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IN 1847, O. RICE, of Cincinnati, invented a valuable improvement in Washboards, for which he obtained a Patent in Oct., 1849. Said improvement consisted in properly preparing the Edges of a sheet of Zinc (or other suitable metal) and then securing them to fasten or cut their way into the solid wooden sides or legs of a Washboard; the methods previously employed, having been to plough a groove or cut a mortice to receive the metallic plate. O. RICE subsequently sold his entire interest and ownership in said Patent to the subscriber, who is now Sole Proprietor thereof, as well as only authorized manufacturer of O. RICE'S IMPROVED PATENT ZINC WASHBOARDS, having succeeded the late firm of Wayne, Bailey & Co. in that business. Induced by the popularity and extensive sale of said Patented Washboards, sundry persons have engaged in making and vending them without authority so to do, thereby violating the Right secured by said Patent. Suits have been commenced and are now pending against certain parties, known to be thus engaged, and it is my intention to prosecute for all infringements upon my legal and just right to the extent of the law. All persons are therefore cautioned against purchasing or dealing in Zinc Washboards, made after the manner patented by RICE, unless branded "O. Rice's Improved Washboards, Patented Oct., 1849," none other being genuine. It may be well to remark that the variation in the shape of the crimp, or the employment of any Patented Machine to nail Washboards, does not give the right to use the Patented fastening Process above described, upon which the value of the Board really depends. Wholesale orders for the genuine article respectfully solicited and promptly executed at as low prices as any of the unauthorized makes, by JOSEPH W. WAYNE, Sole Proprietor and Manufacturer thereof, Office at Hardware Store, No. 196 Main st., opposite 5th, fe28 Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. SCOTT, Dentist, Fourth street, five doors west of Market. Office hours from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. All work warranted. ja18

Barlow's Indigo Blue.
BARLOW'S INDIGO BLUE is now well established as the best article ever offered for Bluing Clothes. It is entirely free from ACID or anything injurious to the finest articles.
All Housekeepers who have not used it will find it much cheaper and less trouble than Indigo or any other article out. The great demand for it has brought out several imitations. Housekeepers and Consumers will be careful to get BENJAMIN BARLOW'S, put up at ALFRED WILTBERGER'S DRUG STORE, No. 169 N. SECOND ST., PHILADELPHIA. Storekeepers can get their supplies from the Grocers and Druggists they deal with, at prices that pay them a good pro.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PAINTS, VARNISHES, DYE STUFFS &c., &c., with a first-rate assortment of everything in the line. Storekeepers, Physicians and Manufacturers supplied at reasonable rates.
ALFRED WILTBERGER, Druggist, ap2-6m No. 169 N. Second st., Philadelphia.

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SERVANTS of all descriptions supplied. Private families and Hotels are respectfully solicited to avail themselves of the facilities now offered. Past services offered as guarantee for future favors.
N. B.—Collections promptly attended to. fe9-lyd JOS. LEWIS.

OHIO & PENNA. RAILROAD—Wanted 20 shares of Stock to complete an order. WILKINS & CO., Bankers and Commission Stock Brokers, 71, 4th st.

J. A. BROWN, would most respectfully inform the public that he keeps on hand, at his stand on the west side of the Diamond, Allegheny City, a complete assortment of Venitian Blinds; Also, Venitian Shutters are made to order, in the best style, warranted equal to any in the United States. His Blinds can be removed without the aid of a screw driver. Having purchased the stock, tools, and wood of the Cabinet Establishment of Ramsey & McClelland, I am prepared to furnish their old customers as well as the public at large, with everything in their line. Agency, No. 5 Wood street, Pittsburgh. mch20 J. A. BROWN.

LAUNDRY BLUE—The attention of families and wash-women is invited to this Blue, which is simply Indigo dissolved, having all its properties retained. The Laundry Blue possesses, over the undissolved Indigo the advantage of imparting a better color to clothes, of being much more simple and convenient for use, and of being a saving of about one half, owing to the fact that not more than one half of the Indigo can be dissolved by water. It is entirely destitute of any properties injurious to cloths. We would solicit a trial, and warrant it to be as represented. For sale by JOHN HAFT, Jr., de29 No. 141 Wood

Hagan & Abl,
NO. 91 Market st., are closing out their entire stock of Dry Goods at an immense discount from former prices, preparatory to purchasing their spring supply. We have on hand a fine assortment of the following goods: Paramattas, French Merinos, Wool DeLaines, Worsted Plaids, Madonna Cloth, Tames Cloth, Bombazines, English Chintz, ¾ English do. Muslins, superior makes of Welch and other Flannels, with a great variety of Black and Colored Brocade Plaid and Striped Dress Silks, all of which will be sold at a great sacrifice. ja29

Spring of 1855.
MURPHY & BURCHFIELD
Will commence opening
On Monday, March th,
Their early supply of SPRING GOODS. mh

A. A. MASON & CO. are now opening 200 cases and packages of Calicoes, Muslins, Ginghams, Checks, Summer Stuffs, Lawns, Muslin de Laines, &c., &c., which have been purchased at the large peremptory sales at much less than cost of manufacture. ap4

SILKS—A. A. Mason & Co. will open on Monday, Feb. 12th, 20 pcs. of rich Plaid and Plaid Silks, including a few pcs. of those 4-4 Plaids, at $1,50.

WOOL PLAIDS—A. A. Mason & Co. are selling out the balance of their Plaids at a discount of [illegible]

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From VISSCHER & SCHELL'S General Advertising House, No. 346 and 348 Broadway, New York, (late No. 80 Nassau street.)

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Pure Unadulterated Brandies,
DIRECT FROM THE GROWERS.
ONE of the principal and great causes of the high price of Brandy in this market, is the indirect source from which it is derived; nine-tenths of that imported is received from mercantile houses in Cognac, who buy of the farmers in that district and ship it to the United States, at much advanced prices, and frequently in an adulterated state. In view of these facts, and for the purpose of securing a fair price for their product, a union of brandy growers in France has been accomplished, with the view of shipment to the United States.
The name of the consolidation is the Central Society of Vineyard Proprietors of Cognac, under the general management and the direction of E. Reddon, President, and a Vice President, and a Committee of Inspection of eight members. The society itself numbers five hundred vineyard proprietors, amongst them some of the most influential noblemen in the neighborhood of Cognac, who contribute, under certain by-laws, the entire growth of their vineyards to the general fund of the society, the present capital of which is three millions francs. The advantages to be obtained from this combination are so apparent as to render unnecessary any further comment on the subject; nevertheless, it may be worthy of observation that few features in this society possess a more striking claim to public attention than the fusion of interest effected between buyer and seller. Since all are shareholders, it necessarily becomes the interest of each individual to contribute by every means in his power to uphold the reputation which the society is endeavoring to earn, for shipment of the best qualities of brandies. For this purpose a clause introduced in the statutes (article 40) renders it imperative that shareholders shall supply the society with the very best Cognac brandies, otherwise they incur the liability of an entire forfeiture of their shares.
The undersigned, sole agents in the United States for the Central Society of Vineyard Proprietors of Cognac, would solicit the attention of merchants, hotel keepers, grocers and others to the vintages now on hand, confident that they will compare more favorably than with any article now in the market, and at prices far below the standard of even ordinary Cognacs. DE VENOGE & CHARLES, my8-4mv 128 Pearl street, below Wall, New York.

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ASHLAND HOUSE,
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May 3, 1854—lyd

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Sole Agent of the celebrated manufactures, Messrs. Delicourt & Co., of Paris. mh5-63

PARIS FASHIONS FOR LADIES' DRESSES.—The Parish Fashions for JUNE, direct per steamer will be on sale on the 1st proximo by MRS. L. S. WILSON, fe27tf No. 231½ Penn. above Hand street.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
JAMES ROBB, 89 Market, and 6 Union sts., third door from the Market House, Pittsburgh, would respectfully inform his numerous friends and customers, that he has just received his Spring and Summer Goods, in all varieties, and of the latest style, now worn in the eastern cities.
The particular attention of the Ladies is invited to a well assorted stock of Gaiters, and Fancy Boots and Slippers of all descriptions; also a nice stock of Childrens' Gaiters and Fancy Shoes which was carefully selected. For Gentlemen, he has any pattern of Fancy and Wearing articles. Purchases for cash in large quantities enable him to sell at as low prices as any establishment will sell in the city. He still continues to manufacture as heretofore, any kind of Ladies' and Gentlemens' wear, in the newest style, and of the best materials. ap21-tf

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The subscriber, Agent for the Company, has always on hand Passage Tickets and Sight Drafts for any amount, payable at any Bank in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.
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NO. 95 THIRD STREET,
(Between Wood and Market Streets.)
All orders promptly attended to.
Signs executed in a superior style. mh27-tf

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WILL continue the business of the Union Foundry, at the old stand of PENNOCK, MITCHELL & CO., No. 194 Liberty st.
They will manufacture as usual, a large and general assortment of CASTINGS, comprising
Cooking Stoves, Ranges and Side Ovens,
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And GAS and WATER PIPES of all sizes.
ALSO,
IRON & NAILS OF THE BEST BRANDS,
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All of which will be sold at manufacturers' prices.
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No. 82 Fifth street, above Smithfield, Gazette Building.
BOOK BINDER'S and Box Maker's Straw Boards always on hand. Also, Books, Papers and Stationery. my10

PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 30, 1855.

THE PUBLISHED KNOW NOTHING RITUAL VOUCHED FOR BY A KNOW NOTHING.—If any Northern Anti-Slavery Know Nothings doubt the genuineness of the Ritual of the Third Degree as published in this paper, or imagine we have wrongly interpreted it, we invite them to read the following article from the *Louisville Journal* which has formally left the Whig party and has now the "American Ticket" at the head of its columns. It has long been known as one of the most able and influential papers published in Kentucky, and we may say in the Ohio Valley:

"The editor of the Maysville Express says he believes that the Ritual of the Third Degree of the American party, as recently published, is a forgery got up by the Know Nothings themselves to impose upon the South. As he *says* he believes this, we of course have no doubt that he *does* believe it, for he is a man of integrity; but we are very confident that he is the only intelligent man in the nation who believes any such thing. *We feel just as certain of the genuineness of the Ritual of the Third Degree of the American Order as we do of the genuineness of the epistles of St. Paul.* The editor of the Express knows very well that this Ritual was not spread before the world by either a member or a friend of the Order; he knows that it was first published by an open, avowed, and bitter *enemy* of the Know Nothings for the express purpose of crushing them; yet there can be no doubt that the Know Nothings of the South rejoice at the publication without caring what were the motives that prompted it. It places them before the nation as the sworn friends of the Union and the sworn enemies of slavery agitation. The editor of the Pittsburgh Gazette, whilst publishing the Ritual for the prostration of the Know Nothings, little dreamed of the service he was really doing them and of the mountains of curses that would be piled on him by their enemies for his ill-judged officiousness.

The distinguished Maysville editor says, that, if the oath embodied in the so called Ritual of the Third Degree is genuine, *Senator Wilson of Massachusetts and all the other members of the American Order in Massachusetts must have taken it;* and he infers, from the action of the Know-Nothings in the Massachusetts Legislature, that they cannot have taken any such oath. But we do not understand on what ground he presumes to assert, that, if the oath of the Third Degree is genuine, all the Massachusetts Know-Nothings must have taken it. We suppose, that, though there are three degrees of the Order, a man, after taking the first, can stop there, or, after taking the second, can stop there. It is not supposable that members are dragged into the lodges and forced to take the third degree and its accompanying oath against their will. Such a supposition is too preposterous to be entertained by any sensible man in a sensible mood. We have seen a statement published in various papers that the Know-Nothing General Council of Massachusetts refused to receive the Ritual of the Third Degree; and no doubt the editor of the Express has seen the same statement. Supposing the published Ritual of the Third Degree to be genuine, it does not follow that all the Massachusetts Know-Nothings must have taken that degree. Some of them have unquestionably taken it in their local councils, and we see the beneficent result in the general nationalization of the Order around Boston, and in Gov. Gardner's vetoes of two abolition bills, and in the support given to those vetoes by eighty members of the Massachusetts Legislature; but the presumption is that the majority of the Know-Nothings of that State have not taken the degree in question.

What would the editor of the Express think of a man who should say, that, if the Ritual of the Tenth or Twelfth or Fifteenth Degree of Masonry contains a particular oath, all the Masons in the country must have taken it?"

BY THE AMERICA.

Condition of Things Before Sebastopol.

CAMP BEFORE SEBASTOPOL, April 27.—If the language addressed to his officers by General Canrobert on Thursday is to be taken as the announcement of our future strategical policy before Sebastopol, it is certain that no very decisive blow will be struck against the place and the armies which defend it until the Allies shall have been reinforced by some 70,000 or 80,000 French troops, of whom we are told there are already 25,000 at Constantinople on their way to the Crimea, as the *avant-guards* of the second great army that France has poured from her shores to take part in this great contest. When these new French come, where will they be stowed away? The Chersonese is almost as full as it can hold. There is really no room for more men except on the stony hills between Kayrani and St. George, which are far removed from active operations. To place men in such a position would be to deprive the Allies of all advantage from their presence. A French force of the magnitude promised by General Canrobert is amply sufficient to win another Alma, or to immortalize by new victories, the name of the Katcha or the Belbec. It is one of the misfortunes of our isolated position that we cannot move out to ascertain the exact nature of the fortifications thrown up by the enemy on the north and eastern faces of the place, or along the banks of the Katcha or of the Belbec. The banks of the latter river are under the command of the guns in the northern forts, but it is not known, I think, whether the south bank is fortified higher up the river, so as to enable the Generals to decide that an army would be justified in deserting the sea and making a march to the eastward, to force its way through the Russian columns, and cut off the communication of Sebastopol with Simpheropol, Bakshiserai, and the rest of the Crimea. The cavalry cannot reconnoitre in a country which is all like the mountainous parts of Derbyshire, or like the Dargle, in the county of Wicklow, on a gigantic scale.

The Tchernaya is like an Alpine torrent after you ascend its course between the hills which spring from the plain of Balaklava, and all the heights over it are covered with earthworks, and the approaches to them scarped, and under the fire of redoubts and entrenchments. On a plateau on the north side of Woronzoff road the Russians have thrown up a most scientifically constructed and extensive entrenchment, into which they can pour an army from the heights above at the least alarm of any movement. This work was constructed by Liprandi's army, but it has been recently enlarged and renewed, and it is now capable of being made into a very formidable entrenched camp, the approaches to it being commanded by redoubts. Tchorgoun lies below this great work to the eastward and southward, and it is near this village that the only safe fords for the passage of troops can be found in the Tchernaya. It is not possible to turn this position. If a force were landed at any point along the coast to the east of Balaklava and to the west of Yalta, they would find themselves in an Alpine country, with only one road winding along the ravines, and that, in all probability, scarped. This one road would bring them out near Balaklava, south of the Tchernaya, and with the precipices over Tchorgoun and Mackenzie's Farm still before them. It was not in our power, owing to the deficiency of our forces, to prevent the erection of these works during the winter, and the miserable state of our cavalry did not permit the Generals making even the ordinary reconnoisances and observations, which are considered almost essential to the very existence of an army. In all probability, Kamara and the old line of Turkish redoubts will be occupied by a portion of any additional force which may arrive at the south side of Sebastopol; and we could thence operate against the Russian entrenchments, and prepare to cover the passage of the Tchernaya, in the event of any movement to effect a junction with the allied troops marching from the north, or forcing their way through the centre of the Russians, which must necessarily be very weak.

At present the Russians on the north side of the Tchernaya are safer from us than if the Atlantic were between us. We can see their wigwams, count their horses, watch their men cooking, cutting wood, parading and drilling across the great gulf which is fixed between us, with feelings very much akin to those with which a hungry lion must watch the fat little boy who is always aggravating hungry lions at the Zoological Gardens. For the last few days there has been a good deal of smoke observed over the woods on the tract between the south of the Belbec and the east by the Tchernaya. It would seem as if the Russians were clearing the country of brushwood by fire for some military consideration. There do not appear to be many men in the encampment south of Inkermann, although numerous watchfires are lighted there at night, and at the present moment (two P. M.) there is a cloud of white smoke drifting away towards the northeast, not less than a mile and a half in length at the base, which is rising from the forest to the southeast of Inkermann Light. We shall know in a few days more what Gen. Canrobert's words meant when he spoke of enlarging our circle of operations on arrival of reinforcements. It is the opinion of the best informed military men that it would not only be useless but impossible, as we are at present circumstanced, to make an excursion into the country with sufficient force to operate against the Russian army with permanent advantage. It may have been an imprudent step to have sat down before (or behind) Sebastopol, but, once there, we cannot retire. If we were to withdraw our guns and stores it would take weeks of labor, during which the enemy would redouble their exertions, in fortifying the heights around us, to re-embark our *materiel*, and no one, I suppose, for a moment thinks it would be advisable to abandon them. It would require a very considerable force to hold these heights. If we left them, the enemy would most likely occupy them, and our forces are certainly not strong enough to invest them and the north side at the same time. It seems that there is nothing for it but patience. Every day the difficulties of Russia in feeding her Crimean army and in supplying the munitions of war to Sebastopol will increase. The transport of the Crimea has been "used up" some time ago, and at present carts and cattle from Poland have been brought down, and are engaged in conveying provisions and *materiel* to the place.

Although Russian iron is excellent, it cannot last forever—guns must wear out, and shot and shell do not grow. With the sea at our command we find it difficult to keep up the supply of shot and shell to our batteries, and, even when we do land them, although we possess a railway half way to the trenches, our difficulties seem only to begin. What means Russia would adopt to keep her batteries efficient in winter is, I trust, a matter of very profitless speculation, because there is no reason to think that the place will be able to hold out so long against sap and mine, bombardment and cannonade, particularly when Gen. Canrobert "enlarges his circle" of operations. Every day we diminish our distance from the enemy, who does, it must be said, his best to meet us; but, although his outworks are advanced, the line of his batteries on the left has been perforce considerably retired. As our advances are made, the parallels behind are strengthened and put into a fit state for mounting guns in them, which will be close to the enemy's works, and produce a corresponding effect, though with increased loss and damage to ourselves from the Russian guns. The process thus goes on, in proportion to our strength and the enemy's weakness, day after day, and bit by bit the ground is won from them; and, though the town itself may be defended by infinitesimal batteries to the water's edge, so long as we can keep our works clear of the enemy, and can maintain our fire against them, there can be no doubt of ultimate success, if the external army is unable to force the allies to raise the siege.

Our batteries are nearly silent; a few guns and mortars reply to an occasional shot from the Redan and Round Tower at long intervals, and there seems to be a ship behind the round tower, which harasses our right attack by an odd shell now and then. What a contrast to the French on our left and even on our right! They have never ceased to fire, and the Russians return shot for shot from the mass of ruins and rubbish in which their batteries are enveloped. The day before yesterday, the enemy opened a new battery, which is up among the houses of the town, on a ridge near the Governor's house, and directed a very heavy fire on the French, with a diversion now and then on the left of our left attack. In the right attack yesterday we had two gunners killed, and the platforms of two guns broken; but, although these batteries have all been severely handled, they have reduced the fire of the Mamelon and of the Round Tower with great success. Still we must give the French every praise for the perseverance of their attack, deprived as they have been of their fair share of support from our fire for some days back. They have certainly atoned for their failure on the 17th of October, which was caused by the melancholy accidents to their magazines. There are mysterious whispers that we shall "open fire again *in a few days*" with an allowance of 100 rounds a gun per diem. A supply of some useful 56 and a few 68-pounder guns has been brought up from Balaklava to the batteries, and considerable additions have been made to our armament since I last wrote. A moderate supply of 13-inch bomb fuses has been raked together, and, if promises are to be trusted, we really shall effect great things on this, the *third* "commencement" of the siege.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE ARMY.—The London *Times* thus sums up the present state of things in the Crimea:—"If any one will compare the exact position of the besieging armies and of the outworks of the town, on the 9th of May, with what it was when the fire opened on the 9th of April, it will be seen that considerable progress has been made. The garrison of Sebastopol cannot amount in numbers to one half of the forces now assembled before the southern division of the town. Moreover, the resources of the defence from outlying works, which enfiladed the rear of our batteries have been considerably abridged, and every fresh arrival shows that the besieged are reduced within a narrower circle. A siege arrived at this stage of operations can only be arrested by the destruction of the works of the besiegers, or by the successful advance of a relieving army, but, neither of these results is in the slightest degree probable.

The reconnoissance lately made by a detachment of the Turkish, British and French armies beyond the Tchernaya has shown that the enemy is not in a position to offer any serious resistance to our advance from the east of the plateau occupied by the allies. Orders have recently been despatched from Paris to cause the whole French army of reserve collected at Constantinople, and amounting to about 25,000 men of all arms, to embark at once in the French vessels of war and transports for the Crimea; and as the British steamers conveying the Sardinian contingent to the theatre of war were already arriving in the Bosphorus, about 40,000 fresh troops, perfectly equipped for the field, will shortly land in the Crimea.

In addition to this powerful reinforcement the British army is constantly receiving an increase to its numbers, which will enable it, we doubt not, to perform any duty it may be called upon to discharge. With these forces at the disposal of the Allies, an army equal in number to that which won the battle of the Alma may advance against the Russians from Eupatoria, Kaffa, Kertch, or the Valley of Baidar, without diminishing the strength of the army already engaged in the conduct of the siege. For this purpose the formation of reserve at Maslak, and the acquisition of the Sardinian contingent, are judicious and important measures; for these troops if properly handled, ought to cut off the supplies of the enemy, and to render their position in the Crimea untenable. North of the river Salghir, the Crimea is, in summer, an arid plain, without water and incapable of supporting an army. The possession of the southern coast, and of the valleys running down to Karasu Bazaar and Simpheropol, is, in fact, the occupation of the Crimea; and we see no reason to doubt that hostilities may be carried on with advantage in this district.

From the Commercial Advertiser.

GENERAL SCOTT'S APPEARANCE—*New York, May 25, 1855.*—In passing down Twelfth street to-day, I met, for the first time in many months, Gen. Scott. He resides in a splendid mansion in that street, which he has purchased since the title of Lieutenant General was given to him, with the salary added from the time of the war with Mexico. He grows old quite rapidly, and the change in his appearance since the result of the campaign that elected Gen. Pierce is very apparent. His lofty form is bowed down—his elastic step has passed away—a look of sadness and weariness has settled upon those once expressive and decided features. He leads a very retired life—sees but little company—rarely appears in public, and usually walks alone. It is not possible to see Gen. Scott and not be struck with the truthfulness of Shakspeare's assertion, "That there is a tide in the affairs of men."

The above appeared in the New York correspondence of the Boston Journal. How far it accords with truth and accuracy, may be determined by the following observations. The residence of General Scott is a neat mansion. It cost about twenty-five thousand dollars, and was purchased by him, not "since the title of Lieut. General, was given to him, with the salary added from the time of the war with Mexico," but some two years before that well merited title was conferred on him;—and he was only able to make the purchase of said house by the aid of a circle of personal friends, who happened to know that his own means were inadequate, and who desired to see him and his family comfortably housed.

That he "grows old" is doubtless true, but not more "rapidly" than all of us. And certainly not more rapid than the growth of the affection and esteem which meet him on all sides.

Let the correspondent of the Boston Journal go through one half of the fatigue and trials which this veteran has, from the hotly contested battle fields of the war of 1812 to the closing triumphs of the conquest of Mexico,—to say nothing of a mangled shoulder in the first war and a serious injury to the other shoulder since the last war—and he may deem himself a lucky man if he can carry as erect a form as this venerated chieftain.

The life of General Scott has been one of intense labor. To this hour he never passes a day of idleness. Truly therefore does the writer of the above say—"He leads a very retired life; sees but little company; rarely appears in public, and usually walks alone."—He might have added that he is never seen at the theatre, opera, or any place of amusement, but always at church on the Sabbath. And as for his "walking alone," perhaps the true reason is that very few can keep pace with him. Far different "campaigns" from that of the Presidential one have changed his appearance from what it was forty years ago. The correspondent of the Boston Journal must be sadly ignorant of the history of the country and of the stirring events in which General Scott has been pre-eminent during that period, to attribute to an election campaign any alteration in that veteran's appearance.

And it so happens that the writer of this was with the general at the identical period of that election, and was struck by the fact that, if he expressed any disappointment, it was for his friends who were also defeated by that *strange result.* It happened also that at that very time the general was engaged with a board of officers, regulating the perplexing details of new military posts along our newly acquired Western territories, a work of vast labor in making the most of an army of small dimensions. The result of the election came in the midst of that work.—Now, what did a leading member of that board volunteer to say to the writer of this? He was a political opponent, too, of General Scott.—"Well," he said, or to this effect, "I never met a mind so signally balanced as that of General Scott; the work before the board was never for one moment obstructed or interrupted; the general continued his labor the day *after* his defeat was known as on the day *before*, and no one would suppose that such an event as a Presidential election had occurred." For the accuracy of this statement, let any one inquire of the distinguished General Jessup.

But aside from this—everybody who enjoys the pleasure and honor of knowing General Scott intimately, knows well his peculiar idiosyncracy; he seems never disconcerted. A consciousness of doing and having done his duty, elevates him above all resentment; encouraging or cherishing no ill-will toward others, he is apt to conceive that none can exist toward himself. If he has personal enemies, they may be sure he is not theirs, unless they be enemies also to good morals and to the country, its laws and institutions. With such he holds no communion. In conclusion, it may be safely stated that none others may regard themselves as excluded from his kindest regards and best wishes.

His name and fame, now "national property," are far above the reach of detraction, and will go down to future generations with increasing lustre; and the tablet of his earthly monument can honestly bear this inscription—

"Patria victisque laudatus."

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GREEN & BLACK TEAS, comprising all the different grades in use, purchased direct from the Importers, for cash, of recent importation, warranted fresh and of superior flavor, will be sold, wholesale and retail, at the lowest prices. my26 S. JAYNES.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, ss.
SUPREME COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT, Harrisburg, May 22d, 1855.
IT is ordered that writs of error and appeals from the several Counties composing the Western District of the Supreme Court, shall be made returnable as follows, until the further order of this Court, and that all writs heretofore issued, and all appeals heretofore filed and now pending, shall be considered returnable upon the days hereinafter mentioned, viz:
Erie, Crawford, Warren, McKean, Jefferson and Elk—Upon the third Monday in October.
Beaver, Butler, Mercer, Lawrence, Venango and Clarion—Upon the fourth Monday in October.
Westmoreland, Armstrong, Indiana, Somerset and Cambria—On the fifth Monday in October, or the Monday succeeding the fourth Monday in October.
Fayette, Greene and Washington—On the first Monday in November, or the Monday succeeding the return days for the Westmoreland District.
Allegheny—On the first Monday after the return day for the Fayette District, which will, for the present year, be the 2d Monday of November. Cases to be heard for three weeks, if necessary.
And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given in the *Legal Journal* and in three daily newspapers published in the city of Pittsburgh, for two weeks.
I certify the above to be a correct copy from the minutes, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in and for the Middle District, at Harrisburg.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, this 22d day of May, A. D. 1855.
[L. S.] my28-2wd WM. H. MILLER, Proth'y Supreme Court.

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TO THE LADIES,
PAUL HUGUS, 104 Market street,
RESPECTFULLY informs the Ladies of Pittsburgh and vicinity that he has just received a large and well selected stock of Spring and Summer Dry Goods; which he will sell at greatly reduced prices at his store, No. 104 Market st. 2d door from Fifth street. mh24-d&w8

ARRIVED THIS MORNING BY EXPRESS—A large assortment of Black, Twisted, Barred, Striped and Pressed Silks to which I would solicit the attention of my customers and ladies in general. mh24-d&w8 PAUL HUGUS.

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Notice to Contractors.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the Engineer, until Friday, the 1st day of June next, for the grading, bridging, &c., of the Allegheny and New Brighton Plank Road, from the Manchester line to the traveled road at the corner of Cooper & Poe's lot (distance about two miles.) Also, for grading, bridging, &c., from a point on the present road at the corner of land of Campbell & Knox to J. J. Gillespie's land on said road. This section crosses Jack's Run, and will include the Trussel Bridge at the Run, (distance about three-fourths of a mile.)
Bids will be received for the whole work, or in sections.
Plans and Specifications of the work may be seen at the office of the Engineer, R. R. M'Gowan, on Penn street, Pittsburgh. Any information necessary for bidders, may be obtained on application to the undersigned, or of the Engineer.
my11-dtd JOHN BIRMINGHAM, Pres't.

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Mechanics' Bank.
AT a meeting of the Commissioners of said Bank, held on the 3d inst., it was
Resolved, That the subscribers to the Stock of the Mechanics' Bank of Pittsburgh, be required to pay to the Treasurer the sum of *Twenty Dollars* on each share of the stock held by them, on or before the *Sixteenth day of June next.*
Payment will therefore be made by the Stockholders, to Samuel Jones, Esq., Treasurer, at the office of S. Jones & Co., Pittsburgh.
my5-d3tawtd DAVID CAMPBELL, Secretary.

PINE AND CEDAR WARE.—SAMUEL KROESEN keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of Wash and Bath Tubs, Horse, Steamboat, Oak Well, Kitchen or Draw Buckets; Wooden Bowls, Churns, Dry Measures, Zinc and Cherry Wash Boards, and all other kinds of ware in his line.
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The attention of private families, hotel keepers and the country merchant in particular, is directed to this Vinegar.
Cider that will keep sweet until next Fall.
The above Vinegars and Cider warranted to be as represented. mh11 A. BALLOU, 146 Water & 149 1st st.

Notice to Banks and other Corporations.
AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, Harrisburg, May 14th, 1855.
MR. EDITOR—You will please publish, for four consecutive weeks, the two following sections in conformity with the provisions of the 73d section of the Act of Seventh May, 1855, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government, the Repairs of the Public Canals and Railroads, and for other general and special appropriations."
Very Respectfully, &c.
WM. Q. WALLACE, for E. BANKS, Auditor Gen'l.

SECTION 71. That all banks, institutions and companies of every kind and nature whatever, incorporated under or in pursuance of any act of the legislature of Pennsylvania, general or special, or of any other state, and doing business in this state, shall give notice, accompanied by the oath or affirmation of the President, Secretary or Treasurer, to the Auditor General, of the corporate name, date of incorporation, time of commencing business and place of business of such bank, institution or company, the amount of capital stock, dividends declared, if any, with rate and time thereof, or the value of stock, according to the provisions of the act to reduce the state debt, and to incorporate the Pennsylvania Canal and Railroad Company, passed April twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

SECTION 72. That all banks, institutions and companies who do not, by their officers, as aforesaid, give notice to the Auditor General, as aforesaid, on or before the thirtieth day of November next, and annually thereafter, and pay the amount of tax they are legally chargeable with, into the State Treasury in the month of December then following, shall forfeit and pay for the use of the Commonwealth interest thereon, at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum until paid. my15-d4wd

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