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I WILL TEACH YOU TO PIERCE THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH AND BRING OUT FROM THE CAVERNS OF THE MOUNTAINS, METALS WHICH WILL GIVE STRENGTH TO OUR HANDS AND SUBJECT ALL NATURE TO OUR USE AND PLEASURE.—DR. JOHNSON.

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ALFRED A. GILE

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public generally that he has now on hand and offers for sale a large and extensive assortment of

Dry Goods, Groceries, Liquors, Wines Teas, China, Glass, Queensware, &c.

Consisting of the following, among other articles:
Cloths, satinets, Casimeres, flannels, muslins,
Linens, laces, lawns, cambrics, ginghams,
Hosiery, Canton flannels, checks, plaids,
Tickings, drillings, prints, cords, beaverteens,
Silks, satins, shawls, handkerchiefs, cravats,
Blankets, backings, paddings, suspenders,
Coatings, pilot cloths, linseys, wadding, velvets
Circassians, vestings, threads, cottons, merinos,
Gloves, pins, fringes, scarfs skirts, carpeting,
Umbrellas, comforts, carpet chain, table covers,
Counterpanes, crash, diapers, &c. &c.

GROCERIES.

Rio, Laguira, St. Domingo Coffees.
St. Croix, New Orleans, Havanna sugars.
Loaf and lump do
New Orleans and Sugar House molasses.
Gun Powder, Young Hyson Souchong
Pouchong and Bohea Teas.
Chocolates and spices, &c.
Brown and yellow soap
Cloves, Mace, nutmegs and cassia
Cayenne pepper, mustard
Box and keg raisins
Currants and rice
Cod fish, mackerel and herring
Mould and dipt candles
Sack and bbl salt
Pipes and smoking tobacco
Spanish, half spanish and common segars

LIQUORS & WINES.

Cognac and common brandy
Holland and common gin
Old Irish whiskey and Jamaica spirits
New England rum and whiskey by the bbl
Lisbon, madeira, port and malaga wines
Assortment of Boots and Shoes
Crockery, China and glass ware.
Glass by the box.
Dupont Eagle gun powder, FFF, do.
Blasting OP, FF, FFF. do

Which with his general stock he is disposed to sell cheap as ever for cash, or in exchange for country produce and family provisions.

Jan 16 9-tf

N. Nathans & Co.

OFFER for sale at their wholesale and retail Family Grocery Store, Centre, 3 doors below Market street, a prime assortment of fresh Groceries, consisting of

Java, Rio, Laguira, St. Domingo and browned } Coffee
N. Orleans, St. Croix, brown and white Havanna, loaf and lump } Sugars
New Orleans, West India and sugar house } Molasses
Imperial Gun Powder, Young Hyson, Pouchong Orange Pecco, Souchong and Bohea } Teas
Bakers, Chaves, Spanish, Schmitz & Lingig, std sweet spiced } Chocolate
Prepared Cocoa, Cocoa shells
Reading Cayenne, Harvey, John Bulls, Lobster, Anchovy, Canton soy and Currie } Sauces
Gherkins, Tomato, pepper, Mixed, Onion, Mangoe, Lemon and French } Pickles
Olives, capres, Anchovies
Cayenne pepper, allspice and Ginger
Cloves, Mace, Nutmegs and cassia
Rice, flour of rice, starch
Currants, Figs, Raisins, Prunes
Sweet and bitter almonds, citron
Olive Oil, wine bitters, lemon syrup
Preserved ginger, cheese, codfish
Herring, mackerel, salmon
White and colored wax, sperm } Candle
Moulded and dipt tallow
Palm, variegated brown and yellow soap
Old Madeira, old port, claret
Brown and pale sherry, champaigne
Old hock, Lisbon, dry malaga } Wines in wood & bottle
Sweet malaga, muscatel
Malmsey, marseilles & Sicily Made.
Scotch, Irish, monongahela & corn whiskey
Annisette, anniseed & peppermint cordials
Cognac, champagne, Spanish & com brandy
Holland & com Gin, N. E Rum
Jamaica spirits
Extra sup. span, inferior do
Half Spanish and common cigars
Cut & plain and moulded glass } Ware
China and crockery

ALSO

a general assortment of Dry Goods, &c. &c. all of which they are disposed to sell on the most reasonable terms. Heads of Families and Tavern Keepers are particularly invited to call.

SCHUYLKILL

Variety Clothing Store,

Corner of Chesnut and Schuylkill Beach streets, Philadelphia, opposite the city Store Houses.

THE subscriber thankful for past favors, begs leave to inform his former customers and the public generally, that having made extensive additions to his store and stock of goods, he is now prepared to offer them Superfine and Common Bangup Frock & Dress Coats; Pants, Vests and Roundabouts, wholesale or retail, much below the usual market prices, for cash.

A general assortment of Cloths, plain and ribbed; Cassimeres, plain and striped; Cassinetts, Summer Cloths and Vestings, which will be made to order at prices that cannot fail to please.

Silk, satin and super side plate Bombazine stocks, to which the attention of country merchants is particularly invited.

Also, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Suspenders, Shirt collars & Bosoms, Handkerchiefs, Cravats, Hosiery, Gloves &c.

Country people visiting the city, will find it an object to call and examine before purchasing.

Orders will be thankfully received and promptly attended to.

Persons doing business on the Canals, Boatmen, &c. will find this establishment particularly convenient to their business, and worthy of their patronage, and all who favor with a call, may be certain of better bargains than can be obtained in any other part of the city.

IRA M. COLLOM.

Philadelphia, Feb. 27 1836. 20-6m

PORT CARBON

Saving Fund Society.

THE Port Carbon Saving Fund Society, is now open every day from 9 to 3 o'clock at the Office of Discount and Deposit, for the purpose of receiving deposits to any amount not exceeding $500, from any one person, upon which an interest of 4 per cent will be paid on every $5 and upwards, but no interest will be allowed on any fractional parts of $5. The whole or any part may be drawn out on giving notice, two to four weeks, at the office on Mondays. The business of the Society will be conducted by the following officers and managers, until the first Monday in May next.

President—AQUILA BOLTON.

Managers.

Abraham Heebner, Edward B. Hubley
Edward Hughes, E. S. Warne
Jacob Bull, Jesse Turner

L. Whitney, Secretary and Treasurer.

Article 3d of the Charter. "No emolument whatsoever shall be received by the President or Managers for their services, nor shall any Manager become a borrower from the institution." oct 3 46tf

NEW STORE.

Caven & Teas

HAVE just opened in the store formerly occupied by James Appleton, three doors north of the National Hotel, Centre street, a large and splendid assortment of Spring and Summer Goods, Groceries, China, Glass and Queensware, &c. consisting of

Blue, black, olive, drab, and mixed cloths
Blue, black, gray and mixed cassimeres
do mixed, grey and brown sattinetts
Drab and coloured beaverteens
Cantoons, drillings and fancy stripes
Bleached and unbleached drillings
do do muslins
Irish linens, lawns & London prints, American do
Silk velvets and Marseilles vestings
Stocks, suspenders, Hose
Ginghams, check and tickings
Painted Muslins, chintz's and bombazines
Swiss, mull and jaconet muslins
do do figured
Laces, thread and bobbinet edgings
Fancy hdkfs, silk and crape do
Russian diaper, damask do
Silks, skirts and fringes
Ladies & gentlemen's hoskin & beaver gloves
Umbrella's, door mats.
Travelling baskets, working do
Black and drab silk hats, palmleaf do
Oil cloth, floor cloth

Groceries.

Rio, Laguira, St Domingo coffee
St. Croix, New Orleans, & Havanna sugars
Loaf and Lump do
New Orleans & sugar house molasses
Gunpowder, young hyson & souchong teas
Chocolate, spices, &c.
Brown and yellow soap
Nutmegs, cassia, [illegible]
Box and keg raisins
Barley, salad oil, ginger, sla[illegible]
Lemons, Almonds, Prunes
Mould and dipt candles
Rice, soda and water crackers
Cheese, codfish mackerel and herring
Shot, lead, saleratus and ground cinnamon
Spanish, half Spanish and American segars
Smoking and chewing tobacco.

All of which we are disposed to sell low, for cash, or in exchange for country produce of all kinds.

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YORK STORE.

NEW GOODS.

JOHN T. HAZZARD respectfully informs his friends, the citizens of Pottsville, and the public in general, that he has just received a large and general assortment of well selected GOODS, consising in part of

Blue, black, brown, olive, green, drab and steel mixt cloths, do do do cassimeres, do do sattinetts, red, yellow, green and white flannels, blue and drab flushings, bangup and genoa cords, beaverteens, canton flannel, napped fustian for miners, silk, valencia, swansdown, tollinet and Marseilles vesting, a large assortment of plain and high colored prints, damask for table cloths, Russia and bird eye diaper, ginghams, colored muslins, mullinet, foundation muslin, black and brown Holland, plain and cut silk velvet, woolen yarn, woolen, silk and cotton hosiery, Thibet cashmere, silk and cotton shawls, cotton and silk handkerchiefs, and cravats, India, French and Italian silks for ladies dresses, thread, bobbinet and cotton laces, edgings, quiltings and insertings, an assortment of ribands and galloons, Irish linens, long lawn, linen cambrick, cambrick, jaconet, Swiss and book muslins, French and English merinoes, circassians, bombazettes, bombazines, 9-4, 10-4, 11-4, 12-4 rose blankets and counterpanes, gentlemens buckskin, beaver, and hoskin gloves, ladies hoskin, silk and kid gloves and mitts, ladies gentlemens and childrens shoes and boots, brown and bleached muslins, carpeting, an assortment of ready made clothing, brushes, combs, hair and fur-seal caps,

HARDWARE, CUTLERY, CHINA, GLASS AND QUEENSWARE

Also a good assortment of GROCERIES, purchased with particular regard to quality, consisting in part of

Wines, cordials, French brandy, Holland and common gin, old Monongahela whiskey, common brandy, rye whiskey, No. 1 and 2 mackerel in barrels and half barrels,

SUPERFINE FAMILY FLOUR;

Salt by the barrel or bushel, butter, cheese and crackers, spermaceti and common oil, together with a variety of articles not enumerated, which he will sell wholesale and retail, on the most reasonable terms, for cash or country produce.

*** Always on hand a constant supply of OP, F, FF, and FFF blasting powder, and Dupont's superior Eagle powder.

The highest price given in cash for Country Produce.

Country merchants will find it their interest to call, as they can be furnished with most articles on nearly as good terms as they could procure them from Philadelphia. Oct 19 48tf

SUPERIOR GREEN & BLACK TEAS.

Gunpowder, Imperial, Young Hyson, Caper Souchong, Powchong and Impefial Pecco } Extra quality and latest importations.

Just received and for sale by

April 18 22 T. & J. BEATTY.

Cobb's Series of School Books.

1000 COPIES of Cobb's Series of School Books, just received and for sale, wholesale and retail by B. BANNAN.

June 29-

New Cheap Store.

JACOB BULL & SAMUEL LEWIS

HAVING purchased the entire interest of Henry and Robert Neligh, in the Store at the South West corner of Centre and Market streets in the borough of Pottsville, formerly known as and conducted under the firm of Neligh, Lewis & Co. respectfully inform their friends and the public generally that they intend continuing the business at the old stand under the firm of

JACOB BULL & CO.

where they will be happy to supply their friends and former customers with merchandise at the lowest rates.

They are now opening, in addition to their former stock, a large and extensive assortment of merchandise, consisting in part of Dry Goods, Groceries, Liquors, Wines, Teas, China, Glass, Queensware, &c. consisting of

Cloths, cassimeres, sattinetts, flannels, muslins, linens.
Canton flannels, gloves, stockings, yarns, prints, ginghams.
Checks, tickings, silk, satins, shawls, handkerchiefs, velvets.
Merinos, circasions, vestings, laces, fringes, threads, cottons.
Lawns, wadding, blankets, coatings, Plaids, &c. &c.

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Cloves, mace, nutmegs and cassia
Cayenne pepper, mustard
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Cognac and common brandy
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Lisbon, madeira, port and malaga wines
Assortment of Boots and Shoes
Crockery, china and glass ware
Glass by the box
Dupont's eagle gun powder, FFF do
Blasting OP, FF, FFF, do.

All of which will be disposed of cheap for cash or in exchange for country produce at the market price. Dec 19 5-tf

BOOK BINDING.—Persons who have Books to be bound, can have them done at two or three week's notice, by leaving them with the subscriber B. BANNAN.

IRON FOUNDRY.

STEAM ENGINE & BOILER, MANUFACTORY.

People's Works,

Franklin and Front Sts. Kensington, Philadelphia County.

The subscriber respectfully informs his customers and the public, that he has removed his Iron Foundry business from Broad street, (as above) to a new establishment, where he is able to execute any orders punctually. Such as Castings for Mill Gearing. Steam Engines, Rail Road Wheels, Chairs, and Turn-outs, Sugar Mills and Pans, Soap Boiler Pans, Bark Mills and Castings of all other descriptions. Also, having a very large assortment of Patterns, consider it will be to the advantage of mechanics and builders to call, when they will be shown by Wm. Sedgley at the works. A. DAVIS.

Steam Engines and Boiler

MANUFACTORY.

On the same premises can be had high or low Pressure Engines, Boilers and Machinery in general, on the most reasonable terms, by application to JAMES FLINT.

N. B. Any orders left at the Wool store of Bullock, Davis & Co. 32 North Third St. Philadelphia will be immediately attended to.

Philadelphia, Dec. 5, 1835. 3-1y*

FANCY BRUSHES.—Elegant Hair, Whisker, Clothe and Crumb Bushes, just received and for sale by B. BANNAN.

June 25 32-

WHISKEY.

105 BBLS. of excellent Rye Liquor, for sale by the subscriber at his Store, Centre St. Pottsville. J. SILLYMAN, Jr.

April 16 22-tf

New Goods.

THE subscribers has just received and are opening a large and well assortment of Dry Goods, with a choice selection of Groceries, Cedar and Crockery ware, which in addition to their former stock, render their assortment complete, which they will sell at very reduced prices for cash, or in exchange for country produce.

The highest prices will be given in exchange for country produce. CAVEN & TEAS.

June 18 31-tf

UMBRELLAS & PARASOLS.

SENSHAW, Gro de nap and Muslin Umbrellas, Grass, Mantus, Gro de nap, Fancy and figured Parasols, just opened and for sale by

June 18 31-tf CAVEN & TEAS.

LADIES SILVER COMBS & SLIDES.—A fresh supply of Ladies Silver Combs and Slides, together with a few Ladies BEAD BAGS—just received and for sale by B. BANNAN.

Also a few choice Breast Pins and Anthracite Ear Drops.

June 25 32.

BLANK BOOKS, from 6¼ cents up to $10, wholesale and retail, just received and for sale by B. BANNAN.

May 14 26-

TO WESTERN ADVENTURERS.

MITCHELL'S Travellers Guide throughout the United States
Do. Pocket Maps of Ohio
Do. Do. Indiana
Do. Do. Illinois
Do. Do. Michigan
Also—Pocket Maps of Pennsylvania and other states

Just received and for sale at this office. sept 5

From the Lady's Book, for June, 1836.

THE UNWEDDED ONE.

BY JOHN FRANCIS.

It's very pleasant, certainly,
To laugh, and smile, and talk;
And I must say, by night or day,
I love a lonely walk;
And flirting, oh! I love to flirt;
And dancing's very pleasant:
And how I dote on singing, too,
When but *the loved* is present!
One looks so very plaintively,
While warbling forth "We met,"
But what, alas! oh! what's the use?
I am not married yet!

What is the aim of all our lives?
A settlement and marriage;
Some people think they can't, but *I*
Would do without a carriage.
Oh, Hymen! god of endless joy;
Oh, Hymen! god of bliss!
It's really very, very hard,
That I am still a "miss."
My heart is filled with bitter sighs,
My gown with tears is wet:
In vain I sigh—in vain I cry;
I am *not* married yet!

And why not? shame upon the age,
Poor! avaricious! mean!
I would not wed for paltry gold;
No! not to be a queen.
Yet ye "creation's lords" look down
On us—because we're poor;
And coldly pass the landless by;
It's not my fault, I'm sure!
Cold hearted are ye all—a base
And mercenary set:
But flatter not yourselves, for I—
I will be married yet!

GOOD NIGHT.

BY JOANNA BAILIE.

The sun is down and time gone by,
The stars are twinkling in the sky,
Nor torch nor taper longer may
Eke out a blithe but stinted day;
The hours have passed with stealthy flight,
We needs must part; good night, good night!

The bride into her bower is sent,
And ribald song and jesting spent,
The lovers whispered words and few
Have bade the bashful maid adieu,
The dancing floor is silent quite,
No foot bounds there; good night, good night!

Sweet sleep be with us, one and all!
And if upon its stillness fall
The visions of a busy brain,
We'll have our pleasures o'er again,
To warm the heart, to charm the sight,
Gay dreams to all! good night, good night!

THE BUTTONWOOD COTTAGE

Thou hast won'd me with pledges
A Princess might wear,
Thou hast offered rich jewels
To wreathe in my hair;
Ah! deck with thy jewels
The halls of the sea,
Thy gold and thy purple
They are not for me:
But give me love's myrtle,
And ribbon of blue,
And I'll go to the bridal,
At vesper with you.

Thou hast told me of the glory
That waited thy bride,
Thy mansions of splendor,
Thy lineage of pride;
Ah! little I care—
Thy palace of glee.
Thy courts and thy titles,
They are not for me;
But a *Buttonwood Cottage*,
A warm *heart* and *true*;
And I'll to the bridal,
At vesper with you.

From the Phil. Enquirer.

A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT—ANTHRACITE COAL—STEAM NAVIGATION.

Extract to the Editor dated

New York, June 15th, 1836.

MY DEAR SIR: I have this moment returned from a most interesting trip up the North River. The object was to test Doctor Nott's principle in making Anthracite Coal tributary to the great purpose of steam navigation.—The triumph is complete. Never, since Fulton succeeded, has there been won a greater victory in this department of science and of mind. It deserves a place in the great volume of human benefits, alongside the recorded achievements of the great man; and it will be placed there. Pennsylvania ought to be foremost in her acknowledgments for this grand discovery. It strikes deep into her Anthracite regions, and cannot fail of turning her coal mountains into gold mountains. Henceforth, the ocean will be the wide theatre for the consumption of the long hidden treasure. I predict, that in twenty-four months from to day, packets will be in motion to Liverpool, and Havre, and other places, propelled by steam generated by Anthracite coal; whilst rivers and bays, and our own inland seas, will be put in a foam by the flying, in all directions, of boats, under the impulse of that fuel which has, until lately lain for ages undisturbed, in the bosom of the mountains of Pennsylvania. I will give you a few reasons for these predictions:—

1st, There is in this new invention, personal security against both fire and water. There are no sparks to fall on the ignitable materials which belong, necessarily, to steamboats propelled by wood. From these, our William Penn took fire on the Delaware; and from them there must be always more or less danger. The furnace heated by Anthracite coal, is the depository of its own power. There the fire and the flame perform their prodigies; and from it go up through chimneys no sparks—no flakes—no smoke, to burn or to annoy.

2nd, Such is the construction of the boiler, as to entitle it to the title of *life preserver*,—for should it give way, the rent would include only the bursting of a tube in form, and of the size of a gun barrel, from which a tea-pot of boiling water would escape. This in my view, is the grand *desideratum*. It is a subject that has commanded the attention of legislators, and of the world at large. A perfect security against these destructive explosions has been always ranked as among the most important matters that concern the millions who traverse this world's surface. Legislation on this subject may, from this day, cease its anxiety, & along with the apprehensions of those who always dread the *life-destroying* power of steam, repose, for the future, in perfect security.

I might stop here. These two considerations would, alone, command the attention of the civilized world, and bring into immediate use an invention so perfect, and so full of benefits. But there is one other which I will touch upon. And you will remember, that nothing of all this is speculation or theory; but facts which this day's experience and observation have furnished. The remaining consideration is—

3dly, *Economy.*—I will suppose the cost of running a steamboat with coal, to be equal to the cost of one using wood. The foregoing advantages would give the coal preference among all people. But when an additional appeal is made to the owners of steamboats, such as I will now make, it will hardly be supposed that any will fail, at once, to adopt the Coal system.

The steamboat "*The Novelty*," a boat, by the way, of the finest class, and perhaps the fastest boat in the world, her length being two hundred and fifty-two feet, will burn a trip from New York to Albany, a distance of one hundred and fifty miles, 17 or 18 tons, of coal—but I will say, Twenty tons, at $5,50, is $110 00

Tranportation of the coal from Kingston to New York, is 60 cents per ton, and to Albany 73 cent—but I will say 75 cents for cash.	$15 00
The cost of breaking 20 tons coal, and putting it on board the boat,	5 00
Four firemen being all that are required.	4 00
	$134 00
The first class boats running on the Hudson river, burn on a trip from New York to Albany, 40 cords of wood, which at $5 75, is	230 00
Cost of putting it on board,	6 00
Eight firemen, the number required,	8 00
	$244 00

Here there is a saving in favor of the Novelty, or a boat of the first class burning coal, of *one hundred and ten dollars* per day. The average time of running, I will put down at six months, or one hundred and eighty days, making an actual saving, in favor of Anthracite Coal of *nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars* per annum!

I have learned that the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company are prepared, should coal take the place of wood on the Hudson river lines, to build docks at Kingston, so that boats may receive their supply of fuel while landing their passengers, which will, so far as the Hudson river boats are concerned, produce an additional saving of twenty-five cents per ton, over the cost of delivering at Roundout—which will be an additional saving of ten dollars a day, which when added to the nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars, will make a clear saving of twenty-one thousand six hundred dollars per annum.

I have stated facts, which cannot be controverted—and have based these facts on figures, which cannot lie.

I know there are some who will start various objections—such as the speed of the boat cannot be so great; or it will be unequal—since the slag and ashes collected in the bottom of the furnace will deaden the fires; and this again will be produced by the addition of fresh coal, which will smother the flame, &c. I might answer all this by the single remark, that *facts* have demonstrated the contrary. On a ferry boat whose trips may be from five to fifty minutes, or for an hour or two, coal may answer, an objecter may say, because, at either landing, the slag—(which means cinders, and residuum, and stone, and slate all run together) may be removed, and new and fresh fires kindled. To this again, I have the same answer, drawn from *this day's* experience—the contrary has been DEMONSTRATED—for the Novelty went, the distance of one hundred and sixty miles, and without the slightest inconvenience from any of these objections, and might have gone to Liverpool. It may be asked, by what process is all this wonderful contrivance maintained? That is not within the limits of my letter to answer. It is enough for me to assure you it exists, and has been this day proven to answer all the ends of its contriver.

As to speed, the Novelty went one hundred and sixty miles, blowing off steam the whole of the way, in ten hours and twenty-seven minutes, and as is my conseiqntious opinion, could have performed it, *with ease*, in two hours less time.

The wind blew a gale from the west—the great extent of the upper works of the Novelty, with her awnings, all retarding her; and the tide against her, I may say the whole of the way—or at least, there was none in her favor—all goes to show what additional time might have been gained under a more favorable sky, and on the bosom of the less turbulent, and less opposing waters.

The scene was really a grand one. As the noble boat started from her moorings on the East river, a thrill of anxiety and mingled hope and fear agitated the enterprising owners. But the harmonious working of the machinery; the onward motion of the boat, and the greetings of the multitude, with the complimentary ringing of bells from numerous steamboats, which were responded to, made it an occasion of joy, as the result of the experiment was of absolute triumph.

The extent and variety of the accomodations of this "*floating palace*," must be seen to be appreciated.

With great respect,
I am your friend.

☞ The young ladies of Jeffersonville, Ky. lately took occasion to illuminate their town and make other demonstrations of rejoicing for the exodus of an Old Bachelor named *Fischli*, who owned the land on which the town is built. This old "dried apple" it seems had sold out his six hundred acres at a great price, and quit the premises; and as he had most obstinately refused heretofore, either to improve his property, or his condition otherwise by renouncing his single curseedness for any of the fair damsels living on his domain, the slighted beauties burnt all the tar barrels and tallow candles they could muster when he took his departure. They did right, and it is to be hoped that such an example will operate salutarily upon the brotherhood of crusty old bachelors.—*N. Y. Courier.*

Gov. Wolf has been appointed Comptroller of the Treasury, in the place of Judge Anderson, removed. The appointment has been confirmed by the Senate.—N. Y. Star.

Sunday Evening Reading.

SACRIFICES REQUIRED BY RELIGION.

Many are the trials which the believer has to undergo, painful are the sacrifices he is required to make, and the struggle between duty and inclination is often severe. But we believe there is no case in which duty is preferred, and in which it is performed upon the principles of the gospel, where God does not give us much more even in point of happiness than if we had chosen the evil. It is to be denied that we may be unsatisfied.—But in these cases, the reason is not that there is any deficiency in the goodness of the Lord, but that there is a lack of singleness and sincerity in our hearts. Like Amaziah, we may do good, but not with a perfect mind. There is an Achan in the camp—there is a lingering look to the sin that is left behind—the heart is divided against itself, and the feelings are in a state of insurrection. But where the choice is made—where the contending claims of sin and holiness are considered and determined upon—where the aids of the Holy Spirit are earnestly sought—where the heart yields itself up wholly to His influence—in such a case there is a secret satisfaction of soul that sin can never bestow—there is a peace of mind that passeth understanding—there is a joy that is unspeakable.

BLESSING OF THE SCRIPTURES.

Every man who turns his attention to the sacred volume will find, as in a glass, his face reflected there, and its truths will appear as written with a special reference to his peculiar circumstances. "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. More to be desired are they than gold; sweeter also than honey, and the honeycomb." Yes, *my friends*, to every believer, there is in the sacred volume a richness and a fullness inexhaustible. He seeks to have its words engraved on his memory, on his heart. He meditates on it day and night. Every time that he has recourse to it he discovers some new truth already known comes upon his mind with the freshness of a new delight. He finds himself admitted into the society of patriarchs and prophets and apostles. He hears the voice of the Almighty himself speaking to him in mercy and love. In this way, like the psalmist of old, he hides the word in his heart as a precious treasure. The more that he studies it, the more does he find it profitable "for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and instruction in righteousness," and in its wondrous adaption to all the diversities of his experience, he gratefully acknowledges that the Lord in it hath dealt bountifully with him.

INSUFFICIENCY OF HUMAN STRENGTH.

In our own strength we cannot truly love and obey the Most High. From worldly considerations, or from convictions of duty, or by the strength of a fixed will, a man may effect many improvements upon his character. He may renounce his evil associates—he may alter and correct many erroneous opinions—he may reform many vicious habits; but habitually and perseveringly to cherish sentiments to love God, and to walk in his statutes, is beyond the reach of our unaided endeavours. And yet such changes have been, and blessed be God such changes still are effected; where not only the outward practice, but the inward principle is reformed, and where this is not confined to a single instance, but extends to the whole man—where Satan is resisted and and forced to flee—where the chains of habit are broken—where the evil desires of the heart are denied, mortified, crucified—where the temptations and allurements are resisted, hated, spurned away—where malice, and envy, and jealousy, and vain-glory are dispossessed by humility, and meekness, and charity, and good-will—where these blessed principles manifest themselves in abundant fruits of righteousness—where, in short, the man has passed from death to life, and is become a new creature.

VANITY OF HUMAN LIFE.

Every source of earthly enjoyment is soon dried up or loses all its relish. Pleasure indeed often displays to the eye of her deluded votaries a dazzling banquet, rich in varied delights, and tempts us with a cup out of which we may quench the thirst that rises from the soul. But there is nothing which she bestows that is not speedily drained even to the dregs, or that does not pall upon the rated sense. The intoxicating draught of sensual indulgence, or that which flows out of the golden bowl of wealth, or the clearer stream that springs from the fountain of knowledge, or the bewitching beverage of human applause, or the simple cup that crowns the board of domestick life, touched only the lips of affection—may for a time delight the soul. But it can only be for a time; and there is not one of them which does not soon come to an end, & which is not converted into bitterness. How often do tears of parting and bereavement fall into the cup of earthly love; good and evil still issue out of the well-springs of knowledge; the approbation of the world is capriciously changed into neglect or scorn, and that which was sweet to the taste becomes gall and wormwood; the bowl of wealth may be dashed rudely to the ground; and the soul degraded by sensuality longs after that which no more gratifies.

CHRISTIANITY.

"Ho every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters," not to that fount whose streams, as idly boasted, converted all they touched to gold; nor to those other fabled springs from which gifted men, of old drank inspiration; but come, "and draw waters out of the wells of salvation!"—"And this commandment is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldst say, who shall go up for it to heaven, and bring it to us? neither is it beyond the sea." It is not to be sought in distant climes, you need not, in the garb of pilgrims, with weary feet, explore the wells of Jacob in the plains of Sychar, or the rock in Horeb, that owned the power of the prophet's rod: no, you have only to ask it of Christ! Fall down upon your knees before the Most High, smiting your breast, and you will find "*in you* a well of water, springing up into everlasting life!"

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD.

There are four short sentences of Holy writ, which contain in them more of the knowledge of God than all the unaided wisdom of man had ever been able to discover: "God is a spirit:" "God is one:" "God is light: "God is love." Spiritually of essence, unity of substance, purity of nature, and benevolence of character are these, with a sublime brevity, predicated of Jehovah.

Highly Important.—A law of Massachusetts sets forth that "No man shall marry his own grandmother."