

COFFEE & LIQUOR.

The substitute in Great Britain of Coffee for beer and spirits, has increased its consumption to such an extent as to call the attention of government to the propriety of reducing the duties on the importation of it, as one of the most efficient means of producing moral reform among the people.

The consumption of Coffee by the laboring classes in London, is shown by the examination of another witness—the proprietor of an extensive coffee house. The laboring man comes in the morning at 4 o'clock, and has a cup of coffee and slice of bread and butter, for which he pays 14; and then again at eight, for his breakfast he has a cup of coffee, a penny loaf, and a penny worth of butter, which is 31; at one o'clock he comes again and has his coffee, his bread and meat; at this hour of the day, there are upwards of one hundred dining in one room at a time.

In Ireland the reformation has been still more extraordinary; through the exertions of Father Mathew, the great Temperance Reformer, millions have taken the pledge of total abstinence, and these reformed drinkers are aided in their resolutions, by the free use of Coffee instead of Whiskey.

We avail ourselves of the subject and give a few hints from a noted writer, as to the most approved mode of preparing coffee. The excellence of this beverage depends in a great measure, on the skill and attention used in roasting coffee. If it be too little roasted, it is devoid of flavor, and if too much it becomes acrid, and has a disagreeable burnt taste; while roasting, the grains should be kept constantly agitated. Coffee used as an infusion is decidedly preferable to when used as a decoction, both as regards flavor and strength.

A Female Spouter. The Providence Journal gives the following account of Abby Kelly:

A notice was posted last Sunday, headed "Heathenism of the United States," and calling a meeting at Masonic Hall, for the purpose of showing the difference between true Christianity, and the prevailing religion of this country. Abby Kelly and several others, were announced to address the meeting.

Levi Hutchins, of Concord, N. H. has raised this season on fourth of an acre of land 300 bushels of carrots.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE N. Y. EVENING POST.

ACCOUCHMENT OF HER MAJESTY—BIRTH OF A PRINCE.—The anxiously expected event has taken place at last, her Majesty having on Tuesday, the 9th of November, given birth to a Prince.

It may be gathered from all the accounts that her Majesty makes far less fuss about herself than others make about her, and as far as can be judged, no peasant's wife was ever less troubled with whims and fancies.

As an instance, too, of her firmness and freedom from affectation, it may be mentioned, that shortly after her accouchment, she remarked that she had not heard the guns of the Tower fire a salute to welcome the young Prince, and being told that the omission arose from the fear of disturbing her, she replied they "would not disturb her," and so the guns were fired forthwith.

It formerly used to be the custom for the officers of the state to be huddled into the corner of the room where the birth took place, for the purpose of seeing that no changeling was substituted for the "true prince."—Modern refinement, however, has done away with this ridiculous custom, and those important personages now wait in the ante-chamber. On the late occasion only the father, the doctor, and the nurse were present.

After having conquered the country, he sent for Queen Eleanor, who was enciente, to be confined at Carnaeon Castle, in order that he might be able to present the sturdy North Britons with a native prince.

Her Majesty is the first Queen reigning in her own right who has given birth to a Prince of Wales. Mary, Elizabeth, and Anne not having had that honor.

The Half-reasoning Animal—by Water and Fire. The Sagacity of the Mammoth Elephant, (who is attached to the Managerie and Circus) has displayed itself during his late visit to Richmond and Petersburg.

The Last Struggle for Polish Independence.—The fifty-first struggle was the siege of Warsaw. The Russian army, composed of 100,000, attempted for two days to take possession of Warsaw, defended only by 25,000 Poles.

WARTS.—The bark of a willow tree, burnt to ashes, and mixed with strong vinegar, and applied to the parts, will remove all warts, corns or excrescences on any part of the body. Moderate drinking is somewhere between a glass and a barrel.

CONSUMPTION.

In our obituary record of this week contains an item under this head, which is startling. Of the adult deaths, 18 out of 41 were by consumption, or nearly one half. Did the cholera, the small pox or any other disease of a similar character destroy human life at the appalling rate which marks the footsteps of this arch-destroyer, no means would be left untried to avert the calamity.

MANAGEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE.—We learn that the affairs of the White House Washington are all conducted by a colored man, by the name of Wilkins, whom the President hires at a salary, with perquisites, of \$47-00 per annum, and who discharges all the expenses of the palace.

REMNANTS OF THE BALL.—Since the grand ball to the Prince in Boston was over, we find in one of the journals, exposed for sale at auction, the following fragments used to decorate Faneuil Hall—500 yard-Kidderminster carpeting, used in the Hall and drawing rooms; 500 yards Manila hemp carpeting, used on the entrance and stairs; 10 mahogany hair cloth sofas and a superb couch, made expressly for the occasion.

HOW MEN ARE MADE GREAT.—Mr. B. F. Hallett in a letter to the editor of the Boston Times, says: "I think all the papers ought to be paid more liberally than they are. They make all the great men in the country, by puffing them and reporting their speeches, often much better than they can make them, themselves.

A WIFE WORTH HAVING.—We notice with peculiar pleasure, the recent marriage of Miss Charlotte Mitchell, of Georgia, to Wm. Watlington, Esq. The lady appeared on her wedding day dressed entirely in silk of her own manufacture—cap, gloves, stockings and dress, equal to the best pongee.

STAR OF MARRIAGES IN LONDON. Runaway wives, 1,132; Married persons legally divorced, 2,348; Living in open warfare, 4,175; Living in private misunderstanding, 17,345; Mutually indifferent, 13,320; Regarded as happy, 55,340; Nearly happy, 3,475; Perfectly happy, 127.

Thaddeus Burleson better know herabouts as Shad Burleson, is now Vice President of the Republic of Texas. He is well known on the Champlain canal, as a boatman of 1834-5. He was engaged in building a boat at this place, about that time.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT. Some of the press have already commenced agitating the question of the next Presidency. The Albany Argus puts forward Mr. Van Buren for a second and final period.

BANK OF ENGLAND.—The number of persons employed in one way or the other in the Bank of England is so great, that they may be said to form a little community themselves. The number of clerks alone, though occasionally varying is never under 900.



Our acknowledgments are due to the Hon. James Buchanan. And the Hon. John Snyder for public documents.

The proprietors of the New World will publish on the first of January next, a Leviathan Pictorial sheet, containing a vast number of excellent engravings. Its size will be 4 feet 4 inches by 6 feet 7 inches, making 48 columns of four feet each in length. Single copies 25 cts. or five copies for \$1.00.

There is but little doing in Congress at present, the busy season will not commence until after the holidays. The President does not enjoy good health. The executive mansion is still located in an unhealthy part of the city, in the neighborhood of the lowlands and the canal.

The Philadelphia Gazette suggests that the General Government should withhold from Mississippi her share of the surplus revenue, and appropriate it to the payment of interest on her repudiated bonds. This, if it could be accomplished, would be perfectly right.

Counterfeits, of the denomination of ten dollars, on the West Branch Bank, dated August 1st, 1838, payable to J. Kellum, are in circulation.

In our paper of the 4th inst. we stated that the Valley Anthracite Furnace, near Pottsville had blown out, and that the manager of the establishment, after abstracting \$1,000 from the Miners' Bank, by means of a draught on New York, drawn by him self, had decamped with the money.

A fatal and most distressing casualty occurred in Philadelphia lately. A horse rode by Jacob Mayland, Jr., ran off down Fifth street, and at the corner of Race street knocked down a Mrs. Richards, residing at the corner of Fifth street and Mulberry street, and her sister, a Miss BARTRAM, who were crossing the street at the time.

We think it a well established fact that women possess more honor and honesty than men, and as a class, therefore, their credit stands deservedly much higher. We seldom meet with a woman who is unwilling to pay her debts, and who does not endeavor to preserve inviolate her obligations.

The Miners' Journal very properly recommends to the Reading Railroad Company the advantages of low fare. But the Journal is incorrect in supposing that the company have no competitors.

The Past Master General has issued a circular to about 400 of his deputies, calling upon them in sharp terms, to resign or furnish the register of arrivals and departures of mails to the department.

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Two members of the Tennessee legislature had a fight in the House. After the adjournment they fought with pistols, without injury to themselves; but a clerk in a store was slightly injured in the knee by a ball from one of the pistols.

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A Judge convicted.—Samuel McHenry, late Chief Justice of Harrison county, Texas, was convicted on the 10th ult., on a charge of having aided in stealing 19 slaves, two horses and a bride and saddle.

The Hon. James Buchanan has already been named for this exalted station. With a firm belief that he will always be found supporting the true interests of his native State, we shall most cheerfully accord to him our humble support.

Great Britain by her prohibitory duties is literally starving her laboring population, in order that she may aggrandize her cheap manufactures, wrung from honest poverty by the iron hand of despotism, while she in return refuses to take a single dollar worth of our agricultural products.

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The Maine Cultivator and several other papers of that State, are out against travelling pollars. This, we should think, might be called "carrying the war into Africa."

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Editorial Miscellany. Dixon H. Lewis is a great man—weighs 480 pounds. The papers have tried hard to kill him, but he won't stay killed; and is again a candidate for office.

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