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Immigration and Steam Culture.

We subjoin an interesting extract from the London correspondence of the Richmond Times. That paper says the writer is a Virginia gentleman of distinguished talent and excellent judgment, and that what he says upon the above subjects should be read by all:

Immigration, and the use of steam in the tillage of her lands, will soon start the "Old Dominion" on her march again. These two subjects—twin subjects let them be called—should receive not only the serious attention of the people, but of the Legislature of the State. Should Virginia step forward this winter with anything like a liberal proposition on the subject of immigration, she will receive from England, Scotland and Wales, numbers of people, and of a class superior to that which has heretofore reached the shores of America from this country.

It will be found when the effort is made, as I hope and trust it will be, and made at once—that the present enormous price of food, growing out of the cattle plague and other causes, and the very small wages paid to the agricultural laborer of this kingdom, will be the most efficient of "Emigrant aid societies." The want of this class of labor is a grievous one with you—you are starving, so to speak, for the grain which here rots in the field. Will your authorities enter and reap? Political economists here look to emigration as the chief means of improving the condition of the farm laborer; the government and the people will encourage it, and the laborer himself seems willing enough to make the venture. Let your planters combine and contribute to start the matter; the cost would be insignificant when the ultimate advantages to be gained are considered, and above all, let the State Legislature empower the Governor to appoint a commissioner of emigration here, and appropriate money to give "assisted passages" (that is, pay a portion of the passage money,) to emigrants of the classes most desired.

Now as to steam culture. Do not think this an untried scheme, or one impracticable for your lands. Steam is every day employed in England in the cultivation of lands just as rolling as the uplands around Richmond. One steam plough, managed by three men and two boys, does more work in a day than ten men, with ten Virginia ploughs and thirty horses or mules can do; and when the work is done it is better done, the land is more improved by the cultivation and the yield per acre greatly increased. The cost of tillage, when the keep of animals is taken into account, is about one-half of the cost of horse power, and the number of horses on a farm can be reduced by this use of steam more than one-half.

Your correspondent has given this subject much attention, and he is satisfied, in view of the scarcity not only of men who will work, but of animals in Virginia, that steam tillage can be made a most valuable agent in restoring her to prosperity. The implements, by proper arrangements, can be obtained on most favorable terms of credit. A Washington gentleman has just ordered a steam plough from Messrs. Fowler & Co., to be used on a farm which he has rented in Virginia.

The farmers in England club together, buy these implements and cultivate the farms of each member of the club upon payment of an agreed price per acre. By the fund thus raised, the machinery is soon paid

for, and in many cases handsome dividends are being returned to the members of the club. The engines that draw the ploughs do not go upon the lands to be cultivated. They are either stationed in a corner of the field or move along the headlands. The best of them are locomotives, move along an ordinary road about three miles to the hour, and not only carry all of their implements with them, but are very useful for traction purposes, and are capable of drawing immense loads after them. They easily ascend a grade as great as one foot in six. Besides, the engines which do the cultivating are, when not so used, not only available for hauling, but for driving threshing machines, saw and grist mills, &c. The plough is more easily guided than the horse plough, and can be stopped as quickly. Thus obstacles, such as trees, stumps, stones, &c., are readily avoided; but if the plough happens to strike one no harm is done, as the rope, by a simple contrivance, flies off the drum. Then, the horse never gets tired, and the ground is never too hard for this plough, so that by relays of men, and a "head light" on the plough, it could be kept running the whole twenty-four hours, and the long dry seasons in summer and fall, which stop the following with you now, would have no such effect with it.

The State Department has been officially advised of the ratification of the anti-slavery amendment by the Legislature, of Georgia and Alabama. NEW YORK, December 16.—Cotton dull—middling 49. Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat and corn quiet and unchanged. Pork firm.

Lime! Lime!

7 BBL'S. LIME, for building purposes, for sale LOW by SHELTON, CALVO & WALSH, Dec 21 2 Bull street.

Pretty and Attractive. FANCY BOXES AND FIRE-WORKS

M. R. MCKENZIE has just opened a handsome assortment of FANCY BOXES, and also a fresh stock of FIRE-WORKS. Call and see them. Dec 19

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Burns five hours at Cost of one Cent! Lig-ro-ine Fluid and Safety Lamp.

IN use at all the principal Hotels and Ferries in the United States, on account of its cleanliness and economy. DIRECTIONS FOR ITS USE.

Fill the Lamp, then pour off all that will run out, and turn the Lamp bottom up, to drain; then screw the top in, and trim the wick nearly close to the tube. If the flame smokes, the wick is too high.

The Lamp is lined inside with a prepared material to absorb sufficient Lig-ro-ine to burn from three to eighteen hours, according to the size and purpose of the Lamp. The object of pouring out the surplus fluid is to economize it to the greatest possible extent, and to prevent spilling in the most careless hand.

No. 1 Safety Lamp—For Hotels and Boarding Houses.

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BACON AND HAMS.

1,000 LBS. very choice BACON STRIPS.
600 lbs. Sugar-cured HAMS. Just received, and the last lot that I shall keep, to be closed out at 33 cents per pound by the piece. Consumers had better provide for the winter. At POLLARD'S, On Main street, centre of the old Brick Range. Dec 17 '65

Columbia Male School.

THE undersigned announces to his patrons and the public that the exercises of his School, for the first session of 1866, will commence on the first TUESDAY in January. Pupils will be instructed in the course of study preparatory to entering the University of South Carolina, or prepared for admission into the Freshman and the Sophomore Class of any College. Special attention will be paid to imparting a practical knowledge of the departments of a good English education. The School-house for the approaching session will be the Sunday School Room of the Marion Street Methodist Church. Only a limited number of scholars will be admitted. Rate of tuition per session of five months, \$20, payable by half sessions. For further information, apply to Dec 20 wfw3* P. W. PAPE, Principal.

BOOK-KEEPING

By Single and Double Entry. A LIMITED number of young men, understanding the general principles of arithmetic, and desiring to acquire a practical and an accurate knowledge of BOOK-KEEPING by Single and Double Entry, including the department of Commercial Arithmetic, will be received as a class, and instructed after school hours. The recitations, each of two hours' duration, will embrace a thorough exposition of the principles of the art, and the application of these principles in appropriate sets of books, which every member of the class will be required to keep. Rate of tuition for each scholar, \$20 a term of fifty recitations, during which time an industrious and intelligent student can prepare himself to take charge of a set of books in a counting-house. For place and hours of instruction, apply to the undersigned. F. W. PAPE, Dec 20 wthw3*

Columbia Male Academy.

H. S. THOMPSON, Instructor in Mathematics, French and English Branches. RICHARD FORD, Instructor in the Latin and Greek Classes.

THE exercises of this Academy will be resumed on the 8th of January next. Pupils will be prepared for admission into any university or college. The course of study will include a new and improved system of Book-keeping, and special advantages will be afforded such students as may desire to fit themselves for mercantile life.

The scholastic year will be divided into three terms of four months each. Tuition at the rate of seventy-five (\$75) dollars per year for the Classics and French, and sixty (\$60) dollars for the English Branches, payable at the beginning of each term. Pupils who enter for less than a whole term, will be charged at the above rates. Dec 20 1mo*

New Store.

THE undersigned begs leave to inform his friends, and the public in general, that he has opened a

FRUIT AND CANDY STORE,

On Assembly street, next door to the old Irtan House, and is now ready to supply old and young with CANDIES, FRUITS, TOYS, FIRE-WORKS, &c., of which he has a good selection. Come one, come all, and give him a call, before the best things are picked out. CHAS. BRILL, Dec 19 '64

CHEESE!

10 BOXES very superior GOSHEN CHEESE, at 30 cents per pound. At POLLARD'S, on Main street, Dec 17 '65* Centre of old Brick Range.

NOTICE!

JUST received, 500 pieces of BONNET RIBBON. Also, a large assortment of VELVET RIBBONS—all numbers—and the largest stock of latest style LADIES' HATS in this city, which we offer at very reduced prices.

We also offer a large stock of DRESS GOODS, of all descriptions, and ALL-WOOL BALMOORAL SKIRTS, at NEW YORK PRICES. ABELES, MYERS & CO., Dec 16 5 Bronson's Old Stand.

Stolen,

FROM my premises, on Friday night, six miles from Columbia, two MULES—one a large iron-gray horse mule, sixteen hands high, eight years old, shed all round, mane and tail trimmed; the other a black mare mule, sixteen hands high, shed all round, with a scar on one hind leg. A reward of \$50 will be paid for their return and the detection of the thief. J. D. FROST, Dec 17 65

Cotton Seed

2,000 BUSHELS choice COTTON SEED for sale. Apply to the undersigned, at Marion C. H., S. C. Dec 14 '65 W. W. DURANT.

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McMaster's Hotel,

WINNSBORO, S. C. THIS old and favorably known HOUSE is still kept by the widow of John McMaster, Esq., deceased. The patronage of old friends and of the public is solicited. Dec 12 tut

If you Want a Comfortable and Convenient Residence for your Family, RENT THE LATTA HOUSE!

THE above is located near the Charlotte Railroad Depot. The building is divided into nine comfortable rooms, with a piazza on all sides, and every convenience in the house a family could desire. On the premises are fine out-buildings, such as Kitchens, Servants' Rooms, Stables, Carriage House, &c. The ground attached consists of 84 acres LAND, suitable for pasture and growing of all kinds of grain; fine Vegetable Garden, Orchard, &c. For terms, apply at the Auction Room of Messrs. LEVIN & PELKOTTS, corner of Assembly and Plain streets. Dec 14

STEAMBOAT LINE



FROM Columbia to Charleston. THE NEW and FIRST-CLASS LIGHT DRAFT STEAMER GEORGE is now prepared to make engagements to take Freight from Granby Landing to Charleston. All goods forwarded by this line will be insured, if desired. Also, forwarded to New York, and advances made upon the same, if required. Dec 14 1mo A. L. SOLOMON, Agent. The Abbeville Banner, Newberry Herald, Anderson Intelligencer and Chester Standard will publish the above for two weeks, and send bills to this office.

Just Received from New York AND FOR SALE AT

L. C. CLARKE'S,

WASHINGTON STREET. A LARGE and fashionable assortment of ORNAMENTS and TRIMMINGS for Ladies' Dresses and Cloaks, consisting of Bugles, Butterflies, Drops, Fancy Cords and Buttons, of every description and size; Breakfast Shawls, Central Park Hoods, Infant's Socks, Ladies' Fancy Neck-Ties, Ladies' Fancy Neck-Ties, with fringe, Dress Elevators, Belt Buckles and Clasps, Silk and Leather Belts, Belting Ribbons of all colors and widths, Velvet Ribbon of all widths, Ladies' Scarfs, Collars and Cuffs, Traveling Bags, Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Ladies' L. C. Handkerchiefs, Gent's L. C. Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Gloves and Gauntlets, Gent's Buck Gloves, Skirt Braid of all colors, Coat Bindings, Balmooral Skirts, a large assortment of Hoop Skirts, Ladies', Gent's, Youth's and Misses' Under Vests, Ladies' Flannel Skirts, Ladies' large Double Shawls; a fine assortment of Perfumeries, Brown Windsor Soap, Tooth Soap, Toilet Powder, Boxes and Puffs, Hair Brushes and Combs, Nail Brushes; a fine assortment of Dress Goods, at greatly reduced prices—DeLaines, Black and Cold Alpaca, Merinoes, Calicoes, &c.; Black Cloth and Cassimeres, Fancy Cassimeres, Blankets, Umbrellas, Blue Shirtings, Paper Cambric, Linen, Black and Colored Dress Silks, Marcelline Silk, &c. Dec 6

Look Here!

Only Five Days from New York! JUST to think of the NICE THINGS brought out by the Steamship Grenada, expressly for Christmas. 25 boxes choice MALAGA RAISINS. 25 " TURKEY FIGS—fine. 10 " CITRON. 1,000 lbs. FRENCH CANDIES. 200 lbs. CURRANTS, with any quantity of SPICES, at POLLARD'S, On Main street, centre of old Brick Range. Dec 19 34*

BOOTS, SHOES AND LEATHER.

THE subscribers have just received a general assortment of BOOTS and SHOES, consisting of: Gent's Single and Double-soled BOOTS, (Philadelphia make), Balmorals, Gaiters, Booties, Brogans, &c. Also, a fine lot of the very best Baltimore Oak Sole LEATHER. We will, as usual, make to order all varieties of Boots and Shoes, of the best material and workmanship, for cash only—a rule from which there will be no exception. J. & A. OLIVER, Sumter st., between Richland and Laurel 1mo* Dec 7

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OPENED THIS DAY, a new and beautiful assortment of KEROSENE LAMPS, for Stores, Parlors, Halls and Chambers.

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