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Latest designs in Waist and Trimming Silks, in Checks, Stripes, Figures and Plain, as follows:

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In order to close them out quickly, we have decided to place the balance of our Lawns, Dimities, Piques, Madras, &c., on the counters at

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We have taken from our stock of 12½c Percals (full yard wide) 10 pieces which we offer at the low price of

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25 pieces of our 6½c Dress Ginghams, good styles and colors, at

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Manufacturers of
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done in the best manner.
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HORSES AND MULES FOR SALE.

I have now and expect to keep on hand an assortment of Horses and Mules; quick draft, saddle and work horses. All must be as represented or money refunded.
C. CLOYD LYNCH.
ju 18-3t Westminster, Md.

TRUSTEES' SALE
OF VERY VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE,
Near Melrose, Manchester District, Carroll County, Maryland.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, sitting as a Court of Equity, passed in cause No. 3655 Equity, wherein Amelia L. Denison and others are complainants and Rebecca Wentz and others are defendants, the undersigned, trustees appointed in said cause, will offer at public sale on the premises, near Melrose, Manchester district, Carroll county, Maryland, all the real estate of which Cornelius Wentz, late of Carroll county, deceased, died seized and possessed, on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd, 1898,

at 12 o'clock, M. 1st. A Farm consisting of

93¼ ACRES OF LAND, more or less, now in the occupancy of Uriah A. Wentz. This property is improved by a large 2½ story Brick Dwelling House, Bank Barn and all usual outbuildings in good repair. This property is well watered; with pump at barn; an excellent spring of never failing water at the house, with about 18 acres in fine Timber. It also has a fine apple and pear Orchard on it with other minor fruits. The soil is under good cultivation and it is otherwise attractive to purchasers, having schools, post offices and railroad facilities near by.

2nd. A lot consisting of

5 ACRES AND 1 PERCH OF LAND, more or less, adjoining the above described farm and formerly owned by Christian Buchman and others. This lot is unimproved.

3rd. All that lot of land containing

48 ACRES AND 140 PERCHES OF LAND, more or less, also adjoining the first described farm, and improved by a 2½ story Brick Dwelling House, a Bank Barn and the usual outbuildings, all in good repair. It contains an adequate quantity of Timber with good soil and conveniently situated with respect to churches, schools, post office and railroad facilities. Water is abundant, with spring at house and plenty of water at barn. It has a good apple Orchard and other fruits. The soil is also in good cultivation and capable of increased improvement.

4th. A lot containing

6 ACRES AND 40 PERCHES OF LAND, more or less, adjoining said farm of 48 acres, as above described; unimproved and a small part thereof in timber.

5th. A lot containing between

TWO AND THREE ACRES OF LAND, situated on the public road leading from Melrose to Bachman's Mill, and improved by a large 2 1-2 story Frame Dwelling House, and being the late residence of Cornelius Wentz, deceased, and located immediately at Ebbvale. It is improved by a small barn or stabling and outhouses in good repair. Also supplied by water, with a fertile and improved soil.

6th. All that lot containing

THREE ACRES OF LAND,

and located immediately on the public road leading from Melrose to Bachman's Mills, about three or four hundred yards distant from the lot immediately preceding this and described as the "home property" of Cornelius Wentz, deceased. This lot is improved by a large 2½ story Frame Dwelling House, with the usual outbuildings, and apple orchard and other fruit in abundance. This lot is also well supplied with water and possesses all the conveniences mentioned in reference to the other lot with respect to its location.

7th. A wood lot containing about

TWO ACRES OF LAND,

adjoining the lands of Joshua Dayhoff and Jeremiah Lease and others, and being located one-half mile from the land hereinbefore described. It is well timbered and desirable on that account.

8th. A lot known as the "ore bank and quarry lot," consisting of

TWO ACRES OF LAND, more or less, and situated at or near Chestnut Hill Iron Ore Bank.

The above described real estate will be surveyed or so much thereof as may be necessary to accurately define its lines and boundries and determine the quantities it contains, and a plat of said survey and description of the land will be exhibited on the day of sale.

TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the decree are as follows:—One-third of the purchase money to be paid by the purchaser or purchasers to the Trustees on the day of sale, or the ratification thereof by this Court; and the residue shall be paid in two equal payments, the one to be paid in one year and the other in two years from the day of sale, with interest, and to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with security to be approved by the Trustees; or all cash, at the option of the purchasers.

JAMES A. C. BOND, }
J. CALVIN WENTZ, } Trustees.
URIAH A. WENTZ, }
Jacob Hoffman, Auct. Bond & Parke, Solicitors.
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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, State of Maryland, on the 18th day of July, A. D. 1898, at the suit of Henry Stine against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of Emanuel Bollinger and William C. Bollinger, and to me directed, I have seized upon all the right, title, claim, estate and demand, both at law and in equity, of the said Emanuel Bollinger and William C. Bollinger in and to all the following several parcels of land, situate, lying and being in Carroll county, Maryland:

1st. A parcel of land composed of parts of two tracts of land called "Dilley's Venture" and "Stoney Hills," containing

34½ ACRES OF LAND, More or Less,

being the same parcel of land that was conveyed to the said Emanuel Bollinger by Thomas Fisher and wife, by deed dated April 11th, A. D. 1872, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll county, in Liber J. B. B. No. 41, folio 108, &c.

2nd. A parcel of land composed of parts of tracts of land called "Stoney Hills" and "Dilley's Venture," containing

4½ ACRES, More or Less,

being the same parcel of land that was conveyed to the said Emanuel Bollinger by David H. Lawson and wife, by deed dated November 3rd, A. D. 1883, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll county, in Liber W. N. M. No. 65, folio 431, &c.

3rd. A parcel of land composed of parts of tracts of land called "Stoney Hills" and "Hildeburg," containing

5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

being the same land that was conveyed to the said Emanuel Bollinger by Conrad S. Knagle and Andrew Snyder, executors, by deed dated March 1st, A. D. 1885, and recorded among the land records of Carroll county, in liber W. N. M. No. 69, folio 45 &c.

4th. A parcel of land composed of parts of tracts of land called "Stoney Hills" and "Dilley's Venture," containing

1½ ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

being the same parcel of land that was conveyed to the said Emanuel Bollinger by Henry F. Warner and wife, by deed dated February 21st, A. D. 1888, and recorded among the land records of Carroll county, in liber W. N. M. No. 69, folio 83 &c.

And I hereby give notice that I will sell the interest and estate aforesaid of the said Emanuel Bollinger and William C. Bollinger, in and to said property, at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House Door in Westminster, Md., on

MONDAY, 22ND DAY OF AUGUST, A. D. 1898, at 10.30 o'clock, A. M.

EPHRAIM HAINES,
jy-30-4t Sheriff of Carroll County.

FOR SALE.

EIGHT and a Half Acres of Fine Land, situated about one-fourth of a mile from Westminster, on the Ridge road. Good buildings; 300 peach trees; apple, pear and quince trees; and any quantity of grapes; good water, from artesian wells; a view of 30 miles in every direction. For further particulars and price, address

E. O. GRIMES, Jr.,
jy-30-3t Westminster, Md.

Commissioners' Notice.

HEREAFTER, and until further notice the County Commissioners of Carroll county will meet at their office in Westminster, EVERY MONDAY, for the transaction of business.

By order, JNO. E. MASENHIMER,
jan-2-1y Clerk.

New York Bargain House,
Westminster.


GIVE THE WORKINGMAN A CHANCE BY BUYING HIM A
"KEYSTONE" UNION MADE
BROWNIE BIB OVERALL
CUT RIGHT AND MADE RIGHT. ALL SEAMS SMOOTHLY FELLED.

DON'T ECONOMIZE AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE.

Some folks imagine, when buying working pants or Overalls, that any old thing will do, just so its cheap. This is a great mistake. It is not always the lowest priced goods that are the cheapest. For years we have been talking Newburg Pants and Overalls. We know their value. Most of the people know it too now as the vast army of regular customers who come to us for these goods proves. It is to you who have not yet tried them that we are now talking. Our Boys' Brownie Overalls, made of heavy blue denim with bib, warranted not to rip. Get your boy a pair and save yourself lots of work. Sizes 5 to 16 years. Price 50 cents.

Men's never rib Newburg Pants, cut long in the waist, wide across the hips, warranted not to rip. Price $1.

PRESERVE KETTLES.


14 qt. Granite Preserve Kettles, good weight and perfect goods, only 39 cents. We secured a few days ago from a large manufacturer a large lot of Porcelain lined Preserve Kettles, some of them slightly damaged, that is the porcelain lining is slightly discolored, but not one of them has the smallest crack or flaw or anything that can impair their wearing qualities. Of course we got them dirt cheap and so offer them to you at a little over half their real value.

6 qt. Porcelain lined Preserve Kettles 20 cents.
7 qt. " " " " 23 cents.
8 qt. " " " " 25 cents.
10 qt. " " " " 28 cents.
12 qt. " " " " 30 cents.
14 qt. " " " " 35 cents.
16 qt. " " " " 40 cents.


NEGLIGEE SHIRTS.

On these goods our trade this season has been immense. People have come to recognize them as a hot weather necessity and this store the right place to buy them. Our line at 48c has been especially popular, and the shirts we are now showing at 48c are even ahead of those we had earlier in the season.

48 cents.

STICKY FLY PAPER.

Why not spread a few sheets of sticky Fly Paper around and rid yourself of these little pests. We sell the best 2 double sheets for 5c.

Our Store closes at 6 P. M., except Saturday.

NEW YORK BARGAIN HOUSE,
Department Store,
31 East Main Street, Westminster, opposite Catholic Church.
T. W. MATHER & SONS. Telephone Call 27.

The WHITE PALACE.
JOHN D. BOWERS.

I would like to call your attention to my old system of giving away one glass of my noted Soda Water, with every CASH PURCHASE OF ONE DOLLAR. I have special bargains

in Prunes, Peaches, Apricots;

Park's Coffee—15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 cents per pound. I have added a special large line of

FANCY AND STAPLE GROCERIES, FRUITS, CANNED GOODS, BOTTLE GOODS, PATENT MEDICINES, &c.,

which you would do well to call and price. My Staple Grocery Department is as large as ever and will give you the same inducements in many of the articles.

My SODA WATER is the same this year as ever, with a few improvements.

COUNTRY PRODUCE taken in exchange; Highest Prices Paid.

JOHN D. BOWERS, 47 and 49 E. MAIN ST.,
Opp. Catholic Church. Westminster.
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EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR FREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that by order of the Board of School Commissioners of Carroll county, a special examination for Free Scholarships in Western Maryland, St. John's and Washington Colleges, Charlotte Hall School, St. Mary's Female Seminary and Md. Institute Schools of Art and Design, will be held in West End Schoolhouse, Westminster, Md., on MONDAY, AUG. 15th, 1898, beginning promptly at 9 o'clock, A. M.

There are two scholarships for Western Maryland College, (one male and one female) entitling the holder to free tuition, board, fuel, lights and washing; one scholarship (male) for St. John's College, Annapolis, entitling the holder to free tuition, board, fuel, lights and washing; one scholarship (male or female) for Washington College, Chestertown, entitling the holder to free tuition and books (other expenses approximating $100.00 per annum); one scholarship (male) for Charlotte Hall School, Charlotte Hall, entitling the holder to free board and tuition; one scholarship for St. Mary's Female Seminary, St. Mary's, and one scholarship for Maryland Institute Schools of Art and Design, Baltimore.

The examination will embrace Arithmetic, Algebra, English Grammar and Composition, Spelling, Geography, U. S. History and Writing. A knowledge of Elementary Latin and Greek is desirable for candidates for admission to the colleges but will not be insisted upon.

By order of the Board,
D. L. FARRAR,
au-6-2t Secretary.

HORSES AND MULES FOR SALE.


A car load of fine Ohio Horses and Mules, consisting of fine big mares, steppers and mated teams, will arrive at the stables of H. A. Spalding, in Littlestown, on July 29th, 1898. Also a lot of fine broke and unbroke mare mules. Persons wishing to buy or exchange will do well to come and examine stock. Also several single line mules and horses.
jy-30-3t H. A. SPALDING.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, the subscriber, as executor of the last will and testament of Sarah A. Formwalt, late of said county, deceased, will sell at public sale, on the premises lately occupied by said deceased, in the village of Tyrone, Carroll county, Md., on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th, 1898,

at 12 o'clock, M., the following described real estate, to-wit:

A lot of land containing a little less than ONE-FOURTH OF AN ACRE,

situated in said village of Tyrone and improved by a Two-Story Frame Weatherboarded Dwelling House, with basement and cellar; good frame stable, hog house, chicken house, and other necessary outbuildings; well of good water, with pump; and an abundance of fruit—Apples, Quinces, Grapes, &c. The buildings are in good repair, and the property makes a very comfortable little home.

Terms of Sale.—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, or upon the ratification thereof; one-third in 6 months and the other one-third in 12 months, the credit payments to be secured by the bonds or single bills of the purchaser or purchasers, with sufficient security and bearing interest from the day of sale; or all cash, at the option of the purchaser or purchasers.

LEWIS FORMWALT,
jy-23-ts Executor.

Reifsnider & Reifsnider,
Attorneys-at-Law,
and Solicitors in Chancery,
232 East Main St., Westminster, Md.
We have this day formed a co-partnership for the practice of Law, under the firm name of Reifsnider & Reifsnider. All legal business will receive prompt attention.
CHAS. T. REIFSNIDER,
CHAS. T. REIFSNIDER, Jr.
June 1894.

Wm. F. Derr Wm. F. Derr

THE GREAT
MODEL EMPORIUM.
☞We close at 6 P. M., [Except Saturdays.]☜
A FINAL CLOSING OF
SUMMER STOCKS
At prices away below original cost is the event that will make shopping in our establishment profitable to you this week and until all the respective lots are sold. It will be a reaping of values gleaned from the seasons very choicest productions. An unusual offering of desirable goods at a fraction of the original cost. Your patronage has been generous and more than we expected so far in August. We wish to keep it up and make a record month. These quickening prices ought surely to convince you that we are in earnest.

SHOES. We have only a few pair left, possibly half a hundred, of those $2.50 Ladies' Shoes and Oxfords. They are in the latest styles and well made in Vici and French Kid. When you see them you can scarcely believe the low price we make on them for to-day

99 CENTS A PAIR.

UNDERWEAR. We have a number of dozen of Ladies' 15c Jersey Vests, white, Richelieu ribbed, square low necks, embroidered V front in pink and white, ribbon tape neck and sleeves, on which we will make the price, only

10 CENTS EACH.

We want to mention too, an invoice of Ladies' Buckskin Flannel Skirts that have just arrived. They are beautiful patterns in light blue, pink, brown or black with striped border and crocheted edge, full width and length, an extra value for only

29 CENTS EACH.

DOMESTICS. 1000 yards yard-wide Unbleached Muslin, an extra fine quality, fresh from the mills, at

3 1-2 CENTS A YARD.

Not more than ten yards to a customer.
One case of new dark Prints, clean and perfect patterns, mostly in ten yard lengths and no more to a customer, for only

3 1-2 CENTS A YARD.

EMBROIDERY. We have THREE GREAT EMBROIDERY LOTS purchased early at an extremely low price. In order to close them at once we have marked them at a figure that will surely meet your economical purse.

LOT NO. I. Beautiful Hamburg Embroidery, on finest Cambric, well worth 8c, at 5 CENTS PER YARD.

LOT NO. II. Dainty patterns in Hamburg, 6 inches wide, well finished edges, close and openwork patterns, worth 15c for

10 CENTS PER YARD.

LOT NO. III. Finest patterns in eight-inch Embroidery, beautiful double embroidered patterns, every yard perfect and fresh, worth 19c per yard, for

12 1-2 CENTS PER YARD.

CURTAINS. We have just 50 pairs left of a beautiful Nottingham Lace Curtain, either white or cream, full size, artistic patterns, that we are going to mark to close them at

75 CENTS PER PAIR.

DRESS SKIRTS. The entire remainder of our Ladies' outside Dress Skirts, made up in the finest manner, of popular cloths, perfect fitting and hanging garments, we originally asked $5 and $8 for, now only

$3.50 EACH.

THE GREAT MODEL EMPORIUM,
Wm. F. Derr
Westminster, Maryland, near Depot. [Western Md. Telephone 77.]

Select Poetry.

THE ABSENT BOY.

From Collier's Weekly.

They miss him in the orchard where the fruit is sunning over,
And in the meadow where the air is sweet with new mown hay,
And all about the old farm which knew him for a lover,
From the early seedtime onward till the crops were piled away.

They miss him in the village where nothing went without him,
Where to-day the young folks' parties are dull and incomplete,
They cannot just explain it, there was such a charm about him,
The drop of cheer he always brought made common daylight sweet.

And now he's gone to Cuba, he's fighting for the nation,
He's charging with the others, a lad in army blue,
His name is little known yet, but at the upland station,
They all are sure you'll hear it before the war is through.

And when you talk of battles, and scan the printed column,
His regiment's the one they seek, his neighbors think and care;
The more they do not speak of it, their looks grows grave and solemn,
For somewhere in the thick of strife they know, their boy is there.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

Select Story.

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The morning was very pleasant, but, so far, all the mornings had been pleasant at this delightful, out-of-the-way resort. Mrs. Bradford drew a long breath as she descended the hotel steps. Her physician had certainly been right when he recommended a change of climate. Already she could feel the influence of the mild air and the long days spent out of doors. As she reached the sidewalk she paused with a questioning smile.

"Where to, Mildred?" she asked.

The little girl who was skipping along by her side looked up brightly.

"The plaza, of course, mamma. You can read and I will play. This afternoon we will go down on the beach."

The street was very quiet. An occasional dray with its load of trunks and baggage, and here and there a group of pleasure seekers on their way to the plaza or the beach. Overhead, a few buzzards circled lazily about, and from the direction of the plaza came a slight breeze which was laden with the perfume of orange blossoms and the saltiness of the bay which glistened beyond the trees.

As they reached the corner a keen newsboy darted across the street, and his shrewd face broadened into a grin when his customer smilingly refused the change he offered.

Through the openings in the trees they could see the white sails of pleasure boats on the bay, and beyond these, the green shore of Promontory Point. Near the extreme end of the Point rose the tall, white buildings of the State Penitentiary. Mrs. Bradford shivered a little as she saw them. The grim buildings seemed out of place in the quiet winter resort.

It was not far to the plaza, but when they reached it they found that most of the seats were already occupied. They walked down one of the side paths and came back by the fountain. As they did so, Mildred turned suddenly.

"There's a seat that's most all empty," she whispered, eagerly.

It was a little out of the path and half-hidden by the low branches of a live oak. As they approached, Mrs. Bradford noticed that its only occupant was a tall young man, whose face looked strangely white and eager. He watched them curiously as they sat down, and his lips parted in a friendly smile. Then, as though conscious of impropriety, he got up and began to walk back and forth uneasily. For a time Mrs. Bradford scarcely noticed him, then something peculiar about his step caused her to raise her eyes from the book she was reading. The young man seemed to have forgotten their presence, and was walking back and forth with bowed head. Every few seconds he wheeled sharply and retraced his steps. Mrs. Bradford noticed with curious wonder that he always wheeled at exactly the same points. Then she saw that his left foot dragged behind the other, as though it carried a heavy weight. At first she thought he was lame, but even while she was compassionating him he raised his head with a quick, startled movement, and, for a time, the lameness disappeared and the walk was extended to the end of the path. Then his head once more sank upon his breast, the short turns were resumed, and the left foot again began its weary, dragging motion. Apparently he was conscious of his weakness, for several times she saw him recover himself impatiently and glance sharply around.

Overhead, the mocking birds were calling to each other, and something in their notes seemed to arouse him from his reverie. Presently he stopped beneath the tree and glanced up with a rapt expression on his face. Mrs. Bradford saw it and her eyes softened.

"You like the birds?" she asked, pleasantly.

"I—used to," he replied, hesitatingly. Then, noticing the surprise in her face, he added, apologetically, "I haven't seen any before for most ten years. They seem sort of strange."

He stood still for a moment, with the color deepening on his sallow cheeks, then he slouched foward and threw himself on the grass at the foot of the tree. Mrs. Bradford gazed at him curiously for a moment and then returned to her book.

Out on the path Mildred was playing with her ball. At length it struck a limb and bounded toward the young man. He picked it up eagerly and half rose to his feet, but seeing the frightened look on her face he tossed it back and resumed his slouching position on the grass.

After awhile the ball again rolled to his feet. This time he did not offer to return it. As Mildred approached he looked up with a smile.

"The cover is coming off your ball," he said pleasantly. "If you'll let me, I'll fix it. I know how."

"But mamma said I'd have to take it to a shoemaker," she answered, doubtfully. Leather is awful hard to sew."

"Not if you have things to work with," he said quietly. "See here." Taking a small package from his pocket, he opened it and showed her several curious needles and some coarse, shining thread.

"They gave them to me when I left the—the place where I learned my trade," he said, in a low voice. "I don't suppose I shall ever use them. My folks will not let me do that. But I shall always keep them near me. Sometime I may need advice, and this little package will be able to tell me a great many things—a great many sad things which you will never understand, little one," he added, gently.

Mildred gazed at him wonderingly, but as she saw the skilled fingers draw the leather over the ball and fasten it securely in place, her look of wonder changed to one of pleasure.

"I'm ever so much obliged," she said, gratefully. "I'd hate awfully to lose the ball. Grandpa gave it to me." She watched him a few moments in silence, and then added, with a sudden burst of confidence: "Grandpa lives at our house, and we're going home as soon as it gets warm."

The young man sewed on for some moments in silence. At last the ball was finished, and he carefully replaced the needle in his pocket.

"I'm going home, too," he said, gravely, as he handed her the ball; "I'm waiting for the train now."

"And have you got a mamma?" she asked, with sudden interest.

"Yes, and she has been waiting for me a long, long time. Poor little mother!" the last too low for her to hear.

As the little girl was moving away, he recalled her with a sudden gesture.

"I wish you would take this," he said earnestly, as he gave her a tiny box of exquisite workmanship. I made it from a piece of ivory which was found on a battlefied, and intended to give it to my sister. You make me think of her."

"But won't she wan't it?" Mildred objected.

"She is dead," was the grave answer.

The little girl's face grew sympathetic.

"I'm sorry," she said, gently; "and I'd like to have the box ever so much. But I must ask mamma."

In a few minutes she returned.

"Mamma says I mustn't take gifts from strangers," she said; "but I'm ever so much obliged, just the same."

The sun spots moved slowly across the grass and disappeared, one by one, in the thicker shadows of the trees. The young man watched them listlessly. At length a clock began to strike in the distance, and he counted the strokes carefully. When it ceased he got up, and once more began to walk back and forth. But now his head was erect, and his left foot had lost its dragging motion. And on his face was a tender expectant smile.

Mildred had grown tired of her ball and was watching the water as it fell splashing into the broad basin of the fountain. As the young man approached she looked up timidly.

"Are you going now?" she asked.

"Not for another half hour," he replied. "I had rather wait here than down at the depot." For some moments he stood gazing at her. Evidently her face brought up some memory of the past, for he sighed as he turned away.

A little later Mrs. Bradford was aroused by excited voices. Several figures rushed past her. For a moment she gazed around wonderingly, then she rose and followed. Near the fountain was a group of excited people, and in the open space beyond she recognized Mildred playing with her ball. What was the matter?"

But even as she wondered came the wild rush of a pair of frightened horses into the open space. What followed happened so quickly that she could not realize it until it was over. Mildred was placed, sobbing in her arms, and a hushed group closed about a silent figure on the ground.

"It was the bravest thing I ever saw," said one man," in a low voice.

"But a sad thing for the poor chap and his people—if he had any," said another, compassionately.

Two of the guards from the penitentiary came across the plaza and joined the group. A moment later one of them gave a few quick directions to a hackman who was standing near.

"It is number 306," Mrs. Bradford heard him say. "Poor fellow! and he's only been out a few hours. I must telegraph to his folks."

Mrs. Bradford waited until she saw them place the motionless figure in the hack, then she walked slowly back to the settee.

Under the live oak she saw something glisten. Picking it up, she found it was the little ivory box.

"Here, Mildred," she said, in a low voice, "you may keep it."

Accurate Testimony.

A solemn faced little woman had been called by the defence to establish an alibi. She had testified that the defendant had been at her house during the time the offence was committed and that others were present also, among them a Mr. Delaney, when the following examination ensued:

"Was Mr. Delaney a neighbor of yours?"

"Yes, sir."

"Is he here?"

"No sir."

"Do you know where he is?"

"No, sir."

"Is he dead!"

"Yes, sir."

A valued exchange contains two remedies for gapes. One is to feed the fowls sour milk and buckwheat from infancy up to adult age; the other is simply a piece of copperas in their drinking water. This sort of information has the merit of being entirely original and to the same degree useless. Sour milk and buckwheat is a pretty good combination to make chickens grow, and chickens that are growing thriftily usually escape from severe attacks from the gapes. The copperas in the drinking water is a distinct failure as far as gapes are concerned, and if it has any effect at all on the chicks it is rather detrimental than otherwise.

During the next two months is one of the best seasons for cleaning up the farm, and in the majority of farms there is plenty of opportunity or need for this kind of work. After the wheat is done the manure can all be put out of the stables, sheds and feed lots and hauled and scattered broadcast on the land intended for wheat. The work of properly preparing the land for the reception of the seed will incorporate sufficiently with the soil. Weeds may be cut down in the meadows and pastures and along the fence rows to a good advantage. Many of them if cut before they mature seeds will be effectually killed out.

The girls are taking a mean advantage of the horrors of war." "How so?" "Well, they look so deuced teary and pitiful when they hear that a fellow is going to the front that he can't help engaging himself to them. I'm engaged to seven myself."

There is a terrible fascination to some people about things that is none of their business.

The most honorable mind will often encourage itself in a conscientious insincerity.

It is now said the bathing Summer girl wears suspenders. Well, that's something.

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