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J. C. KNOLL, SURGEON DENTIST, Peach St., 3 doors south of the Depot. tf

GEORGE H. CUTLER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Girard, Erie County. Collections and other business attended to with [illegible] and dispatch.

J. W. WETMORE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, in Walker's Office, on Seventh street, Erie, Pa. aug 7'62.

[illegible] SPENCER. SELDEN MARVIN.
SPENCER & MARVIN, ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW. Office, Paragon Block, near North West corner of the Public Square, Erie, Pa.

E. PHILO BENNETT, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Office second floor Wayne Block, French Street, between Fifth and [illegible] june15-2

EAGLE HOTEL, Waterford, Pa., ROBERT LESLIE, PROPRIETOR. Good accommodations and careful attention given to the comfort of guests. ap6'65 1y*

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GEO. W. GUNNISON, ATTORNEY AT LAW AND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Pension and Claim agent, Conveyancer and Collector. Office in Gazette building, southwest corner of Fifth and State streets, Erie, Pa. ap13'65-tf

NEW STORE. JOHN CRONENBERGER, at the new brick store, Eagle Village, has on hand a large assortment of Groceries, Provisions, Wood and Willow Ware, Wines, Liquors, Tobacco, Segars, &c., to which he respectfully calls the attention of the public, satisfied that he can offer as good bargains as can be had in any part of Erie county. mar30'65-1y

GEO. C. BENNETT, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office East Park street, over C. Siegel's store—boards at the residence of C. W. Kelso, 2d door south of the M. E. Church, on Sassafras street. Office hours from 11 o'clock A. M., until 2 P. M. my10'65tf

F. W. REED & CO., Wholesale and retail dealers in Anthracite, Bituminous and Blossburg coal and wood. Genuine Lehigh Lump for foundries and prepared for house use, always on hand. Yards—Corner 6th and Myrtle, and corner Myrtle and Bitner sts., 2 squares west of the Union Depot, Erie, Pa.

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A. KING, MALSTER, BREWER, AND DEALER IN HOPS, Barley, Malt, Ales, Lager, &c. Proprietor of Ale and Lager Breweries, and Malt warehouses, Erie, Pa. jy12'58 tf

H. Y. PICKERING, D. D. S., DENTIST. Office, French St., second story Sterrett's Block, near corner of Reed House. oc18-1y

W. E. MAGILL, DENTIST, Office in Rosenzweig's Block, north side of the Park, Erie, Pa. 23-

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LAURIE J. BLAKELY, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Ridgway, Elk Co., Pa. Will also practice in adjoining Counties. mar28-6m*

WM. MARKS, TAILOR AND CLOTHES CLEANER, (Union Block, above Dr. Bennett's Office.) Clothes made, repaired and cleaned on short notice. Terms as reasonable as any. ma23 1y

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NOBLE, BROWN & CO., Wholesale dealers in hard and soft coal, Erie, Pa. Having disposed of our dock property to the above named firm, we necessarily retire from the coal trade, recommending our successors as eminently worthy of the confidence and patronage of our old friends and the public. [ap12-tf] SCOTT, RANKIN & CO.

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ERIE CITY INTELLIGENCE OFFICE. Situations furnished for girls of all descriptions, in private families, at short notice. Chambermaids, Nurses, Housekeepers, Seamstresses, Waiters and Mechanics of all kinds. Also, hotels, boarding houses and private families supplied with servants of all kinds at short notice. Don't forget to call at this Office, No. 232 State St., Erie, Pa. J. F. CROSS.
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HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG

Have just received from New York
A FRESH LOT OF COFFEE AND SPICE!
Also, received from New York
One hundred kits of No. 1 Shore Family Mackerel and
the Genuine Cod Fish. [illegible]

LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLES, CORNER OF FRENCH AND 7TH STREETS, ERIE. Renner & Johnson, Proprietors. Good Horses and Carriages always on hand at moderate prices. jy12-tf

NEW TOBACCO & CIGAR STORE.

The undersigned have opened a new Tobacco store, on Fifth street, between State and French, (opposite Dispatch office) and will keep constantly on hand a choice supply of Segars, Tobacco, Snuff and everything usually found in a first class Tobacco store, which they will sell at wholesale and retail. Plug and fine cut chewing tobacco of the best manufacture. Smoking tobacco, pipes and fancy goods in great variety.
ap12'65 1y HOAG & ASKINS.

FURNISHING STORE

FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

A variety of Children's Plain and Fancy
READY-MADE CLOTHING.
Ladies' Ready-Made Under Clothing. A variety of Gents' Furnishing Goods.

All of which will be kept on hand and also made to order. Our goods are all manufactured by ourselves. Stamping, Stitching, Fluting and Braiding done at the shortest notice. Also, a large variety of the latest style Patterns for Ladies' and Children's Garments. All orders will be promptly attended to.

JOHN FERRIER,
ap19-1y French St., between 4th and 5th.

HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG,

Dealers in
CABLE ROPE, ROPE, PACKING, HEMP
OAKUM AND BLOCKS AND HOOKS.
au23-tf

HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG.

The place to buy
CHEAP FAMILY GROCERIES!

Such as Teas, Coffee, Chocolate, Baker's Broma, Corn Starch, Farina, Sago, Tapioca, Pearl Barley, Rice Flour, Rice, Baking Powder, Cream Tartar, Split Peas, Cracked Wheat, Pearl Wheat, Hominy, Samp, Mustard Seed, Jelly, Capots, Spanish Olives, Self Raising Flour, Family Flour, Corn Meal, Oat Meal, all kinds of Sauces, Sardines, Raisins, Pickles, Currants, Figs, and, in fact, everything belonging to a *First Class Family Store.*
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HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG,

NOS. 23 AND 24 PARK ROW,
Have just received
TWENTY CHESTS OF CHOICE TEA
Which we will sell Cheap. au24-tf

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BENJ'N WHITMAN, Editor and Proprietor.

BARR, JOHNSON & CO.,

THE HOME COMFORT

DEALERS IN

STOVES.

PIONEER IRON WORKS,

ERIE, PENNA.

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ur stock is the largest and best west of Buffalo, embracing among others, the following well known varieties:

THE MAGIC,

A PARLOR COAL STOVE—TWO SIZES.

This stove is just the same in principle as the P. P. Stewart, and is in every respect its equal. We offer it for sale with unlimited confidence in its merits. The Magic is sold by us at a much lower price than that of the Stewart, and is warranted to be all we claim for it.

THE U. S. GRANT.

This is beyond doubt the finest operating Cooking Stove for hard coal in the market. There is no trouble in either kindling the fire or managing it afterwards, and it can be easily regulated to secure just such a heat as is required. Fire can be kept in it through the night without danger. No one who has ever seen it in operation would want to use any other.

THE ORIENTAL.

Persons wanting the Oriental, can be supplied by us at Low Figures.

PARLOR STOVES.

We have the exclusive right in Pennsylvania for manufacturing the celebrated

MORNING GLORY!

ADMITTEDLY THE BEST EVER INTRODUCED.

Also on hand, the Model Parlor, Favorite, Cylinder, Belle, Pearl, Globe Heater, and Belle Cottage.

COOKING STOVES.

Our stock is very large, consisting in part as follows:

COMET, MONITOR (for wood)
ECONOMIST, VICTOR,
PROGRESSIVE, SHIELD,
REPUBLIC, TRIUMPH,
CHAMPION, HARMONY,
and DINING ROOM.

ALSO DEALERS IN

HOTEL RANGES OF ALL SIZES!

Including Van's Improved—the best in the world:

BUCK'S PATENT 6 HOLE HOTEL STOVE!

BLODGETT PASTRY BAKERS

for Hotels, Boarding Houses, &c

SHEET IRON STOVES!

FURNACES,

And, in fact, everything known to the trade.

☞ THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO CALL AND EXAMINE OUR GOODS.

no23-tf

ERIE CITY IRON WORKS.

MANUFACTURE

STATIONARY AND PORTABLE STEAM ENGINES,

BOILERS, OIL STILLS AND TANKS,

BRADLEY'S PATENT ENGINE, HICK'S PATENT ENGINE,

DIRECT ACTING CIRCULAR SAW MILLS, GEARED CIRCULAR SAW MILLS,

MULAY MILLS AND MILL GEARING,

SHAFTING, PULLIES, &C,

DRILLING TOOLS, PUMPING RIGS AND DRIVING PIPE.

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W. J. F. LIDDELL, Superintendent.
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Manufactured by the

ERIE CITY IRON WORKS,

Uses Steam twice. Has double the power of any other Engine of equal size.

Parties who wish to increase their power without changing their boiler, can do so by using the Bradley Engine, which works the Exhaust Steam and gives double the power from the same boiler, thus saving half the fuel.

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FAMILY SUPPLY STORE,

Nos. 23 and 24 West Park, (Beatty's Block,)

ERIE, PA.

HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG,

Wholesale and Retail

GROCERS,

And dealers in

COUNTRY PRODUCE,
FLOUR, PORK, FISH,
DRIED & SEALED FRUITS,
WOODEN & WILLOW WARE,
TOBACCO, SEGARS, &C., &C.

The Best Qualities of Paints and Oils.

Agents for the Cleveland Rifle Mining and Blasting Powder.

☞ A choice and fresh stock always kept on hand, which will be sold at the lowest figures.

We pledge ourselves not to be undersold, and invite all to give us a call.

☞ The highest price paid for country produce.

may7'66 tf

CRISPER COMA.

Oh! she was beautiful and fair,
With starry eyes, and radiant hair,
Whose curling tendrils soft, entwined,
Enchained the very heart and mind.

CRISPER COMA.

For Curling the hair of either Sex into Wavy and Glossy Ringlets or Heavy, Massive Curls.

By using this article Ladies and Gentlemen can beautify themselves a thousand fold. It is the only article in the world that will curl straight hair, and at the same time give it a beautiful, glossy appearance. The Crisper Coma not only curls the hair, but invigorates, beautifies and cleanses it; is highly and delightfully perfumed, and is the most complete article of the kind ever offered to the American public. The Crisper Coma will be sent to any address, sealed and post-paid for $1.

Address all orders to
W. L. CLARK & CO., Chemists,
No. 3 West Fayette St., Syracuse, N. Y.

feb21'67-1y.

THE BRIDAL CHAMBER, an Essay of Warning and Instruction to young Men—published by Howard Association, and sent free of charge in sealed envelopes. Address, Dr. J. SKILLIN HOUGHTON, Philadelphia, Pa.

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IS A

COOKING STOVE

Which now stands

UNSURPASSED BY ANY OTHER!

THE VERY BEST MATERIAL

Is used in the

HOME COMFORT.

All the joints in doors and dampers are fitted in the most perfect manner, making the Home Comfort, in reality,

AIR TIGHT.

The FLUES in the

HOME COMFORT

Are very large, giving a quick draft, which is of great importance to a Cooking Stove. No pains or expense are spared to make the

HOME COMFORT

THE MOST DURABLE,
THE MOST ECONOMICAL,
THE MOST CONVENIENT,
THE QUICKEST BAKER,
THE HANDSOMEST, AND
THE BEST WORKING STOVE
IN MARKET.

THE HOME COMFORT

Is Warranted to be as represented. Call and see the Home Comfort, or send for a circular, at the HOUSE FURNISHING STORE of

W. G. GARDNER, Sole Agent,

mr7-2m. 1318 Peach Street, Erie.

WHOLESALE DRY GOODS STORE.

423 STATE STREET, ERIE, PA.

SOUTHARD, CRAWFORD & McCORD,

JOBBERS in

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,

HOISERY, GLOVES, &C.

Our stock is the largest ever brought to the city consisting of

PRINTS,
DELAINES,
SILKS,
CLOTHS,
CASSIMERES,
BLEACHED & BROWN SHEETINGS.

A Complete Assortment of Dress Goods.
Every kind of article in the Notion line,

And, in short, a general assortment of everything needed by Country Dealers.

TO BE SOLD AT NEW YORK PRICES!

Country Dealers are invited to give us a call. We do a strictly wholesale trade, and propose selling at such prices as will make it to the advantage of merchants in this section to deal in Erie, instead of sending East for their goods.

H. S. SOUTHARD, W. A. CRAWFORD, J. M. McCORD.

may24-tf

NEW COAL YARD.

MERCER COAL AND IRON CO. YARD,

SASSAFRAS STREET,

ONE-HALF SQUARE NORTH OF UNION DEPOT.

Selling the Mercer Coal cheaper than the cheapest—other Coals in proportion. A trial is all that is necessary to convince any one of their superior quality.

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HEARN, CHRISTIAN & CRAIG

Have just received a fresh lot of

PAINTS, OILS, BALD LINSEED OIL, SPERM AND LARD OIL

F. A. WEBER & CO.,

DEALERS IN

COUNTRY PRODUCE, GROCERIES,

PROVISIONS, WINES, LIQUORS, SEGARS, TOBACCO,

Crockery, Willow Ware, Fruits, Nuts, &c.,

NO. 814 STATE STREET,

West side, between 8th and 9th Sts., ERIE, PA.

Cash paid for Country Produce.

F. A. WEBER. ma24-tf W. EHRHART.

MINK, FOX, OR MUSK RAT TRAPS,

By the dozen or single, for sale by
J. C. SELDEN.

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HORSE BLANKETS

Selling at Reduced Rates by
J. C. SELDEN.

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OYSTERS! OYSTERS!

F. A. WEBER & CO., 814 STATE ST

Have commenced keeping Pratt & Co.'s celebrated Baltimore Oysters, which they will sell either by the can or case. These Oysters are considered the best in the market. Hotels, saloons and private families supplied at low prices.

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SKATES!

LADIES', GENTS' & BOYS' SKATES

Very Cheap, at

dec13-tf J. C. SELDEN'S.

KEEP THE BALL ROLLING.

EDSON, CHURCHILL & CO.,

Having removed to their

NEW AND SPACIOUS STORE,

NO. 2 NOBLE BLOCK,

Are now prepared to sell

DRY GOODS,

Cheaper than ever before.

The following is a price list of some of the Goods now selling at their store:

4000	Yards Good Madder Prints,	10c
3000	do do	15c
3000	do do	18c
4500	do. do	18c

BROWN AND BLEACHED MUSLINS.

4000	Yards 4-4 Brown	16c
3000	do 4-4 do	18c
3000	do 4-4 do heavy	20c
8000	do Frine Brown 4-4,	16 and 18c
8000	do do 4-4,	20c
3000	do 3-4	13½c
3000	do Bleached 4-4	15c
3000	do do 7-8	18c
4000	do do 7-8	20c
3000	do do 3-4	12½c

Four thousand yards Delaines at 25 cents. All Wool Delaines cheap

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DOMESTIC FLANNEL DEPARTMENT.—Red, White, Blue, Buff, &c. Opera Flannels, all colors.

HOSIERY DEPARTMENT.

A full line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hose. The gentlemen are also provided for in this department

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DRESS GOODS.

A full line of all the various styles and makes of Dress Goods, and we endeavor to suit the most fastidious in this line. We show our goods with great pleasure without charge.

A large line of French and Domestic Ginghams, very cheap. Tweeds and Jeans, for Boys' wear, cheaper than any other parties. Call and see them.

HOOP SKIRTS IN ALL STYLES & SIZES.

YANKEE NOTIONS.—A full line of all kinds, such as Thread, Pins, Needles, Buttons, Trimming, &c.

SPECIALITIES.—Brown and Bleached Muslins, Prints and Delaines. We sell below the market.

☞ Don't forget the place,

CORNER OF STATE AND EIGHTH STREETS,

Next door to the Post Office, Noble Block.

EDSON, CHURCHILL & CO.

apr11-3m.

IMPORTANT TO THE PUBLIC.

REVOLUTION IN THE BOOT & SHOE TRADE.

Notice is hereby given that after April 5th, 1867, the entire stock of

BOOTS, SHOES, GAITERS, &C.,

Manufactured by and in store at the establishment of J. EICHENLAUB & CO., 628 State Street and which for quality and finish cannot be surpassed in this market,

WILL BE SOLD BY THEM

To individual customers at wholesale. This plan of operations is to be permanent, and the manufactory is to be still further enlarged by the addition of new buildings and improved machinery.

J. EICHENLAUB & CO., STATE ST.,

Not being countenanced by the retail dealers in this section, because they will not abandon their extensive retail trade, have resolved to hereafter sell their stock by

RETAIL, SINGLE PAIR.

To all who choose to patronize them. Every pair of Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, &c., &c., of their immense assortment will be offered

AT WHOLESALE PRICES,

Thus saving to the retail customer the entire profit which he will be obliged, as heretofore, to pay at all other establishments.

TO ALL WHO CHOOSE TO BUY

We make this very liberal offer, proposing to permanently establish the system. The acknowledged superiority of our goods, manufactured under our especial care will be maintained, and we are preparing large additions to our manufacturing facilities. We invite an inspection and comparison of our stock, and wish all to bear in mind the fact that by purchasing of us they save the profit made by the retail dealer. CALL AND BE CONVINCED.

april'67-tf. J. EICHENLAUB & CO., 628 State St., Erie, Pa.

NEW GROCERY STORE.

THOMAS BRYAN. — — HENRY J. M'GIVEREN

BRYAN & M'GIVERIN,

Have opened a new Grocery Store at the stand lately occupied by J. Evans, Jr.,

NO. 505 FRENCH ST., WAYNE BLOCK,

(Next to McConkey & Shannon's,)

Where they will keep on hand a complete stock of everything in their line of trade, including

GROCERIES, PRODUCE,

WOOD, WILLOW & CROCKERY WARE, &C.

All of which will be sold at

THE LOWEST MARKET PRICE.

☞ The public are invited to call and examine our Stock. We pledge ourselves not to be undersold by anybody.

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THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED

CARPET AND DRY GOODS HOUSE

IN N. W. PENNSYLVANIA.

A complete Stock of

Sheetings, Prints,
Linens, Cloths,
Sackings, Flannels,
Silks,
Irish and French Poplins.
Mahairs, Alpacas, Delaines, &c.,
Also,

WHITE GOODS, HOSIERY, GLOVES AND NOTIONS.

Call and get prices before purchasing.

apr3'67-1y. WARNER BROS., No. 506, Marble Front, State St.

JOHN GENSHEIMER & SON,

DEALERS IN

CLOTHING AND GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

Corner of Seventh and St

ERIE, PA

WARD HOUSE,

Crooked Street, Union Mills, Erie County, Pa. R. B. Ward, Proprietor.

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A Poem for the Times.

The tyrant's chains are only strong,
When slaves submit to wear them;
What man can bind them on the throng
Determined not to bear them?
Then clank your chains, even though the links
Are light as fashion's feather,
The man that rightly feels and thinks,
Will cast them all together.

The Plutocrats are only great
While others clothe and feed them;
What of their paltry pride and state
Should labor cease to heed them!
The swain is higher than a king:—
Before the laws of Nature
The monarch is a useless thing—
The swain a useful creature.

We toil, we spin, we delve the mine,
Sustaining each his neighbor;
And who can show a right divine
To rob us of our labor?
We rush to battle—bear our lot
In every ill and danger—
Yet tyrants make the peaceful cot
To homely joys a stranger!

Perish all tyrants, far and near,
Beneath the chains that bind us;
And perish, too, that servile fear
Which makes the slaves they find us.
One grand—one universal claim—
One peal of moral thunder,
One glorious burst in Freedom's name,
Will rend our bonds asunder!

Great Men from the Ranks.

The following, taken from an English journal, is particularly suggestive to the young men of this country: "Heaven helps those who help themselves," is a well-known maxim, embodying in a small compass the results of vast human experience. Men great in science, literature and art—apostles of great thoughts, and lords of great heart, have sprung indiscriminately from the farm, and the hill-side, from the workshop and the mine, from the blacksmith's smithy and the cobbler's stool. The illustrations which present themselves are indeed so numerous, that the difficulty consists in making a selection from them, such as should fall within the compass of a reasonable book. Take, for instance, the remarkable fact, that from the barber's shop rose Sir Richard Arkwright, the inventor of the spinning jenny, and the founder of the cotton manufacture of Great Britain; Lord Tenderden, one of the most distinguished of English Lord Chief Justices, and Turner the very greatest among landscape painters. No one knows to a certainty what Shakspeare was; but it was unquestionable that he sprang from a very humble rank. His father was a butcher and grazier; and Shakspeare himself is supposed to have been in early life a woolcomber; whilst others aver that he was an usher in a school and afterwards a scrivener's clerk. He truly seems to have been "not one, but all mankind's epitome." From the weaver class sprung Simpson, the mathematician; Bacon, the sculptor; the two Milners, Adam Walker, John Foster; Wilson, the ornithologist; Dr. Livingstone, the missionary traveler; and Tannahill, the poet; shoemakers have given us Sir Cloudesly Shovel, the great admiral; Staunben, the electrician; Samuel Drew, the essayist; Gifford, the editor of the Quarterly Review; Bloomfield, the poet; and William Cary the missionary, was a maker of shoe-lasts. Within the last year, a profound naturalist has been discovered in the person of a shoemaker at Banuff, named Thomas Edwards, who while maintaining himself by his trade, had devoted his leisure to the study of natural science in all its branches, his researches in connection with the smaller crustacles having been rewarded by the discovery of a new species, to which the name of "Praniza Edward II" has been given by naturalists. Nor have tailors been altogether undistinguished, Jackson, the painter, having worked at the trade until he reached manhood. But what is perhaps more remarkable, one of the gallantest of British seamen, Admiral Hobson, who broke the boom at Vigo, 1702, originally belonged to this calling; Cardinal Wolsey, De Foe, Akenside and Kirk White, were the sons of butchers; Bunyan was a tinker, and Joseph Lancaster was a basket maker. Among the great names identified with the invention of the steam engine are those of Necomen, Watt and Stephenson; the first a blacksmith, the second a maker of mathematical instruments, and the third an engine-fireman. Huttingdon, the preacher, was originally a coal-heaver, and Bewick, the father of wood-engraving, a coal-miner. Dodsley was a footman, and Holcroft a groom. Raffin, the navigator, began on his seafaring career as a man before the mast; and Sir Cloudsley Shovel as a cabin-boy. Herschel played the eboe in a military band, Chantry was a journeyman carver, Etty a journeyman printer, and Sir Thomas Lawrence, the son of a tavern-keeper. Michael Farrady, the son of a poor blacksmith, was in early life apprenticed to a poor book-binder, and worked at the trade until he reached his twenty-second year; he now occupies the very first rank as a philosopher, excelling even his master Sir Humphrey Davy in the art of lucidly expounding the most difficult and abstruse points in natural science. The House of Commons has already contained a considerable number of such self-raised men—fitting representatives of the industrial character of the British people; and it is to the credit of our Legislature that such men have received due honor there. When the late Joseph Brotherton, member for Salford, in the course of the discussion on the Ten Hours' Bill, detailed with true pathos the hardships and fatigues to which he had been subjected when he was a factory boy in a cotton mill, and described the resolution which he had formed, that if ever it was in his power he would endeavor to ameliorate the condition of that class, Sir James Graham rose immediately after him, and declared amidst the cheers of the house, that he did not before know that Mr. Brotherton's origin had been so humble, but that it rendered him more proud than he had ever before been of the House of Commons, to think that a person risen from that condition should be able to sit side by side on equal terms, with the hereditary gentry of the country.

Rules for Courting.

BY AN "EXPERIENCED MAN."

Having had much experience in the science of courting, I have determined herewith to lay down some definite rules for the guidance of my young friends. You see I had a good many unsuccessful courts before I met my present wife—the females whom I loved having gone emphatically back on me. But, bless you, did it harm me? No, it didn't; I was benefitted thereby, and when I met my present love, I knew the ropes, and gathering up my affections, made one full swoop on Sallie's heart, and the door thereof banged wide open and let me in. I will give you the rules, and shed the sunny light of illustration upon them from my own life.

1st. Never go courting the girl's parents. You'd better edge up to the charmer at once; for you can't marry her if you don't try, unless she wants you, and you may be able to even if the old folks are hard on you. This is the policy pursued by myself in my last successful attempt.

2d. By all means get the girl's ma down on you as much as possible. If the old lady is always against you, the little dear begins to take your part and can't help loving you. I did this way and my present mother-in-law used to throw brooms and washboards at me, and teach the dog to bite me in the trousers as I climbed over the fence.

N. B. She's got over that now, and lives at my house without paying her board. If remorse festers in her soul in consequence of her conduct, however, I hav'nt noticed it yet.

3d If you see any other fellows prowling around, always euchre them if you can. If you see one of them buying tickets for the opera, go right up and make an engagement with the girl, and get your tickets afterwards; and when they visit the house, always act as if you were at home and they were only visitors, and never leave first. I always did this, and have frequently set up until daybreak, while the fair one snored away on the sofa. You can't bluff me. No, sir, ha! ha! I guess not. I would have been there yet if the fellow had stayed.

4th. If the old man has worldly wealth, express a dislike to greenbacks, and a hankering after love in a small house.

5th. If you are alone in the parlor, you may sometimes try whether your arm fits well on her waist. I tried this once, and it called forth a piercing scream, which induced her father and two brothers to chuck me down the front steps. So, be careful.

6th. When you inquire if she will have you, don't fall on your knees—it's ridiculous, besides being rough on trowsers. Just take her hand, and speak out like a man. I behaved similarly to this to a female, and said: "Will you be mine?" She said rather abruptly: "Not much; I won't!" It is likely she would have been a little, but I didn't care about pursuing the subject any further.

7th. When you are engaged, don't go off like an old jackass, and begin buying teaspoons, and wash-boilers, and candies. It is unwise and excites comment. Why, I recollect, I was so glad that I went right off and purchased a baby-jumper and a gum ring. It was a long time ere those things were necessary, and the baby-jumper had shrunk so, that when we put the first of the little Quills into it, it suddenly jerked up and came frightfully near battering the devoted child's brains out against the ceiling, while the gum-ring, having been kept in a box with cockroach poison, threw the baby into fits, and he (it was a boy,) had spasms in the crib for four days. It was frightful.

8th. If a girl refuses you, don't give it up, but try it again. Because two negatives make an affirmative in grammar, however, don't consider yourself accepted when a girl jilts you twice. I asked one female forty-one times, and at last she got to expect it whenever I came, and sometimes would hallo out 'No!" from the top of the stairs before I got fairly in the house. This is unusual, let me here remark.

9th. Kiss all the children in the house even if they are dirty and do smear molasses-candy through your hair. Let the boys play horse with you and make a fool of you generally. This always works; it's a trump card, if you play it right.

10th. And finally, if there are two sisters, and the old one is jealous, get some of your friends to choke her off, while you go in for the younger. I did that once, and used to get my friends to ask the senior girl out every evening, but she found me out, and used to arrange hair-pins in the sofa-cushions before she went out, so that it was extremely uncomfortable. Thus it will be seen that, when courting is alluded to, I am right there; and if any further information is wanted send me a letter, enclosing a stamp, (fifty cents,) and I will cheerfully give it gratis.

JOHN QUILL.

WOMAN'S SYMPATHY WITH OUR SOLDIERS.—There is a touching pathos in some of the markers attached to the blankets, shirts, handkerchiefs, and the like, sent to the Sanitary Commission for the soldiers in camp and hospital. Thus on a bed quilt was pinned a card having this tender inscription: "My son is in the army; whoever is made warm by this quilt which I have worked on for six days and most all of six nights, let him remember his own mother's love!" Who can doubt that these simple words have made some weak and strong again, filled some sad heart with joy and hope? On a pillow sent to the Commission was written: "This pillow belonged to my little boy, who died resting on it; it is a precious treasure to me but I give it for the soldiers." On a box of beautiful lint was this inscription: "Made in a sick room, where the sunlight has not entered for nine years, but where God has entered, and where two sons have bid their mother good bye, as they have gone out to the war. What a spirit of sacrifice and saintly heroism shines through this little sentence; sunshine, joy, sympathy, coming out of shadow; the sick room giving tender greeting to the camp fire and hospital. But the *tenderest* of all inscriptions we have seen is this, written on some eyeshades: "Made by one who is blind. Oh, how I long to see the dear old flag you are all fightin' under!"

Hamlet as a Yankee.

Ghost—I am thy father's spirit—

Hamlet—Yeou don't say so! Old man, give us your flipper. How d'ye do? Hain't seen ye in a dog's age. When d'ye come deown?

Ghost—Doomed for a certain term to walk the night—

Hamlet—Why on airth don't ye take a hoss car and ride? or do they quit tu airly for ye? I say, where d'ye hang out daytimes?

Ghost—And for the day confined to fast in fires—

Hamlet—Abeout how fast are ye on a dirt road? Tew forty?

Ghost—Till the foul crimes done in the days of my nature are burnt and purged away.

Hamlet—Ar ye purging bad? Try a little of this cholera medicine. Knock it higher'n Gilderoy.

Ghost—But that I am forbid to tell the secrets of my prison house *I could a tale* unfold.

Hamlet—Don't unfold it here, old man, don't.

Ghost—Whose slightest word would harrow up thy soul—

Hamlet—Fetch on yeur harrer.

Ghost—Freeze thy young blood—

Hamlet—*Git eout, ye tarnal old* refrigerator!

Ghost—Make thy two eyes like stars start from their sphere—

Hamlet—Dew tell! Ye couldn't tell abeout what time they'll start?

Ghost—Thy knotted and combined locks to part—

Hamlet—I've parted with about all them locks now, 'specially on the top uv my head.

Ghost—And each particular hair—

Hamlet—I aint perticular to a hair.

Ghost—To stand on end like quills upon the fretful porcupine.

Hamlet—Now look here, old poppy, don't fret yeur darned old porcupine over me.

Ghost—But this eternal blazon must not be to ears of flesh and blood. List—list, oh, list!

Hamlet—(Getting angry)—Yeou be gol darned. Didn't I 'list in Sol Peabody's hum guards when yeou fled into Canada, takin your draft with yeou? And where yeou was killed by the Finnegans and it served yeou right. Yeou better go and 'list yeourself, yeou tarnal old critter, 'sted o' prowlin round nights, disturbin your blood relations—git eout!

(Exit Hamlet in a rage.)

ARTEMUS WARD'S THRESHING MACHINE.—My wife's a excedingly practical woman. I love her muchly, however, and humer her little ways. It's a recklis falsehood that she henpecks me, and the young man in our neighborhood who said to me as I was distenden my disfram with a gentle cocktail at the village tavern—who said to me in these very langwidge, "go home old man, unless you want another teapot throwd at you by B. J.," probly regreis having sed so. I sed, "Betsey Jane is my wife's front name, gentle youth, and I permits no person to alood to her outside of the family circle, of which I am it principally myself. Your other observations I scorn in disgust, and I must polish you off." He was an able-bodied young man, and removin his coat, he inquired if I wanted to be ground to powder? I sed yes, if there was a powder grindist handy, nothing would aford me greater pleasure, when he struct me a painful blow into my right eye, causin me to make a rapid retreat into the fire place. I hadn't no idea that the enemy was so well organized. But I ralied and went for him in a rather vigorous style for my time of life. His parents lived near by, and I will simply state that fifteen minutes had only elapsed after his first hit, when he was carried home on a shutter. His mama met the sollom procession at the door, and after keerfully looking over her offspring, she sed, "My son, I see how it is distinctualy. You've been foolin round a thrashing macheen. You went in at the place where they put grain into the thinumjig, and let the hosses tred on you, didn't you, my son?" The pen of no livin orthor could describe that disfortunate young man's situwation more clearer. But I was sorry for him and went and nussed him till he got well. His regler original father had been sent to the war. I told him I would be a father to him myself. He smilt a sickly smile, and said I'd already been wuss than two fathers to him.

FIVE WIVES.—A gentleman, resident of a city not a thousand miles from New York, had the exuberant fortune of five successive wives. He had buried them, one after another, as death made its demands upon them, and three or four happened to be in different places, quite a distance from each other—two or three of them from different towns. To reconcile his sense in sacredness with his sense of order and numerical unity, he started one day on a tour of collection to bury them all in one place. He mounted the wagon himself, and drove around until he had got them all in one load, and then, as fate would have it, was obliged to drive by the house where the lady of his present addresses lived, to whom he had offered himself, was sitting by the open window. Seeing her sitting there, he bowed to her, as any gentleman would, as he drove by with his precious load of five coffins with their contents. It was too much for the lady; she declared she never would have him, and to this day has kept her word.

CASE OF BURYING ALIVE.—A horrible case of burying alive is reported to have occurred in Jacksonville, Illinois. A beautiful young lady of seventeen, engaged to be married, was found in her bed one morning to all appearance dead. Several physicians examined the body and pronounced her so. She had taken chloroform for her teeth, and there seemed no possible doubt that the dose had been a fatal one. She was buried. A few days since, her relatives, being about to remove to another State, desired to take the remains with them. They opened the coffin and were horror-stricken to find the corpse turned over, both hands full of hair and the clothing torn to shreds. Chloroform had placed her in a deep trance from which she awoke to find herself in her coffin and her grave.

Pretty is that Pretty Does.

The spider wears a plain brown dress,
And she is a steady spinner:
To see her, quiet as a mouse,
Going about her silver house,
You would never, never guess
The way she gets her dinner!

She looks as if no thought of ill
In all her life had stirred her,
But while she moves with careful tread
And while she spins her silken thread,
She is planning, planning, planning still
The way to do some murder!

My child, who hears this simple lay
With eyes down dropt and tender,
Remember the old proverb says
That pretty is which pretty does,
And that worth does not go nor stay
For poverty nor splendor.

'Tis not the house, and not the dress,
That makes the saint or sinner,
To see the spider sit and spin,
Shut with her webs of silver in,
You would never, never, never guess
The way she gets her dinner.

OUR MISTAKES ABOUT EACH OTHER.—Not one man in ten thousand sees those with whom he associates, as they really are. If the prayer of Burns were granted, and we could all see ourselves as others see us, our self estimates would, in all probability, be much more erroneous than they are now. The truth is, that we regard each other through a variety of lenses, not one of which is correct. Passions and prejudice, love and hate, benevolence and envy, spectacle our eyes, and utterly prevent us from observing accurately. Many whom we deem the porcelain of human clay are mere dirt; and a still greater number of those whom we put down in our black books, are no further off from heaven, and perchance a little nearer, than the censors who condemn them. We habitually undervalue or overvalue each other; and in estimating character, the shrewdest of us only now and then make true appraisal of the virtues and defects of even our closest intimates.

It is not just or fair to look at character from a stand-point of one's own selection. A man's profile may be unprepossessing, and yet his full face agreeable. We once saw a young man, whose timidity was a standing joke with his companions, leap into a river and save a boy from drowning, while his companions stood, panic-struck, on the bank. The merchant who gives curt answers in his counting-room, may be a tender husband and father, and a kind helper to the desolate and the oppressed. On the other hand, your good-humored person, who is all smiles and sunshine in public, may carry something as hard as the nether millstone in the place where his heart ought to be.

WHAT MAKES A LADY.—When Beau Brummel was asked what made the gentleman, his quick reply was, "starch, starch, my lord!" This may be true, but it takes a great deal more to make a lady, and though it may seem singular, I am ready to maintain that no conceivable quantity of muslin, silk or satin, edging, *frilling, hooping, flouncing or furbelowing*, no dress maker, can per se, constitute a perfect lady. Was not Mrs. Abbot Lawrence just as much of a lady when attired in a twenty-cent calico, in Boston, as when arrayed in full court dress at St. James', London. "As Mrs. Washington was said to be so grand a lady," says a celebrated English visitor (Mrs. Thorpe,) "we thought we must put on our best bibs and bands; so we dressed ourselves in our most elegant ruffles and silk, and were introduced to her ladyship; and *don't you think* we found her knitting with her check apron on! She received us very graciously and easily; but after the compliments were over she resumed her knitting. There we were, without a stitch of work, and sitting in state; but General Washington's lady, with her own hands, was knitting stockings for her husband." Does not this sweet republican simplicity command your admiration?

"YOU'VE GONE OVER IT."—One Sunday morning an old gentleman was going to church. He was a happy, cheerful Christian, who had a very great respect for the Sabbath. He was, however, somewhat singular in his manner of giving reproof. As he was going along, he met a man driving a heavily loaded cart through the town. When the old gentleman came opposite the cart he suddenly stopped, and lifting up both hands, as if in alarm, he exclaimed, as he gazed upon the cart: "There, there, you are going over it; you have gone right over it." The driver was frightened, and instantly cried out "Whoa, whoa," and brought his horse to a stand. He then looked under the wheels expecting to see the mangled remains of some innocent child, or at least some poor dog or pig, that had been crushed to death. But, after gazing, and seeing nothing under the wheels, he looked at the gentleman, who had so strangely arrested his attention, and anxiously asked, "What have I gone over, sir?" "Over the fourth commandment, my friend," was the reply; "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

THE EDITOR AND THE FORTUNE TELLER.—A Kentucky editor visited a fortune-teller recently. He makes the following report of the revelations concerning the past and future: "Thou hast served three years in the penitentiary for a horse thou didst not steal. *Thou wilt be governor of the State*, and afterwards decline a seat in the Senate of the United States. A wealthy young lady, with blue hair, auburn eyes, and very beautiful, is now about to graduate from the House of Correction, whom thou wilt marry as soon as thy present wife diest, which will be at the *fourth* full of the next moon. *Thou wilt* become possessed of this lady's wealth, and elope with the wife of a coal-boat engineer. Thou wilt go to New Orleans, and start a keno bank, which will bring thee in great riches. After an absence of nineteen years thou wilt return to thy repining wife, lay thy princely fortune at her feet, be forgiven and after raising a family of nineteen children, die happy, at the age of ninety-nine."

OBITUARY.—Dyed; in this city, on the 29th of March, the whiskers of Jim Woodcock. They had long been an ornament to the circle in which they had moved, but their roseate hue hath departed and instead they present a hue of unearthly blackness, which hue is rapidly changing to a purple mingled with a lovely lilac. Happy are they who dye young.—*Rhinebeck Gazette.*

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