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Largest and Best Assortment  
CHEAP, HANDSOME & DURABLE.

The subscriber takes pleasure in informing his customers and the public generally that he is now in receipt of an unusually large and Splendid Assortment of New Goods. To endeavor to enumerate the one hundred part of the articles would be useless. Suffice it to say they have been selected with the greatest care, and they will be disposed of at low prices, and of the same quality can be purchased elsewhere. My motto is—  
"Quick Sales and Small Profits."

He takes this method of presenting to the public his thanks for the liberal patronage extended to him, and by strict attention to business, he respectfully solicits a continuance of the same. It will be advisable for purchasers to call and examine his assortment before purchasing elsewhere. All kinds of produce taken in exchange. EDWARD Y. BRIGHT,  
Sunbury, December 1, 1855.

## U. S. OF A.

"God and our Native Land."

SUSQUEHANNA CAMP, No. 29, of the O. S. of the U. S. A. holds its stated sessions every Monday evening in their New Hall, opposite E. Y. Bright's store, Sunbury, Pa. Initiation and regalia, \$2.00.

D. O. E. MAIZE, W. C.  
No. 11, Wilkes, R. S.  
Sunbury, Jan. 12, 1856.—Oct 20 '55

## O. OF U. A. M.

SUNBURY COUNCIL, No. 30, of U. A. M. meets every Tuesday evening in the American Hall, opposite E. Y. Bright's store, Market street, Sunbury, Pa. Members of the order are respectfully requested to call and examine the following remarks on carrots, from an exchange, which will be found worth perusal:

A. HANSEN, R. S.  
Sunbury, Oct. 20, 1855.

## J. S. OF A.

WASHINGTON CAMP, No. 19, J. S. of A. holds its stated meetings every Saturday evening in the American Hall, Market Street, Sunbury.

Henry Y. Friling, R. S.  
Sunbury, January 5, 1855.—if.

## Cheap Watches & Jewelry.

WHOLESALE and Retail, at the "Philadelphia Watch and Jewelry Store," No. 99 North Second Street, corner of Quay.

PHILADELPHIA.  
Gold Lever Watches, 100 jewels, in case, \$20.00  
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On hand, some Gold and Silver Levers and Levers, still lower than the above prices.  
Sept. 6, 1855.—1y.

## The best collection of Glee ever Published.

TIP-TOE GLEE & CHORUS BOOK.

A new and choice collection of Glee never before published, and many of the Gems of modern German & Italian Composers.

Arranged in a familiar style, and adapted to the use of Glee Clubs, Singing Classes, and the Family Circle.

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This work contains a great number of new and favorite songs, harmonized in a style adapted to general purposes, while many of the Gems of Mendelssohn, Alt, Kuehn, and other celebrated composers, are presented in an Original Form. The great variety of musical compositions here introduced, eminently adapted to the taste and capacity of the Singing School, the Glee Club, and the Family Circle.

PRICE—ONE DOLLAR.

Just published by LEE & WALKER, No. 188 Chestnut Street, and J. B. LIPPINCOTT & CO., No. 20 North Fourth St., Philadelphia.

Sample copies will be sent by mail, free of postage, on receipt of \$1.

March 22, 1856.—4m—c4

## FOR SALE!

STEAM ENGINES 90 Horse power each, with boilers. Would make excellent pumping engines, together with a large blowing cylinder, adapted for a blast furnace. Apply to HENRY LONGENBECKER & CO., Shamokin Iron Works, Shamokin, Pa.

Shamokin, July 21, 1855.—

## FARMERS TAKE NOTICE.

100 bushels Flaxseed wanted immediately at the Cheap Store of E. Y. Bright, for which the highest market price will be paid.

Sunbury, October 6, 1855.—if

## STOVES.

FOR SALE, an excellent second-hand Cook Stove, also several Cylinder Cook Stoves.—Edgemo at this office.

## Select Poetry.

From the Knickerbocker.

### THE LOST EXPLORERS.

"After long and fruitless searches for Sir John Franklin and his crews, by English and American expeditions, their remains were at last discovered in the month of August, 1855, on and near Montreal Island, in lat. 68° north, by a party of fourteen men, commanded by Messrs. Stewart and Anderson, sent out by the Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company. Their bones lie buried in the sand within an extent of twelve miles.—The region is represented to be dreary in the extreme; not a blade of grass nor a stick of timber to be seen. No game of any kind could be found."

Far in the frozen zone, where, piled forever,  
Huge Crystal mountains pierce the clear,  
And fields of ice, no summer's warmth can  
Sever, and as Mr. Bannister caught me in his arms he observed, with a merry twinkle in his eyes, that "twas well he was an old man."

Far from the Esquimaux's rude moss-clad dwelling,  
O'er seas untraversed by his light canoe,  
Bones bleaching in the snow a tale are telling,  
Tearful yet true!

A desert Isle, washed by the Northern ocean,  
There frowns defiance to adventurous pride;  
Frost-bound in silence, naught of life or motion  
Adorns its side.

No sound is heard save when the winds of water  
Howl round its wastes and sweep its lone,  
Or drifting icebergs fiercely crash and splinter,  
With sullen roar.

On that drear coast, brave men who vainly  
Cherished  
Longings again to tread their native land,  
With watching word, by cold and hunger  
Perished—

A noble band!  
Crushed in by moving floe or torn assunder,  
Their vessels sunk beneath the treacherous wave,  
As the crews fled, in mute suspense and wonder,  
A watery grave.

Days, months, and years upon that Arctic island,  
They bore the blinding snow and piercing  
Gale,  
But never saw from shore or icy highland  
The distant sail!

The circling sun, in low ray faintly beaming,  
No genial glow of summer round them  
Spreads,  
And at his set, the phantom lights were  
Streaming

In that long polar night, with many a story  
Of perils past that whirled the wintry hour,  
Or sang the ancient songs of England's  
Glorious

Storm, darkness, cold and solitude of defying,  
By banks of gnawing hunger only moved,  
Each lived to cheer his fellow-man, and dying,  
Still faithful proved

When, bending o'er the couch of the departing,  
To hear in whispered accents, home fare-  
well!  
From every hollow eye, the tear just starting,  
Froze ere it fell.

The last sad rites performed with true devo-  
tion,  
They carved his name with unavailing  
care  
Upon the ice mound raised beside that ocean  
In lone despair.

Thus, one by one they died, the few true-  
hearted,  
Worlier by far of Albion's honored page  
Than they who fought and bled, whose souls  
departed

What though no marble tell their tragic sto-  
ry,  
To ice-bound mariners o'er the Northern  
Sea,  
And wailing winds around the landscape  
Howl

Where'er their country's banner proudly fly-  
ing,  
In foreign climes, declares her world-wide  
way,  
Few of her sons can boast of fame undying,  
Greater than they.

Long as that idle shall lie, by man forsaken,  
And new the mariner near its rugged side,  
The names of those who rest there shall awa-  
ken

## A Select Tale.

From Frazer's Magazine.

### THE FIRST BRIDAL VISIT.

CONCLUDED.

"Sweetest are you, and Alina—De!"

I was very much astonished at the interest all the good folks took in my preparations for this ball. They actually insisted on a rehearsal of the lace dress and diamond and turquoise set. Mr. Bannister, liked me on the whole, and I was very much pleased to compliment me so much that Lauriston thought fit to interpose. Mrs. Bannister said I ought to enact the Fairy Queen, Lydia, my youngest niece, said, as I had so often done, "Well, it was a fine thing to be made a queen!" Just then, on my pinnacle of glory, I thought so too, and looked forward to this ball with exulting feelings. I sprang off the table, and as Mr. Bannister caught me in his arms he observed, with a merry twinkle in his eyes, that "twas well he was an old man."

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## THE LATEST.

Whereas, my husband, Josiah Wilson, has left my bed and board without any just cause or pretence; I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting him on my account, (as he is a shill pay no debts of his contracting.)

BETTY MARIA WILSON.

## SIX PUBLIC LANDS.

At the West have been absorbed, in the last two or three years, at a rate which far exceeds the general idea. In Illinois alone, the lands have been taken up so rapidly during the last twelve months, as to render necessary the closing of all the offices, excepting that at Springfield, the State capital, which has been discontinued in that office. In Iowa, a Chicago paper tells us that, extraordinary as have been the accounts published respecting this rush, they do not convey an adequate idea of the reality. A person in Chicago having written to another in Iowa, to secure for him a tract of land, with timber on it, received in reply a letter containing the following passage:

"There has not been such a tract of land as your letter calls for, in the State of Iowa, for the last three years, which was not claimed or pre-empted; if surveyed; and there is not now in the Dubuque Land District, which extends west of Dubuque 114 miles, any tract of land vacant that has three acres of timber on it; and the same thing may be said of the Decatur and Fort Dodge Districts. Strange as it may seem, it is true to the letter, I assure you. (The land district was partitioned, part prairie, with a living spring or stream on it.) \* \* \* I assure you that if the little land that remains in this district, in Iowa, is not taken up, it will be sold in a few weeks after it has been surveyed, and the same thing may be said of the Decatur and Fort Dodge Districts. Strange as it may seem, it is true to the letter, I assure you. 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