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We propose to make a clean sweep of our entire Summer Goods. If you are in need of any goods you will do well to call, as our stock is one of the largest in the county to select from.

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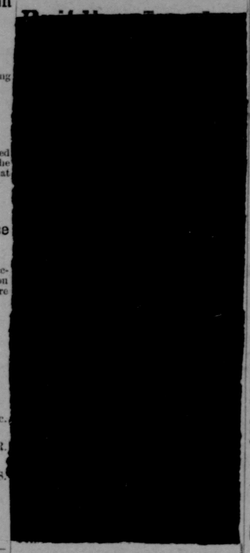
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TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF ONE OF THE BEST

LIMESTONE FARMS

In Carroll County, Md.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, passed in cause No. 2644 Equity, wherein William U. Marker is plaintiff and Charles E. Nusbaum and others are defendants, the undersigned, trustee therein appointed, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on

Saturday, September 13th, 1890,

at 2 o'clock, P. M., all that very desirable farm of which John W. Nusbaum, late of Carroll county, deceased, died seized and possessed, situate in Uniontown district, in Carroll county, Maryland, near the village of Tyrone, within a few hundred yards of the road leading from Westminster to Taneytown, six miles from either place, and contains

190 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

The improvements consist of two large and substantial Dwelling Houses, one of brick and nearly new, the other of frame, with porches to both; a large bank barn, 45x84 feet; wagon shed, carriage house, wash house, dry house, hog pens and other outbuildings. The fences and all the buildings are in first-class condition. About 50 ACRES IS IN EXCELLENT TIMBER, and the whole farm is well watered by a running stream. The finest quality of LIMESTONE for farming purposes can be found in almost every part of the land, and a GOOD QUARRY is now open, in which there is built a kiln in active operation.

The location of this farm and its excellent producing qualities are not surpassed in Carroll county; A CROP FAILURE ON THIS LAND HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN. It lies four miles from the nearest railroad station, and is convenient to schools, churches and markets. Purchasers should take advantage of this opportunity to obtain what is conceded to be one of the finest farms in this county.

Terms of Sale as prescribed by the Court.—One third cash on the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof, and the residue in two equal payments of one and two years, respectively, from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with security to be approved of by the Trustee.

SAMUEL NUSBAUM, Trustee.

Charles E. Fink, Solicitor.
William Brown, Auctioneer. aug-23-ts

PUBLIC SALE

OF VALUABLE

RealEstate

Situate in Taneytown District, Carroll Co.

BY virtue of a power of sale contained in the last will and testament of Thomas Longley, late of Carroll county, deceased, and by virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court, the subscriber, Executrix of said last will, will sell at public sale, on the premises, on

Saturday, the 27th day of September, 1890,

at 1 o'clock, P. M., all that valuable Real Estate, situate in Taneytown District, on the county road running from the Taneytown and Littlestown road to Eck's (now Raschore's) Mill, about two miles from Taneytown, adjoining lands of Samuel Galt, Jr., Hezekiah Study, Samuel P. Baumgardner and others, all the Real Estate of the late Thomas Longley, containing

160 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

The improvements are a good, comfortable Frame House, Bank Barn, Wagon Shed, Corn Cribs, Hog House and all necessary outbuildings. There is a never-failing spring of pure water convenient to buildings, a due proportion of Meadow and Wood land, and situate convenient to churches, schools, mills and railroad, and will make a very desirable home. Any one wishing to view the premises can call on the subscriber, or William H. Bowers, who now occupies the place.

Terms of Sale as prescribed by the Court.—One-third cash on day of sale or the ratification of the same by the Orphans' Court, one-third in one year and the balance in two years from day of sale; the credit payments to be secured to the satisfaction of the executrix and to bear interest from day of sale; or, all cash, at the option of the purchaser.

Possession given April 1st, 1891.

MARY D. LONGLEY, Executrix.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF AN—

EXCELLENT LITTLE FARM!

Near Melrose, Carroll County, Md.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, passed in cause No. 2796 equity, wherein John F. Shade is plaintiff and Anna M. A. Baumgartner and others are defendants, the undersigned, Trustee therein appointed, will offer at Public Sale, on the premises, on

SATURDAY, the 4th day of October, 1890,

at 1 o'clock, P. M., that very desirable Farm of which Louis Baumgartner died seized and possessed, containing

32¼ ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

situated about 2 miles from Melrose, Carroll county, Md., near the pike leading from Manchester to Hanover, Pa., and on the road leading from said pike to Union Mills, and adjoining the lands of Uriah Fahrman, Peter Snyder and others. There are about 4 or 5 Acres in Timber. This land is in excellent condition and is well watered. The improvements consist of a One and a Half Story Log Weather-boarded Dwelling House, a Log and part Frame Barn, a two-story Spring House, Hog Pen and other outbuildings. There is an abundance of all kinds of fruit. This place is convenient to Markets, Schools and Churches.

Terms of sale as prescribed by the Court.—One-third cash upon the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof, one-third in one year and one-third in two years from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale.

JOHN F. SHADE, Trustee.

Chas. E. Fink, Solicitor. Wm. Brown, Auct. sept-6-4t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the Estate of

JAMES E. OTTO,

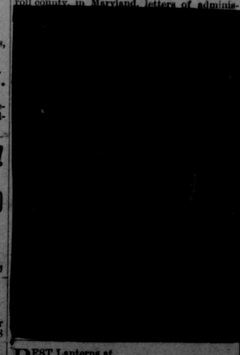
late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 25th day of March, 1891; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 25th day of August, 1890.

CHARLES W. WINEMILLER,
aug-30-4t Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the Estate of



BEST Lanterns at BABYLON & GILBERT'S

Notice of the Registrars of Voters.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, Officers of Registration of Voters for their respective election districts in Carroll county, will sit for their respective

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER SITTINGS

in their respective election districts, at the places and during the hours below named, 1st. For the purpose of ascertaining and registering the persons qualified to vote at the next ensuing election in the election districts and each of the election precincts of which they are respectively Officers of Registration, for three successive days in September, beginning on the

3rd Monday of September, 1890, *which will be the 15th day of September, and four successive days in October, beginning on the 1st Monday in October*, 1890, *which will be the 6th day of October, respectively.*

2nd. For the purpose of revision and for the hearing of applications for reinstatement by persons whose names shall have been stricken off their respective registries of voters, on the Monday next succeeding the second Monday of October, 1890.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 1, CALLED TANEYTOWN DISTRICT,

John P. Gardner, the Officer of Registration, will sit from 8 o'clock, a. m., until 8 o'clock, p. m., at the residence of the Registrar, on Frederick street, in Taneytown.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 2, CALLED UNIONTOWN DISTRICT,

Harry Weaver, Officer of Registration, will sit from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m., at the residence of the Registrar, on the main street in Uniontown.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 3, CALLED MYERS' DISTRICT,

Jacob P. Hull, Officer of Registration, will sit from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m., at his office in Silver Run.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 4, CALLED WOOLERY'S DISTRICT,

John H. Taylor, Officer of Registration, will sit from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m., at Sandyville, at Rush's store, on the pike leading from Reisterstown to Westminster.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 5, CALLED FREEDOM DISTRICT,

Wade H. D. Warfield, Officer of Registration, will sit from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m., at the office of the Registrar, in Sykesville, on the main street.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 6, CALLED MANCHESTER DISTRICT,

George Shower, Officer of Registration, will sit on the third Monday in September, being the 15th day of September, at Jacob Blocher's store, at Alesia; on all other days of the said September and October sittings will sit at the residence of the Registrar, on the main street, in Manchester, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 7, CALLED WESTMINSTER DISTRICT,

William L. Corbin, Officer of Registration, will sit in the first precinct at 161 E. Main street, on the 15th and 16th days of September, 1890, and on the 6th and 7th days of October, 1890; and all other days of said September and October sittings he will sit at the Montour House, No. 61 W. Main street, Westminster, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 8, CALLED HAMPSTEAD DISTRICT,

James W. Hann, Officer of Registration, will sit for his September and October sittings, 1890, at Elisha Snyder's store, on the main street, in Hampstead, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 9, CALLED FRANKLIN DISTRICT,

Lewis C. Franklin, Officer of Registration, will sit for his September and October sittings at his residence in Franklinville, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 10, CALLED MIDDLEBURG DISTRICT,

George W. Shank, Officer of Registration, will sit on the 15th and 16th days of September, 1890, at Stephen C. Chipley's store, in Middleburg, on the main street; on the 17th day of September, 1890, at Milton O. Myers' store, in Keysville; for his October sittings at said Chipley's store, in Middleburg, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 11, CALLED NEW WINDSOR DISTRICT,

William D. Lovell, Officer of Registration, will sit for his September and October sittings at Charles W. Smith's store, on Main street, in New Windsor, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 12, CALLED UNION BRIDGE DISTRICT,

Theodore A. Clay, Officer of Registration, will sit for his September and October sittings, 1890, at his place of business on Main street, in Union Bridge, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

IN ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 13, CALLED MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT,

Oscar M. Spurrier, Officer of Registration, will sit on the 15th day of September, 1890, at Anderson's store, on the Main street in Mt. Airy; on all other days of his September and October sittings will sit at the residence of the Registrar, on the Harrisonville road, near the Westminster and Mt. Airy road, about three miles from Mt. Airy, from 8 o'clock, a. m., to 8 o'clock, p. m.

JOHN P. GARDNER,
Officer of Registration for District No. 1.
HARRY WEAVER,
Officer of Registration for District No. 2.
JACOB P. HULL,
Officer of Registration for District No. 3.
JOHN H. TAYLOR,
Officer of Registration for District No. 4.
WADE H. D. WARFIELD,
Officer of Registration for District No. 5.
GEORGE SHOWER,
Officer of Registration for District No. 6.
WILLIAM L. CORBIN,
Officer of Registration for District No. 7.
JAMES W. HANN,
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LEWIS C. FRANKLIN,
Officer of Registration for District No. 9.
GEORGE W. SHANK,
Officer of Registration for District No. 10.
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Officer of Registration for District No. 11.
THEO. A. CLAY,
Officer of Registration for District No. 12.
OSCAR M. SPURRIER,
Officer of Registration for District No. 13.

D. N. HENNING, Counsel for Registrars.
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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
Westminster, Md., August 20, 1890.

In pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly, passed at January Session, 1888, I hereby give the following notice to Taxpayers:

This is to give notice that the County Commissioners of Carroll county have made their annual levy on the assessable property of said county, for State and County Taxes for the year eighteen hundred and ninety, and that all persons or incorporate institutions that shall pay their County Taxes on or before the first day of September, next, shall be entitled to a deduction of two per centum on the amount of said taxes. On State Taxes a deduction of five per centum will be allowed if paid on or before the first day of September; and if paid on or before the first day of October, next, a deduction of four per centum; and if paid on or before the first day of November, next, a deduction of three per centum; that said taxes will be in arrear on the first day of January, next, and bear interest from that date; that all persons or incorporate institutions failing to pay their State and County Taxes before the same shall be in arrears, will render the property and estate of such delinquent liable to be sold for the prompt payment of said taxes.

CHAS. BRILHART,
County Treasurer.

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For Sale.

A ROAD PHAETON; good as new; built by Herr Bros. Sold only for want of use. APPLY AT THIS OFFICE.

Select Poetry.

THREE LITTLE SAILORS.

With worn-out tub for a vessel staunch
Three little ones went a sailing.
No water was there but the bright green grass,
That waved and tossed when a breeze would pass,
And 'twas bound by the garden pailing.

There was captain and mate and the merry crew—
No more could the vessel hold.
But the merry crew toiled with remarkable skill,
And the mate kept his post with a right good will,
And the captain was brave and bold.

To the old gray porch was the vessel bound,
They called it a foreign shore.
"Land aboy!" But the merry crew cried with a pout:
I want to go sailing some more!"

The captain turned with an awful frown
To the mutinous one at his side,
But the stern rebuke was not given that day,
And the awful frown to a smile gave way
As a newcomer he espied.

The Maltese, Lady Fair, crept cautiously near,
As if ready to join in the play.
"Forward here!" cried the captain "and lower the boat!
There's a poor sailor here on the ocean afloat.
Quick, and rescue the lone castaway!"

Alas! for the captain, his mate and the crew
Alas! for the benevolent zeal;
Six small, eager hands stretched to aid Lady Fair.
Six heels appeared suddenly high in the air,
And the vessel lay top under keel.

A shipwreck is truly a terrible thing,
And though weakness of heart we deplore,
You will not be surprised to hear me relate
That, after enduring that most awful fate,
The captain, the crew and the sturdy young mate
Concluded to stay upon shore!

Select Story.

HER KINDNESS REWARDED.

BY MARY KYLE DALLAS.

How time flies! It is really so long ago? I can see it still, if I shut my eyes, as plainly as I did that day; the old Virginia homestead with its crossed halls, its doors forever open, its shadowing pines and willows, the roses and magnolias in its gardens, and my face of sixteen looking at me from the glass as I tried on my new bonnet.

"It is very becoming, indeed," my grandmother said, leaning back in her chair in the stately manner which had always been her own. "Nothing can be lovelier for a brunette than white and rose-color. You are not as elegant as I was at your age, but you are more coquettish. I've no doubt you will marry well. And now I think you have everything you need for a month's visit. Baltimore is very charming. Its ladies are the most fascinating in the world; its gentlemen the most gallant in America."

I had heard this rather often; for my grandmother had been one of Baltimore's belles, before she married my grandfather, and came to reign in queenly fashion over his Virginia home; but it was always interesting to me.

"If you were only going with me, grandma," said I.

"It would be no pleasure to me, child," said my grandma. "The friends of my girlhood who still live, have all grown very old. I fancy myself well preserved, but they would point out all the changes I have failed to see in myself. I should be uncomfortable. I am told that Mrs Leon, whom I remember as the most graceful girl I knew, is obliged to go about in a wheeled chair; that Colonel Parker wears blue goggles. A glance from his eye was said to subdue any heart, thirty-five years ago. The beautiful Miss Pelico is a peculiar spinster, who has taken to chewing snuff.

"I should be shocked and saddened, and I like to be cheerful.

"Now, for your journey, as your Uncle William is to take charge of you, you had better start from his house, which is so near the depot. I will send the trunks over in the morning. In the afternoon you can mount your horse and ride through the woods, and spend the evening with your aunt and cousins, and you shall take with you in a little satchel my diamonds, if you like."

"Grandma," I cried, "not to wear?"

"You are too young for diamonds," said my grandmother. "I have left them all to you in my will. Now don't begin to cry. I made the will a week after I was left a widow, ten years ago.

"And they are very, very valuable. I want you to place them with my bankers in Baltimore; we have banked with the same people for three generations.

"Since I put on crape I have not worn them, and never shall, and servants know everything. I shall feel safe, after the fact is widely published—as I shall take care that it is—as soon as you write me that the bankers have them. My largest pieces of silver were sent a year ago. Servants are not to be trusted any longer. I don't want to be robbed and murdered. No one will know you have them in your bag, and you are such a careful little creature that I don't think you could lose anything."

"Oh, but they become you so well dear grandma," I said. "You do not look old; you are lovely. Do you really mean never to wear the diamonds again?"

She had her finger on her lip. Some one was passing the window. It was her new overseer, Jose Riva. He lifted his hat as he passed, but did not pause. He was a Spaniard, almost as dark as the negroes themselves. His air seemed to be both insolent and haughty.

"I wish you would dismiss that man, grandma," I said. "The people all hate him."

"They obey him," said my grandmother.

Why, what is that?

It was a curious whimpering sound, close to our ears, and it drew nearer and nearer. The curtain that hung before a door into the hall, was lifted, and an immense negro entered.

He was dressed in a blue check shirt and pantaloons of rough, cotton stuff, his feet were bare, his eyes, which reminded one of those of oxen, were red with tears. The sound we had heard was that of weeping.

He stretched out his hands toward my grandmother.

"Missus," he said, "I se come to you. I begs de ladies pardon, but comes for to be offended. Mars Riva gone too far dis time. Dey is a limit. De colonel he never would low it. The colonel thought heaps of me. Missus, Missus, Mars Riva say he gwine whip me. I nebber was whipped. I nebber zarved no whippin'. I'se the gardener, I ain't no fiel' hand, Missus."

He knelt at my grandmother's feet. She looked at him sadly.

"What is the trouble, Jeff?" she asked.

"I'se sassed him. I told him he warn't only a nigger himself," said Jeff, "and jess the meanest no'count I knows."

"I'm glad you did, Jeff," said I.

"Thank you Missy," said Jeff, kissing the end of my sash. "Missus, you tell him I can't be whipped—you tell him.

He bosses me in the garden. I knows my business; I'se the colonel's gardener 'fore little Miss was born. The colonel never had anybody whipped."

"Jeff," said my grandmother, "I don't see how I can interfere. I've put all the affairs into Mr. Riva's hands. You've insulted him."

"He 'sulted me fust, Missus," said Jeff. "He ain't any kind of nigger for sho. Missus, I can't be whipped! I won't." He began to cry.

"Very well then; I need not interfere" said my grandmother.

"I will!" said I. "That man is a beast, a wretch."

But Jeff was gone. At supper-time the news was brought that he could not be found. The next morning it became known that he had run away. Riva was after him.

"I hope he will get off," said grandma, calmly. "Riva will never give him any peace again, and Jeff is a favorite of mine. He'd do well up North. I hope he'll get there."

And shortly Riva returned, declaring that the runaway was not to be found.

After that Grandma and myself devoted ourselves to preparations for my visit to Baltimore. On Monday morning the trunks were sent by the road, and on Monday afternoon with my small traveling bag packed with diamonds such as few people possess, I mounted my little horse.

My grandmother had embraced me fondly, but she was not one to sadden our parting by tears. She commanded me to take conquests as a Spartan mother might have said:

"Return with your shield, or on it! I shall be ashamed of you if you sit in the corner and blush," she said. "Talk, laugh, sparkle as you can, animation is your forte: and remember—go to the bankers' as soon as you can."

She stood at the gate watching me as I rode away. I had just two miles of woodpath to make before I reached my uncle's plantation, and I had ridden alone ever since I was eight years old. The great pine woods were unchanged, and often I did not meet any one during the ride. Midway there was a spring and a deep pool. At the spring, high on a mass of rock, hung a cocoanut dipper. From the pool below horses were at liberty to drink. Whoso drank at the spring first throwing a little water over the left shoulder and wishing something would surely have that wish—the country folks said.

My horse was thirsty, and I dismounted and led him to the pool, while I myself climbed the rock and drank at the wishing well. I breathed a foolish little wish enough—no matter what it was—and then sat still, thinking what a lovely spot it was.

Behind the rock was a deep cave, the entrance of which was draped with wild ivy. The branches of the old trees formed an arch over the spring and threw it into deep shadow. There was no underbrush, and the paths were carpeted with smooth brown pine needles. In the middle of the pool were certain tiny floating islands on which water plants grew, and on its edge bloomed some vivid scarlet flowers.

My little white horse made a graceful picture of itself as he stood by its brink. Far away was a glimpse of blue sky.

I lingered, loth to leave all this beauty behind me, feeling a desire to be a poet or a painter, that I might record my impressions fitly, but arose at last to remount and ride upon my way, when suddenly some one seized me from behind, flung a cloth over my head, threw me to the earth, and tried to wrench the satchel, from me. I struggled violently and clutched the leathern handle with the strength of despair, and somehow I got rid of the cloth that had been thrown over my face and I saw with whom I was contending—it was the Spanish overseer, Riva.

I uttered his name with a scream. On the instant he exerted his strength wrenched the satchel from me, and bound my hands behind me with his hankerchief. Then holding me by the arm, he gave me a look of concentrated hate and wrath.

"I heard all that you said of me to the old lady, my dear," he said. "You don't despise me quite so much just now, I believe. Jeff did right in calling me a low down nigger, you said. You wanted me dismissed. Oh! I remember it all. And now, don't you wish you had been more amiable? It was not well to make me hate you."

I said nothing.

"Do you think you can escape?" I said. "No, indeed the country will be aroused. You will be followed and shot down. You cannot get away with your plunder. Return the diamonds to me and go, and I will not betray you. Give me back the satchel. I will allow you to escape."

He burst into a laugh.

Oh you will be merciful, he sneered; "no doubt, but I shall not trust you. When I go, I leave you here, strangled to death, before I cast you into the pool yonder; and they will not fancy that I have robbed and killed you. I will be found in my place; the runaway negro—your pet Jeff—will be suspected: we will hunt him, hang him—I like you to die knowing all that will happen—and now—

He clutched me fast; my senses reeled. I tried to pray as those pray who know that they are dying; and then I saw something creep from the entrance of the cave, with the movement of a tiger, and spring toward us.

I was free. I dropped upon the ground and lay there, and faint and helpless, became the terrified on-looker of a scene that I shall never forget while I exist.

The figure that sprung from the cave was the runaway Jeff. He had seized the Spaniard in both his great hands, lited him above his head, and dashed him into the ground. Thrice he repeated this. Each time Riva's head had struck the ground with a sickening crash. At first he had uttered a wild cry; afterward, only faint groans. At last he lay motionless and silent and covered with blood. Then Jeff turned to me.

"Can you sit on your horse, Missy?" he said.

"I can try," I said.

But I could not. And then he took me in his arms, giving the satchel into my own hands, slung the horse's bridle over his arm, and carried me home

There I told my story. The constables went down in the woods to find Riva; but they brought only his body back with them, and Jeff was tried for his life, but acquitted. He had saved me from death, and from worse than death; and though the wild instincts of his savage race had made him do it ferociously, they held that he had done only his duty. Besides, the loaded pistol that Riva had dropped, proved what Jeff asserted—that he had tried to shoot him. The overseer had also in his pocket money belonging to my grandmother, and checks, which he doubtless intended to use for his own advantage. She had given him great power.

My visit to Baltimore was postponed, but not forever, though the diamonds were not intrusted to me again; and what I wished beside the Wishing Well came true. All girls can guess what it was.

As for Jeff, he was chief guardian of my grandmother's house while she lived, and when he died was buried at her feet. It was her desire.

She only knew that he had saved my life: she had not seen how he killed the overseer, as I had.

Preserving Eggs.

The *New York Tribune* says: "The most common way of preserving eggs, is to 'lime them.' By this process they can be kept for twelve months, or longer, but then the shells are so affected by the lime that they invariably crack. For all the purposes of cookery a 'limed' eggs is about as good as a fresh egg. There is, however, a prejudice even against eggs that have been perfectly preserved. For all culinary uses an egg must be 'above suspicion.' Nothing is more delicious than a perfectly fresh laid egg; nothing more repulsive than one that is at best doubtful. Many grocers sell limed eggs all winter as fresh, and the number of such eggs used in New York in the winter season is enormous. Eggs packed with the small end down in dry salt and bran, about half and half, will keep several weeks. If they are dipped in linseed oil before packing they will keep longer. To prepare a mixture for preserving eggs with lime, add a pound of quick lime to a gallon of water, and let the preparation cool for twenty-four hours. Pour it into a jar or covered bucket, where it will not be liable to be stirred, and drop into it perfectly fresh eggs. Be careful not to stir the mixture when removing the eggs. A French method which has been commended for preserving eggs is the following: Dissolve four ounces of beeswax in eight ounces of olive oil, and brush over every portion of the egg with the mixture. When the substance hardens pack the eggs carefully, the small end down, in bran. It is said eggs will keep in a cool place two years by this process, and it is certainly worth trying. The object in all cases is to exclude the air from the shell."

Working out a Debt in Siam.

Money brings high rates of interest in Siam. The prevailing rate on mortgage paper is fifteen per cent., but the interest is allowed to run on until it equals the principal, and after that it stops. In case, however, that the debtor cannot pay his creditor, the latter can enslave him, and he has to work off the debt. He can put him in chains and can force him to work by whipping. As a rule he keeps lending him more during his servitude, and the result is that such slavery sometimes lasts for many years. I saw near Bangkok men in chains engaged in felling and hauling timber, and I was told that they were debt slaves.

They had steel anklets with great iron bars connecting them on their bare legs, and in one or two cases several men were chained together. The mortgaged farmer of Siam has a much worse prospect than he of our Western States, for if his land will not sell to pay the debt he himself has to go into the service of his creditor. Mortgages are entered into here just as they are in America with the hope of paying off the debt at harvest time.

A Cute Canine.

The story going the rounds regarding a cat that digs angle worms and then buries them near its own hiding place, and when the birds come to catch the worms the cat catches the birds, has a rival in that of a dog, whose mate, though larger and able to monooplize the most toothsome bone, is withal possessed of a most excitable temper for game. When he finds and proceeds to munch his bone to the exclusion of all others, the former canine goes a short distance, barks furiously up a tree or by a hole in the ground. When his monopolistic friend finally becomes so excited as to leave his bone and join the hunt for supposed game the former rushes back, seizes the bone thus left, and skurries away with it.

Harvesting Siam's Chief Crop.

When the rice is ready for cutting in Siam it looks very much like an American oat or wheat field. If the land is dry it is cut with sickles, and stacked similar to American wheat. When the waters are slow in going down the farmers sometimes move throught the fields in boats and cut off the heads of the rice and put them into baskets. The thrashing is done by buffaloes or oxen. A dry place is first picked out for a thrashing floor. The grass is cut off and the ground is made smooth and level, a coat of plaster of cow manure and water being spread over it to make it solid.

The average reader is scarcely aware of the changes in the map of Africa made necessary by the recent explorations. The great globe of the Paris exposition was twice altered during its construction, to accommodate itself to changes, and it is said that two years ago some Belgian map makers were five times compelled to take from the press a large map of the Congo State for additions and corrections.

Oats is to domestic animals what wheat is for man—the best species of grain.

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