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## TO TRAVELERS.

THE "CARTER HOUSE."

Charlestown, Jefferson County, Virginia.

THIS undersigned having purchased the hotel property in Charlestown, Va., so long and faithfully known as

## CARTER'S HOTEL.

has received the plaudits and reception of visitors.

The comfort and pleasure of their patrons for their TABLE will be supplied with every luxury that this or the neighboring market can afford.

Their BAR furnished with a general assortment of the very best Liquors;

Their CAFE and CIGAR TABLE, &amp; attended by

every department will be under the careful surveillance of the Proprietor or their Assistant.

Drinks, Liquors, Pictures, House-holds, invariably ready.

JAMES D. GIBSON.

April 9, 1857.

Master George W. Summers will be soon at the shore end, having become proprietor of our Hotel Property. I would respectfully command them to be welcome here, and to let him have all the facilities necessary to the promotion of his former reputation in his new home.

With the improvements contemplated at the hotel, we consider it a great and safe

trust to confide the management of the hotel to the man who has conducted the establishment, knowing that he will be good, quiet and orderly in every respect.

Respectfully,

ISAAC N. CARTER.

April 9, 1857.

HAVING just returned from the Eastern Markets, with a full selection of Liquors, etc., we are now ready for the following fall which we will be advertising again in the fall, for the convenience of our customers.

Chas. Stratton, Paul Bandy,

John H. Smith,

Peter Pendergast, etc.

Very fine Old Madeira, Old Rio White, 10 years old;

Hock and Giau,

Hock Chianti, India Pale Ale,

Dover's Scotch Ale,

Barry's &amp; Parker, L. &amp; J. Brown Street,

Spiced Oysters, etc., etc.

RICHMOND &amp; GIBSON

Carter House, May 27, 1857.

## WAGER HOUSE.

J. P. A. ENTLEBACH,

PROPRIETOR.

HARPER'S FERRY, VIRGINIA,

THIS HOTEL is situated on the Baltimore &amp; Ohio Railroad and having undergone a few repairs recently may now be considered one of the principal houses in the country.

The present proprietors are in no wise responsible for the hotel, in endeavoring to do away with the prejudice that may prevail in the minds of the public in reference to accommodation at this place.

H. S. &amp; J. S. BROWN,

Proprietors.

Will be in constant touch with the best neighbors.

His JAMBERS.

Will be done and comfortable. In short, every thing will be done to make it a pleasant abode for persons who may desire to view the magnificent scenery and visit the work shops of the Navigation Canal located at this place.

July 2, 1857.

## HOWARD HOUSE.

Corner of Howard and Baltimore Streets, Holt.

THE Proprietors take pleasure in announcing to their friends and the public, that they have leased the above well known Hotel, and to suite the times have reduced the fare.

One Dollar and Fifty cents Per Day.

It is our intention to make considerable improvements in the interior, to make it more comfortable for our guests, and to accommodate drivers, who will be treated as the Railroad Depots and Boat Landings, to convey passengers to and from the Hotel. Your patronage is respectfully solicited.

A. SHIPE,

J. N. BUEK,

Proprietors.

Jan 11, 1858.—11.

John Lucas

THE RAWLINGS HOTEL.

TWO UNDERGROUNDS IN THE HALLS on the corner of Queen and Bunker Streets, Martinsburg, Va., where the RAWLINGS HOTEL is now holding the most comfortable and convenient hotel in the neighborhood.

S. C. BROWN,

Proprietor.

The HOTEL and premises are given over to the purpose, and is prepared to receive all.

A. H. HARRIS,

Proprietor.

Large additions will be supplied with the best local markets afford.

The LIQUORS of all kinds, and oysters, etc., are in full supply, and are prepared by a select and attentive Oyster.

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THE PUBLIC,

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T. A. BROWN,

Proprietor.

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Martinsburg, May 28, 1857.

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THE GOVERNORSHIP.

We have already named several of the prominent candidates of the Democracy presented by their friends for the position of Governor. The wire-workers are busy "setting the triggers" to secure the nomination of their favorites, and save the people the trouble of a choice. We old Whigs are not likely to have any influence in the matter, and have only the task of noting the "signs of the times." Amongst the many names presented we have seen none better entitled to respect and distinction than that of the Hon. John W. Brockenbrough, now a Judge of the United States Court for the Western District of Virginia. If high intelligence, unflinching integrity, and genuine, undivided Republican deportment which constitutes a gentleman of the true Virginia school are qualities entitled to consideration in a nominating convention, then Judge Brockenbrough will stand in the front rank of those from whom a choice should be made.

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## WATER AT HARPERS-PEERY.

We last week referred to the suggestion approved by Secretary Floyd to regard to a supply of fresh water for the Army and citizens, from one or more of the mountain springs. We estimated the cost at \$20,000. Some persons skilled in such matters think it would not cost \$10,000, but the difference is immaterial in the accomplishment of an object of such importance to the health and comfort of the community as well as the security of the public property. From the known energy and benevolence of Gov. Floyd and the ambition of our Representative in Congress to be always doing something for his constituents at the Army, we have no doubt that the mere suggestion is sufficient to ensure the consummation of such a valuable improvement.

## A WORD.

Several articles are unavoidably crowded out this week. In our next we will probably pay our respects to "Superintendent,"—a Correspondent in the last Spirit. We decline for the present the publication of his article, because of the peculiarly courteous[?] request contained therein.

To the Spirit we have no reply to make—more than to say that the Editor has labored much to impress his readers with the idea that he edits his own paper, just as if any one else would be accused of so doing. It was only surmised that Mr. Faulkner wrote the article in question, or furnished the information in regard to himself, and upon which that article was based. Did he furnish the information, or did he not? That's the question.

## CHURCH DEDICATION.

A new Presbyterian Church was dedicated lately, at Greenwich, Prince William county, Va., in which we observe Dr. Durston of this town participated. A correspondent of the Alexandria Gazette, after noticing various incidents on the occasion, says— "After an eloquent discourse by the Rev. Dr. Durston, of Charlestown, from Psalm xxvii, 2—"The Lord loneth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob"—the dedication address and invocation, solemnly giving over the edifice to the service of the triune God, were pronounced by the pastor, Mr. Pugh."

## HOWER'S BOOKS FOR HOME HEARTHS.

An advertisement will be seen in another column, of Books for sale by our young townsman Robert W. North, as agent—These Books are not on sale in the bookstores. The agent will canvass the country, and we trust will be encouraged liberally. The works are valuable and interesting, well printed and illustrated.

## CLOSE THE RANKS.

The Democracy of the country allow themselves the privilege of wrangling about lead and in advance of an election, but when packed Conventions give the word they "close ranks," and fight without a murmur for the nominees. The Alexandria Gazette has the following illustration:

The Richmond South refers to the anti-slavery of some, as to division and disorganization in the ranks of the Democracy in Virginia, in consequence of the differences of opinion existing with regard to measures and men, and the ambitious aspirations of leaders—and it thinks there is no danger to be apprehended. Judging from the past, not the slightest. They may keep up a terrible wrangling previous to voting—but when that comes, as the fox said to the beaver, "they will all meet at the batter's."

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

From Mrs. Ware we have received a mess of Potatoes—very fine—for which we thank her sincerely.

Also, Mr. Abraham Lister will accept our acknowledgements of a supply of Roasting-Ears."

BUT a camp meeting for Winchester (Va.) circuit and station, commencing on Friday, August 20th, will be held on the ground known as "Crisman's Spring." On the same day a camp will commence about four miles from Romsey, Va.

A sample of white wheat was exhibited in the Fredericksburg market Monday, and \$1 75 offered for it for grinding, and \$2 offered for it for seed wheat. It was of excellent quality.

## WHAT IS AMERICAN DEMOCRACY?

The following article, from the Baltimore Patriot, so truly depicts the despotism of party rule, and the reasons for Democratic success, that we present it to our readers as embodying our own views to a letter. If poor Wm. was wanting of this iron rule, it has already been furnished in the announcement of several of the Democratic press in regard to a candidate for Governor. Any body, say they, whom the Convention selects. We are obedient vassals, subject to the command of King Caucus. Any body will suit us who is "taught with the Democratic stick," whether a renegade Whig or a life-time Democrat, marked "right side up."

It is the banding of men together to secure for themselves exclusively all the offices and official emoluments of the Government. National and State; all the rich jobs and contracts to be given out by the Federal and State Governments, and all the pecuniary advantages to be derived from having the collection and expenditure of their respective revenues.

It is a disciplined army under the command of those who are adroit and lucky enough to attain the position of leaders, governed by the rules and articles of war, rigidly enforced; and he who dares to disobey is a single-comman, thik for himself on any question which the party has settled, or enters a vote of the infallibility of its decisions, is at once marched up to the drum-head, and if he does not instantly recant and become penitent, is convicted of treason and doomed to the punishment of a traitor. *Impartial evidence* is the whole stick.

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## MRS. RUFFNER'S ADDRESS.

Mrs. RUFFNER, who delivered the now famous address on the subject of Slavery in 1847, the publication of which was asked for by Mr. Leitcher, has come out in a Card, in relation to that matter, induced by Mr. Leitcher's charge that he had foisted in the public address, exceptionable things. As a part of the political history of the times, we give Mr. Ruffner's statement of the facts of the case.

In '53 spring or summer of '54, I was informed that a debate on slavery had arisen in the Franklin Society of Lexington, Va., and I was requested to attend, as the debate was expected to be long and interesting—This Society embraced most of the principal and literary gentlemen of the town, besides other intelligent citizens, and met weekly to debate questions. I was an honorary member, but did not regularly attend the meetings. This debate on slavery was continued in a non-slaving convention, when Judge Brockenbrough will stand in the front rank of those from whom a choice should be made.

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## POETICAL.

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Wilt thou love her still, when the sunny curls  
That over her bosom flow,  
Will be lined with the silver thread of age,  
And her step falls sad and low!  
Wilt thou love her still when the Summer's smiles  
On her lips no longer live?  
"I will love her still."  
With right good will.  
Wilt thou love her still? then our cherished one  
To thy sheltering arms we give.  
Wilt thou love her still when her changeful eyes  
Have grown dim with sorrow's rain?  
When the bosom that beats against thine own  
Throbs with weight of pain?  
When her silvery laugh rings out no more,  
And vanish your youthful charms?  
"With free good will,  
I shall love her still."  
Then will love her still? then our dearest one  
Will give us thy loving arms.  
Remember no grief has she ever known,  
Her spirit is light and free,  
Nor older, with faltering steps, han-piv,  
Shuffles, shuffles, shuffles!  
Then will love her still; whence thoughts of  
youth,  
In their blushing bloom depart?  
Through good and ill,  
"Wilt thou love her still?"  
Then will love her still? then our darling  
take.  
To the joy of thy noble heart!  
Remember, for thee does the smiling leave  
The friends of her early days—  
No longer to meet her approving looks,  
Nor their fond, unfeigned praise.  
Forgive her, then, if her soul fail,  
And promise to love her still.  
"I will love her still."  
With right good will!  
Then will love her still? then with peaceful trust  
We subbing sorrows quell.

## VARIETY.

### A MUSING ANECDOTE.

Daniel Webster had an anecdote of old Father Seal, the minister of his boyhood, which too good to be lost. It was customary then to wear buck skin breeches in cool weather. One Sunday morning in the autumn, Father Seal brought his breeches down from the garret, but the wasps had taken possession during the summer, and was having a nice time of it in them. By dint of effort, he got out the intruders and dressed for meeting. But while reading the Scriptures to the congregation, he felt a dagger from one of the enraged small-waited wasps, and jumped around the pulpit, slipping his thighs. The people thought him crazy, but he explained the matter by saying, "Brethren don't be alarmed; the word of the Lord is in my mouth, but the devil is in my breeches!" Webster always told it with great glee to the ministers.

"Arrah, Teddy! and wasn't your name Teddy O'Byrne before you left old Ireland?" "Suee. It was, my darlin'." But my jewel, why then do you add, and call me Teddy? O'Byrne now?" "Why, you apostate, I havent been married since I came to Liverpool! and are you no ignorant of grammar? so that you don't know when one thing is added to another it becomes plural!"

"Mr. Smith, you said you once officiated at the pulpit—did you mean by that that you preached?"

"No, sir; I held the light for the man who did preach."

"Ah, the court understood you differently. They supposed that the discourse came directly from you."

"No, sir, I only threw a little light on it."

"A lady friend of ours says the first time she was kissed she felt like a big tub of roses swimming in honey, cologne, nutmeg, and cranberries. She also felt as if something was running through her nerves on feet of diamonds, encircled by angels, shadowed by household, and the whole spread with melted rainbow in Jerusalem! what power there is in a full-breasted kiss!"

"An Irishman, on a rainy day, was hauling a load of lime, which, during travel, began to smoke; striking it on fire, he ran to throw water upon it, finding it increasing, he drove his cart into a hedge, dumping his load in, and exclaimed, 'there burn, and the devil to ye!'

"It is an actual fact, that a man who attempted to hug a beautiful young woman, Miss Lemon, has sued her for striking him in the eye. He is altogether unscrupulous. Why should a fellow squeeze a Lemon unless he wants a punch?"

"The editor of the Bedford Independent hasn't a high opinion of the whiskey sold and drunk in his town. He says it is made of strychnine, cockroaches, tobacco juice, fish berries, logwood, and other ingredients of equal merit."

"A young convert got up in church, and was making his confession somewhat after this sort—" "I have been very wicked, indeed I have; I have observed many persons, very many, but I will restore for fourfold 'when he was in torment by an old lady thus."

"Well, I should think, before you confess much, you had better marry Nancy Bubble, as you agreed to!"

COW SWALLOWING A MILK-MAID.—The stomach of a cow recently killed in Kentucky, contained a brass ring, a lot of hair pins, hooks and eyes, pieces of steel hoops, and a high-heeled shoe. "Old Brindle" had吞下了一个牛奶女仆。

The following pertinent question was addressed to a lawyer:

"If the distance lessens enchantment to the view, and the view refuses to return, can distance obtain any legal redress?"

The lawyer refuses to answer until he receives a retainer.

A young fellow was recently found dead, with a pair of moustaches in his pocket. Many think that is the best place to carry them.

Bob says his sweethearts is sweater than a compound made of sugar, molasses, and honey. Hope he won't get excommunicated with sweets—he do.

Some genius has conveyed the idea to press all the lawyers into military service, in case of war; because their charges are so great no one could stand them.

## MEDICAL HOUSE.



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