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Volunteers for Oregon.

Attention! rheumatic Battalion!

IN anticipation of a war with England, the individuals composing the **Rheumatic Battalion** are each and every one notified and warned to appear (armed as shall hereafter be directed.) before Orderly Surgeon GEO. HOWARD, in Tarboro', and purchase a bottle of

Heroes' Liniment and Elixir.

which is warranted to cure all the old cases of chronic or inflammatory Rheumatism that have remained uncured up to the present time. This without delay, so that you may be in readiness to march, if called upon. To the Universal Rheumatic Battalion!

Given this day at Head Quarters by
COMSTOCK & CO.
Commanders General.

The above article is sold wholesale by Comstock & Co. 21 Cortlandt st. New York—by Geo. Howard, Tarboro'—M. Wesson, Gaston—F. S. Marshall, Halifax—Burnett & Hyman, Palmyra—F. W. Moore, Williamston—and by one person in every village in U. States and Canadas.
March 19, 1846.

M'LWAIN, BROWNLEY, & CO.,

Petersburg, Va.,

ARE now receiving their Full Supply of

GROCERIES,

Which is very general and extensive—to which they invite the attention of purchasers. In their assortment may be found,

160 hhd's brown Sugars, common to fine.
75 packages loaf and lump Sugars,
50 barrels clarified, crush'd & powdered do.,
750 bags Rio, Laguira, Cuba and Java coffee,

1000 casks cut nails and brads,
40 hhd's and tierces Molasses, part Superior,
60 tons swed., English & Amer'n irons,
350 ps. cotton bagging, various wts. and qualities,

300 coils bale rope, hemp, flax and jute,
1500 lbs sewing, wrapping & seine twine,
2000 " ball and hank shoe thread,
1500 sides oak and hemlock sole leather,
150 dozen, upper leather, calf, kip and sheep skins,

2000 sacks L'Pool fine and ground salt,
1000 reams wrap'g, writ'g & letter paper,
20,000 lbs. western Bacon, sides and shoulders,
German, blist'd. cast and shear steel,
Hoop, band, nail rod. and horse shoe iron,
Patent horse shoes in kegs, spring steel,
Cart and wagon boxes, trace chains,
Gunpowder in kegs, qr. kegs & canisters,
Shot & bar lead, of Virginia manufacture,
Cotton Yarns, best N. Carolina manuf'ce,
Bed cords and plough lines, Manilla rope,
Harness and skirting leather,
Saddles, bridles and horse collars,
Cotton cards, Whittemore's best, and common kinds,
Teas, imperial & gunp'd, Y. Hyson & blacks,
Indigo, madder, copperas, and saltpetre,
Salts, borax, brimstone and alum,
Best winter sperm and tanner's oil,
Pepper, spice, ginger and nutmegs,
Candles, best sperm and tallow,
Soap, brown and pale, washing and shaving, &c. &c.

Their best attention will be given to the sale of produce, consigned to their care.

August 12, 1845.

APPROVED

Patent Medicines.

Goeliecke's Matchless Sanative, for the cure of Consumption, coughs, colics, &c.
Bernard's remedy for Asiatic Cholera, cholera morbus, diarrhoea, &c.
Compound Chlorine Tooth Wash, for preserving the teeth from decay, protecting the gums, &c.
Dr. Phelps's celebrated tomato Pills, never failing remedy if taken according to directions which accompany them.

For sale by **GEO. HOWARD,** Tarboro', June, 1844.

Patterson & Wills,

PETERSBURG, Va.

August 25th, 1845,

HAVE in store and are receiving the following Goods, to wit:
60 hhd's P. Rico, N. O., St. Croix and refined Sugars,
200 bags Laguira, Rio and Java coffee,
20 hhd's P. Rico and Cuba molasses, part prime,
1000 sacks L. P. and G. A. salt,
200 ps. cotton bagging, part sup'r qual.
200 coils Bale rope,
10000 lbs. Virginia cured bacon,
10000 " Western sides and shoulders,
250 sides "good" and "damaged" Sole Leather,
50 doz. Russet upper do.,
500 lbs. Shoe thread,
150 bls. No. 1 and 2, N. Ca. herrings,
100 boxes Sperm and Tallow candles, approved Brands,
20 boxes & bls. Loaf & Crushed sugar, do.
5 bls. superior Pulverised do.
100 bags Drop and Buck shot,
100 kegs D. P. powder,
30 tons Swedes and English Iron,
5 " bind and hoop do.
3 " blistered, German & Cast steel,
250 kegs cut and box nails,
10 doz. Wells & Co. approved axes,
50 casks London porter—q'ts & p'ts,
10 hhd's Baltimore whi-key,
50 bls. do. do.
50 " superior Northern A. Brandy,
15 " N. E. Rum,
10 " Scuppernon Wine,
10 qr. casks Teneriff and S. M. do.
1 pipe superior old Madeira,
5 qr. casks Port wine,
5 half pipes superior Cognac & Champagne brandy, warranted genuine,
30 bls. old Monongahela whiskey,
2 puncheons best Jamaica Rum,
3 pipes H. Gin,
100 nests Iron and Wood bound tubs,
20 bags pepper, spice and ginger,
5 half chests superior G. P., Imperial and Y. H. Tea,
50 doz. Bed cords best Hemp,
100 " Cotton Lines,
100 reams Wrapping paper,
50 " Writing & Letter do.
20 boxes Whittemore's genuine Cotton and Wool cards,
100 bls. new City ground, family flour,
100 " " S. F. ditto—ditto & country,
25 " superior Cider Vinegar,
100 bushels best Clover seed—selected,
Together with other articles usually kept in the Grocery line: all of which we offer for sale, upon such terms as we think a fair examination cannot fail to approve. We are agents for the sale of Jabez Parker's

Thrashing Machines, FAN MILLS, STRAW CUTTERS & Corn Shellers;
Which are sold at the same prices as by the Manufacturer.
We also solicit a continuance of the very liberal patronage heretofore received in the way of Consignments of Produce: say Cotton, Tobacco, Wheat, Bacon, &c.; and pledge ourselves to be unwavering in our terms of Commissions, as we place all on an equal footing. Say fifty cents per Bale for Cotton, and all other kinds of Produce 2 1/2 per cent. Also, the receiving and forwarding of Merchandise.

The unparalleled popularity of Hay's Liniment,
IS a surety of its virtue—the genuine Hay's Liniment has cured over twenty thousand cases of PILES in the United States. It is the only article used and prescribed by the Faculty of New York, and it is recommended by every Physician in the country who has used it or seen its effects on others. The genuine has Comstock & Co.'s name on each wrapper.
Sold wholesale by Comstock & Co. 21 Cortlandt st. New York—by Geo. Howard, Tarboro'—M. Wesson, Gaston—F. S. Marshall, Halifax—Burnett & Hyman, Palmyra—F. W. Moore, Williamston—and by one person in every village in U. States and Canadas. March 19, 1846.

Just Received, By the Subscriber,
A LARGE ASSORTMENT Swedes, American and English Iron, German & cast Steel, cut & wrought Nails. Castings, consisting of ovens, pots, spiders, skillets, tea kettles, andirons, cart and wagon boxes, ploughs, points & heels, Spades, long handled shovels, hoes, trace and halter chains, sulky springs, Furks Island salt, blown & ground salt, White lead, lined and train oil, 8 x 10 and 10 x 12 window glass—putty. ALSO, a very large & general assortment of

GROCERIES, Hardware and Cutlery, China, Glass, Crockery and Stone ware.
For sale on accommodating terms.
JAS. WEDDELL,
Tarboro', Nov. 12, 1845.

POLITICAL.



From the Raleigh Star.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Raleigh, Feb. 33rd, 1846.

Sir:—I send you an article, prepared in accordance with the Direction of the Legislature, and designed, to exhibit the experience of the States of the Union since the year 1839, in regard to the cost or profits of their States' Prisons.

Please publish it in the Star, and send five copies of the paper containing it, to the Clerk of the County Court of each County in the State, for the use of the people of his County, and request each Editor of a newspaper in this State to give it one insertion, and forward his account to this office. Your obed't serv't,

WILL A. GRAHAM.

T. J. Lemay, Esq.

PENITENTIARY QUESTION.

Executive Office, Raleigh, Feb. 1846.

By the 4th section, of the "act concerning a Penitentiary," passed at the last session of the General Assembly, the Governor was required to open a correspondence with the Executive of the several States, in which the Penitentiaries "are now established," with a view to obtain "such statistical information, in relation to the profits and expenditures of those Institutions, since the year 1835, as may in his opinion be necessary for the information of the people, whose vote is to be taken, on the adoption of that system of punishment at the election in August next; and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers of the State previously to the election."

A circular letter, embracing the necessary inquiries was accordingly prepared, and a copy sent to the Executive of each State and Territory of the Union, during the last Autumn. Prompt and satisfactory replies were in a short time received, from several of the States, and among them, some of those most distant from us. But, it is a source of regret that from others, in which the system is known to exist, no intelligence has been obtained. Having delayed this publication longer than was desired, with the hope of procuring the returns of the year 1845, which has been in part realized, and waited until there is no reasonable ground to expect additional information from official sources, the undersigned presents the following as the result of his inquiries and researches.

In the State of MAINE.

Year.	Profits.	Loss.
State Pris. in 1840.	\$1,865 76	
" Loss " 1841.		\$9,119 62
" Profits " 1842.	838 13	
" Do. " 1843.	577 56	
" Do. " 1844.	1,163 79	

MASSACHUSETTS.

Year.	Profits.	Loss.
Net Loss of State Pris. in 1840.		\$179 43
" " " 1841.		1,015 92
" Profits " 1842.	\$931 36	
" Loss " 1843.		5,022 11
" Profits " 1844.	268 68.	

CONNECTICUT.

Profits of State	Year.	Profits.	Loss.
Prison in	1840.	\$4,511 19.	
" "	1841.	8,282 90.	
" "	1842.	8,065 29.	
" "	1843.	6,069 25.	
" "	1844.	6,808 92.	

This prosperous result is attributed in the Report of the Inspectors, to the fact, that the officers of the Prison, have not been removed from office, with the changes of political parties, as has been the case in some other States.

NEW YORK has three Penitentiaries, viz: At Auburn, at Sing Sing, or Mount Pleasant, and at Clinton, (the last recently erected,) besides the State's Prison at Blackwell's Island, for the punishment of inferior offences.

At Auburn.

Year.	Profits.
Profits of State's Pris. in 1843,	\$3,379 21.
" " " 1844.	5,806 12.
" " " 1845.	7,369 49.

At Mount Pleasant.

Year.	Loss.
Loss from State's Pris. in 1841.	\$5,514 00
" " " 1842.	13,817 00
" " " 1843.	29,688 00
" " " 1845.	18,140 60

The statement respecting both these Prisons, for the last year, are obtained from the Message of Gov. Wright, dated Jan. 6th, 1846, who remarks respecting the deficiency of \$18,140 60 at Mount Pleasant, that "this balance of expenditure has been met by drawing from the Treasury \$17,000 deposited therein from the former surplus earnings of the prison; and \$340, 00 from a balance on hand at the close of the previous year."

There are in this Prison 797 convicts, including all the female prisoners in the State, 61 in number.

At Clinton.—The buildings being only partially completed, the statistics of Receipt and Expenditure are not furnished. It is noticed only, as showing a disposition, in that State, to extend the system.

NEW JERSEY.
In the State Prison, there is a gain during the past year, over and above the expense of supporting the prisoners of \$5,282, of which \$2,000 have been paid into the Treasury.—Message Gov. Stratton, Jan. 1846.

MARYLAND.
Profits of State's Prison, 1843, \$483 66.
" " " 1845, 1,220 92.
"This Institution has ceased to be an expense to the State, and I am warranted in expressing the opinion, that for the past year, it has been as judiciously managed, in view of the moral improvement of its inmates, as any similar institution in the country."—Message Gov. Pratt, Dec. 1845.

IN DELAWARE & SOUTH CAROLINA, Penitentiaries have never been established.

IN GEORGIA.
Until within the past two years the system has been a constant and heavy burthen to the State. But for the years 1844 and '45, it has yielded aggregate profits amounting to \$9,430 98. "Under the skill and management of the principal keeper, it has yielded a net income of \$8,987 83 the present year. Whatever may have been heretofore the unrequited outlays of money on account of this Institution, thereby making it a distasteful burthen on the people, the problem is now solved, and convict labor may be so applied as to remunerate the public Treasury; and satisfy that active philanthropy which looked on guilt and its atonements that preserved age, and reformed the offence."—Message Gov. Crawford, Nov. 1845.

ALABAMA.
"It is greatly to be regretted that the Penitentiary has not yet been able to defray its own expenses. I am not sufficiently conversant with its fiscal operations to state to you why it has not."—Message of Gov. Fitzpatrick, Dec. 1845.
In a previous part of the Message, the Legislature is informed, that "the sum of \$15,000 appropriated at the last session of the General Assembly for the support of the Penitentiary the current year, was wholly insufficient to do so, and discharge the debts of the Institution at the period when the appropriation was made."

MISSISSIPPI.
A Report of a Committee of the Legislature of that State, declares that the Receipts of the Penitentiary exceeded the expenditure in the year 1843; but by how much is not stated. The same Report also avers that "the Penitentiary of Mississippi is now fully answering the end of its erection, and responding both to the commands of justice, and the anxious desire of benevolence."
Net Profit of Penitent'y, 1844, \$1,337 00.
" " " 1845, 5,110 92.

ARKANSAS.
Gov. Drew, Jan. 13th, 1846, writes as follows: "You will perceive from the agents' reports (forwarded by him but not yet received here) our State Prison so far has been a tax upon our State, yet it is believed that in the course of a few years, it may be turned to profit. It must be remarked however, that the Institution is productive of much good, and has proved a great saving in the expenditures for the

suppression of crime, while it is eminently humane in its object."

MICHIGAN.
Profits of Penitentiary in 1843, \$2,246 56.
Report of Prison Discipline Society, Boston.

KENTUCKY.
The buildings of the State Prison were destroyed by fire in the autumn of 1844, and are now being rebuilt. It is reported to have yielded considerable profits for several years before this casualty.

OHIO.
Gov. Bartley, in his Message of Dec. 1845, states the net Profits of the Penitentiary for the year, at \$18,025 00. He previously says, "the system of prison discipline which has been vigilantly adhered to, has been well calculated to accomplish the true objects of criminal punishment. Special regard has been paid to the complaint of a portion of our citizens, who have perhaps with good cause, alleged, that the system of prison labor, created an unjust competition with their business, and tended to degrade their pursuits. So far as practicable, without a violation of old contracts for prison labor the employment of the convicts, has very properly, as well as profitably, been directed to those objects which do not conflict with the interests of the existing mechanical pursuits of the State."

An inspection of the letters and documents from which the foregoing statements have been collected will be cheerfully afforded to any one desirous of further inquiry; as well as, of a plan of Penitentiary buildings lodged in this office, by an architect of reputation, who estimates the cost of their construction at \$30,000; it being a part of the design that additions shall be made, as required, by the labor of the inmates.
(Signed) WILL A. GRAHAM.

*NOTE.—Gov. Brown of Mississippi in noticing a similar complaint there, recommends the erection of a Factory of Woolen or Coarse Cottons in the Penitentiary to avoid such competition. Message, Jan. 1845.

From the Raleigh Star.

The following list of crimes and punishments which has been furnished to us by a gentleman of the legal profession, will be read with interest in connexion with the Penitentiary question.

Crimes punishable with death in North Carolina for a single offence.

- Murder.
- Burglary.
- Arson.
- Robbery on or near a highway.
- Accessories before the fact in each of these four.
- The fighter of a duel and all aiders and abettors where a party is killed.
- Castration with malice aforethought.
- Rape, or Carnal abuse, of a female child.
- Crime against nature.
- Burning the State House, Court Houses, Jails, &c.
- Stealing a slave.
- Conveying or concealing a slave, with intent to enable him to escape out of the State.
- Taking a free negro or person of mixed blood out of the State with an intention to sell or dispose of him, &c.
- Breaking Prison when confined on a capital charge.
- Rebellion or Insurrection by slaves, &c.
- Joining a conspiracy or rebellion of slaves by free persons.
- Slaves who voluntarily return to the State, after being transported by sentence of a Court.
- Attempting to commit a rape on a white woman, by a person of color.

For Second-offence.

- Malicious Maiming.
- Bigamy.
- Grand Larceny.
- Horse stealing.
- Burning Bridges, &c.
- Circulating seditious publications among slaves.
- Exciting slaves to sedition, by words.
- Forgery.
- Manslaughter.