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The Bubble.

FAIRMONT, AUGUST 28, 1872.

SALUTATORY.

In issuing The Bubble we would beg our kind readers to be lenient to us for any imperfections which they may find in our columns. It is not our present intention to issue more than this number. We don't want to journalize. It's too laborious; besides, we candidly confess we haven't got the brains to do it. This sheet is simply intended as an advertising medium for the merchants of Fairmont; and if a perusal of the reading matter will amuse even but a few, we shall be amply repaid. To those gentlemen who have assisted us in our efforts we return our cordial thanks.

The New Town Hall Building.

It is with pride and pleasure we learn that Fairmont, through the courtesy of Mr. Ellis, president of the Fairmont Furniture Company, is to have a Town Hall.

It is, we understand, the intention of the Furniture Company to commence early in September the erection of a large and commodious wareroom on the corner now occupied by them; and for the purpose of making the building an ornament to the city, they have offered the second floor to the newly-organized Town Hall Company, provided they build the same. This proposition, we believe, they have accepted, and are now making the necessary arrangements by which they trust to have a Hall which shall be surpassed by none and equalled but by few in this section of country.

We also learn that the third floor has been offered to the Masonic Fraternity upon the same terms, but for some reason unknown to us, the offer as yet has not been accepted.

We trust this opportunity will not be finally rejected. It has been our pleasure to visit Masonic Lodges not only in this country, but also in far distant lands; and pleasant have been our feelings when visiting some obscure place, where the lodge room was in a dilapidated condition, to look back to where stood the lodge from which we hailed and knew how different things were there.

And in conversation with Brothers in distant lands, what pride have we felt in telling of the costly and magnificent Temples which grace and beautify this our glorious Republic! But still we remember once when our pride was as naught compared with that felt by a good and worthy brother whom we had the pleasure of meeting thousands of miles

away, and the vast and mighty deep lying between his home and ours.

We had met upon a lonely road some two or taree leagues from the town in which he resided. The acquaintance began by our asking if we were upon the right road, and almost before the question was answered we became aware that we were brothers, joined together by that "mystic tie" which oceans cannot dampen, distance cannot weaken, and whose signs and tokens are alike understood by all nations.

Arriving at the town, he purposely walked a square or two out of his way, and then halted us before a two-story building, or rather a room upon stilts, enclosed with mud walls, with a thatch or grass roof; then, with voice trembling and eyes shining forth the pride he felt, he exclaimed: "This is our lodge room; we built it, and a month ago we paid the last dollar on it." The country was poor, the members of the lodge were poor—how poor God only knows—and yet they had succeeded in erecting a lodge room of their own!

We trust the Fraternity of Marion County will not let slip so favorable an opportunity as the present one seems to us, to build themselves a ledge room which shall be a tribute to the Order, an honor to themselves, and an inheritance to their children.

Fairmont as a Mining District.

An old adage says that we must go away from home to hear the news. In an exchange we find the following:

"Few people in the State of West Virginia have any idea of the amount of coal business carried on in that old fogy town yeleped Fairmont, situated on the banks of ye Monongahela, and whose streets as inclines are twenty per cent. steeper than the celebrated inclined plane in Birmingham, Pa.

"To walk through the town one would think that it was a settlement of Rip Van Winkles, all of whom were up in the mountains with that celebrated Dutch crew, drinking 'mountain dew,' so dilapidated do some of its buildings look; and yet few towns of its size can boast of having as much money in circulation. The following are a list of the mines in its immediate vicinity: The American, the New York, the Fairmont, the West Fairmont, the Central, the Marion, and the Monongahela. The last three being comparatively new, their business cannot be computed before next year. The others probably do a business of from 150 to 200 tons per day, while the disbursements of each per month range from two to four thousand dollars, one mine alone having disbursed from four to six thousand dollars for several consecutive months.

"With enterprise, a little go-aheaditiveness, and a general regard for appearances, Fairmont would be looked upon as one of West Virginia's most promising towns."

The Marion County Fair.

We call the especial attention of our country readers to the Fourth Annual Fair of the Marion County A. M. & M. Association, to be held at Fairmont on Sept. 8th and three following days, and which promises to be one of unusual interest. We herewith present a brief synopsis of the proceedings:

Monday, Sept. 8th, will be devoted exclusively to receiving, entering, and arranging stock and articles offered for exhibition. At 1 o'clock the track will be opened for the exercise of horses.

Tuesday, the entry books will be positively closed at 4 o'clock P. M. The track will be free for the use of only such stock as may be entered.

Wednesday will be a great day. A purse has been placed at the disposal of the Committee of Amusements, who will distribute it in prizes to the victors in the following sports:

 Climbing of a slippery pole.
 The 100 or 200 yards sack race, in which the contestants will be enveloped in sacks tied around their necks.

3. Catching a greased pig.

4. Inverted sack race, in which the sack is drawn over the heads and tied around the waists of the contestants.

5. Wheelbarrow race.

6. Slowest horse in the county to be matched against a wheelbarrow carrying a certain weight.

There will be lots of fun in these amusements, and every one who enters may feel assured of fair play at the hands of such gentlemen as C. M. Davison, Esq., and Drs. Berkebile and Lazzell. On this day will also occur

THE TOURNAMENT,

to be performed as in the days of Sir Walter Scott. We hope all will see this, as it will be one of the most interesting features of the Fair.

Thursday will be race day. The premiums are liberal, and will be awarded to the best trotting, pacing and racking horses. There will also be mule races for the fastest and slowest mules under saddle. The grant event will be the

SWEEPSTAKES FOR \$300. for the fastest trotting horse, mare, or gelding. The first to receive \$200; second, \$50; third, \$30, and fourth, \$20.

Come one and all, and let us have a first-class, rousing, enjoyable County Fair.

MEDICAL.

M. LAZZELL, M. D.,

Graduate of Jefferson Medical College, and Philadelphia College of Medicine. Member of the MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY

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Fairmont, W. Va

H. BROWNFIELD,

PHYSICIAN, SURGEON. AND U. S. EXAMINING SURGEON, Marion County, West Virginia.

Office and Residence-Main st., Fairmont.

W. IRWIN,

PRACTICING PHYSICIAN,

Fairmont, West Va.

M. SHINN,

Editor and Proprietor of

"THE WEST VIRGINIAN,"

The only paper published in Marion County.

Large circulation—Liberal advertising rates.

PLAIN AND FANCY JOB PRINTER.

BRICK! BRICK!!

The undersigned having a fine deposit of clay, are now making brick of the very finest quality. The brick now being made (8\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{4}{4}) is larger than is usually found in the market; and from its saving in mortar, wages, and quantity of brick required, must of necessity be the cheapest brick in this market.

Our yard lying on the track of the B. & O. R. R., we have unusual facilities for shipping direct to parties ordering from us.

For price and full particulars, address C. S. BROWN, Fairmont, West Va.

FLEMING, B. Main street, Fairmont,

Dealer in HATS AND CAPS.

A splendid assortment of Hats and Caps will be received during the coming week, which will be sold at the smallest profits. Especial attention has been paid to the latest

** Hats and Caps out of style will be sold

at Half Price.

TO FARMERS.

J. R. JACKSON,

AT OFFICE ADAMS EXPRESS COMP'Y, Furnishes Guano, Phosphate of Lime, Plaster, &c., at Baltimore prices,—freight added. Warranted best quality. Also the

AVERILL CHEMICAL PAINT. The best in market, ready for the Brush.

A. MAULSBY,

"PEARL MILLS," Dealer in

FLOUR, MEAL, FEED AND GRAIN. Bridge street, Fairmont.

** Cash paid for Wheat, Rye, Oats and

DRUGGISTS.

B. CARNEY,

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Dealer in

DRUGS, MEDICINES, PAINTS & OILS,

FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES,

Notions, Perfumery, Sponges, Fine Soap, Coal Oil and Lamps, Field and Garden Seeds, Dye Woods and Dye Stuffs generally.

Physicians' prescriptions carefully compounded.

M. COMERFORD,

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DEALER IN
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fine Toilet
Soaps, Fancy Hair and Tooth Brushes, Perfumery and Fancy Toilet Articles, Trusses and Shoulder Braces,

GRASS AND GARDEN SEEDS. Paints, Oils, Varnishes, and Dye-Stuffs, Stationery of every description, Glass, Putty, Carbon Oil, Lamps and Chimneys.

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BUY DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURER AND SAVE MONEY.

FAIRMONT FURNITURE COMPANY, Corner of Main and Monroe streets, Fairmont, W. Va.,

Manufacturers of all kinds of

PARLOR AND CHAMBER FURNITURE.

We keep constantly on hand to large assortment of Furniture made in the best manner by skillful workmen, which enables us to WARRANT ALL OUR WORK; and as we sell mostly by retail, we take great pains in manufacturing, and are able to compete in prices with the machine-made work brought from abroad and put upon the public as hand-made.

Write to or call at our warerooms on the corner of Monroe and Main streets, opposite Hough's new hotel.

** Be sure to go to the store on the cor-

ner, and encourage home mechanics.

FAIRMONT FURNITURE CO.,
SAM'L H. ELLIS,

Secretary.

URNITURE WAREHOUSE.

BARTON BEAN & CO., Dealers in

ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE.

French Panel Bedsteads, Bureaus, Extension Tables, Cotton-Top Mattresses, Tables, Stands, Marble Tables, Chairs, &c. Main street, Fairmont.

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RS. E. ARNETT,

MILLINERY, NOTIONS, ETC., Main street, Fairmont.

A full stock of Ladies' Goods of every description always on hand.

ISS E. LOFTUS,

MILLINERY AND NOTIONS,

Main street, Fairmont.

LOCAL.

To OUR READERS .- We would earnestly call the attention of the inhabitants of this county to our Business Advertisements. It will be seen that Fairmont is well represented in every branch of merchandise, and Goods of all descriptions can be purchased in our different stores at the lowest possible prices.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT .- To C. M. Shinn, of the "West Virginian," we return our thanks for kind favors received by us during the past week in the shape of material for THE BUBBLE. Without your aid, Charlie, we would have been "flabbergasted." Any time you want a "sub," call on us.

To Let.—" Fort Sumter," corner of Jackson and Main streets (opposite the "Mountain City House"), is now for rent. Any tenant who will put about one thousand dolars' with off lars' worth of repairs upon the building would find it a delightful winter residence.

BASKET MEETING .- There was a basket meeting at Smithtown on Sunday, which was attended by quite a number from this town. Some of the "boys" neglected to provide themselves with necessaries for the inner man, and the way they "went for" cold chicken, ham, pies, &c., while the proprietors of said eatables were at their devotions in church, was simply terrific.

QUIET OPERATION.—In returning from the basket meeting on Sunday, something became out of order in one of Mr. Jollist's wagons. "Clark," who was driving, knew exactly what was the matter, and, having "adjusted the difficulty," prevented any further inconvenience. None of the occupants were aware that anything had occurred.

CORRESPONDENCE.—If the person who wrote the note commencing, "It would be folly in me to suppose that any words," &c., will address the same party as before, with real name, it would be highly esteemed. "A word to the wise," noted and acted upon.

TIME TABLE .- For the benefit of the public generally we give the following as the time of the arrival of trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad:

GOING EAST.	
Fast Line	1:24 a. m.
Accommodation	3:16 p. m.
Columbus Express	8:47 "

GOING WEST. Accommodation...... 1:39 p. m.

Mails close at Fairmont Postoffice for Eastern matter at 8 and 2:55 p.m.; Western mail, 8:40 a. m.

Morgantown hacks, carrying the mail, passengers, and express, leave the "Mountain City House" at 10 and 3 o'clock every day.

On Dits.-"Budd" Watson has taken a

The "Brooklyn Infant" has our thanks for a communication. Didn't you send some "fotograf" you received yourself, by mistake? By the bye, we have appointed him our fighting editor.

"Ad" Fisher couldn't find what "Jim" lost here, so he has gone to Philadelphia.

Does coon-hunting pay well, George? The amount of labor undergone the other night was worth all the coons in the State.

MARRIED .- James F. Nuzum has forsaken the ranks of bacherlorhood, and was married on Thursday afternoon to Miss Jennie Hupp, of Palatine. May their path in life be smooth, and "blessings" attend them in due season. No cake, no "nuffin'."

Ice Cream every evening at A. G. HALL'S.

VALEDICTORY.

We have finished. The mental agony we have endured has been too much for our feeble frame, and we now retire-gracefully, we trust-from the field of Journalism, to recuperate on the substantial benefits derived therefrom. At some future time another BUBBLE may start up, but for the present this one has burst; and now, with gushing tenderness to every kind reader, we fondly bid you "FAREWELL."

A. FLEMING, Main street, Fairmont, (Opposite Court-house.)

FAIRMONT MARBLE WORKS.

Head and Tomb-stones, Monuments, &c. Orders respectfully solicited. Satisfaction guaranteed as to quality and price.

QURNS & CHISLER, Fairmont, West Va.

DEALERS Hardware, Steel, Iron, Nails, Horse-shoes, BIDWELL'S PITTSBURGH PLOWS,

Agricultural Implements, Ropes, Twines, Packing and Oakum, Table and Pocket Cutlery, GUNS AND GUN TRIMMINGS, ETC.

AMES F. HOUGH, Main st., Fairmont, W. Va., Manufacturer of

TIN AND SHEET-IRON WARE,

At wholesale and retail,
And dealer in Housekeepers' Hardware, Holow-ware, Grates, Cooking and Heating
Stoves, and agent for the celebrated
ARLINGTON COOK STOVE.
Tin Spouting and Roofing done to order.

Orders solicited from a distance.

TONE & BEBOUT, Main street, Fairmont,

Dealers in Agricultural Implements of alkinds. Also—Plows, Harvesting Tools, &c., and a general assortment of Hardware.

Manufacturers' Agents for the Champion Mowing and Reaping Machines, Ætna and Climax Mowers, Straw-Cutters, Cornshellers, Threshing Machines, Hay-Rakes, Hay-Presses, &c.

** Latest Improved Buckeye Cider Mills.

FOUNTAIN CITY SALOON.

Wines, Spirits, and Liquors of THE BEST AND PUREST QUALITY, to be had at the bar.

Fancy drinks of every description, and Cigars of the finest brands.

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD TABLE.

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Meals and Luncheons at all hours. The best the market affords always on hand.

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Annual dividends. All cash system. No restrictions on travel. Polices non-forfeitable. Policy-holders have a voice in the election and management of the Company. Purely mutual.

SECURE A POLICY IN THIS COMPANY.

** Agents wanted.

R. M. KNIGHT,

GENERAL INSURANCE AGENT, Fairmont, West Va.,

Represents nine first-class Fire Companies, with over

\$15,000,000 CASH ASSETS!

Rates reasonable, and Losses adjusted and

honorably and promptly paid.

Insure your property against loss or damage by Fire at once.

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REAL ESTATE AGENTS, Fairmont, West Va.

Have on hand, for sale, West Virginia Iron, Coal, Timber, and Farming Lands.

General Agents for the purchase and sale of all kinds of Real Estate.

F. LEONARD,

FASHIONABLE TAILOR,

Bridge street, Fairmont.

Suits made to order in the most fashionable styles, and fit guaranteed. Garments cut in any manner at the shortest notice.

Don't forget, if you want a first-rate suit, to give me a call.

FLEMING, Barney street, Fairmont,

FASHIONABLE TAILOR, Would beg to annouce to the inhabitants of Marion county that he has removed from his shop in Main street to his house in Barney street, where he would be glad to see his

** The best work at the lowest prices.

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C. DUNNINGTON. New Store! New Goods! ALL FRESH! NOTHING OLD! (Corner Main and Bridge street, opposite

O. Jackson's Old Stand.)

My stock consists of

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Shirts made to order, and guaranteed

DIDGLEY & FLEMING, Main street, Fairmont.

General dealers in DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, NOTIONS &c., &c.

All the latest Novelties in Dry Goods constantly on hand.

The largest stock of Ready-made Clothing and Boots and Shoes in town, just received, at the very lowest living prices, FOR CASH!

A. FLEMING, Main street, Fairmont, Under "Mountain City House,"

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Hams, Flour, Cheese, Tobacco, Cigars and Snuff.

OLLAND & SON,

GENERAL DEALERS IN

Dry Goods, Groceries, Notions, Boots and Shoes, Queensware, &c., at the lowest living prices, FOR CASH!

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BUTTER AND EGGS A SPECIALTY.

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All goods in my line of the best and finest description.

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JOLLIFF,

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DEALER IN Dry Goods, Groceries, Notions, &c. Also Ham, Butter, Eggs, Lard, &c.
The highest market price paid for all kinds of Country Produce. WATCHMAKERS, ETC.

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Watches and Clocks repaired in a work-manlike manner by an experienced hand.

A full assortment of Jewelry of the best description, consisting of rings, bracelets, chains, breast-pins, charms, &c., constantly on hand, at low prices.

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Photographs taken in the latest styles, and at prices to suit all parties. A good likeness guaranteed, and satisfaction given.

THOMAS G. HUGGINS, Main street, Fairmont,

Practical English WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER.

Watches and Clocks promptly and carefully repaired, in a workmanlike manner and at reasonable charges.

*** Orders solicited.

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Will make superior Pictures at fair prices, and furnish either LIFE OR FIRE INSURANCE Policies in best companies upon favorable

Full information given upon application.

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Have now on hand a splendid assortment of Hand-sewed, French calf, Scotch-bottom Boots, warranted.

Orders executed on the shortest notice, and in the most workmanlike manner.

ERR & SHORE.

Main street, Fairmont,

PRACTICAL BOOT AND SHOE MAKERS.

All work warranted of the best description. A PERFECT FIT, good workmanship, and moderate charges.

SADDLERS, ETC.

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Manufacturers of SADDLES, HARNESS, COLLARS, TRUNKS,

AND WHIPS. ** A full stock always on hand at the Old Stand of H. Price.

R. SNIDER,

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Saddles, Harness, Trunks, Valises, Traveling Bags, Whips, &c., kept constantly on hand.

Don't forget that I have removed

from Main street into my new shop on Jackson street.

LIVERY.

RANK REED,

LIVERY AND SALE STABLES, Jackson street, Fairmont.

Good and safe Carriages and Saddle Horses kept for hire at all times. Also,

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C. JOLLIFF,

Jefferson street, Fairmont, LIVERY KEEPER.

One-horse and Two-horse Buggies, Teams and Riding Horses, for hire at moderate charges. Passengers carried to and from all points at reasonable rates.

** "CLARK" always on hand to attend to the requirements of customers.

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NWELVE REASONS FOR BUYING

FAIRMONT FURNITURE COMPANY.

1st. They make and warrant all their work. 2d. They employ none but first-class work-

3d. Home industry should be encouraged.
4th. Money spent with them does not go
out of the State to support city factories.
5th. They are selling lower than any other
factory in the State for the same class of

work.

6th. They allow customers 5 per cent. for cash, in all cases.

7th. If work is not as they represent it,

they stand ready to make all satisfactory.

8th. They will sell Furniture on the install-

ment plan.

9th. They are prepared to make work to order at short notice.

10th. They take pleasure in showing their stock to all who desire to examine it.

11th. They buy all material at home. 12th. They are the most reliable Furniture dealers in the county.

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Orders solicited, and every attention paid to patrons.

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Fresh meat every morning, and retailed

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Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs always wanted. HIGHEST PRICES GIVEN.

TACKSON & KINNEY, Main street, Fairmont,

BARBERS AND HAIRDRESSERS. John J. would inform his friends that he

has now got a partner in the business, and hopes for a continuation of the patronage heretofore awarded him.

Shop open at all times. Ladies and Gentlemen attended at their residences.

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A close, smooth shave, and hair done up in the latest style. An experienced Barber engaged to assist "Steve" on Saturdays.