

NOTICE.—The examination of the young ladies of the Holly Springs Female Institute, commence on Thursday, June 2, at half past clock A. M., and close on the Friday following. W. Patrons, and the friends of education generally are respectfully invited to attend at the Institute. C. PARISH.

THE PRESS.

Our readers will find, in another column, an able communication of "Phocion" upon a subject of great interest to the country. The fact is indisputable, that a large portion of the newspapers, published in the United States, are not conducted with that courtesy, impartiality and truthfulness, which ought ever to distinguish them. Many of them, instead of being, what they should be, the honoured depositories of useful information, of sound argument, of pure thoughts, of noble feelings and elevated sentiments, are the foul vehicles of slander, vulgarity, obscenity, profanity and falsehood! When the public taste and morals, they are notoriously corruptors of both. The Press should be reformed. Those editors, who by their facility or depravity, disgrace their high calling should be no longer patronized by the advocates of intelligence and virtue. The subscriber to a newspaper, which is unfit to enter the social or family circle, which ridicules religion and morality and exhibits vice in its most attractive colours, is guilty of a serious wrong, for he is furnishing the means of mischief, and encouraging a course of conduct, which, if not checked, will disgrace and ruin the Republic. Is it not strange, that editors, who are remarkable only for the violence and coarseness of their attacks upon private character (the very quality of which has excited their hatred) who have no talent except for personal abuse of the lowest description, should be patronized at all? Yet there are men, who would glow with indignation at the charge that they are encouraging vice, who will subscribe to a paper, which has nothing but the vulgarity and abuse of its editor to recommend it, and will laugh over his malignant attacks upon the virtuous, the innocent and the undefending. We have heard of an editor who boasted that his subscription list had consid-

not fight you to advantage, while you are hid behind low cabins and hard outer barrels, and holding to no particular set of opinions, but crying out corruption and reform! We thank you for that boldness, which leads you now to an open field, and will give us a sure object and an easy victory.

MOTT'S RECESS.

Our town and country friends will see, by the advertisement of Maj. Mott, which we publish to day, that he has returned from New Orleans and is now ready to entertain them with the choicest liquors which that city could furnish. We called on him, the other morning, and can testify cheerfully to the neatness and order of every thing about this regularly licenced establishment. It was about 11 o'clock and a lunch was upon the counter, which would have tempted, we think, the most fastidious epicure of olden times, or our friend — so wofully afflicted with the tender passion. If our readers suppose that we left without tasting the good things and sipping a glass of delicious Old Maderia, the sight and fragrance of which would have broken the vow of a tee-to-teller, they are much mistaken. We go for order, temperance and Mott.

RHODE ISLAND.

We rejoice to see the democratic press throughout the country, taking bold ground in favor of the suffrage party in Rhode Island. As yet, no blood has been shed, but a fearful responsibility will rest upon the chartists and their "ally," President Tyler, if they attempt by force to prevent the carrying into effect the new constitution established by the people. We republish the following spirited remarks from the Globe of May 16th: "The Government of the Union never approached, under any administration, the degradation which seems imminent under the present. We have now a set of incompetent managers, totally without the support of any party, or of public opinion in the nation, undertaking to support a privileged class in a State Government; a minority of less than a third of the popular vote, assuming to put down the principle upon which all the State Governments and that of the Confederacy are founded! The promises of the letter of Mr. Tyler, if ever they come to the performance, will make an exhibition of the imbecility of a powerful Government—which can withstand the shock of all the rest of the world when supported by the moral force of public opinion—reduced to mockery.

These lovely women reside here, as asked a friend from an adjoining county. "Yes, and as many more, just as love was our reply." "Well, Memphis is a great place" he rejoined; when, just at that moment, we—the sequel of the story is of no consequence to the reader.—*Memphis Enquirer.*

Ah Col. but it is—give us the sequel— have excited the curiosity of your numerous friends here particularly among the ladies. Some of them think the sequel must be the most interesting part of the Concert. One declares you are married to a certainty. Another says laughingly that it is a mere trick of fate to excite her jealousy and a third after reading about the "Juno-like form" "noble brow" "sunny eye" and "merry voice" pouted her ripe lips, (pshaw! you have none such at Memphis Col.) and tossed the *Enquirer* with her pre- foot clear across the room, exclaiming "when was here he said the same of us, the smiling talking deceiver! let him come here again, if dare, after writing all that soft stuff about beauties of Memphis."

To the Editor of the Guard:

Dear Sir: No subject can be more interesting to intelligent members of the community, than the condition of the public press. The editing of a newspaper is already considered to be a distinct and lofty profession, and granted indeed must be the influence of the press when it is subjected to proper regulation and devoted to its true purposes. "The daily newspaper is the best pulpit in the world." Cicero never had such a forum in Rome. It is every day occupied by the editor of every widely circulated paper, and it is monstrous how such advantages are abused. One makes ten thousand readers, per force, the recipients of his personal malice. Another gives his pages to the vilest slander, another stands up and says, "you sir, in the crowd have committed some folly, I know it, pay I tell." No man requires a larger range of intellect, more varied acquirements or greater strength of character, than the conductor of a public journal. William Leggett says he should have a head cool, clear and sagacious, a nice sense of justice; honesty, that no temptation could corrupt, an intrepidity that no danger could intimidate, and an independence superior to every consideration of mere interest, of enmity or friendship. I alas! some editors appear to have two ideas, one, and it is doubtful if some have any."

The abuses and corruptions of the public press become a general topic of regret and censure. No one, who reads the paper of this day, and attends to their general tone of sentiment, has failed to observe the degeneracy into which they are fallen, and the immeasurable distance below the admitted