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THURSDAY MORNING.

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GOV. WISE AND KANSAS.

The Democracy of the Legislature, most likely elected as Hunter men, have given Gov. Wise a back-handed blow in their resolutions on the admission of Kansas. They have not spoken manfully, as the Governor did, but censured him by way of innuendo. It is said they are very bitter towards him, and it is also said that he has his "dander up," and means to "give them Jesus" when occasion offers. This occasion will doubtless very soon find, and we may look for something sly at no distant day.

The truth is that upon the true popular sovereignty doctrine the Governor has the right on his side, and he has spoken out with characteristic frankness and freedom. Try it when they may, his opponents will find that he will carry a majority of the people with him, for the South they may desire in regard to slavery, the pride and honor of the masses will revolt at the idea of attaining an advantage by indirect or trickery. It was well understood from the outset that Kansas could not be a slave State, or at least, that the Constitution would not therefore any spasmodic effort to force matters will only have a tendency to weaken the cause of the South.

It is vain to argue upon a point in which the sense of the people must be with Wise and Douglass. In the North the whole Democracy, with the exception of the office-holders and the office-seekers, are with them, and one or the other of them is destined to be President if the quarrel should be kept up. As the South is now entitled to the next, if we cannot get a good Whig in the field, we may be found on the side of his Excellency. So the Democratic Journals who are hanging back will please take notice that if the contingency should arise, we are not to be jostled out of the ranks. Women to adopt an old law, and "Be Wise before you speak."

CLARKE COUNTY AFFAIRS.

There are no less than four candidates already announced for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue, for Clarke county, and two for the office of Clerk of Circuit and County Clerk. D. H. McGuire, the present competent and gentlemanly Clerk, is not yet announced. It is very probable, however, that the people of that county will induce him not only to be a candidate, but they will elect him too. The post of Clerk is one in which the people are more deeply interested than any other county officer—and they will naturally look to competency and integrity, regardless of political or any other outside issue. He is faithful—he is competent!—that's the question.

We learn that the town of Berryville is without a hotel—a circumstance that is not very usual. But until the owner of the old hotel stand is induced to take a fair living rent for his property, it is very likely the town will be minus a hotel landlord for some time, unless another stand be taken. Persons visiting Berryville will therefore hire their horses to a fence stake,—as many have been in the habit of doing, to the great detriment of a landlord, as well as to bridles—or else call on some town friend for the use of a stable.

And yet a few malcontents would compel some of our Jefferson farmers to go to a hotel town on Court or other business, instead of visiting Charlestown where we have such good hotels as the "Sappington" and "Carter House."

But the people of Berryville and of Clarke county are a rich and spirited class, and will not permit their "County Seal" to be without a place of accommodation for the public.

There are many fine and large business houses in Berryville—among them the *Hawkins Drug and Candy Store*, *Mauran's great variety* is always to be found.

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JUST IN TIME.

We have to thank our good lady friend, Mrs. NATHANIEL MYERS, for her kindly reference of us in the presentation of several yards of delicious Baubies. She had sent us a little sample, and it was so well received, that with the consideration which belongs to a good woman, who has a heart to sympathize with other's woes, she has learned the luxury of doing good, and feels that—

"The secret pleasure of a generous act is the great mind's great reward."

May her larger store of well-bred, *good* be able to ever fill the vacuum of disappointment!

LAND SALES.

Mr. JOHN L. CRAIGHILL, has disposed of his farm containing 270 acres, for \$50 per acre. Purchaser Mr. FRANK LACKLAND. The farm lies on the Shenandoah river near Hopewell Mills.

THANKS.

WELLS J. HAWES, Esq., one of the Dellegates from this county in the Legislature, will accept thanks for valuable documents sent us.

THE HARMONIOUS DEMOCRACY.

The old saw, "when rogues fall out, honest men will get their own," (says the Winchester Republican) is abundantly disproved in the past history and present condition of the great National Democracy. Their sentiments are like the nine hundred stripes on the zebra's back, of which the aborigines say there is "nary" one alike; they quarrel, wrangle, dispute, contradict each other and themselves, and yet that great attraction of cohesion, as powerfully described by Mr. Calhoun, holds them in so firm union that there seems no chance of honest men getting their own.

The present Congress opened with a general debate on the Kansas troubles, in which the Little Giant led off with a broad denunciation of the President's principles, a general denial of his pretensions, and a complete overthrow of his conclusions. Senator after Senator sprang to the rescue, and not one agreed with the President in attempting to sustain him. Each, in turn, read Mr. Douglass formally out of the party; one, Mr. Fitch, we believe, sounded the excommunication with all the accompaniments of hell, hell and damnation; and Mr. Douglass, in his hasty and tempestuous speech, one of that out-of-party, and yet they remain a brotherhood firmly united in their affection for each other, and—"the public plunder."

While they were being drawn thus more closely together, by these unanimous disengagements on this question, another bond of union was drawn firmly around them. The arrest of the martyr Walker, in developing the infinity of differences in their opinions, shows also the purity of their mutual love, the self-denial, the utter abandon of their efforts.

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This has enured to her benefit, and relieved her from a dreaded invasion. She alone would have any right to complain of the violation of her territory; and it is quite certain she will never exercise this right." We said: "Let Nicaragua complain, and then it will be the duty of the Government to try Commodore Paulding; but while Nicaragua is grateful for her liberation, surely we should not punish her benefactor."

We were in advance of the message; but we wish it to be distinctly understood that we make no complaints of Mr. Buchanan for stealing our thunder. We do not even doubt the justice of our views, because of his endorsement; and it is quite certain that all detracting from Clarke, we can say, that Jefferson, as a whole is not second to any country in Virginia, and, indeed, in power, &c., and the intelligence of the people, she has no superior. But the citizens of Jefferson have read the article of the Journal, and it is for them to say whether that "triangular portion of Jefferson" is to be clipped off or not. If they hold their mouths shut, and permit such an outrage upon their rights, let them rip. A petition has doubtless been forwarded to Richmond, and unless a counter-petition be there, an advantage may be taken. We again call upon our Representatives to keep a sharp look out.

EDITOR'S CORRESPONDENCE.

HARPER FRIEY,
January 11, 1852.

Surrounded by these cloud-capt mountains, we will write a few lines to our readers.

"Say what they please, this is the plainest road to ride on in the United States," said an experienced gentleman in the Winchester cars. There is such a sense of safety, and with comfort, freedom from annoyances of whatever kind."

Having traversed the length of Jefferson, we are naturally led to think about it. Jefferson, everybody knows, is not to Clarke, beauty and fertility. The portion from Charlestown to Shepherdstown is considered by many to be the best. But that which extends from Hager Spring, a point not far East of Summit Point, to the Shenandoah between the Bull Skin and the Clarke line, can hardly be excelled by any country. From the summit on which is built the Wickliff church, the eye never looks over a finer region. This is the triangle portion of Jefferson, the inmost part of which now desire to be isolated, like Clarkes, by shifting the Little Giant led off with a broad denunciation of the President's principles, a general denial of his pretensions, and a complete overthrow of his conclusions. Senator after

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We clip from the Leesburg Washingtonian

the following local items of Loudoun—having

a large number of subscribers in that good

Whig county:

SAD ATFAK.

We announced some two weeks since the

death by accident of Mr. John W. BARLEY,

at Piedmont, on the Baltimore and Ohio Rail-

road. Mr. B. was in the employ of the

About a week since, an uncle of the deceased,

Mr. BENJAMIN THOMAS, of the neighborhood

of Widerville, Clarke County, went to Pied-

mont, to settle up the business of Mr. BARLEY,

and sad to relate, was himself killed on the

Railroad on Thursday evening last.

It seems that he was walking on the track

when he heard the train coming, and stepped

off, but as it was not very close to him, he

went on again to avoid small pond of

water on the side-walk of the road, and before

he could get off again, he was overtaken by

the locomotive, and caught by the cowcatcher,

and so seriously injured, that he died on

Friday—*Spiritus.*

THE GOLDEN PRIZE.

The *Virginia Free Press*, is a weekly paper of eight large pages containing the choicest of Literary reading. Among its contributors it numbers some of the most eminent writers in the country. The paper, independent of the gifts which are given as a memento of Friendship, is well worth the subscription price.

We have had some dealing with the publisher who was punctual in doing what he promised. The gifts are securely packed, and sent by mail post-paid, immediately on the receipt of subscription.

Now is the time to subscribe, for those who wish to read the story, "Martha Raymond; or, the Woman Patriot of '76." For further particulars see prospectus in advertising column.

TO POSTMASTERS.

As some of the Postmasters seem ignorant of their duty, or else very careless, we desire to give a little advice. It is a fact that Postmasters receive no compensation for their services, but the compensation is given to them in the shape of a percentage of the money sent through their hands.

Postmasters, we trust, will be anxious to have their names mentioned in the paper, and to receive a percentage of the money sent through their hands.

APPOINTMENTS.

Some of our Harpers Ferry friends have been quite fortunate in receiving good appointments from the Government. We are glad of it, for the recipients in every instance, are worthy gentlemen, and well qualified for the positions to which they are appointed.

MICHAEL E. PRICE, Esq., who for the last few months has been acting in the capacity of agent between Baltimore and Cincinnati, has been appointed to the charge of the Document room, by the new Dooley Keeper of the House of Representatives, Mr. HACKNEY.

TIMOTHY A. HARRINGTON, Esq., receives the agency made vacant by the resignation of Mr. PRICE.

FRANK P. MAUXY, Esq., is appointed Post Master of Harpers Ferry, in place of Mr. HARRINGTON, appointed to the Document room.

PROPRIETY SALES.

The House and Lot belonging to the estate

of Wm. Moore, deceased, was sold on Mon-

day at the Court-House, by T. C. Green, Esq., Special Commissioners, to G. D. Moore, Esq.

PRICE \$1,350.

The Berryville and Charlestown Turnpike was sold by the Trustees, Messrs. Andrew Hunter and F. McCormick, for the sum of \$7,140. Purchaser, Z. Kidwell, Esq., of Board of Public Works, for the State.

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LEGISLATIVE.

In the Senate on Wednesday, 12th, a bill

was passed incorporating the Valley Agricul-

tural Society. Also a bill to establish a Savings Bank in Piedmont, Hampshire

County.

The Kansas resolutions were called up,

and after debate, were passed.

In the House a large number of bills were

reported, in reference to turnpike tolls,

and amendments of the Code, &c.

Mr. OSBOURNE offered a resolution, making it the imperative duty of the commis-

sioners of the revenue to list the property for

taxation, to place the owners thereof upon

taxes, under the penalty of \$100 for each

and every failure so to do.

The Senate bill to provide for filling vacan-

cies in the office of Lt. Governor, &c.,

was amended, by striking out that portion

which provides for filling vacancies in the

office of Commissioner of the Board of Pub-

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POETICAL.

Bacon and Greens.

By Wm. H. Smith.
I have lived long enough to be rarely mistaken,
And borne my full share of life's changeable
scenes,
But my words have been colored by good greens
and bacon.
And my jots have been doctored by bacon and
greens.

What a thrill of remembrance which now they awaken!
Of childhood's gay morning and youth's merry
scenes;

When one day we had greens and a plate full of
bacon,
And the next we had bacon and a plate full of
greens.

Ah! well I remember when and when,
Heart-broken by the scene of a misfortune in her teens,
How I rashed from her sight to my loved greens
and bacon,

And forgot my "daps" over bacon and greens.
When she bade farewell "specie and credit," was
shaken to the very core of my being.

I shared in the wreck and was ruined in means;

My friends all declared I had not saved my
lives,

Black lives—had eaten bacon and greens.

Now there is a cause for this writing,
That from bacon and greens an episode comes,

Silky fork in the fat—wrap your greens
round the bacon,

And you'll vow there is nothing like bacon and
greens.

Some fairy a giant of three w'ches would make

So worthless as I, and so laden with sins.

With all the greats in the world—then the ba-

con—

And then wish for a little more bacon and greens.

Postscript.

I prefer to confess that for once I'm mistaken,

As much as I've known, of this world, and its

miseries.

There's one thing that's equal to bacon and
greens.

And that is a dish of good bacon and greens.

MAXIMONTE—On the marriage of M.
Gard to Miss Brown.

To travel life's precarious road;
Together they began;

They put themselves upon the track,
And soon the "Cars" will run.

On the marriage of Reuben-Wise to Ma-
deline Ober.

At length he seized the proffered prize
(A happy one believe us.)

For matrimony made her Wise—

Before she was Miss Cuvee.

To which we beg leave to add another—
of the marriage of Ann Eliza to a Mr.
Thom.

Such a conjunction ne'er was seen

In passages astronomical;

The maid was Ann-Eliza before,

And now she's Anna-Thom-ical.

Orful! Orful!

MAXIMONTE—At Athens, Tennessee, on the 30th
ult., James Bee and Miss Martha Ann Flower:

Well hath this busy Bee

Improved life's silvery hour;

He gathers honey now all day

From one sweet chosen flower;

And from this hive, if heaven pleases,

He'll raise a swarm of little bees.

VARIETY.

A story has been the round of the
papers, stating that the grasshoppers con-
sumed a whole crop of tobacco cut during
the past summer, and afterwards set
upon the fence by the roadside, boggling a
shaw of tobacco from every passing traveler.
But a gentleman who has just returned from
St. Louis, says that the report is untrue.

THE New Haven Register has it that
Mrs. Jenkins says, the Kansas people are
acting just as her son Bill does—when he
wishes to "set up" in the evening.—Come
Billy, it is time to go bed!—"I hasn't had my
supper yet!" "Well, why don't you eat your
supper?" "Cause I don't want to go to bed!"

A countryman passing over a rail-
road, in Northern N. Y., which is proverbial-
ly slow, asked the conductor why a cow-
catcher was attached to the rear car instead
of the usual place, he was informed by that
officer that it was in order to prevent the
cows on that road from running into the
train.

OLD King Lear, in the play, when
he was out in the storm, said in prophete-
to the rain, wind, thunder, and lightning:

"You owe me no subscription."

Prinice of the Louvilliar Journal, says
he makes his money, as much as his readers!

A little boy, at his father's funeral,
observed a child of one of the neighbors cry-
ing bitterly, desirous to sympathize with his
little friend. This roused the orphan boy,
who exclaimed, "See what a
useless waste of your funeral!"

Mrs. Sally Chapel, of Grindley coun-
ty, has sued D. T. Tickell for breach of prom-
ise—damages laid at \$4,000.—
Gloucester Times.

Four thousand dollars for refusing to
Tickell her! Make him pay it, Sally.

A Cincinnati paper says that a man
who from principles of economy, never took
a newspaper, was seen in that city recently,
inquiring his way to the poor house. No
wonder.

An old lady reading an account of
the death of a distinguished lawyer, who
was said to be the father of the New York
bar, exclaimed, "Poor man! he had a dread-
ful set of children!"

Did the defendant approach the
plaintiff's "secretion," inquired an attorney
in a case of assault and battery, the
plaintiff's "secretion" was the reply, "he want-
ed to play poker."

A young lady was asked to join a
division of the daughters of temperance—
She replied, "It is unnecessary, as it is my
intention to join one of the sons soon."

At the trial, the defendant, after
bearing a witness, jumped up and said

"Them allegations is false, and the allega-
tor knows it."

Coleman, the dramatist, was asked
if he knew Theodore Hook. "Yes," re-
plied the wit, "Hook and eye are old as-
sociates."

A gentleman, the other evening, ob-
liged to playing cards with a lady, because
she said, she had such a winning way about
her.

A sailor, looking serious in a chapel,
was asked by the minister if he felt any
change. "Not a cent," replied Jack.

MEDICAL HOUSE.

B. W. Herbert's Column.

AGENCY OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE
AND ANNUITY COMPANY,
OF PHILADELPHIA.

The lives of eleven insured for three-fourths of
their value, at \$100,000.

Annual Premiums \$1,441.912.49

N. B. Losses promptly adjusted and paid through
the Office of General Agency, at Richmond, Va.

INTERNATIONAL LIFE
ASSURANCE SOCIETY

NEW YORK AND LONDON.

Capital \$2,500,000.

N. B. A guarantee fund of \$100,000 deposited
with the Comptroller of the State of New York,
for the security and benefit of ALL policy holders
in the United States.

MUTUAL BENEFIT
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Newark, N. J., 1st January, 1854.

No. 1, SOUTH FREDERICK ST.,
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Established in order to afford the afflicted sound and
safe medical aid, and for the suppression of Quack-
ery.

DOCTOR SMITH, THE ONLY RELIABLE ED-
UCATED PHYSICIAN Advertising, has for many
years devoted his whole attention to the treatment of
Private Complaints, in all their various forms, standing and
difficult cases, such as were formerly considered hor-
rible, is sufficient to command his to the public as war-
ranted the most positive patronage.

With the assistance of Dr. B. H. Smith, he has treated more
than 25,000 cases of Private Complaints, in his dif-
ferent forms and stages; a practice which has
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Persons suffering from diseases afflicting them
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Men and Boys' Clothing.

Made up in the best style. I will also keep a
large stock of Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods,
such as

HATS AND CAPS, SHIRTS, SHOES,
BODY, COLLARS, ETC., ETC.

KERCHIEFS, &c. &c.

12 Gentlemen in want of CLOTHING, or any
of the above named articles, would do well to examine
my stock, in Ball and Winter Clothing, and in
want of Winter Clothing, would do well, and call on
me.

JOHN STRAUSS.

I would also inform my friends that my Broth-
er, A. STRAUSS, is still carrying on his business
Stocks of Ball and Winter Clothing, and in
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DANIEL L. MILLER, President.

W. H. HERBERT, Agent.

JOHN W. HERBERT, Secretary.

Premises may be paid annually, semi-annual-
ly or quarterly.

Persons who now insure will partake of a full
year's dividend on the 1st of January next.

Persons who insure their own lives, and credi-
tors the lives of debtors.

Descriptive Pamphlets, Blank Forms, and ev-
ery information on the subject of Mutual Life
Insurance.

LODGES IN VIRGINIA PAID.

John, Hammond, M. D., Shepherdstown, \$5,000.

Mr. Thomas K. Hick, Waynesboro, \$5,000.

John T. Hardee, Shepherdstown, \$2,000.

William Campbell, Martinsburg, \$2,000.

John G. Davis, Hagerstown, \$2,000.

W. B. Dale, Portsmouth, \$2,000.

Alexander Campbell, Hagerstown, \$2,000.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

G. F. Mason, M. D., John A. Straub, M. D.,

H. P. Cooke, M. D., R. P. Magruder, M. D.

The Agent will give his personal attention
and care to all his patients, and will make
every effort to render them comfortable and
well.

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11 South Frederick street, Baltimore, Md.

April 16, 1857.

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Which commences the cures in the earliest
stage, through the air passages, and coming in direct
contact with the disease, neutralizes the tubercular ma-
tter, which causes a chronic catarrh, and gives per-
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