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MENTALLY.

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 evil effects.

Thousands of persons of all ages, can now judge what is the cause of their decline in health, losing their vigor, becoming weak, pale, nervous and emaciated, have 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 hopes of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life by the consequences of deviating from the path of nature, and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons must, before contemplating

MARRIAGE,

effect 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.

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TO STRANGERS.

The many thousands cured at this Institution within the last twelve years, and the numerous important Surgical operations performed by Dr. J., witnessed by the reporters of the papers, and many other persons, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, *besides his standing at a gentleman of character and responsibility*, is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted.

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To STRANGERS.—The Doctor's Diplomas hang in his office.

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A WHITE SPOTTED, LIVER COLORED POINTER PUP, with a leather collar on. Any person returning the same to the undersigned will be suitably rewarded GEO. HYNICKA.

BUSHWACKER LITERATURE.

We lately published a long poem, writtin in Pennsylvania German, which, we are informed, was from the pen of Rev. Mr. Harbaugh, a distinguished clergyman of the Lutheran Church, now residing at Lebanon, Pa. A correspondent of the *Bulletin*, who says the poem "produced a wonderful excitement among those who were so fortunate as to comprehend the meaning of it in the original," sends us the following excellent translation:

[From the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.]

THE OLD SCHOOL-HOUSE ON THE CREEK

(*Das Alt Schulhaus on der Krick.*)

[A free translation from the Pennsylvania Dutch]

To-day it is just twenty years
Since I sought northern lands.
Now, living still, I come to seek
The quaint old school-house on the creek,
Near Arty's house that stands.

In hundred houses I have been,
Of marble, stone or brick,
Yet of those mansions grand and tall,
I'd any day forget them all,
For the school house on the creek.

He who forsakes the good of home,
In peace I'd let him go:
Still, let me say, ere he sets forth,
It is all humbug in the North,
As he full soon will know.

To every corner I have been,
And traveled, well or sick,
But ne'er in any spot have found
Such joy as caused my heart to bound,
In the school house on the creek.

Sweet home-joys here I always had;
Now as I stand and gaze,
Old scenes before my mem'ry wave,
Old forms arise as from the grave—
The ghosts of vanished days.

The stream plays by just as of old,
When I too blythely played,
And where yon elder shades the stream,
The little fish still gladly gleam;
Time yet no change has made.

Still stands the white-oak by the door,
And shades the old roof tree,
The old grape-vine, too, still is green,
And look! the swallow's nest yet green!
A strange thing seems to me.

Over the fields the swallows play
Their game of "first is best;"
From gable end so quaint and old,
A house of straw and dirt behold!
That is a'swallow's nest!

There lie the young birds very snill,
In sleep all scattered round;
Wait till some worms the parent brings,
Then far their shrilly twitt'ring rings,
Till distance hears the sound.

Yes! all the scene is as it was,
When here a boy I ranged,
Yet dearer things no more are here,
And all must change and disappear!
I too, myself, have changed.

Like Ossian, by his desolate hall,
I watch the clouds flit by,
And half in joy—in sorrow half,
My tears come trickling, yet I laugh,
Your hearts can tell me why.

I used to go to this old school,
When but an urchin small;
There was the master on his stool,
There was his switch, and there his rule,
I seem to see them all.

The desks, the clothes rings on the wall,
The shool room's ample bound,
And on *this* side the girls sat,
The boys, (not half so coy,) on *that*,
See how they peep around.

The master's eye is on them now,
They'd better have a care;
The chap who writes the billets-doux,
And he whose tricks the boys amuse,
And you lad laughing there!

For big and little, one and all,
Are neath one equal rule,
Which is most just, for who doth break
That canon, must a licking take,
Or get turned out of school.

Inside, around the cosy stove,
Sits all the little chaps,
They study very hard, you see,
For who shall miss his A B C,
His ears shall meet hard raps.

Uneasy are the benches high,
Which keep the feet from floor.
One's back feels often strained and sick,
In that old school-house on the creek,
And *just about* right sore.

Poor little souls, ah! there they sit;
Just think! how ill at ease!
It is no wonder, I declare!
They learn so little, perched up there,
On forms so high as these.

With all the drawbacks, anyhow,
It was a first-rate school,
For pedagogue in vain you'd look
Like ours—he's schyphered through the book,
And never skipped a rule.

Cross was he; yes! I can't deny,
He flogged us all around:
Yet he most equal rules observed,
Who felt the birch, the birch deserved
Completely!—I'll be bound.

At dinner time, when school was out,
We felt "so good" just then,
And some the flying ball did chase,
While some amused them in the race,
And some played soldier men.

The big girls swept the school-room out,
The boys hung round the spot,
Pretending but to help about,
But soon the master drove them out,
The rules allowed it not.

The girls did "Copenhagen" play,
On yonder sod, so green,
But when the big girls crossed the ring,
Why then (it was a curious thing),
The big boys, too, "pitched in."

Big boys did always big girls *tag*,
And small ones always *miss*,
How swiftly ran they up and down,
And this you may depend upon!
Who won—did earnest kiss.

On Christmas was the right good time,
With memories gay 'tis blent;
When we did bar the master out,
From door and sill, with timber stout:
"Now, master! gifts present!"

Then did he struggle mightily,
By force to burst within,
But while he knocked, 'neath door so stout,
A written treaty we thrust out,
Sign this! we'll let you in!

Then out the master launched his gifts,
With sheepish looks,—but he
Chestnuts and apples, and much more,
Spread out our joyous eyes before;
We swallowed them with glee.

Oh! where are now my school mates all,
Who studied here of yore?
Ah! some have wandered far away,
With some did fickle fortune play,
And death took many more.

My heart is swelled with thankfulness,
Yet grief my voice makes thick,
Could weep o'er memories of the past:
And yet, a joy it brings at last,
This school-house on the creek.

Good bye! old school-house! echo's voice
"Good bye! good bye!" calls back,
Oh! school-house! school-house! must I go,
And leave you standing lonely so,
You school-house on the creek?

Oh ye! who'll live when I am gone,
Yet once more hear me speak;
I beg, entreat you, hear my prayer,
Oh! take forever kind, good care,
Of the school-house on the creek.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

From Fort Pickens and Port Royal.

Arrival of the Steamer Rhode Island.

The Attack on Wilson's Zouaves Confirmed.

The Rebels Shelled from the Island.

A FLAG OF TRUCE SENT BY GENERAL SHERMAN TO THE REBELS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.

The transport steamer Rhode Island arrived at this port this afternoon, from Ship Island on the 5th, Fort Pickens on the 7th, Key West on the 10th and Port Royal on the 17th inst.

She passed on the 9th, off Hole in the Wall, U. S. schooner H. W. Johnson in search of a reported privateer. Left at Ship Island U. S. frigate Potomac, steamers Cuyler, Mississippi and Massachusetts, and store ships Kahn and Pawpero. At Fort Pickens, frigate Colorado; at South-west Pass, the Preble; off St. Marks, on the 10th, the Mohawk; off Charleston, the Susquehannah; off Savannah, the Savannah; off Wilmington, the Jamestown.

The Rhode Island brings the mail from the various squadrons, also a large number of invalids and discharged seamen and the following officers: Lieut. Frebiger, of the Savannah; Lieut. Russell, of the Colorado; Lieut. Senden; of the Colorado; Lieut. Arnold, of the Mohawk; Lieut. Young, of the Savannah; Lieut. Colonel Creighton and Lieuts. Everett, Hangerty and Cox, of Wilson's Zouaves; Brig. Gen. French from Fort Taylor, Lieuts. Pope and Lee, of Richmond; Lieut. Parker, of Fort Taylor; Lieut. Resse, U. S. A.; Lieut. Hatfield, of the Mississippi, acting master Clifford, do.

No new prizes have been taken by the fleet.

The report of an attempted attack on Wilson's Zouaves by the rebels received via Havana is confirmed. The rebels were shelled from the Island by the Colorado and retreated to Pensacola.

The health of Wilson's Zouaves is excellent. A man named Watson was taken from the schooner San Bernard while running the blockade of Mobile with a cargo of naval stores and under the British colors. He is a prisoner aboard the Rhode Island, and claims the protection of the British consul.

STILL LATER.

A letter from Port Royal dated the 16th, states Gen. Sherman on the 14th, sent one of his aids, Lieut. Wagner, under a flag of truce to carry his proclamation to the people of South Carolina. Lieut. Wagner was accompanied by Dr. Bacon of the Sixth Connecticut regiment. They proceeded within two miles of Gardner's corner place, opposite Port Royal ferry, which was said to be occupied by rebel troops and there had an interview with the rebel officers under the flag of truce.

The latter admitted that the depredations on the property of the citizens of Beaufort were the work of the blacks, and entirely exculpated our troops from any complicity with them. On their return they met a squad of rebel cavalry, who gave them fodder for their horses.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

CAPE RACE, Nov. 19.

The steamer United Kingdom, from Glasgow on the 9th inst for New York, has arrived. The news is unimportant.

The steamer Breman has arrived out.

The convention regarding the Mexican expedition does not fix the number of ships or troops to be used or stipulate for march to Mexico.

ANOTHER SLAVER CAPTURED.

GREEN POINT, Nov. 19.

The slaver Augusta was seized yesterday off Nontank. Nine men were found aboard; but they made no resistance. The vessel was brought here.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Letter from Col. Lee, a Prisoner at Richmond.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.

A letter has been received by Capt. Charles Candy, Assistant Adjutant General to Lander's brigade from Col. Lee of the 20th Massachusetts regiment now a prisoner at Richmond. Col. Lee states that he and the other imprisoned officers have been very kindly treated, and makes enquiries as to the disposition made of the enemy captured at Ball's Bluff. The rebels say that fewer of the Massachusetts officers would have been killed had they not been too proud to surrender.

John R. Myrick has been appointed Second Lieutenant in the Third artillery, by direction of the Government.

The oath not to bear arms against the United States has been administered to twenty-nine rebel prisoners at the old capitol; another has signified his desire to take the oath of allegiance. These proceedings are preliminary to their release for an equal number who have been or may be released by the rebel authorities.

FROM PORT ROYAL.

The Federal Troops Considered Safe.

ERECTION OF EXTENSIVE WORKS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.

The advices brought by the steamer Atlantic gives assurance that the portion of the Federal troops at Port Royal is considered safe. Extensive works are rapidly progressing and guns are being mounted. The entrenchments extend to Seville, about five miles from the fort on Hilton Head, and are under the supervision of Capt. Gilmore.

FROM CHARLESTON.

Deplorable Conditions of Affairs.

PROVISIONS AT STARVATION PRICES.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.

A letter from Charleston dated October 3rd, sent by Havana to a gentleman in England and thence remailed to this city, was received here yesterday. The writer represents the condition of affairs as deplorable. Business was prostrated, provisions at starvation prices, and no prospect of a change for the better.

A SENSIBLE DUKE.—The Duke of Argyll recently made a speech at Inversary, in which he discussed American affairs in a just and liberal spirit. We extract a passage:

"In fairness to our American friends we ought to admit that no more tremendous issues were ever submitted to the dread arbitrament of war than these which are now submitted to it upon the American continent. I do not care whether we look at it from the northern or from the southern point of view. Take the mere question of what is called the right of secession. I know of no government which has ever existed in the world which could possibly have admitted the right of secession from its own allegiance. There is a curious animal in Loch Fyne, which I have sometimes dragged up from the bottom of the sea, and which performs the most extraordinary and unaccountable acts of suicide and self-destruction. It is a peculiar kind of starfish, which, when brought up from the bottom of the water, and when any attempt is made to take hold of it, immediately throws off all its arms, its very centre breaks up, and nothing remains of one of the most beautiful forms in nature but a thousand wriggling fragments.—Such undoubtedly would have been the fate of the American Union, if its Government had admitted what is called the right of Secession.

"Gentlemen, I think we should admit, in fairness to the Americans, that there are some things worth fighting for, and that national existence is one of these." [Cheers.]

A FIGHTING NEGRO.—A correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune*, describing the battle of Belmont, says:

"During the thickest of the fight the body servant of Gen. McClernard, a mulatto named William Stains, of Decatur, exhibited conspicuous courage. He was close by the General, during the whole engagement, cheering the soldiers and swearing that he would shoot the first man that showed the white weather. Many of us laughed heartily at the fighting darkey, while the bullets flew like hail about us.

"In the course of the fight, a captain of one of the companies was struck by a spent ball, which disabled him from walking. The mulatto boy, who was mounted, rode up to him and shouted out, 'Captain, if you can fight any longer for the old Stars and Stripes take my horse and lead your men.' He then dismounted and helped the wounded officer into his saddle. When he was walking away, a rebel dragoon rush forward at the officer to take him prisoner. The darkey drew his revolver and put a ball through the rebel's head, scattering his brains all over the horse's neck.

"I relate these little circumstances so that merit may be justly dealt with, even if the hero is a 'nigger' as some people would call this brave fellow."

MAKING THE SOUTH PAY THEIR DEBTS.—Provost Judge Freese, of Alexandria, publishes a letter in the Newark *Advertiser*, in which he says if the government will allow him to follow out his course, he will undertake to collect one-third of the $150,000,000 due from the south without doing injustice to a single individual.

THE STARS AND STRIPES now wave in six of the seceded States, to-wit: In North Carolina, over Fort Hatteras; in South Carolina, at Beaufort; in Florida, at Key West and Fort Pickens; in Mississippi, at Ship Island; in Eastern Tennessee and in the northern and western sections of Virginia.