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Haunted Hickory.

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He was standing before her, with clenched teeth, pale cheeks and burning eyes.

The girl was dreadfully frightened, but commanding her fear and pretending confidence, she said, "Well, you would not harm me?"

"Look here," was his answer. He seized a stout sapling, bent it over, and held its head doubled down to its root with one hand. Then letting go it flew up with great force.

"Now am I strong," he asked. "You see that with one hand I could hold you more easily than the tree, and have the other free. And I have a knife in that one! But if you will do what I wish you to I will not hurt you."

"What is it you want me to do? Come tell me gently. Don't be so fierce."

"But this one thing you shall do for me, for I can make you!"

"What is it?" asked Lena again.

"Give me your hood and cloak, and get out of the way. Run home, I mean, as fast as you can. Then I will not even frighten you any more, and you will not see me again for a long time, for I am going to my tribe. Quick! give them to me."

Lena saw through his fiendish plot. She drew up indignation, all fear for herself vanished.

"And what do you want them for, you assassin?" she cried, "to lie in wait for my lover with your knife and your bloody intentions? No, I will fight for them till I die before you shall have them.—So take care!"

That instant the wily Indian threw a noosed rope, which he had concealed in his belt, over her shoulders, and slipping it until it held her arms down, he drew it tight with a sudden jerk.

"Now," said he, "fight if you choose! I will tie you to that tree, and when your lover comes to meet you, you shall see me dart out and stab him to the heart before your very eyes."

Lena tried to scream, in hopes of assistance, but Riffert's hand was promptly on her mouth.

"Wait, I have a gag," he said. "I will only keep it in until that English dog is lying dead there, and then your pretty lips shall be free for kisses."

Lena struggled and found a chance to speak.

"Stop," she said, desperation lending her craft. "Listen one moment. I will give you the things—I had just as leave as not. Give me time—and, Hugo, you did not tell me whether you met my father on your way here?"

"You did not ask me that."

"Why, yes, I asked you if you saw any one coming."

"But you meant the Englishman, your lover."

Every time the Indian said the word lover, he sneered and spat upon the ground.

"It was only you said him. You are always thinking of the Englishman.—But did not you see my father?"

"No."

"Well then, just step out to the road and look if he is not coming up the hill from the mill. He is to take me home on his horse. I can't get away! Just look out, that is a good fellow."

She hoped that if he would do so, Mr. Wilson might see him and avoid him.—Riffert looked very uneasy for a moment then he said:

"You lie. You know he is not coming. Come, will you give me the cloak, or shall I gag you and let you watch your lover die, while I take his kisses?"

He threw one arm around her, and when she felt the strength of it though it was but playfully done, she said:

"Let me go, Hugo. Free my hands, and I will untie the strings. I will give them to you instantly."

"Be quick then. Be quick!"

He loosened the cord, she slipped her hands out, took off her hood and cloak, and ran toward home as if in desperate flight. But this was a mere ruse. She was determined to warn her lover before he reached the tree.

So she plunged into the brushwood, and taking a circuit, hoped to meet Mr. Wilson before he approached the ambush. She struggled with desperate haste through the bushes, made as little noise as possible, and at length emerged about an eighth of a mile below the hickory. She looked anxiously down the road, but Mr. Wilson had while she was still in the underbrush, and was already at the trysting-place!

While Lena, with a beating heart, was still looking and listening, she heard, from the spot where she had left the Indian, the sound of a blow, a fall, and a low hoop of exultation. Then the savage bounded across the road, into the woods on the opposite side.

Lena ran with faltering feet to the tree. There lay her lover, fallen upon his face, the snow stained with his blood, and only fearful, struggling gasps to show that he was not utterly dead.

The poor stricken girl turned him over, and sought for the wounds. She found them easily; one, by the gushing fountain of blood, which she tried in vain to staunch; and the other by the knife sticking in it.

Three more spasmodic gasps at half minute intervals, and she held in

those clinging arms only clay.

She sat still, tearless and motionless, looking upon the stiffening of those beloved features. It was bitter cold, and gradually the half-clad girl was stiffening herself in the freezing air, but she did not heed it.

Some fiendish whim induced the Indian to return and look again upon his victim, and while Lena was thus watching her dead, he parted the bushes at the feet of the murdered man. He stood there laughing!

"The Englishman came, Lena, he said, 'and asked me for a kiss! I was sitting there, with the hood on, and the cloak, hiding my long legs. He stooped down over me and said, 'My love, I am late, but I couldn't help it, kiss me!—Yes, I will,' I said, 'there's one—take it! Lena left it for you when she lent me her clothes; and there's another—from me, with the knife for a present.'—He took both in silence, Lena, except that his breast-bone cracked for answer. Ha! ha! And now, Lena, you shall give me the kiss he asked for."—He advanced a step.

"Stop," said she, with a cold calm tone, and pointed to the bleeding bosom.

"Dare to approach!"

Her tone, her pallor, her large, rigid blue eyes fixed upon him, the sharpness of outline which the moonlight lent her face, the white accusing finger, all startled his superstitious mind into a sudden belief that she was a spirit. With knees that knocked together, he stole from the spot, and was never seen again by white men.

Lena did not know why he so suddenly left, and through the torpidity of her stunned soul, the thought came that he would return to scalp the corpse. Therefore she would not go home, but stayed to watch it, regardless of the cold, and sickening at the sight of her own warm garments which lay near, just as the Indian had thrown them off. She went, however, and stood upon the road calling for help.

The villagers, looking up, could see on the hill against the winter's sky, a woman's form, with bare head and in-door clothing, moving to and fro, raising its arms in supplication and uttering sad cries; but it was so unlikely that any of their women should be so exposed at that hour, that they were convinced it was an apparition, and dared not to go to its aid. Every one stood gazing, open-mouthed, at the wonder, until all became silent, and the form was no longer to be seen.

Then they began to talk about it, and to run about from one house to another gathering opinions. And so the news reached Casper Kesler, whose house was not in a position to see the hill-top. The old man, swearing at them for fools, set out with active steps, and cheerful, bold heart, to take aid to the distressed person or persons. When he arrived at the hickory, no one was there, but by the trodden snow he tracked the footsteps into the bushes, and saw a young girl's stiffened form lying with the head pillowed upon a breast which had dyed all the snow around with its life-tide.

Poor old man to find it was his daughter.

There were others following him,

and they carried the lovers home. It seemed, at first, that both were dead, but Lena recovered sufficiently to tell the particulars of the tale. She lived but a few hours.

When in these days the villagers look up to the hill, they say they sometimes see the creeping Indian and the imploring girl. Yes, and the distracted old father tearing his beard and cursing himself for crossing his daughter's love.

OUTSET IN LIFE.

Who that has ever seen the young about to embark on the great sea of the "world," can have failed to mark the elasticity of spirit with which they enter on the new stage of existence?

The present is regarded as nothing, the past is looked on as a watch of the night, and the future alone is esteemed the end and object of life. Age takes its pleasures from "memory"; youth centres its joys in the "hope" of the future; philosophy, which belongs neither to the young or old exclusively, has regard to the present, and sobers its visions of what is to come by the experience of what has already gone before.

The young have had no experience, and time alone must be their monitor. The silver hairs, and the furrowed brow, and the tottering step, must all come ere ever we fully realize the unwelcome truth that, in all our schemes and prospects of enjoyment, distance alone has lent enchantment; to the view, that under the fairest pleasures there have ever lurked insidious thorns, and that the gorgeous shapes that have floated before us in golden magnificence have been but as monster soap-bubbles, which the first breath of air shattered into annihilation.

A PICTURE OF LIFE AMONG THE MORMONS.—The Leeds (England) Mercury publishes a letter from a young woman, named Elizabeth Cotton, who formerly resided in that place, but was induced to join a Mormon emigrating party. The following are extracts from the letter:

"I am afraid I shall never see you again, but still I live in hopes."

"We started from Salt Lake some time since to come back again, but the Mormons met us, and we were compelled to go back."

"On arriving at the Salt Lake, I was not a little surprised to see the men running after the women and asking them if they were married, but I have not got married yet, and do not intend to. Many of the men have eight or ten wives, and he sleeps with one two nights and another two nights, and so on, and this is Mormonism; but this is not all, for Brigham Young has sixty women, and they had twelve sons in one year, and I don't know how many daughters. What they preach about is—stealing, and cutting anybody's throat, and if you ask anything about it you are told it is none of your business."

"I know one young woman of fifteen, who had four husbands in five months, and that gives an idea of Mormonism. Ann Jubb came along with us across the plains, and when she got to Salt Lake there were so many men running after her she got married, and she is the second wife, and they call her Ann Webb, but she is far from being comfortable, and would be glad to be back again."

"If I was in England and any Mormon Elder came to the house where I was I would give him a pretty warm reception. Mormonism in England and Mormonism in Salt Lake are as different as chalk and cheese."

"When we crossed the plains in 1856, we had a quarter of a pound of flour in one day; it was very cold weather, nearly 14 feet deep in snow. We could not travel, and had to wait on the plains until the Mormons came out with teams to fetch us in. I could tell you a great deal more if I was with you."

"I am your affectionate daughter, Elizabeth Cotton."

Nelly's Advice to Girls.

Girls, you want to get married, don't you? Ah! what a natural thing it is for young ladies to have such a hankering for the sterner sex. This is a weakness that the women have, and for this reason, they are called the weaker sex. Well, if you want to get married, don't, for conscience sake, act the fools about it. Don't get yourself into a fit of nips every time you see a hat and a pair of whiskers. Don't get the idea into your head that you must put yourself in the neighborhood, in order to attract notice, for if you don't run after men, they will run after you. Mark that.

A husband hunter is the most detestable of all young ladies. She is full of starch puffers, she puts on many false airs, and she is so very nice that it appears ridiculous in the eyes of every decent person; she may generally be found at meetings, and of course, about the last one always, at social parties, and invariably takes a front seat at concerts. She tries to be the bell of the place, and thinks she is. Poor girl! You are fitting yourself for an old maid, just as sure as the Sabbath comes on Sunday. Men will flirt with you and flatter you because they have no more idea of making a wife of you than they have of committing suicide; if I was a young man, I would have no more to do with such a fancy than I would with a rattlesnake.

No, girls, let Nelly give you a piece of advice, and she knows from experience if you practice it, you will gain a reputation of being worthy girls, and stand a chance of getting respectable husbands. It is well enough for you to learn to finger a piano, work embroidery, study grammar, etc., but don't neglect your grandma, or your dear mother; teach yourselves to make bread, or get a meal of victuals good enough for a king; no part of a good house-keeper's duties should be neglected; if you don't get a wealthy husband you will need to know how to do these things as you would have them done. In the next place, do not pretend to be what you are not. Affectation is the most despicable of accomplishments, and you will only cause sensible people to laugh at you. No one but a fool will be caught by affectation, it has a very transparent skin, easily to be seen through.

Dress plain, but neatly. Remember that nothing gives a girl a more modest, becoming and lovely appearance, as a neat dress. All the finery and show-work of the milliner, and dressmaker are unnecessary.

If you are really handsome, they do not add to your beauty one particle; if you are homely they only make you look worse. Gentlemen don't court your face, and jewelry but your own dear selves.

Finger rings and fiddlesticks may do to look at, but they add nothing to the value of a wife—all young men know that. If you know how to talk, do it naturally and don't be so distressingly nice as to spell all you say. If your neck is black wear a lace collar, but don't be foolish enough to dab on paints, thinking people are so blind as not to see it; and if your cheeks are not rosy, don't apply pink acetate, for the deception will be detected, and become the gossip of the neighborhood.

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Friday, June 11, 1858.

Moultrie County.

In our article last week on Moultrie county, we left Macon county one ahead, and the citizens of Moultrie with their thinking caps drawn on and exercising their wits to see if there was not some way "given under Heaven or among men" whereby we might get ahead of Macon again. We kept our wits at work some time, and the best that we could do was, at the approaching election for county officers, to select the best talent we had in the county, as county Commissioners, and trust the management of the affair to them. So, at the first election held in Moultrie county, we elected Abram H. Kellar, Reuben B. Ewing and George Mitchell county Commissioners for our county; two of whom lived in that part of our county which formerly belonged to Macon, and who felt as much interest in getting rid of paying the Macon county court house debt as any men in our county.

The newly elected Commissioners met at the residence of James Camfield, immediately after their election, to hold their first court. At that time almost every one had concluded there was no way for us to get out of paying our proportionate part of the said court house debt. The citizens of Macon were jubilant over the victory which they had achieved over us in the legislature; and as the days of miracles were passed, they thought it was impossible for us to ever get ahead of them again.

Such was the state of affairs when the new Commissioners commenced the first term of their court in this county; the term at which they were to appoint a Commissioner to meet the county commissioners of Macon county, at Decatur, at their June term following, to ascertain what our proportionate part of the court house debt amounted to, and to make arrangements about paying the same, &c.

After the new county court had divided the county into election precincts, road districts, &c., and attended to some other necessary business, they came to the all-important question of appointing a commissioner to meet the Macon county commissioners. The first question was, should they appoint such a commissioner? This question was soon disposed of by referring to the act of the legislature forming the county of Moultrie, which reads as follows:

"The county commissioners' court of the county of Moultrie shall, at their first term, appoint one or more suitable persons to meet with the county commissioners of Macon county, at their June term, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ascertain the proportion of the court house debt of Macon county, which the inhabitants taken from Macon and forming a part of Moultrie county, have agreed by their petition to pay," &c.

The question then was whom should they appoint as commissioner. Two, at least, of the commissioners had given up all hope of getting rid of paying for the ten thousand dollar court house in Decatur. Finally Abram H. Kellar, commonly known in this county by the name of "Old Hickory," from the fact that he, like Gen. Jackson, when it became necessary for the public good, that he should do so, was willing to shoulder all responsibilities himself, said:

"Gentlemen, this act is very positive in its language, that we shall appoint a commissioner at this time to meet the county commissioners of

Macon county at their June term, and we are bound to comply. But this act does not affix any penalty upon this commissioner. In case he neglects to meet said commissioners of Macon county, and therefore I think the only way for us to get rid of this court house debt, save by paying it, is to appoint some person said commissioner who will be sure to attend at Decatur at the appointed time. I would suggest Abram Souther as a suitable person for said commissioner. Abram lives there by me, and I'll tell him to not go to meet the Macon county commissioners, and Abram won't go."

These remarks met the approbation of the other members of the court, and Abram Souther was unanimously appointed a commissioner to meet the county commissioners at Macon county at their June term, to ascertain our proportionate part of the court house debt, with the expectation that he would not attend in Decatur at the appointed time. And sure enough when the first Monday in June came round, instead of Mr. Souther being at Decatur, ascertaining what amount of the court house debt Macon expected us to pay, he was attending to his own interests and that of his county, by staying at home and plowing his young corn.

When the first Monday in June came, and Abram Souther did not meet the county commissioners of Macon county as they had expected him to do, they, together with a great many of their fellow-citizens, saw at once that we had got the wires into our own hands, and that if they could not coax or frighten us into terms the jig was up. So they set work to persuade us to pay a part of their court house debt; but it was no go, for they were then appealing to our purses, which we found we could not be coaxed into it, they then tried to frighten us into the harness, but we let them know we were not born in the back woods to be frightened by owls; and they finally, with a very bad grace, abandoned the hope of ever getting us to help them pay for their fine court house.

"We are unable to give the official vote of this county for Judge of the Supreme Court, from the fact that we have not heard from but three precincts. The following are the precincts heard from:

SULLIVAN.—Constable 80; Walker 27.
LOVINGTON.—Walker 83; Constable 8.
MAMOWONE.—Only 16 votes polled—nearly all for Walker.

"We have not received any mail at this place since—can't remember when—but you have an old novel, almanac and a dusty bible, from which we can fill our columns till the "forty days and nights" are ended.

"Our thanks are due Hon. J. Trumbull, for valuable public documents.

"The most novel affair that has taken place in this county for a long time, came off a short time since, about two miles from this place, in the shape of a regular "pitch-battle"—a scuffle between a couple of bipeds of the petticoat gender.

"Wonder if any person would object to having the grave yard cleaned up?"

"John B. McClure, east side public square, has "jubilicious" Ice-Cream. Go and get a dish of it."

"John B. Shepherd, south west corner public square, has "magnificent" Ice-Cream. Try it."

"Notice advertisement of J. M. Logan & Co's Lumber Yard, Windsor. Not quite so far as Mattoon.

WARLIKE.

British cruisers in the Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean sea continue to board and search American vessels, in the most insolent manner. The President has dispatched a naval force to the Gulf, with orders to protect our commerce, and repel any further attempts on our vessels by force. Both houses of Congress are fully aroused, and on the 28th, resolutions were introduced declaring that the acts of the British were *deliberate*, and should be resisted by force. Messrs. Hale, Mallory, Toombs, Hayne, Seward and Douglas participated in the discussion; all taking strong grounds in favor of empowering the Executive to send out a naval force sufficient to capture the offending cruisers, *Styx* and *Buzzard*, and bring them into American ports.

The following is expressive of the feeling in Congress:

MR. DOUGLAS.—What good does it do to resolve that this search is a *deliberate* act? The American people and England know that England was so informed forty years ago, and yet she has violated our rights fifty-three times within the past four weeks. He commended and admired the promptness with which the President has sent a force to the Gulf, but that force is only up to the point of preventing. Do you suppose it will ever find an opportunity unless a ship-of-war be sent to accompany every merchant vessel? The senator from New York was wrong in saying that our force could sink the British in the Gulf. The British there have three guns, to our one. It is brave at least to think that our one will sink their three. He recommended another force. Let a ship-of-war, say the *Wabash*, get on the track of the *Styx* or *Buzzard*, follow her up, capture her and bring her into an American port, and it will then be the time to make explanations.

If England avows the cruiser's acts it becomes an international question; if she disavows the acts, it only remains to say what punishment we shall inflict on those lawless persons, who have perpetrated these outrages. The President having gone, as far as he can go, let him have at once such powers as are necessary to protect our flag, and maintain the rights of our citizens at home and abroad. He had no fear of the abuse of such power by the present Executive, or any that may follow. The President is almost powerless abroad. Every other Chief Magistrate has not only the power to repeal, but to punish outrages on his national rights, and why would not the Chief Magistrate of this Republic have power ample and full in aid of our flag, and instead of having any apprehension that that power will be abused.

War with England.

The most exciting topic at Washington and our maritime cities just now, is the recent outrages in American waters upon American ships by British cruisers. The following is a record of British operations in the Gulf, within a few weeks past, and every day adds to the sum of our rage:

- Ship Tropic Bird, fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Bark Glenburn overhauled at sea, and searched.
 - Bark W. H. Chandler, boarded and searched while lying at anchor at Sagua la Grande.
 - Bark Robert Wing fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Schooner Wingold fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Schooner Cortez, seized and detained at Inagua.
 - Schooner N. B. Borden fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Schooner Mobile, fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Ship John & Albert, fired into five times between Florida and Cuba.
 - Bark Martha Gilchrist, fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Bark Grotto, fired into, boarded and searched.
 - Bark Wingold, fired into, boarded and searched.
 - American bark Clara Windsor, fired into by the British steamer Forward, and boarded.
- While the British are so anxious to stop the slave trade, would it not be well for our war vessels to be instructed to pay some attention to the Coolie business? Let all the British ships be searched for Coolies.

Rain—rain—RAIN!

Lands and Homes in the West.

"As an almost unrecanted immigration is going forward to the rich and fertile prairies of the West from the exhausted hills over-crowded cities of the East, in consequence of the late commercial and business crisis, it is important to the farmer, the mechanic, and the laborer, who contemplates changing his home to note the following facts:

1. No State in the Valley of the Mississippi offers so great inducements to the settlers as the State of Illinois. Forming a part of that prolific belt which extends from the Atlantic to the Missouri river, and includes the States of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa and Northern Missouri, it holds a commanding and central position, while the great lake on one side, and the great rivers on the other, give it easy and equal access to the North, the South, the East and the West!

2. The climate, removed alike from the rigorous severity of the more Northern States, and the heats of the Southern, is both salubrious and agreeable. According to the Federal census of 1850, the rate of mortality in Illinois is less than in several of the New England States. The soil, composed of a deep, rich loam, is as fertile as any on the globe. It is for the most part, so early worked—requiring no grubbing up of stumps and picking off of stones—that the labor of one man is as effective, commonly, as that of two or three men on the rocky soils of the East, and far more productive. One man on the prairies can break from two to three acres, and afterward plow from six to eight acres per day, while in the East he can only break from one-half to one acre per day, and plow from two to three acres afterward. The yield of the prairies at the same time, is nearly three-fold greater.—In fact, Illinois was long ago designated by popular instinct as the Garden State of the West, and now that it has been brought so extensively under cultivation, it more than ever deserves the name.

3. Illinois is not a frontier State, in which the settler is exposed to the severe privations and hardships of early settlement, but it contains over a million and a half of residents numerous cities, towns, and villages, and 2,775 miles of completed railway, which is more than any other State in the Union has, with the exception of New York and Ohio. Ninety millions of dollars have been expended on works of internal improvement, without resorting to a State debt, and to consequent taxation; 1,800,000 acres of land have been devoted to purposes of education and general utility. These improvements will supply a revenue to the State for public expenditures for all times to come, and consequently taxation will be merely nominal.

4. It is often said that Illinois is unwooded; but the fact is, that there is scarcely a county in the State without considerable forest, while the southern part of it contains almost 2,000,000 acres of timber. In the year 1857, there was brought into Chicago 460,000,000 feet of lumber. Chicago is also the greatest grain depository in the world, and is the terminus of 3,953 miles of finished railway. In different parts of the State, iron, coal, and fine building stone are found in abundance.

5. Nowhere can more excellent land be procured in more favorable terms than in Illinois. The Central Railroad Company, to which the State granted the 2,500,000 acres which had been donated by the General Government extending through the centre of the State, north and south, fifteen miles on each side of the railroad, having disposed of 1,200,000 acres, offers the rest at moderate prices, on long credits and at low rates of interest. The prices vary from \$6 to \$50, the credits to extend over a period of six years, and the interest at three per cent, the legal rate in Illinois, being ten per cent. Cash sales are made at a reduction of twenty per cent.

6. There are on the line of the Central Railroad 100 cities and villages, with populations varying from 200 to 12,000 souls—with factories, mills, stores, post offices, schools and churches—all rapidly growing in numbers and wealth, and affording the comforts of civilized life to the settler, while they open every opportunity and prospect of business to the mechanic and trader. The counties contiguous to the road embrace a population of over 600,000, for the most part thrifty, enterprising and industrious.

7. Thus it will be seen that the lands of Illinois are largely peopled and cultivated; their products are within easy reach of all the great Western centres of trade, and may be transported by way of the lake to the Eastern markets, at less cost than from many intermediate points; and though these lands are now sold for from \$6 to \$50 per acre, must inevitably advance to \$50 and even 100% in a few years. Lands that were lately sold by the Company for 150 of 250

per acre, will now bring from \$50 to \$100. The Illinois Central Company gives no encouragement to speculative purchasers, for its own interests cause it to prefer actual settlers, who raise the value of neighboring lands, and contribute to the traffic of the road.

REMOVAL OF CONVICTS FROM ALTON TO JOLIET.—The Alton Courier states that "Samuel F. Casey, Esq., who was chosen warden of the penitentiary by the last Legislature of Illinois, and who assumes entire control of that institution on the 10th of June proximo, took away fifty-three of the convicts—fifty men and three women, and removed them to Joliet, where the new penitentiary building is in progress of erection.

"We learn that none of the cells of the new prison are completed, and that those prisoners who have been removed will have to be all lodged in one large room, which, however, is inside of a stone wall twelve feet high. They will all the time be under the care of a sufficient guard, and will probably be as safe as if kept here."

These prisoners are to be employed in the erection of the new penitentiary buildings at Joliet.

Cooling Rooms.

The warm weather will shortly be here, and every one will be seeking the refreshing influence of a cool and shady place, whereunto they can retreat from the blazing sun; so we will give our readers a few hints concerning the cooling of their houses. The first necessity is a thorough draft.—This can be obtained by opening every door and window in the basement, the top of every window above, and by throwing each door wide open; but above all, be sure that the trap-door in the roof is open, and there is plenty of air room from it down the stairs, so that whichever be the direction of the wind, there will be at least one ascending current of air in the house. Another requisite is shade.—Our common sash shutters answer well for the windows; but the most cheap and convenient shelter for the roof is to cover it thickly with straw, dried reeds, or rushes. These will resist the influence of the noon day sun, and keep the garret almost as cool as the basement. One of the most simple methods, and at the same time cheapest means of artificial lowering the temperature of a room, is to wet a cloth of any size, the larger the better, and suspend it in the place you want cooled; let the room be well ventilated and the temperature will sink from ten to twenty degrees in less than half an hour.

The above hints will be useful to many, and as a last suggestion we will inform the reader that, in summer, it is well to keep a solution of chloride of lime in the house, and occasionally sprinkle it in the more frequented parts, as the passages and stairs.

LIFE WITHOUT LOVE.—We sometimes meet with men who seem to think that any indulgence in affectionate feeling is weakness. They will return from a journey, and greet their families with a distant dignity, and move among their children with the cold and lofty splendor of an iceberg, surrounded by its broken fragments. There is hardly a more unnatural sight on earth than one of those families without a heart.

Who that has experienced the joys of friendship, and values sympathy and affection, would not rather lose all that is beautiful in nature's scenery than be robbed of the hidden treasure of his heart? Cherish, then, your heart's best affections, indulge in the warm and gushing emotions of filial, paternal and fraternal love.

They are getting sharp at Lafayette, Ind., under the influence of their great mineral water facilities. A horticulturist advertised that he would supply all sorts of trees and plants, especially "pie-plants of all kinds." A gentleman thereupon sent him an order for "one package of mustard pie seed, and a few dozen of mince pie plants." The gardener promptly filled the order by sending him four goose eggs and a small dog. The Courier vouches for the statement.

Republican Convention.

Prompt to a call, the Republican met in Convention, at the Court House in Sullivan, the 7th day of June, and organized by appointing John A. Freeman Chairman and M. Kearney Secretary. John A. Freeman being called upon stated the object of the meeting in a few brief remarks.

On motion, A. Birch and C. I. Koane, was appointed Delegates to the State Republican Convention, to meet in Springfield on the 10th inst, with J. D. Reeves and John A. Freeman, as Alternates.

On motion John A. Freeman, John Love, A. McPheeters, J. D. Reeves, A. N. Gregory, Alvin Waggoner, Alexander H. Edwards, W. Thomason and Elijah Fleming, were appointed a Committee for Moultrie County, to act in conjunction with the Republican State Central Committee.

On motion the meeting adjourned sine die.

JOHN A. FREEMAN, Ch'r.
SIMON M. KEARNEY, Sec'y.

LOVED AND LOST.

Dear girl, embalm'd in holiest love,
Jeweled with many tears,
Thy image, bright and beautiful,
Mid flowers affection rears—
Deep in the chambers of my heart
Dwell'eth in peace. And O, tis bliss,
In a weary, weary world like this,
(Where folly flies a gilded dust,
And fattery falls life's troubled waters)
To have the queen of earth's fair daughters
As guardian of the noblest part—
There dwell forever, like the star
That led the wise men from afar,
To where the Saviour lay;
Guide thou, through life's all bitter task,
My yearning soul, till it shall bask
In God's all-glorious day.

SLANDER.—Of all monsters of this man birth, open or masked, that go up and down the earth, slander is the chiefest.—Offener batched of idle depravity than of active malice, it is in every form an assassin's dagger. Perchance no living soul has escaped its thrust—so universal is it. It fears not the high, and scorns not the low. Everywhere its withering venom spreads, embittering the world's heart, poisoning the world's life, and enkindling hate and feud. Devilish child of the unbridled tongue, what pangs, what agonies, what remorse hast thou begotten. Oh, tongue! that canst whisper so sweetly of love—that canst burn with the fires of friendship, and flame with the eloquence of mercy and truth—that canst thrill the soul with delights, and consecrate it to all that is beautiful and holy, why wilt thou forever defile thyself with the demon's curse, the serpent's hiss! Angel one moment, and vampire the next! Agent of God, and yet hell's most infamous servant! O, tongue, that art so capable of good, and yet so prone to evil—that canst bid live, and yet must kill! But for slander, peace might dwell among men—the living happy, the dead unharmed. But for slander—ah, the poet named thee well.

"Slander, the foulest whip of sin," says "Gossip" art thou in thine infancy, stirring up rancor and bitterness in neighborhoods; in thy girlhood, thou art a black, blasting "lie." All men hate thee and yet thou art "a sweet morsel on the tongue." Who can answer for this anomaly—who explain it? Blessed be the tongue that speaketh praise and truth; accursed forever be the tongue that uttereth falsehood and slander!

BRIGHT EYE-BARS.
"Nigga, how did you leave New York?"
"I wasn't been dar'; how did you leave it, Nigga?"
"Me! oh, I didn't was dar'."
"I say, shincee Cress, look at dis plum-line, don't it hang thick plum-line?"
"O! shaw, nigga, why can't you talk white?" say purchase withhold.

WHAT NEXT.—An attempt is to be made to recover the million and a half of dollars that went down in the *Ship Central American*, notwithstanding the fact that she is known to have sunk in water over five-sixths of a mile deep, and in a spot that is sixty miles from the nearest land.

Buy furniture of Peter Smith.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.
Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a decree of the Moultrie county court, rendered at its April term, A.D. 1858, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder, on the premises, on the 16th day of July next, on a credit of six months, the purchaser giving note and personal security and a mortgage on the premises to secure the purchase money, the following described lands to pay the debts of Martha J. Montoney deceased, to-wit: The undivided one eighth part of south east quarter of section 36, Township 13 North, R. 4 East, in Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, and the N¹/₂ of the SW¹/₄ of sec. 3, in Township 12 North, Range 4 East, in the county of Shelby in said State, said sale to be between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 5 o'clock P.M. A deed will be made to the purchaser on the day of sale, on compliance with the terms of the sale.
JOHN THOMASON, Adm'r.
June 4th 1858.—38—6w.

Sheriff's Sale.
BY virtue of an Execution to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of John J. & William L. Haydon assignees Simon Steinau, and against Henry Y. Kellar & Ezer D. Cleveland I have levied upon the following described lands to-wit: 60 acres off of the north end of n¹/₂ sec. 3 and 30 acres off of the n¹/₂ of n¹/₂ of sec. 3, both in town 14 range 5 east, as the property of the said Henry Y. Kellar which I shall offer at public sale, at the Court-house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 26th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY Sheriff of Moultrie County Illinois.
By J. G. KEARNEY, Deputy.
June 4th 1858. — 38 — 3w

Sheriff's Sale.
BY virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Leander Muscell and James Steele, Exrs of Robert Steele dec'd, and against Martin N. Vanfleet, I have levied upon the following described lands to-wit: SW q. of NE q. of sec 10 Town. 13, R. 5 East 40 acres, as the property of the said Martin N. Vanfleet, which I shall offer at public sale, at the Court-house door in Sullivan in said State, on the third day of July 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie County.
By J. G. Kearney, Deputy.
June 11th 1858.—39—3w

Sheriff's Sale.
BY virtue of two Executions to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county in the State of Illinois, one in favor of B. W. Henry and the other in favor of A. N. Smiser and against William H. Taylor, I have levied upon the following described Real Estate, to-wit: Thirty-seven feet front, and ninety-two feet deep, off of the west side of Lot six (6) in Block eight (8), in the town of Sullivan; as the property of the said William H. Taylor, which I shall offer at public sale, at the court house door in Sullivan in said State, on the 1st day of July A. D. '58 between the hour of 9 A. M. and sunset of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said executions.
E. C. BERRY Sheriff of Moultrie County Illinois.
June 11th 1858. 39 3t [34] 00

Sheriff's sale.
BY virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of George W. McMillen and against Samuel L. Wood, I have levied upon the following described lands to-wit: the n¹/₂ of sec. 9 town. 15 N range 5 E containing 160 acres, more or less, as the property of the said Samuel L. Wood which I shall offer at public sale, at the court house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 1st day of July 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie county Ill.
June 11th 1858. — 39 — 3w

DOCTOR
J. E. DUNNINGTON
TENDS HIS RESPECTFUL
acknowledgments to the citizens of
Coles, Moultrie and Shelby Counties, for
their liberal patronage.
OFFICE at his residence, where he
may be found, day and night, unless
absent professionally.
WINDSOR ILL., June 11th 1858—39—2m.
Moultrie Lodge, No. 158.
I. O. O. F.
Meets every Tuesday Evening in their Hall,
over Yackins Store. Transient Brothers in
vited to attend.
W. W. TRAVIS, Sec'y. B. KNIGHT, X. G.

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an Execution, to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the Circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Alfred Thayer for use of D. D. Randolph, and against Henry M. Hall & K. B. Pennewell; I have levied upon the following described lands, to-wit:
Three acres off of sec. 1 of n¹/₂ sec. 19, Town 14, Range 5 East, as the property of the said K. B. Pennewell, which I shall offer at public sale, at the Court house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 19th day of June, 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie County Illinois.
By J. G. KEARNEY, Deputy.
May 28th, 1858.—37—3w

Sheriff's Sale.
BY virtue of an Execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Anson Birch, and against H. C. Cunningham; I have levied upon the following described lands, to-wit:
N¹/₂ of sec. 2 of sec. 29, Town 15, R. 5 East, 40 acres; and pt of n¹/₂ of sec 32, Town 15, R. 5 East, 60 acres; as the property of the said H. C. Cunningham, which I shall offer at public sale, at the court house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 19th day of June 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.
E. E. BERRY, sheriff of Moultrie County Illinois.
By J. G. KEARNEY Deputy.
May 28th, 1858.—37—3w.

Sheriff's sale.
By virtue of an Execution, to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the state of Illinois, in favor of Anson Birch, for the use of Aaron George, and against Ambrose Meeker. I have levied upon the following described Lands to-wit: the n¹/₂ of the n¹/₂ of sec. 10 town. 13 range 5 east cont'g 40 acres as the property of the said Ambrose Meeker which I shall offer at Public sale, at the Court-house door in Sullivan, in said state, on the 24th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY, sheriff of Moultrie County Ill.
May 28 1858. — 37 — 3w

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an execution, to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Willis Short and against John Fredrick & Samuel McCune I have levied upon the following described Real Estate to-wit: n¹/₂ of the sw¹/₄ sec. 12 town, 13 N range 4 east 40 acres, and n¹/₂ of s¹/₂ sec. 8 town. 13 range 5 40 acres, as the property of Samuel McCune which I shall offer at public sale, at the Court-house door in Sullivan in said State, on the 24th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie county.
By Wm. R. Lee Dep'y
June 4th 1858. — 38 — 3t

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county in the State of Illinois, in favor of Jacob McCune, and against Albert G. Snyder I have levied upon the following described land to-wit: n¹/₂ of sec. 25 town. 14 N range 5 east 40 acres, as the property of the said Albert G. Snyder which I shall offer at public sale at the court house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 26th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie county.
By J. G. Kearney Dup'y
June 4th 1858. — 38 — 3w

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an Execution to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Seth Thayer, Edwin B. Aldrich, William H. Thayer and Charles H. T. Ahrens, and against Henry Y. Kellar & Ezer D. Cleveland, I have levied upon the following described lands, to-wit:
s¹/₂ of n¹/₂ of sec. 34, Town 15, Range 5 East, subject to the widow's dower, as the property of the said Henry Y. Kellar, which I shall offer at public sale at the Court-house door in Sullivan in said State, on the 26th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie county Illinois.
By J. G. KEARNEY, Deputy.
June 4th 1858.—38—3w.

Administrator's Notice.
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, that on Monday, the 5th day of July next, I shall attend before the county court of Moultrie County, at Sullivan Illinois, for the purpose of settling and adjusting all claims against the said Estate of Johnson Collins, late of said county, dec'd; when and where all claimants are notified to attend, and present their claims in writing, against said Estate, for adjustment. All persons indebted to said Estate, are also notified to make payment without delay, to the undersigned.
HARRISON THOMAS, Adm'r.
May 19th, 1858—36—6w.

Administrator's Notice.
NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of Jacob Shipman, dec'd, to present the same to the probate court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, on the first Monday in the month of July next, for adjustment. And all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to pay up immediately.
DANIEL SHIPMAN, Adm'r.
Sullivan Ill., May 28.—37—6w.

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an execution, to me directed and delivered, by the clerk of the circuit court of Moultrie county, in the State of Illinois, in favor of Mark E. Reeves, Francis C. Goode, William R. Phipps & John S. Perkins and against Henry Y. Kellar & Ezer D. Cleveland, I have levied upon the following described lands to-wit:
w¹/₂ of sec. 34 town. 15 range 5 E
e¹/₂ of s¹/₂ " " " " " "
w¹/₂ of s¹/₂ w¹/₂ " " " " " "
subject to the widow's dower therein, as the property of the said Henry Y. Kellar which I shall offer at public sale, at the court house door in Sullivan, in said State, on the 26th day of June 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.
E. C. BERRY, Sheriff of Moultrie county Ill.
By J. G. Kearney Deputy
June 4th 1858. — 38 — 3w

Peoples' STORE!
Love & Kearney,
North West Corner of the Public Square,
Are in receipt of a large and well selected Stock of Spring & Summer GOODS,
Which they offer at fair prices for Cash, or to good customers.

ON THE USUAL TIME.
Their stock consists of DRY GOODS of every quality,
Boots & Shoes,
HATS
Every Description,
READY-MADE Clothing,
HARDWARE & QUEENSWARE,
-o-Also-o-

A SPLENDID LOT OF GROCERIES
which they design selling exclusively FOR MONEY.
They invite the public to examine their stock.
May 7th, 1858. No. 35 1y
10,000 lbs. Bacon wanted at the best prices in exchange for Goods by A. N. Smyser.
May 1st '58

CABINET SHOP.
Peter Smith,
Takes pleasure in announcing to his old friends, patrons, and the public generally,
THAT HE

STILL continues the CABINET MAKING BUSINESS at the Old Stand,
North East side of the Public Square,
Where he is prepared to manufacture all kinds of parlors, Chamber and Kitchen furniture, on short notice, and at very LOW PRICES.
COFFINS!
All sizes and qualities kept constantly on hand, and made to order on application.
Terms, CASH.

He hopes by selling furniture at lowest prices and close attention to business, to merit a liberal patronage.
March 5th '58. no. 26 1y.

WESTERN VALLEY FIRE AND MARINE Insurance Company OF CHICAGO, ILL.
Capital Stock, \$500,000. Paid in and Secured by Bonds and Mortgage on Real Estate, \$250,000
OFFICERS.
G. W. YERBY, President.
G. B. ARMSTRONG, Secretary.
S. M. GILBERT, Gen. Airt. REFERENCES.
Col. A. Hamilton, Chicago
Hon. J. Wilson, Com. I. C. R. Co. Ill. do.
Col. J. T. Little, do.
A. H. Burley, Bookeller and Publisher, do.
Hon. J. E. McCortner, Springfield, Ill. do.
Wm. B. Bondy, Esq., do.
Hon. O. B. Ficklin, Charleston, Ill. do.
W. N. Coler, Urbana, Ill. do.

This Company was organized on the 2nd March, 1857, and is prepared to take risks against Loss by Fire on all kinds of Insurable Property, at usual rates.
\$250,000 of its Capital having been paid up and secured by Bond and Mortgage on Real Estate, it is now prepared to do business in all of the N. W. States and Territories.
W. B. PORTER, AGENT at Sullivan Illinois, January 21 1858. 26 1y

NOTICE!
To Our Customers!
We have sold out our stock of goods, and are now settling up our business. All those indebted to us, will do us a 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.
NABB & BROWN.
Dec. 31, No. 17 1y

Thunderation!
We wish 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.
P. B. KNIGHT & Co.
Feb. 11, 1858. No 24 1y

Farm for Sale.
I wish to sell my farm, lying four miles north of Sullivan, Moultrie county, Illinois, containing 240 acres of prairie land, and nine acres of woodland. Any person wishing to buy a farm would do well to give me a call, as I will sell cheap.
THOMAS DAVIS.
Sullivan, Ill., April 9 '58—31—3m.

NEW CASH STORE.
H. F. Vadakin.
New Brick, West Side of Square.
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
CASH BUYERS
to trade with ME. I intend to confine myself, as closely as possible, to the CASH SYSTEM; and as I shall sell goods so much below the CREDIT PRICES, persons having money to pay for goods will find it much to their interest to buy of me.
My stock consists, in part, of Brown and Bleached Domestic, Prints, Lawns, Challis, Linens, Lace, Trimmings, Heavy Goods, &c. &c.— Groceries, Queens-ware, Steneware, Hard-ware, Boots & Shoes of nearly all kinds, and at very low prices; Hats and Caps, Ready-made Clothing, Harness, Saddlery, Cutlery, White-lead Oil &c. &c.—In fact I keep almost every thing usually kept in Dry-goods STORES,
To which I invite your attention as to quality and prices, before purchasing elsewhere.
Dec 31 '57. 17 1y

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 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.
The LADIES, especially, are invited to call and examine our stock of GOODS.
J. E. EDEN.
April 16, '58. 32 3m.

PORTER & STEELE, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, & SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY,
Sullivan, Illinois.
Will practice in the Courts of the 17th Judicial Circuit. All business promptly attended. Office on West side of the square, one door North of Dr. J. Y. Hitt's office.
Feb. 26 1858. No. 25 1y

WHY Should I get an Insurance on my Life? LET THE PRESENT TIMES SPEAK, 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." Address by Gen. Dearborn, of Boston.
"It is no more the moral duty of a man to provide the daily bread for his family while he lives, than it is to provide against their being left penniless, in the event of his death."—Edin. Journal.
"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."
McClunhach's Commercial Dict'y.
EXAMPLE.
Hon. Abbott Lawrence. Among the bequests in the Will of the late Hon. Abbott Lawrence, of Boston, was a Life Insurance, for the sole benefit of his wife, for \$40,000, which, probably, has been subsisting for many years, showing the estimation he placed upon the subject of Life Insurance and its security.
Feb. 12, '58. 29-1y

MILLNER SHOP.
MRS. M. A. WILLETTTE,
Begg 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, 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 & Kearney.
MARTHA A. WILLETTTE.
March 19th '58. 28 1y

PLOWS!!
F. P. HOKE & BRO,
Take pleasure in announcing to the public and everybody 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. 7 1y

HO, YE HUNGRY,
AND 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 articles 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, Perfumeries, Hair Oil, Cologne, Note Paper, Envelopes, Lard Oil, Combs, Pocket Knives, Razors shaving Soap, Violin strings and notions generally.
—ALSO—
GROCERIES,
which they propose to sell as cheap as any other house in town; consisting of Coffee, Sugar, Starch, Spices, Cinnamon, Soda, Pepper, Ginger, Salt, Soap, Tobacco, Fine Cigars, Mackerel and White Fish. Country produce taken in exchange for goods.
J. R. McCORMICK.
Sept. 17, 1857. 17-1 1y ad

SADDLERY.
Lewis Trench & Henry Burg,
HAVING associated together in the Saddlery & 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.
We have on hand a good assortment of well selected Stock and
READY-MADE articles, such as
SADDLS,
HARNESS,
BUGGY HARNESS,
BRIDLES,
MARTINGALS,
WHIPS,
BOOTS & SHOES of all kinds constantly on hand, and all that is commonly kept in their business.
They hope by constant attention to business, to deserve and receive a share of public patronage.
Work done with neatness and dispatch.
Prices to suit the times, and all work warranted.
We will pay the highest market price for Hides, Deer Skins, & Sheep Pelts.
Dec. 10 1857. 14-1y

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

BY RICHARD WRIGHT. Columbia! while thy mountains stand, And while thy rivers flow, While beats one heart in freedom's land, While man the truth shall know, While recollections of the past Blend with the future day, Above all other days be classed That one of glorious ray, The birthday bright as sun ere shone upon— The birthday of Virginia's Washington!

SMYSER

Now is the Time! Now is your time to buy cheap goods. I am just, this week, receiving and opening a full stock of seasonable Goods, consisting, in part, of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods of every description. Ready-made clothing, Dress Goods, Boots & Shoes, Hats, Gents' Wear, Ladies' Bonnets, etc.

A No. 1 lot OF COTTON YARN. A full stock of Hardware, Queensware, Tools, Carpentry, etc. All of which I wish to sell low for cash, or to prompt paying men, on time. Just bring along all your Bacon, Butter, Eggs, Cheese, Hides, and in short, anything marketable and in good order will suit me.

X 10 sive LUMBER YARD!

J. M. LOGAN & Co. WE take this means of announcing to our friends in Moultrie, that we are now prepared to fill any bill of Lumber that may be given us; as we have on hand a very large and well selected stock of Lumber: of all kinds.

WALNUT, SHINGLES.

Which we will sell on the most favorable terms. We possess facilities equal to those of any other firm, in the way of purchasing, and being practical Carpenters, we have quite an advantage in selecting Lumber. Please call and examine our Lumber and Prices—we'll do you good.

Livery Stable!

Takes pleasure in announcing to the citizens of Sullivan and vicinity, that he has opened a large Livery Stable, in the building formerly occupied by Thomson & George, where he keeps constantly on hand a good supply of the very finest Horses and Buggies, and hopes by close attention to business, and reasonable charges, to merit a liberal patronage.

Manny's REAPER AND MOWER COMBINED!!!

To Farmers who are acquainted with this celebrated machine, comment upon its merits is unnecessary. To those who are unacquainted with it, the following considerations are worthy of notice. I. This machine has been in use for years in every portion of the grain growing States, and is known to be EXACTLY RIGHT, consequently is no experiment. II. It is the strongest machine in use, and will not fall you when most wanted.

JAMES N. BOUTWELL, DEALER IN AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

AGENT for Manny's Reaper, Pitts' Thresher and Emery's Horse power & Thresher. Call and see them before purchasing. Any implement manufactured in the United States can be furnished to order. Warehouse, West of R. R. Track, WEST URBANA, ILLINOIS. May 7th, 1858. No 35 6th.

HITT & LEWIS, KEEP ON HANDS ALL SORTS OF

Drugs & Medicines, PERFUMERIES of the finest quality and all sorts of Toilet Notions, Pocket CUTLERY, I-X-L PURE LIQUORS, FINE CHEWING TOBACCO! Clean, Soaps of every grade, AND EVERYTHING ELSE USUALLY KEPT IN THE

LINE. Ladies!

Call when you want fancy toilet articles, caps, letters, and FANCY note paper, & Envelopes to suit. West Side Public Square, May 14th No 36 1/2. HITT & LEWIS!

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. A. THAYER, Lovington, Feb. 25, 1858. 35 1/2.

J. E. EDEN

At the South East Corner Keeps constantly on hand a well selected stock of DRY GOODS, AND GROCERIES, HATS AND CAPS, Clothing.

In fact every thing usually kept in a Dry Goods store. Cash purchasers and prompt time payers, will get goods as low as they are retailled any where in the West. To his friends who have favored him a fair share of trade, he returns his thanks and all their best wishes.

M. H. HEAD & CO., Druggists & Apothecaries.

HAVING JUST opened their Stock Consisting of Drugs & Medicines, CHEMICALS, DYE STUFFS & PAINTS, WINDOW GLASS, FANCY TOILET AND SHAVING SOAPS, PATENT MEDICINES, COLOGN, &c. &c.

GROCERY STORE, CITY SALOON

IN FULL BLAST, Eating Saloon, NEW CONFECTIONARY. J. B. SHEPHERD HAVING JUST opened on the South West corner of the public square, a new

OYSTER SALOON, AND EATING HOUSE.

Where the wants of the Inner Man can be abundantly supplied. He will also keep on hand a splendid assortment of Fresh Confectionary. Fresh Oysters served up at all times to suit customers. Also A Fine lot of eating Apples constantly on hand. Dec. 10 1857. 14 1/2.

NOTICE!

To all those who are indebted to S. Livingston & Bro., notice is hereby given that their Notes and Accounts, are left with the undersigned for collection, and unless they shall call by the 1st of May next, and settle up, cost will be added thereto. J. Meeker, March 10 '58.—No. 28 3/4.

UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 40 WALL STREET. W. B. PORTER, AGENT, AT SULLIVAN, Feb. 12, '58. 23-1/2.

J. R. SWIFT, GENERAL LAND AGENT AND COMMISSION MERCHANT.

Telem. Champaign Co., Ill. Principal Agent for the SALE OF TOWN LOTS AT TOLONO. Ready to Join Cashier, Santa, Chicago.

A. G. STIPHER, D. D. S. DENTISTRY.

In the latest and most approved methods. He solicits patronage. Dental Office: over Wood's store formerly occupied by Dr. Weaver, Decatur, Ill. Sept. 17, 1857. 1 ly.

EAGLE HOUSE.

FELLOWMEN & TRAVELERS: I have again moved to my old stand, known as the Eagle House. I can say to my friends, and customers that I am prepared to give as good entertainment as can be had in central Ill.

STEAM MILL,

Sullivan - Illinois. THIS MILL is now in full operation, and I am prepared to manufacture Flour of a superior quality, on the shortest notice. Flour will be given for Grain. I will sell Flour at Rail Road prices. Dec. 10, 1857. 7 1/2.

Legal Advertisements.

The following tariff of prices for Legal Notices, not exceeding ten lines will be the rates charged for insertions in this paper: Attachment Notices, 4,00; Partition suit, 4,00; Divorce Suit, 4,00; Foreclosure of Mortgage, 4,00; Guardians Notice to sell Lands, 4,00; Commissioner's Sale, 4,00; Administrator's Notice for Partial Settlement, 3,00; Administrator's Notice for petition to sell Lands, 4,00; Administrator's Notice for final Settlement, 3,00.

SULLIVAN EXPRESS Job Printing Office.

THE Attention of our friends, and the public generally, is invited to the fact that we are prepared to execute on the shortest notice and in the neatest and best manner, all kinds of JOB PRINTING, such as—Handbills, Posters, Programmes, Horse-Bills, Cards, CIRCULARS, Blanks of every Description, And in short all kinds of printing usually demanded of a country printing office.

HAIR DRESSING

Done on short notice. N. B. No more Shaving done on Sunday after 10 o'clock A. M. Shop on the west side of Public Square six doors north of Main street Sullivan Illinois. Since man to man is so unjust, I carefully know what man to trust, I've trusted many to my sorrow, So pay to day I'll trust to-morrow, Come on boys and bring your dough, And hand it over before you go.

ATTENTION A. L. L.

J. PERRYMAN, Is still selling Goods, as the old stand. He has a good stock of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES, HATS & CAPS, READY MADE Clothing.

with most other articles usually kept in this market, which he will sell at ready prices, to make room for the large stock of new goods he intends bringing on soon. He invites his old customers and every body else to come along and take some of the good bargains.

He now offers his heartfelt acknowledgements to a generous and appreciating public, for the very liberal patronage of his business. He and his associates want, to merit a portion of their patronage.

P. B. Knight & Co.

In the building formerly occupied by J. J. & W. L. Hayden on the corner of Main and Madison. We have now on hand, and carrying a large stock of all kinds of DRY GOODS,

DRY GOODS,

which have been selected especially for this market. We can and will offer great inducements to our old friends and the public generally. Goods will be offered at such prices that those wanting to purchase cannot fail to carry a few home with them.

KEEP YOUR FEET DRY!

Just received and for sale low for cash, a superior lot of BOOTS & SHOES, we call and examine for yourselves, we will charge you nothing for showing goods.

MONTRIE LODGE No. 151

MEETS regularly at their Hall in Sullivan, on the Monday evening of each week, preceding each full moon. Their meetings are fraternal welcome. E. E. WAGGONER, W. M. P. B. Knight, Sec.

Sullivan Division No. 599 SONS OF TEMPERANCE

THIS organization meets regularly on Saturday Night of each week at their Hall, Transient Brothers and Sisters are invited to attend. R. P. McPHEERAN, W. M.

MONTRIE LODGE No. 151

MEETS every Tuesday Evening at their Hall, over Vaden's Store. Transient Brothers are invited to attend. W. W. TRACY, Sec. J. B. KNIGHT, W. M.