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Chestertown, jan17y.

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June 18, 1864—y.

CONFECTIONERY, Tobacco and Cigars.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform the citizens of this town and county, that they can be supplied at his Store ☞ADJOINING THE BANK,☜ with every description of

CONFECTIONERY,
TOBACCO, CIGARS,
PERFUMERY, &c.,

which he will be constantly receiving fresh from the city, and will sell at the lowest rates.

Considerable experience in this line of business, will enable him to select and offer such goods as will give general satisfaction.

CHAS. N. COOK.

Chestertown, Feb 13, 1864.

Plain Statement.

MY Father's age and health have made it necessary for him to retire from business, and I have rented and refitted the old stand formerly occupied by J. Frank Morgan, and more recently by R. Smith, opposite the M. E. Church.

I have just returned from Philadelphia, with a large and well selected stock of

Clocks, Watches, AND JEWELRY,

(my Father having removed his entire stock with him.) I have Jewelry of all grades, and WARRANT all that I sell to be as represented when sold. Ask and you shall know exactly what you are buying. I have all kinds of materials, of the very best, for REPAIRING.

I am thankful for the encouragement I have received since I settled in your midst, having repaired a large number of the best watches in the county, and, I believe, with general satisfaction.

☞CALL AND EXAMINE for yourselves. I believe my stock the largest ever offered in Chestertown.

Feb. 6, 1864. J. V. SMITH.

TO THOSE AFFLICTED WITH

Defective Sight and Hearing.

PROFESSOR J. ISAACS, *Oculist and Aurist,* from Leyden, Holland, has permanently located himself at No. 511 PINE ST., Philadelphia, where he may be consulted by those afflicted with DEAFNESS OR IMPAIRED SIGHT. Those unacquainted with the Professor are referred to the numerous testimonials of remarkable cures effected by him in Kent and adjoining counties.

HIS PANTASCOPIC GLASSES have given great relief whenever used. [je13y.]

For Sale or Rent.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, or for rent, the place on which he now resides, situated on Swan Creek, formerly called Page's Point, and now known as Humphrey's Point, containing *TEN ACRES,* more or less, of EXCELLENT LAND.

The Improvements consist of a substantial and commodious two-story

BRICK DWELLING,

containing six rooms, with a two-story back building, all in good repair, together with a good Stable and Shedding. The location is exceedingly beautiful and pleasant. Oysters and Fish may be had in abundance. There are on the premises small Apple, Peach, and English Walnut Orchards. It is a good stand for a store, and a profitable business might be done.

There is a large Granary and good WHARF on the premises, affording every facility for running grain and marketing of all kinds to the city of Baltimore, distant only about twenty-five miles.

It is an excellent location for a Canning Establishment, for either Oysters or Fruit, or both. There are many fine Peach Orchards in the vicinity, and fruit in abundance could be obtained at reasonable prices; and Oysters also, which can be delivered at the wharf. The advantages of the situation for a business of this kind cannot be too highly appreciated. Possession can be given at any time.

Apply to DARIUS COLEMAN,
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Feb. 20, 1864—tf.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at private sale his FARM, situated near the I. U. Church, in Kent county, Maryland, within seven miles of Chestertown, called

"MOUNT PLEASANT,"

Containing TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY ACRES OF LAND. There have been ten thousand bushels of Schuylkill Lime applied to the land. One of the fields has been limed a second time over.

The Farm now is laid off in four fields, with a running stream of water through each, and there can be five or six acres of meadow land attached to each field. It could be laid off into five fields to great advantage. The fencing is in good condition.

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on the farm, in full bearing, five and six years old. Also, 100 APPLE TREES, three years old of different varieties of choice fruit, and 25 do., in bearing, six years old.

The Farm lies within three quarters of a mile of two Churches, Episcopal and Methodist; within a mile and a half of a school house; within a half mile of a saw mill, and within three quarters of a mile of a Grist Mill. It is also within one mile of a good Landing on Still Pond Creek, and within three miles of the Chesapeake Bay.

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to which he invites the early attention of purchasers. Fine Boots and Shoes of every description for sale low. A large stock of

City Made Boots & Shoes

of the best quality, for sale cheap.

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Choice Wines, Brandies, &c.

Good and Common WHISKY, BRANDY, and all kind of LIQUORS, for sale low.

All goods in my line will be sold at the very LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Chestertown, fe28. LEVI FIDDIS.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Creditors of John T. Hurtt, an Insolvent Debtor, that the said Insolvent having filed his petition to the Circuit Court of Kent county, for the benefit of the Insolvent Law of Maryland, that the THIRD MONDAY OF OCTOBER next is fixed for his first appearance, to answer interrogatories, if any be filed, and that the first Wednesday after the third Monday of October next, hath also been fixed for the final hearing in his case, before the aforesaid Circuit Court of Kent county. JESSE K. HINES,

Clerk Circuit Court Kent county.

Dated May 18, 1864 m21tf.

LUMBER.

T. W. ELIASON has an assortment of Seasoned PINE BOARDS AND PLANK,
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HEMLOCK JOISTS,
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Farmers would do well to examine their Reapers and other implements, and send them to our shop for repairs. "A stitch in time saves nine." [Chestertown, a16 3m.]

Plows! Plows! Plows!

MADE in the best manner, and for sale at the lowest prices, by

feb13. ROBERT C. MORRIS.

Lines by a Mother in her Son's Bible.

Remember, love, who gave thee this,
When other days shall come;
When she, who had thy earliest kiss,
Sleeps in her narrow home;
Remember 't was a mother gave,
The gift to one she'd die to save.

That mother sought a pledge of love,
The holiest for her son,
And from the gift of God above,
She choose a goodly one;
She chose for her beloved boy,
The source of life and light and joy;

And bade him keep the gift, that when
The parting hour might come,
They might have hope to meet again
In her eternal home!
She said her faith in that should be
Sweet incense to her memory.

And should the scoffer in his pride
Laugh that fond gift to scorn,
And bid him cast that gift aside
That he from youth had borne,
She bade him pause, and ask his breast,
If he or she had loved him best.

A parent's blessing on her son
Goes with this holy thing;
The love that would retain the one,
Must to the other cling;
Remember 'tis no idle toy,
A MOTHER'S GIFT—REMEMBER BOY!

ABOUT GREAT MEN AND BOYS.

Among the mountains of California stand some of the most wonderful trees ever discovered. They tower up more than three hundred feet, or taller than the highest steeple in this country. There they stood hundreds of years before civilized man ever saw them. But they were just as grand while alone in the solitude of the unbroken wilderness, when only visited by the winds, the wild beasts and birds and the equally wild Indians, as they are now, when travellers flock to admire their stateliness. So all truly great men possess the same nobleness of nature before, that they do after the world has discovered, acknowledged, and applauded it.—Those who long for opportunities of becoming great, forget that greatness is in the man, not in the opportunity. The opportunity only gives occasion for greatness to exhibit itself. Washington possessed the same high qualities when he told the truth and loved his mother, as when he headed the American armies, and presided over the councils of the nation. A man may be great, though circumstances confine him to a narrow sphere, just as a ray of light is as pure, as cheerful, and as much the child of the sun when shining in a rude hovel, as when flashing from the mirrors of a palace. Goodness, courage, devotion, manliness, patience, perseverance, reverence, and love, will make a boy great, though he live on the most secluded farm in the back-woods. There are thousands of such boys—many of them will read these words written for their encouragement. The day may come when their noble qualities will be wanted in the public service, and all men see and acknowledge their worth. But if not, they are still rich in enduring wealth, and let them remember also, that life only *begins* in this life.

WOMAN IN ADVERSITY.

Women should be more trusted and confided in as wives, mothers, and sisters. They have a quick perception of right and wrong, and without always knowing why, read the present and future, read character and acts, designs and probabilities, where man sees no letter or sign. What else do we mean by the adage "mother wit," save that woman has a quicker perception and readier invention than man? How often, when man abandons the helm in despair, woman seizes it and carries the home ship through the storm! Man often flies from home and family to avoid impending poverty or ruin. Woman seldom, if ever, forsook home thus. Woman never evaded mere temporal calamity by suicide or desertion. The proud banker, rather than live to see his poverty gazetted, may blow out his brains and leave wife and children to want, protectorless. Loving woman would have counseled him to accept poverty, and live to cherish his family and retrieve his fortune. Woman should be counselled and confided in. It is the beauty and glory of her nature that instinctively grasps and clings to the truth and right. Reason, man's greatest faculty, takes time to hesitate before it decides; but woman's instinct never hesitates in its decision, and is scarcely ever wrong where it has even chances with reason. Woman feels where man thinks, acts where he deliberates, hopes where he despairs, and triumphs where he fails.

SOME cowards in the army mutilate themselves in order to get to the rear.—They shoot themselves through the hand, selecting generally the second finger of the right hand, and then go back to the hospital in hopes of being sent to Washington with the wounded. The Surgeons having noticed the recurring frequency of these cases—as the character of these wounds, burned and discolored with powder, was sufficiently indicative of their origin—they reported the matter to headquarters, and they delinquents in future are to be put upon the skirmish line. It is customary in ordinary cases to put the patient under chloroform; but, as a punishment to the coward, the Surgeons now perform the amputation of wounded fingers without any anæsthetic.

A. H. Cragin has been elected U. S. Senator from New Hampshire, to succeed Hon. John P. Hale, whose term expires on the 4th of March next.

THE DRAFT FOR KENT.

The following is the official order of the Adjutant General of Maryland, announcing the names of the persons drafted in this county for one hundred days' service. The list was published in a portion of our last issue, having been received too late for insertion in the entire edition:

STATE OF MARYLAND,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
GENERAL HEAD-QUARTERS,
ANNAPOLIS, June 29, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 22.

In accordance with General Orders, No. 14, published June 8th, giving the Quotas of the several Counties for the Two Thousand Militia, for 100 days service, and also General Orders, No. 19, published June 27th, ordering a Draft of the First Congressional District to be made on this day for Kent county. The said Draft having been made this day, the following is the official announcement of the persons drafted, with their residences at the time of the Enrollment in 1862.—They are hereby ordered to report at *Camp Bradford, in person, or by substitute,* on or before the 8th day of July.

The only causes of Exemption recognized or allowed to those Drafted are actual Physical Disability for the service required, and over age.

A Board, composed of three of the Staff Officers, will be in session daily from 10 A. M. until 3 o'clock, P. M., at the Baltimore Head Quarters, 293 W. Baltimore Street, until the 8th day of July, to hear and determine on applications for Exemption. All persons claiming Exemption must appear in person before the Board.

KENT COUNTY.

First District.	
Carter, William	Millington.
Cartridge, James	"
Dozier, Joseph	"
Edward, Joseph	"
Griffith, Robert S.	Head of Sassafras.
Hanson, Samuel B.	Millington.
Jackson, John T.	"
Morris, James H.	Galena.
Morris, Chas. R.	"
Nickerson, Charles	Millington.
Ross, Charles G.	Galena.
Satterfield, John	Massey's X Roads.
Shadwick, Thomas	" " "
Tohrintgon, John T,	Millington.
Second District.	
Anderson, Lewis T	Chesterville.
Aldridge, Sam'l W	"
Camel, John	Kennedyville.
Croney, John W	"
Davis, Henry C	Locust Grove.
Harris, Joseph H	Kennedyville.
Jewell, Samuel R	Locust Grove.
Lusby, Josiah	Kennedyville.
McCleary, Joshua	Chesterville.
Melvin, James T	Chestertown.
Sutton, Benton	Kennedyville.
Veasey, Joseph W	Locust Grove.
Veasey, Edward T	" "
Wallis, Samuel	Chesterville.
Third District.	
Copper, John W	Hanesville.
Jones, William J	"
Jones, Octavius H	"
Parsons, Amos	Still Pond.
Smith, Richard C	Rogers' Store.
Sands, Wm. E	Hanesville.
Usilton, E. L.	"
Watts, James	"
Wilmer, W. R.	Rogers' Store.
Wilson, Thos. S.	Still Pond.
Fourth Dirtrict.	
Burton, James A.	Chestertown.
Bacchus, James A.	"
Bordley, John	"
Colbert, Alexander	"
Deford, William	"
Gildea, Michael	Baltimore.
Lusby, Jr., Thos.	Chestertown.
McDaniel, J. N.	"
Neal, George T.	"
Stewart, William H.	"
Battus, Joseph	"
Gutchell, Francis	"
Sutton, Wm. T.	"
Trew, Wm. G.	"
Tolson, James A.	"
Walraven, Joseph	"
Fifth District.	
Brice, John	Chestertown.
Bradford, Wm. J.	Rock Hall.
Crow, Jr., Wm. Thos.	Rodgers' Store.
Cosden, Geo. Thos.	Chestertown.
Crouch, Richard (of Jas.,)	Rees' Corner.
Dillheiffer, Matthew	Rogers' Store.
Dudecan, John	Chestertown.
Elburn, Wm. J.	Rock Hall.
Gresham, Harmon H.	" "
Jessupp, George A.	Chestertown.
Kenton, Henry C.	Rock Hall.
Smith, Augustus	" "
Usilton, Joseph L.	Rees' Corner.
Voshell, Owen J.	Rogers' Store.
Wheet, Samuel	" "
Wilson, Alexander H.	Rees' Corner.

By order of the Governor,
JOHN S. BERRY,
Adjutant General.

COLD water is a determined foe to fevers, ague and consumption. Bathing in it is, therefore, highly recommended. In London, a portion of the Serpentine is set apart for the use of the public, where, in a single evening, several thousand persons take advantage of the privilege.

There is a machine in Bangor, Me., for planting potatoes. It opens the furrow and cuts drops and covers at the same time.

THE RIP VAN WINKLES OF OUR RACE.

One of the most succinct and comprehensive statements of the kind we have ever seen appears in a speech made by the Rev. Samuel Coley, at a Wesleyan missionary anniversary. It is a passage worth preserving: "I suppose that no country has ever had such a power of invention and such stunted intellectual development as China. The Chinese is the largest, yet beyond its own realm the least influential, of monarchies. From China no mission ever started, no conquerer ever marched. Before all people in rudimental invention, they are behind all people in development. They had both gold and silver coins before the first Daric was minted, yet they traffic by the scales to this day. They first had gunpowder, but have got little further with its use than to blaze it away in crackers. They were long beforehand with the magnet, but no junk ever crossed the ocean except in tow of a British ship.—They have printed from time immemarial, but their literature awakes no progressive intellect. They have made glass for two thousand years, and ordinarily do not make it clear enough to see through yet. Their astronomy is still astrology, nor has their chemistry awoke from dreams of alchemy. They have politeness, but its odd form and slavery of etiquette only make them more unsociable. They have a wonderful language, but its elaborate cleverness is a curse and a fetter to their minds, making it the labor of a life time to learn to read. They are not without notions of dignity; but the men find it in nails long enough for claws, and the woman in feet crushed into the shapelessness of hoofs.—In the South Atlantic there is a sea—the great Sargazo. All the currents pass by it. Dull, dead, heaving waves just move the heaped up tangle of weeds that grow and the drift of wrecks that rot in that stagnant, melancholy ocean limbo China is the Sargazo sea in the ocean of humanity."

DREAMS OF FANCY.

Some young ladies regard marriage as a fairy land where violets and roses perpetually blossom, where the cedar tree and the cinnamon tree ever flourish, and where the waters of tranquility and sweetness ever flow. Tell them there are thistles and briers in that state, though they do not contradict, yet they do not credit you; for they believe that their love, their devotedness for each other will exempt them from the cares, the vicissitudes and the anxieties which generally pertain to humanity. All lovers before marriage think their destiny will be an exception to the general rule. Could you sketch them a page in their future history, they would not believe a word; they would set you down as a misanthrope; a gloomy painter of unnatural scenes; an inimical represser of the aspirations of youth. The dark spot which the telescope of your experience might discover, they would regard but as shadows or molehills in the moon. If they would but reflect a little, how much misery they might avoid.

LEE'S DEFENCES AT SPOTTSYLVANIA.—Nat. Davidson, who accompanied Sheridan's column on its late raid, speaks as follows of Lee's defensive work at Spottsylvania Court House:

On the 15th we passed through the Court House and inspected the splendid and formidable works which Lee had the honor to construct and Grant had the sagacity to flank. Line after line extended for miles, the last line—which Grant did not favor Lee by attacking—being the most formidable of all. They consisted of fallen trees lying in every conceivable direction. We were informed by the landlord of the hotel that both armies "had it there hot and heavy from the 8th to the 21st of May, when they both left by parallel roads and he'd be dogged ef he knew which went first." The walls of the hotel, court house and church were all bored through and through with shot and shell.

CLOSING OF THE PHILADELPHIA FAIR.—The Philadelphia fair for the benefit of the sick and wounded soldiers closed on Tuesday evening. The gross receipts are expected to reach about one million of dollars. The Union Vase was awarded to Mr. E. S. James, a merchant of Philadelphia, who received 4,939 votes. General Meade receives the sword, General Hancock the horse equipments, and General Birney the camp chest. The Good Will Fire Company won the silver fire trumpet, receiving 12,732 votes.

THE DROUGHT.—The papers East and West complain of the continued drought, which is damaging the crops. In Massachusetts, says the Springfield Republican, many farmers have not commenced to set their tobacco. Other crops which got started before the drought commenced to look better, but still look badly enough.

DEATH OF "TOM HYER."—Tom Hyer, well known in sporting circles for many years past, died suddenly at his residence in New York at an early hour on Tuesday morning. Coroner Naumann held an inquest on the body, and the jury returned a verdict that deceased died of "cardiac dropsy."

A LADY being asked why she did not use the medicated soap, replied that she got plenty of soft soap from her beau, and that always put plenty of color in her cheeks.

Circular of the Provost Marshal General.

The following circular has been issued by Provost Marshal General Fry:

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Office, Washington, June 26.—Persons not fit for military duty, and not liable to draft from age or other causes, have expressed a desire to be personally represented in the army. In addition to the contributions they have made in the way of bounties, they propose to procure, at their own expense, and present for enlistment, recruits to represent them in the service. Such practical patriotism is worthy of special commendation and encouragement. Provost Marshals, and all other officers under this Bureau, are ordered to furnish all the facilities in their power to enlist and muster promptly the acceptable representative recruits presented in accordance with the design herein set forth; the name of the person whom the recruit represents will be noted on the enlistment and descriptive roll of the recruit, and will be carried forward from these papers to the other official records which form his military history. Suitably prepared certificates of this personal representation in the service will be forwarded from this office, to be filled out by the provost marshals to the persons who put in representative recruits.

JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

HOW WE FAILED TO TAKE PETERSBURG.

The correspondent of the New York *Times,* before Petersburg, assigns the following reason for the failure to capture that place when the first assault was made by General Grant:

When, early on Wednesday morning, the Second Corps had effected the passage of the James river at Windmill Point, General Hancock was met by a despatch from the Commanding General, directing him that, if provisions had arrived, he should ration his men before proceeding toward Petersburg. Just at this time he received information, seemingly reliable, to the effect that the transports had arrived with supplies. This fact General Hancock communicated to the commanding General, stating that he would soon begin issuing rations, and would then move forward, as directed. The information proved to be a mistake—a lamentable mistake—the transports had not arrived. Yet this simple error caused a delay in the movement of Hancock's corps of *five hours and a half.* His column joined General Smith's troops at 1 o'clock on the morning of Thursday. But had he been up earlier by the difference noted of five and a half hours, he would have reached the front 7.30 on the evening of Wednesday, *which was precisely the moment at which General Smith made his attack.*

Thursday morning revealed a new actor on the stage—a new element introduced into the problem. While our troops were coming up during the night, Beauregard also came up, and the reconnoissance of Thursday morning developed him in force in a line hastily thrown up during the night and a little closer to the town, but still strong enough to check our advance. The militia was relieved—Beauregard's force, numbering thirty thousand men, and reinforced by the addition of Bushrod Johnson's command, took their places—men of a very different mettle these from the crude soldiers to whom the defence of the works of Petersburg had been entrusted!

We caution our readers to be on their guard against an emission of spurious fifty cent notes (the new plate) which has been put in circulation. They can be readily detected by observing the following remarks: They are an eighth of an inch shorter than the genuine; the words "fifty cents," which surmount the head of Washington, are very pale and indistinct in the counterfeit, while the letters are very brisk and distinct in the genuine. The bronze black around the head in the counterfeit can hardly be seen, while the genuine is a deep color. The spurious, though indistinct in all its outlines, is darker than the original.

A TERRIBLE drought prevails in Texas and in Louisiana. The prairies are so baked and so cracked into fissures that horseback travel is dangerous and wheels impossible. Cattle are dying in great numbers because the springs, creeks, bayous and rivers are dried! A recent traveler by the gulf coast says that he passed thousand of carcasses of cattle which had come to the sea shore and drank salt water until they died. The effect of this upon the rebel supplies from Texas can be easily seen. They depend upon Texas for their beef.

COAL OIL FOR WOUNDS.—An assistant surgeon, writing from Gettysburg, says that what water is to a wound in an inflamed state, coal oil is in a suppurating state—it dispels flies, expels vermin, sweetens the wound, and promotes a healthy granulation. He states that he has seen two patients whose wounds have been dressed with it asleep before he was through with the third.

A QUAKER once hearing a person tell how much he had felt for another who was in distress and needed assistance, drily asked him: "Friend, hast thou felt in thy pocket for him?"