

ARE WE COMING TO IMPERIALISM?—The New York Round Table discusses the question—“Are we drifting into Imperialism?”—in this strain:

“In plain sooth, the age of sensuality, of unchecked corruption, of dense, gross ignorance is coming down on us like night. A free press should have given more notice of warning than it has; but the press dislikes, in a free country, to print unpalatable truth, even when it discerns such truth, and the journals that profess ‘fearless devotion to principle’ are notoriously the ones whose articles betray the most laborious solicitude to catch the applause and flatter the prejudice of the greatest number. Meanwhile, at what are called our ‘great centres,’ coarse brutes, who ought to be digging railways or drawing hand carts, lay down the law for the whole community, and by dint of vast wealth amassed under circumstances impossible in any other civilized country, degrade the social tone and spread in every direction an unbridled rage for pleasures of the senses. Intellectual elevation or ambition is scoffed at, and those who strive to dictate a taste for better things are either hated or despised. Nothing is thought of but the delights of the table, of fine clothes, of showy dwellings and equipages—in a word, of physical raptures of every description. If there is at present anything else—whether in the pulpit, in the theatre, or in literature—the pill must be gilded so as to appear ‘sensational.’ All this is so widely admitted, so shamefully notorious, that its recital is trite enough; we repeat it merely in elucidation of the subject under discussion. It is impossible, when people think all things of their bodies and nothing of their minds, that either a Democratic or any other pure form of government can long be maintained.—Unless a great change comes over American people, it will not be maintained by themselves. They are rushing toward the precipice at railway speed, and the universal corruption that good men deplore, is the prelude of a decomposition which is certain fate.”

THE FALL OF THE FEMALE BLONDIN.—The London Shipping and Mercantile Gazette says:

On Tuesday evening an intensely exciting scene was witnessed at Bolton. In connection with Mr. Pablo Fanque's circus, with the “Female Blondin” had been announced for an out-door performance. She was to walk along a rope fixed from the third story of the Old Coronation Mills to the top of the circus, the height of the rope being about sixty feet, and the distance some eighty feet. About half-past seven the “Female Blondin” entered the Coronation Mills, which are being pulled down, and ascended the rope. She sauntered along it for a few feet with a light and easy step, but at about fifteen feet from where she started there was a large ugly knot on the rope several inches long.—She essayed to cross it and then turned back. In a moment, however, resumed her perilous journey, amid the breathless anxiety of thousands who stood sixty feet beneath her. She approached the knot cautiously, crossed it, but just as her last foot was leaving it she stumbled. At once she threw her pole to the crowd below, and with a desperate effort she grasped the rope. She is a strong muscular woman, and exerted herself greatly to regain a position on the rope, but hung suspended by the hands. The wildest excitement prevailed amongst the spectators. There were loud cries of “lower the rope,” which was done, but only for a very few feet. With more speed than can be told, a great number of men massed themselves together at the place over which she hung by the rope, and begged her to let go and fall. She did so, and was caught by them, and although the distance she fell was almost fifty feet, she sustained no injury beyond the fright and a shake.

THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC.—One of the most common, but most absurd mistakes which people make now-a-days, is in imagining that a community confers upon a newspaper which it supports an obligation, which can only be cancelled by the most obsequious compliance with the whims and differences of the opinions of any individual among the mass of its readers, who may take the trouble to favor it with his views. Modern journalism, like its sister institutions—the postal system and the telegraph—gives to the public advantages out of all proportion to the money value at which they are rated; and the man who buys a good newspaper, avails himself of a privilege, the extra ordinary cheapness of which he can hardly appreciate because of its habitual enjoyment. The advertiser, likewise, who makes known his business through the columns of a journal circulating widely among all classes, ought to understand that he thereby secures the richest possible return for the trifling sum he may have invested. In both cases, the customer gets his full money's worth many times multiplied; and the assumption that there is any obligation whatever in either is simply preposterous. The terms “patron” and “patronage” as applied to the readers and business of a newspaper, are still used by some country editors; but have long since been repudiated by all journalists who are mindful of the true position and dignity of their calling.—*Charleston News.*

The largest elephant in the world arrived at New York by the steamship Helvetia. She is called the “Empress,” is about twenty years old and stands twelve feet and a half high. At an

early hour the Hamburg steamer dock at Hoboken was crowded with an eager throng, who waited patiently for the enormous animal to come forth. At last came the Empress, slowly and deliberately; turning sharp at the gang-plank she suddenly gave a snort and a roar that sounded like distant thunder, and seemed disposed to make trouble. The keeper sprang ahead, and in the most endearing manner persuaded her tightness to descend. The ship almost careened as she advanced a little more to the side, and one huge foot, like a pillar of the Customhouse, rested on the gang plank. There was something absolutely touching in the way the gigantic beast would reach forth her trunk and put it around the keeper, who would pat it and again invite the Empress to come on and not be afraid. The huge animal slowly descended to avoid porting silently as she did so. When she reached the dock the people cheered loudly, and the keeper put his arms around her trunk and kissed it with delight. As for her majesty, she trumpeted out her pleasures in a series of whistles and retreats. Then advancing steadily up the wharf, and reaching terra firma once she expressed her satisfaction by taking dirt in her trunk and tossing it upon her back.

Town Surveyor.
MR. COLIN MARRAS having been elected Town Surveyor, persons enclosing their Lots or building on them, are required to have them Surveyed at their own expense.
By order of the Council,
W. CLYBURN, Clerk.

SHERIFF'S SALES.
SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
CAMDEN, S. C., June 8, 1869.

BY virtue of Sundry Writs of *f. fa.* to me directed and lodged, I will proceed to sell on the first Monday, to be the fifth day of July next, in front of the Court House in Camden, within the legal hours of sale, the following mentioned and described property, to-wit:

One House and Lot, situated in the Town of Camden, on Broad Street, whereon is situated the Two Story Brick Residence, at present occupied by Frank Goss, measuring one hundred feet on Broad Street, and extending Eastward five hundred and seventy-three feet. Levied upon as the property of Leslie McCandless at the suit of Winneford B. Young.

One large Brick Hotel, in the Town of Camden, known as the D K Club House, on the corner of Broad and DeKalb Streets. Levied upon as the property of E. R. Morris, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for the year 1869 Amount, \$80.00.

One House and Lot on Fair Street. Levied upon as the property of W. H. R. Workman, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 Amount \$71.27

One Lot with Store House thereon at present occupied by Burns & Boswell on Broad Street Levied upon as the property of William Johnson, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for the years 1867 and 1869. Amount, \$25.00.

One House and Lot on corner of Broad and York Streets. Levied upon as the property of Estate Richard Chesnut, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for the years 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868 and 1869. Amount, \$21.50.

One House and Lot on Fair Street, known as the Ciple's place. Levied upon as the property of A. D. Goodwyn, at the suit of the Town for Taxes for the years 1868 and 1869. Amount, \$20.00.

One House and Lot on Mill Street. Levied upon as the property of C. Nelson, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for the years 1868 and 1869. Amount, \$19.56.

One Brick Office in rear of the Court House. Levied upon as the property of U. P. Rooney, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for 1869. Amount, \$14.00

One Gin House and Lot on Market Street. Levied upon as the property of Mrs. R. Workman, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for 1868 and 1869. Amount, \$13.00

One House and Lot on Broad Street. Levied upon as the property of William Deas, at the suit of the Town for Taxes, for 1869. Amount, \$6.00.

One House and Four Lots on DeKalb Street. Levied upon as the property of Frank Ahmson, at the suit of the Town for Taxes for 1869 Amount, \$3.00.

DIED.—In Camden on the 4th inst., after an illness of four days, ARTHUR JOHANNES, youngest child of W. J. and M. E. Arrants.

Photographs, Ambrotypes, AND FERR O'TYPES.

THE undersigned of Photographs Artist at Charlotte, N. C. having fitted up a SKY-LIGHT GALLERY in Workman's Building, is now prepared to take all kinds of Pictures. Those wishing to have their beauty counterfeited, will have an opportunity to do so. No pictures allowed to leave the Gallery unless perfectly satisfactory—Old Daguerreotypes or Ambrotypes copied into any size, large or small. Photographs and Pictures put up neatly, in Lockets, Breastpins and Rings. Call soon as my stay is limited. Call and see specimen at Workman's Building, over Baum Bros. Store.
N. LANG,
June 10—3t. Photographer.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the matter of H. ARRANTS, Bankrupt.

To whom it may Concern.
THE undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of Harrison Arrants, in the District of Kershaw, and State of South Carolina, within the said District, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon his own petition, by W. I. Clawson, Registrar of the said District Court.
ISAAC F. HOLLAND,
Assignee.
May 27. 3t.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the matter of J. J. FUNDERBURK, Bankrupt.

To whom it may Concern
THE undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of J. J. Funderburk, in the County of Lancaster, and the State of South Carolina, within the said District, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon his own petition, by W. I. Clawson Registrar of the said District Court.
JOS. M. GAYLE,
Assignee.
June 3—3t.

M. BISSELL, DENTIST.

WOULD call the attention of those requiring their Teeth fitted to a **CO. POSITION, FILLING** that he prepares and has used for the past ten years, as it can be recommended in all cases where the teeth are so far decayed as to prevent their being filled with any filling requiring pressure. As it approaches nearer the color of the teeth than Foils, it will be found satisfactory in filling the badly decayed front teeth, avoiding the unsightly appearance of the foil showing through the thin plate of enamel. Being nearly as hard as the bone of the teeth it will prove serviceable in the masticating surfaces of many teeth. Teeth filled several years since have been found within a few weeks in nearly as good a condition as when first filled.
Charges for filling with gold, tin, or artificial Dentine from 50 cents to \$2, and teeth inserted on GOLD, SILVER or VULCANITE, from \$2 to \$8.
OFFICE on Broad street, opposite Mr. Jas. Dunlap's residence.
May 20. 4t.

F. J. COLLIER & CO'S PRESCRIPTION STORE.

PERSONS wishing PRESCRIPTIONS filled, will be accommodated at all hours.
Having just received a fresh supply of
DRUGS AND MEDICINES.
we are prepared to accommodate all who may favor us with a call.
May 13. 4t.

PURE French Brandy and Wines,
For Medicinal Purposes.

This is a pure article of Brandy as it was bought out of the Custom House and can be relied on as being pure and genuine.
HODGSON & DUNLAP.

NOTICE.
I hereby fore-warn all persons not to let any person, (no matter who,) have anything on my own account as I will not pay any debts except extracted by myself.
D. C. KIRKLEY,
May 27.— 4t.

ROBT MURE & CO COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
CHARLESTON, S. C.
AGENTS CHARLESTON AND LIVERPOOL STEAMSHIP LINE.
Advances made on shipments of Cotton, Rice and Naval Stores to Foreign and Domestic Ports.

Noti.
ALL persons indebted to or having claims against the estate of John Brown, deceased, are hereby requested to present the same properly attested, on or before the 20th day of December, A. D. 1869.
D. P. BUSII, Admr.
April 1. 8m



DRUGGISTS AND APOTHECARIES,

Have on hand and are constantly receiving fresh supplies of

DRUGS AND MEDICINES, FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMERY, & C. KEROSENE OIL AND LAMPS, CHIMNIES, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Window Glass, Putty, Brushes, & C.

AND
ALL OTHER ARTICLES

Usually kept in our line, all of which are PURE AND GENUINE, and warranted to be as represented, which we will sell as cheap as they can be bought anywhere in the State.

HODGSON & DUNLAP.
May 6.

NEW ARRIVALS.

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.

We are now receiving and opening a well-selected stock of

Spring and Summer Goods,

Consisting of the Newest Styles of

PRINTS.

LADIES' DRESS GOODS,

LADIES' HATS,

And various other articles. Also—a large assortment of

Gent's, Spring and Summer Clothing,

Cassimeres and Linens, of all qualities.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Of these, we have a fine assortment. Also, Fashionable

ALPINE HATS.

WHITE AND COLORED.

Our usual assortment of

HARDWARE, GROCERIES,

AND
CROCKERYWARE.

The above Goods having been selected with great care, and bought for CASH, we offer them very low for the CASH.

Call and examine our stock and you will find it to your interest. We take this occasion to thank our friends and the public generally, for the very liberal patronage bestowed on us, and it shall always be our aim to continue to merit the same by selling at the lowest possible prices.

BAUM BROS.
March 18.

DEKALB HOUSE,
J. W. Rodgers—Proprietor,
CAMDEN, S. C.

INSURE YOUR LIFE
IN THE
St. Louis Mutual INSURANCE COMPANY.
J. W. RODGERS, Agent.
CAMDEN, S. C.

SHIP Your Money and Freight
BY THE
SOUTHERN EXPRESS.
OFFICE AT THE
DEKALB HOUSE.

TOWN TAXES DUE IN 1869.
THE Books for the collection of Town Taxes for the fiscal year, ending the 31st of December, 1868, will be open at the Council Chamber from now until the 15th day of May; and after that time, Executions will be issued against all delinquent Tax Payers.
By order Council,
W. CLYBURN, Clerk.
April 1. 4t

NOTICE.
ALL persons having demands against the estate of John Kirkland, deceased, will present them duly attested within the time prescribed by law. This notice will be plead in bar of those who fail to comply. Those indebted to the said estate will make immediate payment to
JESSE A. KIRKLAND,

The State of South Carolina.
KERSHAW COUNTY.

By James F. Sutherland, J. P.
WHEREAS, Mrs. Sarah A. C. Lee made suit to me, to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of Barnwell Stuart, dec'd. THESE are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said B. Stuart, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate to be held at Camden on the 12th day June next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause of any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.
Given under my hand, this 28th day of May, Anno Domini, 1869.
J. F. SUTHERLAND, J. P.

The State of South Carolina,
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.
KERSHAW—In Equity.

William E. Johnson and others, President and Directors of the Bank of Camden S. C., vs. the Bank of Camden S. C. and others.

Bill for Directions, Injunction and Relief.

IN pursuance of a decretal order entered in this cause, creditors of the Bank of Camden, S. C., are required to present statements of their claims, designating the number of the bills or notes of each denomination, forming any part thereof, at the Banking House in Camden, S. C., on or before the 1st September next, and are enjoined from commencing or further prosecuting any suits against the said corporation without the special leave of said Court.
C. SHIVER, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kershaw County, S. C.
May 20. 3m

PIEDMONT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF RICHMOND, VA.

CAPITAL INVESTED AND WELL SECURED..... \$100,000
PREMIUMS EARNED FIRST 19 MONTHS, OVER.....600,000
NUMBER OF POLICIES ISSUED, OVER.....3,100
Eighty-Seven and a Half per centum of Profits paid to Policy Holders.
Insure Your Life in a southern Company.
A Life Insurance Policy is the surest protection you can secure for those dependent upon you.

Advantages of the Piedmont.

It is confined to Life Insurance only, and does not mix with the uncertainty of other uses.
The rights of policy holders are clearly defined on its policies as PART OF THE CONTRACT, and not left to OUTSIDE PROMISES of Agents.
It has no useless restrictions on residence or travel; fully provides for the non-forfeiture of its policies and places all on fair equality as to occupation.

It has declared a dividend to its policy holders the first Eighteen months of 40 per cent. The late war taught many the heavy penalty of being separated from the Home Office by the Companies forfeiting what had been paid and refusing to reinstate the policies. THE "PIEDMONT" provides against this IN HER POLICIES, and all who may, by any mishap or revolution, be separated from the Office, the right to reinstate policies within one year after intervening cause is removed, or to be ENTITLED TO SAME RIGHTS AS TO NON-FORFEITURE. AS THOUGH THE INSURING CAUSE had never existed, at the option of the insured, so that no contingency can take from her POLICY HOLDERS their just rights. THIS IS DONE BY NO OTHER COMPANY.

It has paid all its losses promptly, without waiting for the NINETY days grace, and has never contested a claim.

Parties contemplating insuring, are requested to examine our policies and compare them with other companies before insuring. THE COMPANY has determined to establish a BRANCH OFFICE IN SOUTH CAROLINA with President and Directors selected from Policy Holders of this State, which will give you all the advantages of a HOME INSTITUTION as all the Premiums received, will be left here and invested in your own State.
The "PIEDMONT" issues Policies on the Ordinary Life, Ten Annual Payment, Five Annual Payment, Single Payment, Endowment, Joint Life, Children's Endowment, Return Premium, or any Table used by other Companies.

W. CLYBURN, Agent,
Camden, S. C.
J. R. STEGER, Gen'l. Canvassing Agent,
May 13. 3m

SOUTH CAROLINA State Agricultural and Mechanical Magazine.

(Official Organ of the South Carolina State Agricultural and Mechanical Society.)

At an early date, the subscribers will publish the first number of a Monthly Magazine, devoted to the development of the material interests of this State, and the whole South; and will distribute five thousand copies gratuitously, so that every one may see what it is before subscribing. They intend to make it the best and handsomest industrial magazine ever published at the South, and they ask the cordial cooperation of every good citizen in this enterprise, which must redound to the public welfare.
Persons wishing copies of the first number, will please send their address to
WALKER, EVANS & COGSWELL,
Charleston, S. C.
May 13. 4t.

Corn and Bacon!

WE are still receiving supplies of Corn and Bacon which we will sell at Charleston prices with actual expenses added.
HODGSON & DUNLAP.