

Sullivan Express.

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SULLIVAN, ILL.

Friday, April 22, 1854.

AGENTS.

The following named gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt subscriptions for the "Express."
Stephen Cannon, Lovington.
J. T. Crawford, Marrowbone.
J. Y. Hitt, Sullivan.
M. N. Van Fleet, "

100\$ REWARD!!

There will be a meeting of the citizens of Moultrie County, at the Court House in Sullivan, on Saturday, the first day of May next, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of organizing a County Agricultural Society.

A general attendance of the farmers of the county is earnestly requested.

TWENTY FARMERS.

Sullivan, Ill., April 23 1858.

The above notice is headed "100 Reward" from the fact that if we go to work in right down good earnest, and get an Agricultural Society organized in this County, before the first of June next, we will be entitled to receive one hundred dollars from the State Treasurer, as will be seen by referring to an act entitled, "An Act to aid and encourage County Agricultural Societies," approved February 12 1857, which after providing for County Agricultural Societies for the year 1858, to wit:—"and a further sum of one hundred dollars is granted to each county agricultural society throughout the State, for the year 1858, that is now duly organized, or may be so organized on or before the first day of June, 1858; and the Treasurer of the State is hereby authorized and directed to pay over the same, under the same conditions as are provided in the first section of this act."

We have long felt the want of an Agricultural Society in this county; and we think "now is the accepted time" to organize such a society before it is too late for us to secure the above reward of one hundred dollars, offered us by the State. We hope this hundred dollar 'bonus' will be a sufficient incentive to our citizens to cause them to act promptly in this matter.

Decatur, Ill. Apr. 15.

Messrs. Editors and Citizens of Sullivan and vicinity:

Owing to business at home, and the fact of J. B.'s having sold his interest in the office for the present, in order to collect, will prevent me from returning to your place before the 15th of May, at which time I shall open a permanent office in your town.

M. McClure, D. D. S.

We are gratified to learn that our friend Dr. McClure of Decatur, is going to become a permanent resident of our town. The Doctor, we understand, is as good a Dentist as the country affords. He will be a very useful citizen.

Is there any person in Sullivan that would object to having the Presbyterian Church surrounded by a good plank fence?

The election held in this place on Saturday last, for the purpose of electing three School Directors, for this district, resulted in the election of B. A. Cornwell, J. E. Eden and J. B. Shepherd.

A bird's nest at least 100 years old, was lately found imbedded in the heart-wood of an old English elm.

There are forty-seven governments in Europe. Of these, thirty-six are limited monarchies, ten absolute monarchies, and one republican.

RAIL-ROAD MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the citizens of Sullivan and vicinity, at the Court House in Sullivan, tomorrow (Saturday the 23d instant) at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of building a "Farmers' Rail Road" from Sullivan to one of the adjacent Rail Road Points.

The meeting will be addressed by several able speakers.

MANY CITIZENS.

Sullivan Ill. April 23 1858.

The above Rail Road notice explains itself, and it is unnecessary for us to say anything about it except to ask our citizens to attend the meeting, which we believe they will do for they are all aware of the disadvantages under which we labor in this county, on account of not having better rail road facilities; and they also know that our county, surrounded by rail-roads as it is, is being "chickled" out of its riches. They also know that we have tried to obtain two through rail-roads through our county town—Sullivan—and have failed on both. It is now proposed to take into consideration the expediency of building a "Feeder" to the St. Louis, Alton & Terre Haute R. R., from Sullivan to Windsor, a distance of only eleven miles! and over a very level country, with the exception of the Okaw hills, which are not very great impediments to the enterprise.

We have not space to say more on this subject now, but will express ourselves more fully, soon. We want everybody, and his oldest son, to attend the meeting to-morrow.

Pursuant to prior notice, the Democrats of this County held a mass meeting at the Court House in Sullivan, on Saturday last, for the purpose of appointing two Delegates, to attend a State Convention, to be held in Springfield on the 21st instant.

On motion, Judge D. Patterson was chosen Chairman, and Dr A. L. Kellar Secretary of the meeting.

After the object of the meeting had been stated by J. R. Eden Esq., the committee appointed for that purpose, reported that they had selected Judge D. Patterson and Dr. E. E. Waggoner as Delegates, to attend said State Convention. Report received and adopted.

After listening to several speeches, the meeting, without further business, adjourned, *sine die*.

We are under obligations to our friend, Dr. Van-fleet, for a copy of the 2nd vol. of the "Transactions of the Illinois State Agricultural Society."

Our Exchanges and some of our Subscribers, that didn't get the "Express" last week, will have to excuse us, as we were disappointed in getting paper as soon as expected.

See advertisement of Smiser, in another column. Newt has a splendid assortment of dry goods, and he is determined to please customers in prices.

Eden has just received a fine stock of goods, and sells at rail-road prices! He says—well, no matter—but look at his advertisement, and read for yourselves.

Perryman has a good stock of dry goods, and sells them so as to please his customers.

The fact of the business is, "all our merchants are getting on their new goods!" There's Knight's and Yadekin's Stores, for instance: don't you remember what bargains you got?—try 'em again. All our merchants sell goods as cheap as they do on the railroads. So let's keep the money at home—what d'ye all say!

When you come to town don't forget to call on John Shepherd, and get some candy and things, for the children.

John McClure keeps where he used to, and has almost everything that's sweet and good, to sell; and O, so cheap!

Late News.

WASHINGTON April 22.

The Senate's request for a committee of conference on the Kansas bill, will, by general agreement, be acted upon by the House to-morrow at one o'clock. There is a strong probability that the House will grant the committee.

The Locomotives firmly calculate on joint arrangement to admit Kansas under the Lecompton Constitution, if not in the precise words of the Senate bill, with such modifications as will not sacrifice the principle of that measure.

The President has determined to take the volunteer regiments from the Western States.

April 14.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, on the bill to establish an auxiliary guard for the protection of life and property in Washington City.

The bill was discussed till one o'clock, when, on motion of Mr. Montgomery, of Penn., the committee rose, and the House took up the Kansas bill.

A message from the Senate, in dissent on its disagreement to the House amendment and asking for a Committee of Conference, was read by Mr. Montgomery, who moved that the House insist on its adherence and demanded the previous question.

Mr. English inquired whether if the Committee of Conference be ordered by the House, parliamentary law and practice require the majority of the committee to be composed of gentlemen representing the majority of the House, or a majority of those in favor of the House bill.

Mr. Stanton said, if not in order, he would object to the question, because this would provoke interrogatories on the other side.

Mr. English gave notice that if the motion was voted down, he would move a Committee of Conference. The House then voted on seconding the demand for the previous question.

NEW ORLEANS April 14.

The steamer Falls City exploded her boiler just as she was leaving the city to-day, killing eight persons and wounding several others. The John Simonds was somewhat damaged by the explosion.

The levee opposite the city continues in all its force. Nothing has yet been done to repair it. The river is about at a stand.

BOSTON, April 15.

Hensy Pratt, teller of the Grafton Bank, has been arrested, charged with robbing that institution of \$12,000.

CINCINNATI, April 14.

The block of buildings, corner of Western Row and Canal street, occupied by coffee house, Wood's feed store, Wm. Fisher's mahogany chair store and others, was destroyed by fire last night. Roots & Co., adjoining, were considerably damaged. Loss \$25,000; partially insured. A portion of the building was occupied by a large number of poor families, who are rendered houseless. A fireman was fatally injured by falling from the roof. The building occupied by Roots & Co. was owned by Nicholas Longworth. Insurance unknown.

NEW YORK, April 15.

The clipper ship Sunny South arrived at this port yesterday afternoon, having on board several passengers of the ship John Gilpin. The latter vessel while on the voyage from Honolulu for New Bedford, and when off Cape Horn on the 29th of January last, at 2 o'clock on the morning, during a heavy gale, struck a sunken iceberg and sprung a leak.

At this critical juncture, and just as the ship's company were completing their preparations for abandoning the vessel in boats, the British ship

Herefordshire dove to sight, and consequently received the passengers and crew, forty-five in number. The Herefordshire put into Bay St. there a portion of the passengers shipped on board the brig Hurricane Bird, which arrived at Baltimore last evening. The balance of the passengers and a part of the crew left Bay St. in the Herefordshire, bound for Cork, and on the voyage fell in with the Sunny South, which brought them to this port.

The Tribune says, private letters announce that Lord Napier is to be recalled, and that his successor is already selected.

April 16.

The steamship Africa, with Liverpool dates to the 3rd inst., has just been signalled below.

The yellow fever made its appearance on board the United States steam frigate Susquehanna on the 19th March, while lying at Greytown; she immediately proceeded to sea, intending to go to Pensacola, but being short of coal and medical stores, touched at Jamaica; but before her arrival at Kingston, the disease had become epidemic, and there were 155 cases. Six officers and fifty-nine of the crew were placed in the hospital at Kingston, where the most prompt and beneficial efforts for their relief were made by the British naval and medical officers.—There have been 17 deaths. There are now on board 40 cases, but generally of a mild form.

Advices have been received from Caracca to the 31st March.

A provisional government had been inaugurated, which demanded of the French Consul the surrender of Monanza and family, who had taken refuge with him. They were surrendered, and are now in confinement. It is said they had deposited at the French Legation one million of gold.

Gen. Castro had decreed the removal of all the employees of the late Government.

It is said the American Consul nailed his flag over the door of the French Consul, in conjunction with that of Spain, threatening to haul it down, and demand his passport, if any attempts were made to arrest Monanza, then at the Legation.

Progress of the Revolution in Mexico.

An arrival at New Orleans from Vera Cruz brings date from Mexico to the 7th instant.

The news is important. The reactionary party, which, under Zuloaga, has possession of the Mexican capital and of the government, has had further great successes. Gen. Osollo, commanding the government troops, had captured Guadalajara, one of the principal cities and strongholds of the opposition or liberals. In that city was established the opposition government of Juarez. All the officers of his government were made prisoners and are reported to be on their way as exiles out of the country. Osollo was returning to the capital, and it was thought, would be declared President of the Republic.

Vera Cruz on the 7th still held out for the Juarez party.

Tampico was beset by Gen. Garza of the same party.

They average eighty five murders a month in Rome, and this secret society from which all these crimes originated has been discovered by the police.

An old maid speaking of marriage, says "it is like any other disease; while there is life there is hope."

"Do you know who I am?" said a police officer to a fellow whom he seized by the throat. "Not exactly, sir, but I reckon you are the malignant fellow!"

Although Canton (in China) has been known to the "outside barbarians" and "foreign devils" for two centuries—has been visited by thousands of thousands of crews and passengers, and has been the residence for generations of traders from abroad—and has been described in geographies and depicted on maps—nobody but the Chinese knew that it was an island. It is so, nevertheless. A vessel has recently made the passage clear round it, having plenty of water for a heavy draught. No fact could show more strikingly the extreme secretiveness of John Chinaman, as to everything touching his country, than this late discovery.

The New State of Ontonagon.

The New York Times thus speaks of the proposed State of Ontonagon.

The prolific Northwest is apparently about to give birth to another member of the American family of States. We may expect soon to "welcome the advent of a little stranger" on the borders of our greatest lake. It is proposed, in short, that the portion of Michigan, and known as the "Upper Peninsula," shall be joined with the northern part of Wisconsin, bordering upon Lake Superior, the two to constitute a new State, bearing the title of Ontonagon.

This movement originates in the right quarter. Michigan passed legislative resolves last year, recommending the project, and similar resolutions are now about to be adopted by the legislature of Wisconsin.

The Constitution of the United States provides that "no new State shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other State, or any State be formed by the junction of two or more States, or parts of States, without the consent of the legislatures of the States concerned, as well as of the Congress." It will, in this case, only remain to obtain the consent of Congress, that of the States concerned being proffered in advance.

Ontonagon is to have for its western boundary a line drawn from the Menoninee river, near its mouth on Green Bay, westerly till such line intersects the western boundary of Wisconsin, near Hudson on the St. Croix river. This line will not be far from the 45th parallel of latitude.

The new State will thus contain 40,000 square miles, nearly equal to the area of New York. It will embrace the entire southern coast of Lake Superior, and includes the rich mineral region which stretches along that vast inland sea. There is already a population of 70,000, which is rapidly increasing, in the territory referred to. These people are anxious to have a government of their own, and find themselves cut off by the peculiarity of their position and pursuits from communication with Michigan or Wisconsin. Unless Congress should interpose objections, which cannot reasonably be apprehended, we see no cause why the new "State of Ontonagon" should not speedily take her place as an independent member of the Union.

Young ladies! if gentlemen propose to ring your fore-fingers, be careful they are not fellows who will coring your hearts.

A young lady recently wished she was a cart-wheel, because it has lots of "fellows." We are glad she spoke of it.

After all the fuss, the Princess Royal's husband is only a printer.—According to an ancient usage in Prussia, all the princes in the royal family must learn a trade. The Prince Frederick William, just married to the Princess Royal of England, learned the trade of a compositor in the printing office of Mr. Haas, at Berlin.

Why two chickens no future existence? Because they get their necks twirled [next world] in this.

For The Express.
A Parody.
Oh, never give your meeting up,
Try, try again;
Though disappointed, fill the cup,
And never think to take a sup,
Try, try again.
The school motto says we mustly wed,
Try, try again;
On cupid's plumes, don't depend,
They rest the weary, sailing head,
Try, try again.
We must expect hard trials here,
Try, try again.
On this terrestrial, blinding sphere,
Where girls are the King, girls and gear,
Try, try again.
If you should meet a vain young fellow,
Try, try again;
Oh, do not be discouraged yet,
But joke another for a bet—
Try, try again.
Oh, let this be your great wish, hold,
Try, try again;
Imagine you have it from each lad,
As teachers here it, send for word—
Try, try again.

As a dusty-looking colored child, about 40 years of age, and from the country, was passing under a building being erected the other day, a brick came down, struck upon his head, and broke in two. He was stunned for a moment, but soon recovered sufficiently to get off the following, and leave those who had gathered around him in a state of laughter:—"I say, you white man up der, if you don't want your bricks broke, jes' keep 'em off my head!"

At Dubuque, not long since, a beautiful young lady fell from a cliff in crossing the Mississippi, and instantly floated under the ice. A brave young gentleman broke through the ice, rescued her, and married her three days afterward. We think we have known many young gentlemen who failed to get wives because they were afraid to break the ice.

Mrs. Partington hearing some one speak of "Life Illustrated by Fowler & Wells" and being somewhat deaf, she understood the speaker to say—"Life frustrated by foul air in wells." In her sympathetic way, she added that this world is really troubled with gas—of one kind or another.

On hearing the read that eighteen rams were to be used in launching the Leviathan, Mrs. Partington remarked that she believed a few yolks of oxen would do a great deal better than rams.

The latest case of absence of mind is that of a young lady who, on returning from a walk with her lover, the other evening, rapped him on the nose, and laid the duet good night.

A woman can never have too much learning to be agreeable, if she be careful to retain so much of her delicacy as not to become a pedant. Somebody once remarked that no matter how blue a lady's stockings may be, if the petticoats are long enough to cover them.

A sentimental, cheap friend to petition Congress for an act to improve the channel of affection, to that henceforth the "course of true love may run smooth."

Some one asks—"Is it lawful to hang chicken on Mason's and Dixon's line?" Just as lawful as plumb-bone around the North Pole.

Quibble wants to know if doctors, by looking at the tongue of a wagon, can tell what ails it.

A soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger.

Why is a dog's tail like the heart of a tree? Because it is farthest from the bark.

Scandal proposed—no, she said when he kissed her overboard.

Two monkeys. Yes, all about, and lashed at the girth! On the face of all present was depicted deepest anxiety. One inquired—"Am I all yet?"—the other—"Yes—just full," said Jos.

Tax Sale Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given, that at a sale of lands for State and County Taxes held at the door of the Court House in Moultrie County, Illinois, on the 14th day of July 1858, I became the purchaser of the following Real Estate to-wit: south 40 acres of section 11, township 11 N, range 11 W, 1858.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of a decree of the Moultrie County Court rendered at the March Term, A. D. 1858, I will sell at the door of the Court House in Sullivan at public vendue on the 22nd day of May next between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. upon a credit of six and twelve months in equal payments, the following described lands belonging to the Estate of John A. Frederick, decd., (or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the debts of said decedent) lying and being situated in the counties of Moultrie and Shelby in the State of Illinois to-wit: the N. 1/4 of the S. 1/4 of sec. 28 and the S. 1/4 of the S. 1/4 of sec. 31, all in township 15 N. R. 10 E. W. 1858.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an Execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the court of Moultrie County, in the State of Illinois in favor of Allen Clore and against James Bennett, I have levied upon the following Real Estate to-wit: w. 1/2 sec. 30, T. 15 R. 5 East 80 acres as the property of the said James Bennett, which I shall offer at public sale, at the Court House door in Sullivan in said State, on the 22nd day April A. D. 1858, between the hour of 9 o'clock a. m. and sunset of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

Executors Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of a decree of the Moultrie County Court, rendered at the March Term, A. D. 1858, I will sell at public vendue, at the door of the Court House, in Sullivan, upon a credit of six and twelve months, in equal payments, on the first day of May next between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m., the following described Real Estate, lying and being situate in the County of Moultrie, and State of Illinois, to-wit: The S. 1/2 of lot No. 2 of the S. 1/2 sec. 7, in T. 12 N. R. 6 E., and the S. 1/2 of the S. 1/2 of the S. 1/2 of sec. 11, in T. 12 N. R. 5 E., said lands, or so much as may be necessary to pay the debts of Andrew Hefflinger, decd., will be sold to pay said debts, and deeds made by the purchaser giving Bond with personal security, and a Mortgage on the premises.

Warning!

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May Term, A. D. 1858 of the Moultrie County Circuit Court.

State of Illinois, Moultrie County, vs. Joseph Taylor plaintiff, vs. Joseph McJames defendant. NOTICE is hereby given to you the above named Joseph McJames, that an affidavit has been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county of Moultrie in the State of Illinois, and a writ of attachment sued out thereon at the suit of the above named Joseph Taylor, against the estate of you the said Joseph McJames, for the sum of seven hundred and forty dollars and fifty cents, directed to the Sheriff of said county of Moultrie, returnable on the second Monday in the month of May A. D. 1858, which said writ was duly returned into the clerk's office of said county by said Sheriff, as levied on an undivided 1/2 of sec. 2 & of 3 of sec. 11, sec. 23 T. 15 R. 6 E., of 3rd P. M.

Now unless you the said Joseph McJames, shall be and appear before the judge of our said circuit court, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in Sullivan, Moultrie County, Illinois, on the second Monday in May A. D. 1858, and give bail and plead to said plaintiff's action, judgment will be rendered against you by default for said sum and costs of suit, and the estate so attached will be sold to satisfy said judgment.

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MILLNER SHOP.

WINS M. A. WILLETTT. Bess leave to inform her friends and the public, that she will have, by the first of May, a splendid variety of

Millinery Goods.

Among which may be found the very latest styles of BONNETS, of every description, Children's Hats, Caps for old ladies, LACES, RIBBONS, GLASS, CREPE, and in short, every variety of Bonnet and Dress Trimmings. Bonnets made to order in the latest style, and on the most reasonable terms. Old Bonnets & Hats made new again, for very little money. Shop on North-west corner of Public Square, east of Love & Kearney. MARCH 19th 58. 28 N. W. corner of 1st and 2nd streets.

PLOWS!!

F. P. HOKE & BRO. Takes pleasure in announcing to the public and every body else that they now keep, constantly on hand, and manufacture, to order, the most improved quality of Plows, of every description, and at prices to suit the greatest lovers of money. Every one had better buy a Plow, and if it don't work well, return it, and get your money.

WAGONS.

A splendid lot, of the latest, and most approved style, on hand, and made to order. All sorts of Blacksmithing done up in the right way, and at reasonable prices as anybody else. Shop one door east of the Post Office. MARCH 11th, '58. No. 27 N. W. corner of 1st and 2nd streets.

Of the May Term, A. D. 1858, of the Moultrie County Circuit Court.

State of Illinois, Moultrie County, vs. Jane Smith, vs. John Smith. In Chancery. Bill for Divorce. Satisfactory Affidavit having been filed in the office of the clerk of the Moultrie County Circuit Court, showing that the above named Defendant, John Smith, is a non-resident of the State of Illinois, Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to you, the said John Smith, that a Bill, in the above entitled cause, has been filed in the clerk's office of said court, that a summons has been issued thereon returnable to the May Term, A. D. 1858, of said court, and that unless you, the said John Smith, personally be and appear before our said court, on the first day of the next Term thereof, to be held at the Court House in Sullivan, on the second Monday in May, A. D. 1858, and then and there plead answer to said Bill, the same will be taken for confessed, against you, and a Decree entered accordingly.

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NOTICE!

To take care of our Customers. We have sold out our stock of goods, and are now settling up our business. All those indebted to us, will please favor by calling on us and settling the same, as we owe for our goods and cannot pay unless you pay us. Our Books are at the old stand where one or both of us can be found almost any day, between 11 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m.

Thunderation!

We list our customers to come forward immediately, and settle their accounts. If they have no money we want their notes, as we are determined to keep everything square, so that none may grumble. This is so, that P. B. KNIGHT & Co. Feb. 16, 1858. No. 24 N. W. corner of 1st and 2nd streets.

CABINET SHOP.

Smith & Gross. Take pleasure in announcing to their old friends, patrons, and the public generally, that they have just received a splendid lot of new goods, and are now settling up our business. All those indebted to us, will please favor by calling on us and settling the same, as we owe for our goods and cannot pay unless you pay us. Our Books are at the old stand where one or both of us can be found almost any day, between 11 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m.

STILL continue the CABINET MAKING BUSINESS at the Old Stand.

North-east corner of 1st and 2nd streets, Moultrie, Ill.

COFFINS!

All sizes and qualities kept constantly on hand, and made to order on application made to J. O. C. Smith & Co.

CASH.

They hope by selling furniture at low prices and close attention to business, to merit a liberal patronage.

Farm for Sale.

I wish to sell my farm, lying four miles north of Sullivan, Moultrie County, Illinois, containing 240 acres of prime land, well watered, and well timbered, and well adapted for raising stock, and for growing wheat, corn, and other crops.

Money Wanted!

All persons indebted to me either by Note or Book account, will find them in the hands of proper officers for collection, if not paid immediately, as money I must and will have. J. O. C. Smith & Co. Livingston, Feb. 25, 1858. 25 N. W. corner of 1st and 2nd streets.

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NEW CASE STORE.

H. F. Vadakin. I am now receiving my Spring Stock of goods, which were purchased at greatly reduced prices, and will be sold at a very small advance on cost. Thankful for the very liberal patronage bestowed upon me by my friends and the public generally, I hope to merit and receive a continuation of the same. My object will be to keep a good stock of Choice Prime Goods, and to sell at such low prices as to induce a liberal patronage.

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STORES.

To which I invite your attention as to quality and price, before purchasing elsewhere. Dec. 31 '57.

Direct from N. Y. CITY!!

I have just received from the City of New York, a splendid assortment of Dry Goods, which I am desirous of bartering for the Cash. Great inducements are offered to those wishing to buy goods for the money, also as cheap as the cheapest, on time, to prompt paying customers.

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H. F. VADAKIN Confectionary.

We take this method of informing our old friends and the public generally, that we are still on hand at the old stand ready and willing to wait on the people, and give them cheap Groceries, we are constantly receiving all article usually found in establishments of this kind, consisting in part of the following articles:

- Nuts, Candies, Raisins, Figs, Cakes, Crackers, Cheese, Pickles, Dried Herring, Rope, Brushes, Pencils, Pens, Blacking, Brooms, Pepper Sauce, Oysters, Sardines, Flavoring Extracts, Perfumery, Hair Oil, Cologne, Note Paper, Envelopes, Lard Oil, Combs, Pocket Knives, Razors, Shaving Soap, Violin strings and notions generally.

GROCERIES.

which they propose to sell as cheap as any other house in town, consisting of Coffee, Sugar, Spices, Starch, Cinnamon, Soda, etc.

SADDLERY.

Lewis Zroch & Henry, Hars. EAST SIDE OF THE PUBLIC SQUARE. HAVING associated together in the Saddle & Harness making business, are now ready to fill all orders in their line, in the best manner, at the shortest notice and on the most accommodating terms.

READY-MADE

articles, such as SADDLES, BRIDLES, MARTINGALS, LINES, HALTERS, WHIPS, BOOTS & SHOES of all kinds constantly on hand, and all that is commonly kept in their business.

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Tax Sale Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given, that at a sale of lands for State and County Taxes, held at the door of the Court House in Moultrie County, Illinois, on the 14th day of July 1858, I became the purchaser of the following Real Estate, to-wit:...

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of a decree of the Moultrie County Court, rendered at the March Term, 1858, I will sell at the door of the Court House in Sullivan, Illinois, on the 22nd day of May next, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 5 o'clock P. M., upon a credit of six and twelve months in equal payments...

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an Execution, to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the court of Moultrie County, in the State of Illinois in favor of Allen Clore and against James Bennett, I have levied upon the following Real Estate...

LECOMPTON DEAD.

The "Unsettled" of Moultrie County are hereby requested to attend on Saturday, the 12th inst. at 2 o'clock P. M. at the Court House in Sullivan, for the purpose of appointing two delegates to attend a Home Rule Convention to be held in Springfield, Ill. on the 1st inst.

Warning!

I hereby warn all persons not to trade with or harbor my son, Adam Clark Patterson, as he is a minor and not authorized to contract with long my consent...

NOTICE.

During my absence on the circuit, (commencing Monday next) my clerks may leave business for me with J. M. Moore Esq. my office and the name will receive my prompt attention.

STOCK RAISERS

I have a fine Blooded Bull I wish to sell, which I will sell cheap on reasonable terms on cash or my residence of a mile south west of Livingston. For Pedigree inquire of A. V. G. Serrano, Sullivan, Ill.

Baron & Kline

Manufacturers of Corn Planters. This ingenious invention, which will undoubtedly come into universal use among farmers, is manufactured by us.

Notice to pay Debts.

I will sue, on the day of January 1859, every one that owes me on any account, and I have worked for Moultrie County for years, with- out pay, and now I want to get paid.

LOW PRICES

A good article of Flour and Meal, low at...

WANTED

Wanted in exchange for goods, feathers, Dry hides, Furs and Pelts; and, in short, anything that can be done.

May Term, A. D. 1858 of the Moultrie County Circuit Court.

State of Illinois, Moultrie County, Joseph Taylor plaintiff vs. Joseph McJames defendant.

NOTICE is hereby given to the above named Joseph McJames, that an affidavit has been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county of Moultrie in the State of Illinois, and a writ of attachment sued out thereon at the suit of the above named Joseph Taylor, against the estate of you the said Joseph McJames, for the sum of seven hundred and forty dollars and fifty eight cents, directed to the Sheriff of said county of Moultrie, returnable on the second Monday in the month of May, A. D. 1858, which said writ was duly returned into the clerk's office of said county by said Sheriff, as levied on an undivided lot of one and one quarter section 23 T. 15 R. 6 E. of 3rd P. M.

Now unless you the said Joseph McJames, shall be and appear before the judge of our said circuit court, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in Sullivan, Moultrie County, Illinois, on the second Monday in May, A. D. 1858, and give bail and plead to said plaintiff's action, judgment will be rendered against you by default for said sum and costs of suit, and the estate so attached will be sold.

Arnold Thomason, Porter & Steele Att'ys for plaintiff. March 26th 58. 29 50 \$60.00

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an Execution, to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the court of Moultrie County, in the State of Illinois in favor of the People of the State of Illinois, and against Walker Hoagland, I have levied upon the following described Real Estate...

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MILLINER SHOP.

MRS. M. A. WELCH, begs leave to inform her friends and the public, that she will have, by the first of May, a splendid variety of...

Millinery Goods.

Among which may be found the very latest styles of BONNETS of every description, Childrens Hats, Caps for old ladies, LACES, RIBBONS, GIMPS, CREPE, And in short, every variety of Bonnet and Dress Trimmings. Bonnets made to order in the latest style, and on the most reasonable terms. Old Bonnets & Hats made new again, for very little money. Shop on North-west corner of Public Square, east of Love & Meagher. MARCH 26th 1858.

PLOWS!!

F. P. HOKE & BRO. Takes pleasure in announcing to the public and everybody else that they now keep constantly on hand, and manufactory, to order, the most improved quality of Plows, of every description, and at prices to suit the greatest lovers of money. Every one had better buy a Plow, and if it don't work well, return it, and get your money...

WAGONS.

A splendid lot of the latest, and most approved style, on hand, and made to order. All sorts of Blacksmithing done up in the right way, and at as reasonable prices as anybody else. Shop one door east of the Post Office. March 11th 58. No. 27 1/2

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Satisfactory Affidavit.

Having been filed in the office of the clerk of the Moultrie County Circuit Court, showing that the above named Defendant, John Smith, is a non-resident of the State of Illinois, Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to you, the said John Smith, that a Bill in the above entitled cause, has been filed in the clerk's office of said court, that a summons has been issued thereon returnable to the May Term, A. D. 1858, of said court, and that unless you, the said John Smith, personally be and appear before our said court, on the first day of the next Term thereof, to be holden at the court-house in Sullivan on the second Monday in May, A. D. 1858, and then and there plead answer or Demurr to said Bill, the same will be taken for confessed against you, and a Decree entered accordingly. ARNOLD THOMASON, Clerk. March 11th, 58. 27 1/2

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Administrator's Notice.

Public Notice is hereby given that on the 1st Monday in May next, I shall stand before the county court of Moultrie County, at Sullivan, Ill. for the purpose of settling and adjusting all claims against the Estate of March Hoffman, late of said county deceased, when and where all claims shall be notified, and requested to be presented, and presented their claims in writing, against said Estate, for adjustment. All persons indebted to said Estate, are notified to make payment to the undersigned without delay, or his undersigned may be compelled to do so. DASH P. ADAMS, Administrator of the Estate of March Hoffman dec'd. March 16th. 1858. 28 1/2

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PORTER & STEELE, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, & SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY.

Will practice in the Courts of the 17th Judicial Circuit. All business promptly attended to. Office on West side of the square, one door South of Dr. J. Y. Hill's office. Feb. 25, 1858. (No. 24, 1/2)

Should I get an Insurance on my Life?

LET THE PRESENT TIMES REPLY, "BECAUSE." After an extensive acquaintance with business men, I am satisfied that among one hundred merchants and traders, not more than three ever acquire independence. Addressed by Gen. Deane of Boston in a letter to his family while he lives, than it is to provide against their being left penniless in the event of his death. The relief from anxiety afforded by Life Insurance very frequently contributes to prolong the life of the insured, at the same time that it materially augments the comfort and well-being of those dependent on him. McCulloch's Constitutional Diet. EXAMPLE: Hon. Abner Lawrence, among the "Billionaires" in the Will of the late Hon. Abner Lawrence, was a Life Insurance for the sole benefit of his wife, for \$40,000, which probably has kept her comfortable for years - showing the estimation so placed upon the subject of Life Insurance and the security it affords. Feb. 12, 58.

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For Sale or Rent.

The building occupied by the subscribers, as a Law office, on the west side of the Public square. This is a first rate chance to any one wishing to start a book, drug or family grocery store in Sullivan. W. B. PORTER, Sept. 17, 1857.

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T. OFFIELD M. D.

Tenders his professional services to the citizens of Whitley's Creek, and all needing medical aid. O. S. Campbell, M. D., Pittsburg, Ill. Dr. J. Y. Hill, Sullivan, Ill. Dr. W. H. Pender, St. Louis, Mo. Dr. E. H. Wagoner, I. D., Sullivan, Ill. Dr. J. R. McCulloch, Pittsburg, Mo. Dr. J. R. McCulloch, Pittsburg, Mo. Dr. J. R. McCulloch, Pittsburg, Mo.

NOTICE!

To all those who are indebted to J. R. McCulloch & Co., notice is hereby given that their Notes and Accounts are now in the hands of the collector for collection, and unless they shall call by the 1st of May next, and settle up cost will be added thereto. March 10th 58. No. 24 1/2

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AGENTS.

The following named gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt subscriptions for the "Express": Stephen Cannon, Lovington; J. T. Crawford, Marrowbone; J. Y. Hill, Sullivan; M. N. Van Fleet, Sullivan.

A Great Man Fallen.

The telegraph announces the death of Col. Benton, who expired at Washington, yesterday. His career has been a truly eventful one; and he died in harness, quitting labor only with his life. The two houses very properly adjourned, as soon as his demise was made known to them. He leaves behind him the memory of a man of expansive intellect, invincible will and tireless industry. He was the last among the giants of a fast fading generation.

We have opposed Col. Benton, but did it because we differed with him in politics, and because we deemed him too egotistical for a plain citizen of this great republic. But he is gone, and we sincerely unite with his warmest friends in their sorrow. With all his faults, there are few, if any Bentons left in this country. As a historian, statesman, orator and soldier, he had but few equals, and no superiors. Fare ye to his ashes. [St. Louis Herald.]

We learn from the above paper that the citizens of St. Louis held a meeting in the Rotunda of the Court House, on Saturday evening, for the purpose of taking action expressive of the feelings of that community, on hearing of the death of their old and faithful servant, Hon. T. H. Benton. The meeting being called to order, Mr. John Brady Smith was unanimously chosen chairman of the meeting. After the chairman had appointed vice-presidents, secretaries and the various committees, the meeting was addressed by several of the ablest speakers of the city, in eloquent and soul-stirring speeches.

On last Saturday and Sunday we experienced a delightful ride some fifteen miles into the country, and were delighted beyond measure to see how well the good country people care for themselves, we almost envy the farmer his independent and fruitful calling. As we passed along on Saturday, we saw the farmers all busily at work, turning the soil bottom side up, with plows, harrows, rakes, and everything seemed going ahead with that life and energy which is the leading characteristic of our people. Every field of wheat that we saw looked as fresh and green as it generally does a month later in the season; and the crop bids fair to far exceed any that has preceded it. In fact, the present prospect for wheat in this part of the State, is more favorable than it ever was. Illinois is destined to become, at no very far off time, (beats creation now, for corn), the best wheat-growing country in the world.

Some three or four weeks ago we sent some money to Chicago, for a life of paper, and have sent time and again to Madison, expecting it to be there, but it has not yet made its appearance, and is not likely to it seems consequence this half sheet. We hope that a similar circumstance will not again occur.

REMOVAL.

Subscribers and others having business at this office, will please call on our new office across the street opposite the Christian Church.

Small Pox.

We understand there is a case of Small Pox at Mr. Abram Souther's, about five miles north of this place. One of his sons, who has lately returned home from California, was taken down with this much dreaded disease, on Saturday evening, last, and is said to be pretty sick. On the night previous he was at a party at Mr. Tip Dugan's, where he, in company with about sixty other youngsters,

"Danced all night"

Till broad day-light, and as a matter of course,

"Went home with the girls in the morning,"

not suspecting that this loathsome disease was so nigh upon them.

It is thought by some that the disease was, at the time of this party, far enough advanced for Mr. Souther to communicate it to the "guests assembled." If this proves to be the case, we shall expect to see a goodly number of citizens pitted.

A SCREW LOOSE.

Why is it that we cannot save the site of the Moultrie County Academy surrounded by fence? Do the citizens of this place and vicinity think the building will last longer, or be more attractive, by letting it remain out on the commons unprotected from the stock?

These are questions that we should like to have answered for, if there is no good reason why this Academy should not be protected by a fence, we will certainly pitch into somebody, or somebody else, until this thing is accomplished, for we think a school house should be made agreeable and attractive to the pupils. When the school house and play ground are made to be like cheerful homes to the pupils, it makes their studies much more pleasant, and little children get a taste for learning, by being pleased with its accompaniments.

EDITING A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER.

The majority of readers seem to think that nothing can be more easy or pleasant than to edit a paper, but of all different employments by which men make their bread and butter, there is none, we firmly believe, that so taxes the mind, temper, and flesh, as that of editing a paper. There is none that requires a nicer tact, a sounder judgment, a more constant application, a quicker wit, or a kinder heart. A choleric temper could never succeed as an editor, nor a narrow-minded man, nor an ignorant one, a hasty one, nor an unforbearing one. An editor must, of necessity, turn himself inside out to the public. He cannot be a hypocrite, any more than a husband can be a hypocrite to his wife. He must expose himself in all that he does, as much in selecting the thoughts of others, as in publishing his own, and therefore, the better way for him in the outset is to begin frankly, to save himself from after contradictions and mortifications. Whoever succeeds tolerably well as an editor, is something more than an ordinary man, let his contemporaries think of him as they will.

INMATEMENT.

Mr. Franklin Langley of Norfolk, Va., but lately from California, has been made to suffer severely for a strange institution for a girl of the town, who took him to a thieves' den in New York, and swindled him out of the measure of \$12,000. He told his money he had his gold watch, after which he was kicked out of doors. Before his money was exchanged, the girl promised to marry him. He bought for her a wedding ring, silk dress, a traveling trunk, and all that, and got as far as Jersey City, on his way toward home. But there, he was arrested on suspicion, she left him, only, however, to be pursued all further. When the miserable duped wretch to his wretched, and comprehended his situation, he implored the aid of the police, who arrested several parties, charged with robbing him, and looked them up to arrest.

Late News.

House.—The House today passed the Senate's amendment to the Interior Bill. Mr. Quinn said he increased the original number of members, four, but as the troops ought to move immediately, he would consent to the reduction to two.

Mr. Hughes, of Ind., expressed that as Texas was to have a full regiment, New Mexico ought also to have the opportunity to raise a regiment for its own defense.

Mr. Otero, of New Mexico, acquiesced in this view, arguing that it was particularly requisite, because the regulars stationed in the Territory were being removed and dispatched to Utah.

The House concurred in all the Senate's amendments, which leaves it to the discretion of the President to accept the services of one mounted regiment of volunteers for the defense of the Texas frontier, and two regiments for the protection of supply and emigrant trains and the suppression of Indian hostilities. This was agreed to by eleven majority.

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LETTERS.

These are the days of fear, and constant alarms, to the "Fear God and keep His commandments," which is the fear of doing a will. Beyond this fear is a wretched conjuration, a miserable phantom—evoked by ignorance and superstition, and borne by fluidity and cowardice. And yet, baseless as it is, how filled the human world is with it. An associate of darkness as of guilt, it is the shadow of the soul, even as it clings to the waste and rain-places of the east. Ah, if they knew who plants and nurses its bitter seed in young fancies, the harvest of wretchedness to which they do shrink in terror from their horrid work. Ghost, and fairy, and bugbear legends would die out in the nursery, and witches and elves be traditioned no more in the chimney corner.

On the whole rate of malevolents, sooth-sayers, second sight seers, prophets and fortune tellers, who poison the human mind with imaginings of things that are not, and never were, save in "distempered fancy." Malevolents, who people the graveyards with misdriven ghosts, and the lonely way-side at nightfall with grinning spectres, and the darksome garrets and cellars with "goblins damped." Malevolents, who can be content with suffering the horrors of fear themselves, but must pass on the evil legacy to fresh and innocent generations. Malevolents, who float over their power to dwindle conding childhood until it shrinks in the dark at the tread of its own foot-step, and the sound of its own voice—until, more timid than the beasts, over which it is given to rule, it shudders at shadows.

Avant, ye wicked sorcerers of the mind! Avant, blasphemers, who, tending that night is less hallowed by good spirits than the day, exalt the sun above its Maker, who is equally the God of the night and the day! Wretched, baseless fear, bitterest of the cups of mortal life, from what dismal fen, or swamp, or nightmare, idiocy and madness, didst thou first arise to torment humanity? What grim and gloomy guilt gave thee birth, and spread thy spawn through all the world? Some demon surely was thy sire, for of thee and all thy brood there has come naught, but horror, loathsomeness and torture. Thou marrest the most trivial pleasures and poisonest the loftiest thoughts; for since thou wert, childhood fears and manhood fears, by day and by night, in life and in death, thou stalk'st phantom-like, among us. Thou terrifiest childhood until it cannot sleep, and of thy grimmest form it has been said, "Men die a thousand deaths in fearing one." Fear is the just, eternal recompense of guilt—but why should innocence, why should sinless childhood fear? It does not, but as it inherits or is taught. Sad truth, the nursery and the fireside teach and breed more fears than all things else. Not all the ignis-fatua-peopled fens nor creaking gibbet chains, nor cross-road monuments of unburied bones, nor night-wailing of wintry winds, nor sobbing of tempests on the towers, nor death-sticks on the wall, nor

Waxing shades and premonitions strange, can vie with that baleful spirit of the nursery and fireside, which, from age to age, delights to croon of devilish things and horrible, until the world is as populous in "spooks" as in brains. Down with this eager tendency of our nature to feast on lurid accounts of diabolism—let us crush it, root and branch, and begin the work by banishing goblin-story-books and goblin-story-tellers from our nurseries and firesides. These two sacred places are the deepest and divinest birth-places of FRANKLIN'S

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Low's Error.—What a sad mistake it is to suppose that a man should be gloomy because he is devout; as if misery were acceptable to God, on its own account, and happiness an offence against his dignity. A modern writer, of much wisdom and pitiful of writing, says: "There is a secret belief amongst some men that God is displeased with men's happiness, and so they think about creation, ashamed and afraid to enjoy their things. These are the people of whom Flood says, 'Behold they think themselves pious, but when they are only bilious.'"

A good man is almost always a cheerful one. It is not that bad men should scowl, and look blue, and be melancholy; but he who has God's smile of approbation upon him, should show its radiance in his countenance.

Dr. Johnson said he "never knew a villain in his life that was not, on the whole, an unhappy dog." And well he may be. But an honest man—the man with a good conscience—let him enjoy his sleep, and his dinner, and the love of his wife, and the prattle of his children, and show a beaming face to his neighbor. Surely there is no worse theology than that which teaches that he who has given such fullness of joy to beasts and birds, delights in the misery of men; or, that having filled our hearts with gladness, we ought to give the lie to his goodness by wearing faces beclouded with woe, and furrowed with pretended unhappiness.

A Good Joke.—I cannot help telling you a little incident of Secretary Toucey's reception," says the Washington letter-writer of the Boston Post: "One of the guests, a gentleman, having a lady on his arm, look from the table a large, fine apple, probably for the little ones at home, and his coat sleeves being large, he secreted it in the alcove of his right arm. Unfortunately he forgot the circumstance just at the very moment he should not, for in making his retiring bow, he gave a flourish of his arm, and pitched the apple almost in the secretary's face! It bounded and rolled away all it lodged under some lady's crinoline, while the poor gentleman looked as much mortified and astonished as if he had accidentally fired a bomb shell in the parlor. The incident was too ludicrous for gravity, and even the grave and dignified secretary was forced into a broad smile, which expanded into a grin all round the parlor. Some wag scrambled to get the apple, and restored it to the discomfited gentleman, who then, incontinently took himself off."

The police of London have detected a new burglar instrument of the most extraordinary description. It will cut through iron half an inch thick, a hole six inches in diameter, in an hour, and without making the slightest noise or sound, or without unfixing the tool for an immediate repetition of the experiment.

FAMILY INFLUENCE IN WASHINGTON.—The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Press says: "It is curious to notice how 'family influence' controls things in Washington. Some skillful commentators could make up a most talking 'brochure' on this subject, if he chose to do so. The old families are adepts in this business. They are the nobility of the capital. They seem to think that everything belongs to them; and that they grow sons only to put into place, or train daughters only to match them to fortunes or bureaus. There are a number of families who have for and for a long time, the army, the navy, the marine corps, the civil service, home and foreign, are honored by the widows of the first families. All kinds of nominations are referred to, to accomplish these results. The labor of a dozen Senators, the laurels won in a dozen party campaigns, even the learning and experience of a life, are nothing in comparison to the system adopted by these veterans in Washington Society. Not least, that there is anything morally wrong in their management, I don't charge it. But it is a thing of almost daily occurrence to find a young fellow without talents, but advantageously situated in the line and process of the chain, and the upstart, one's own, the highest circles, and the most distinguished, where he remains as long as he can, making his duties the incidental and his unexcused, the main business of his life."

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The pulpit preaches, and the stage ridicules, and each without of the congregation or audience its imperturbable in the middle of her balloon, and lets the serious words or the comic words go in one ear and out of the other, precisely as if they were spoken in an unknown tongue. Nothing so sadly detriments the reputation of the press, the pulpit and the stage has ever happened as the utter failure of their crusade against crinoline. My present object in writing is likely, I think, to be popular—at least with the ladies. I do not want to put down crinoline—I only want to make room for it. Personally, I rather like it—I do, indeed, though I am a man. The fact is, I am a thoroughly disciplined husband and father, and I know the value of it. The only daughter my eldest daughter's otherwise perfect form lies on her feet, and on her face. She is married, so I don't mind mentioning that they are decidedly large and clumsy. Without crinoline they would be seen, with crinoline (think of that, scoffing young) society has the slightest suspicion of them.

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HOG THAN A PINKET.—A CRISTIANI CANAL. Dear Madam, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. in relation to the "Express" and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. Ladies, at times, are very kind, and I should like to see you in a "Hog" than a "Pinket." Being transported into a "Hog" than a "Pinket."

The world cannot live without printing. Its wheels are greased by their work; a day without all the printing press, a day without all the printing press, a day without all the printing press.

Let nobody turn over this page impatiently alarmed at the prospect of another distasteful advertisement. I, for one, am not going to exhibit myself in the character of one who wars against the existing institutions of the country. The press, the pulpit, and the stage have been in the habit of considering themselves as three distinct and independent agencies, capable of being used with separate effect on the "crinoline" of society. All three have tried to jerk the crinoline, but the English, earth, and have failed to stir so much as a single ray of it.

All three have vainly endeavored to move the women of England, and have not moved them an inch. Talk of the power of the press, the pulpit, and the stage, compared with the power of the French milliner? The press has tried to abridge the women's petticoats, and has utterly failed in the attempt. When the right time comes, a French milliner will abridge them, to a week's notice.

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