

It is what a distinguished professor at Amherst pronounced Johnson's New Universal Cyclopedia.

Mr. D. Strangely the general agent is still in town and proposes to give this vicinity a thorough canvass.

We quote the following from a late number of the Lausling Republican: We have minutely examined a few features of this Cyclopedia, and regard it as exactly the book for a busy, pushing, go-ahead people like those of the West, who want the path of everything with as little trouble as possible.

A complete set of this Cyclopedia in four volumes will occupy less than one square foot on the table of a student, editor, or business man, and will bring current the center of all men who are the first volume contains 1,700 pages, treats of 21,300 different subjects, is adorned with 1,000 beautiful illustrations, and many valuable maps and plans.

It comes down to the close of subjects under the letter E, being further than the six volumes of Appleton's take us. Other Cycliclopedias, as comprehensive as this, require several feet of shelf-room and cost twice or three times as much as Johnson's.

As a politician we were pleased to find in this Cyclopedia, at the close of the history and statistics of each State in the Union, a table of her Governors, and all the electoral and popular votes she has cast for President, including the election of 1872. These facts are very valuable, but impossible to be found collected in any other book that we know of.

The Declaration of Independence, Constitution of the United States, and the Emancipation Proclamation are given in full. Appleton's New Cyclopedia omits any mention or history of these immortal documents under proper headings, but is crammed with 34 pages about the various Charlees, who have been emperors, kings, or princes in European countries—a class of men who are of small account now to the American people, although they are not left out of Johnson's Cyclopedia.

The biographical feature is wonderfully full. It tells just what a Cyclopedia should—the date of a man's birth and death (if he is dead), where he lived, and what he did. Long-winded opinions of his character or conduct bore the reader and waste both time and money.

In geography this book is far ahead of anything yet published in America. Mr. Johnson is the publisher of the best maps extant, and has made a large fortune in that line during the past 20 years. All places where a newspaper is published are sketched by the editor of some paper there, who attaches his name to the article. No such fresh and complete matter was ever before given in regard to American Geography.

In the useful arts, we find Cyclopedia fully described, with the constituent parts and their cohesive strength—a kind of information so important to builders that one of them in Pittsburgh said that he could have saved about \$1,000 by reading a copy of this work.

It is a hand-book of American Law on the most important points. Over 500 different articles are published upon the various provisions of law which every man is bound to know at his peril. Under Check, or Cheque, for instance, the duty of the holder is described; the effect of a check on the banker on whom it is drawn; a check considered as payment of cash; and the civil and criminal liability of drawers of checks having no funds with the bank. All this, every man who has to do business by means of checks can learn from this Cyclopedia—how to do it, and what the consequences will be if he does it wrongly.

In medicine the symptoms of the various diseases are carefully described, and the best remedies stated. Croup, Cholera Infantum, for example have their symptoms briefly yet clearly set down, in popular language, and the best palliatives or curatives are mentioned. Many lives of children might perhaps be saved, when a physician is not obtainable promptly, by referring to this Universal Cyclopedia.

In all Religious and Political matters the work is strictly impartial, confining itself to unquestioned facts given tersely and free from coloring. The articles on Arminianism and Calvinism are prepared by men of those respective faiths (Rev. Dr. D. Weston and Rev. Prof. A. D. Hodges), as they ought to be. The biographical sketch of John C. Calhoun is prepared by Alex. H. Stephens of Georgia; that of Henry Clay, by Horace Greeley; that of the Confederate States of America, also by Horace Greeley, who boils down his American Conflict with two large volumes into about 15 pages. It is the most compact piece of literary work we ever saw. Indeed, the whole Cyclopedia is a reprint of "old meats" cooked to the American taste by men specially qualified to deal with the various subjects, and employed solely for that reason, at whatever cost. Charles O'Connor, old-line candidate for President, in 1872, writes five pages on Democracy, which subject is not mentioned by Appleton. The associate editors include a corps of men eminent for exact information, literary talent, and moral principle.

We could write several columns on this book, but enough has been said to open the way for Mr. Johnson's canvasser, whom we recommend to every person he may visit. Don't buy any other Cyclopedia before examining this.

A young lady in Massachusetts won the prize for literary composition, while she was doing housework against girls in the seminaries, by the diligent daily study of Webster's Dictionary. Had she enjoyed the use of Johnson's Cyclopedia, we would put her against nine-tenths of the college graduates of the sterner sex, as a writer for newspapers, in whom nothing tells like a host of facts, concisely and clearly stated.

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One and a half miles north east of a village located the

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We offer for sale this Spring a fine assortment of Fruit and Ornamental trees, well selected for the winter, and in the best condition for planting this Spring.

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2 feet. 30 30 00

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NOTICE TO PURCHASERS OF PINE.

All persons who are engaged in purchasing any timber from the land of this department, or who are engaged in the same, are hereby notified that the same will be sold by public auction, on the 21st day of December, 1874, at the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of Kent, Michigan, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of raising a fund to defray the expenses of the same.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of a certain sum of money, secured by a mortgage, the mortgagee, J. M. Matheson, of the County of Kent, Michigan, do hereby give notice that the same will be sold by public auction, on the 21st day of December, 1874, at the office of the Register of Deeds in and for the County of Kent, Michigan, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of raising a fund to defray the expenses of the same.

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LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

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Wheat, white, per bushel \$1.45

Wheat, red, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, yellow, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, black, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, mixed, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, extra, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, standard, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, choice, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, fine, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, good, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, fair, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, poor, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, very poor, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, refuse, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, trash, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, chaff, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, screenings, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, middlings, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, shorts, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, bran, per bushel \$1.40

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Wheat, stock, per bushel \$1.40

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Wheat, wild, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, domestic, per bushel \$1.40

Wheat, foreign, per bushel \$1.40

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