and here we were in a fix. George thought he could run from where he had stopped to the next water station; so he cut loose from the train and started. We had stopped on the outside of a long curve, to the other end of which we could see; it was fully a half mile, but the view was straight across the water—a bay of the river sweeping in there, around which the track went.

In about twenty minutes after George had left we saw him coming around the furthest point of the curve; the brakeman at once took his station with his light at the end of the cars, to show George precisely where the train stood. The engine came swiftly toward us, and I soon saw that he was getting so near that he could not stop without a collision, unless he reversed his engine at once; so I snatched the lamp from out the brakeman's hands and swung it wildly across the track, but it was of no avail. On came the engine, not slackening her speed the least. We saw somebody jump from the fireman's side, and in the instant of time allowed us, we looked to see George jump, but no! he stuck to his post, and there came a shock as of a mountain falling. The heavy freight engine running, as it was, at as high a rate of speed as it could make, crashed into the train; thirteen cars were piled into a mass of ruins, the like of which is seldom seen. The tender was turned bottom side up, with the engine lying atop of it, on its side. The escaping steam shrieked and howled; the water, pouring in on the fire, crackled and hissed; the stock (sheep and cattle) that were in the cars bellowed and bleated in their agony, and it seemed as if all the legions of hell were there striving to make a pandemonium of that quiet place by the river side.

As soon as we recovered from the shock and got used to the din, which at first struck terror to our hearts—and I think no sound can be more terrible than the bellowing of a lot of cattle that are crushed in a railroad smash up—we went to work to see if George was alive, and to get him out, dead or alive. We found him under the tender, but one side of the tank lay across his body, so that he could not move. We got rails and lifted and pried, until we raised the tender and got him out. We took one of the doors from the wrecked cars, laid it beside the track, and made a bed on it with our coats and the cushions from the caboose; for poor George said he wanted the few moments left him of earth beneath the open sky, and with the cool breeze to fan his cheek. Of course we dispatched a man to the nearest station for aid, and to telegraph from there for an engine; but it was late at night, everybody was asleep, and it was more than three hours before any one arrived, and all that time George lingered, occasionally whispering a word to me as I bent over him and moistened his lips.

He told me while lying the reason why he did not stop s