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50,000 PEACH TREES,
100,000 RASPBERRY PLANTS,
125,000 BLACKBERRY PLANTS,
500,000 STRAWBERRY PLANTS,
50,000 GRAPE VINES.

MY stock of Peach Trees the present season is grown from natural seed obtained from Accomack Co., Va., and is surpassed by none in the country.

I have selected, with great care, varieties best adapted to this locality, and hope by strict adherance to business to merit that liberal patronage and confidence, heretofore accorded my efforts.

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Purchasers would do well to call and examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere, as I am prepared to meet any requirements of the trade, upon as fair terms as any other reliable establishment can offer.

A well selected stock of Grape Vines furnished in quantities to suit purchasers.

Catalogues mailed upon application.

I have no travelling agents If I employ any hereafter, such will be furnished with a proper certificate.

NORRIS BARNARD,
sep19-7m. Still Pond, Kent Co., Md.

Notice to Farmers AND HORSEMEN.

YOU CAN BE SUPPLIED AT THE
"PEOPLE'S HARNESS STORE,"
with everything in my line of business at CITY PRICES. We have a fine stock of

NEW HARNESS

now on hand, which we are selling at very low figures. A good stock of

SADDLES

which I can guarantee. BITTS of all styles, and SPURS of all kinds.

We also keep the best assortment of Wagon and Plough COLLARS in the County.

My stock consists, not merely of a few articles, but an assortment of everything connected with this business. Give me a call.

REPAIRING done in the best manner, and at the shortest notice.

JOHN F. HOWARD,
Oct. 24. Opposite the Court House

NEW GOODS
JUST RECEIVED
AT REDUCED PRICES!
GREAT ATTRACTION
AT THE
"People's Popular Store."
VICKERS

Maintains his reputation in keeping a nice assortment. As for Prices we don't intend any one shall undersell us. Our present stock will not be surpassed by any store in this market.

An examination is all we desire from those who wish to purchase, which will ensure us heavy sales.

OUR NEW STYLE of doing business will be adhered to this season. We found that it worked well last Spring to our satisfaction and to the interest of the buyer.

JOBS we now offer in DRY GOODS of all grades. NOTIONS. Especial attention we ask for our

SPLENDID BOOT & SHOE STOCK.

We can save you money. HATS and CAPS, Hardware, Groceries, Queensware, &c.

We would say to those whose accounts are due Sept. 1st, 1868, we need money to prosecute our business.

Respectfully,
sep26. WM. A. VICKERS.

Still the Old Cry!
"SELLING OFF AT COST!"
CLARK & USILTON.

WILL commence this week to run off their entire stock of Goods, such as

PRINTS, DELAINES,
PLAIN ARMURES,
Bleached and Brown MUSLIN,

Red Ticks, Cottonades, Cassimeres, red, white blue and grey Flannels, Balm'l Skirts, Shawls, Hoods and Scarfs. A job lot of CLOTHING and SHOES below cost. One double-barrel Gun for sale. Don't forget to call on CLARK & USILTON, as they are bound to sell.

oc3. CLARK & USILTON.

BOUNTIES!

I am still receiving all classes of State Claims, for Collection, upon my usual Commission of ten per cent. NO CLAIMS BOUGHT.

No Charge unless Successful.

Notwithstanding the recent Limitation Act, it is believed that provision will be made for the payment of the large class of just Claims still unsettled.

Papers entrusted to my care will be kept in a *Fire-proof Vault,* specially built in the office for the purpose.

ALL KINDS OF U. S. BOUNTY, PAY AND PENSION CLAIMS still promptly collected by

WM. B. HILL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
N. E. Cor. of Fayette and St. Paul St.,
sep19-y BALTIMORE, MD.

BURNS & SLOAN,
132 Light Street Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.,
OFFER FOR SALE A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF WELL-SEASONED
Building Lumber
LATHS AND SHINGLES,
FENCING AND PALES,
ASH, OAK & WALNUT,
AT LOWEST PRICES.
ALSO, DOORS, SASH & BLINDS.
May 16, 1868—y.

WOOD AND COAL.

THE subscriber has in his yard, and is prepared to supply OAK, HICKORY and PINE WOOD at regular prices. He also gives notice that he will be prepared in a few months to furnish COAL of all sizes and quality. Persons wishing to engage their Coal, will be supplied as cheap as it can be furnished in this market.

WM. H. HAMILTON.
June 20, 1868—tf.

EDWARD B. BATES,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
EASTON, MD.

PROMPT attention to collection of Claims and purchase and sale of Real Estate in Talbot, Queen Anne's and Caroline Counties.

REFERENCES:—Hon. Geo. Vickers, Hon. S. Hambleton, Hon. P. B. Hopper. ap22-6m.

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House and Lot FOR SALE.

WILL be exposed to public sale at the Hotel porch of Mr. John Pennington, in Galena, on

SATURDAY, the 24th of October, 1868,

at half-past two o'clock, P. M., all that

Two-Story Dwelling AND STORE HOUSE

at Locust Grove, in Kent county, Md., now occupied by Messrs. Beaston & Hyrons, adjoining the lands of Mrs. Johnson and others.

There is a Grocery Room attached to the store. A Stable, Carriage House, and Meat House on the premises The Buildings are new and in good order. There is a pump of excellent water in the yard. The garden is fenced, and a lane extends to the stable.

This Village is said to be an excellent location for mercantile business. Possession given on the first of January next.

The terms of sale are one-third cash or in sixty days—balance in six, twelve and eighteen months from the first day of January next, to be secured.

GEORGE VICKERS,
Agent and Att'y for R P. Stewart.
Chestertown, Oct. 10, 1868—ts.

Houses and Lot FOR SALE.

BY VIRTUE of authority from William Matthews, the owner, the undersigned will expose to public sale to the highest bidder

ON SATURDAY,

The Twenty-fourth day of October, 1868,

at the Hotel Porch of Mr. John Pennington, in Galena, at half-past three o'clock, P. M., the

DWELLING HOUSE

at Locust Grove, occupied by Mr. W. Mathews; a story and a half high, two rooms and a shed room below and two above. Also, a

STORE HOUSE

near, in which Mr. Matthews is merchandising, with a new Storage room attached. Also, a temporary Stable. The Lot contains about or near an Acre.

Locust Grove is becoming a place of business—there being a number of Dwelling Houses, Smith and Cartwright Shop, School House, &c. It is said to be a good stand for mercantile business.

THE TERMS OF SALE are, one-half cash, or in sixty days; balance in six and twelve months from the first day of January next; to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with approved security. Title good, and possession to be given on the first day of January next.

GEORGE VICKERS,
Agent and Attorney.
Chestertown, Sept. 26, 1868—ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court of Kent county as a Court of Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will expose to public sale to the highest bidder, on

SATURDAY,

The Twenty-fourth day of October, 1868,

at three o'clock, P. M., at the Hotel of Mr. John Pennington in Galena, a

TWO STORY
Frame House,

in Galena, adjoining the Odd-Fellows Hall, on the Main street. The lower part is occupied by Mr. J. N. Peacock. There is an Oyster Saloon in the basement. Mr. Thos. O. Gooding occupies the second story. The property formerly belonged to the late Wm. O. Gooding, and will be sold clear of dower.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the Decree are, a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, payable in three equal instalments, and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustee.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.
Chestertown, Sept. 26, 1868—ts.

FARM FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers at private sale the farm on which he now resides, situate six miles from Chestertown, adjoining the lands of Robert Nicholson and Wm. W. Stephens, and containing

50 Acres, more or less.

The farm is divided into four fields, is all arable, kind and easily improved. There is a Peach Orchard of 500 trees in full bearing, and an Apple Orchard of 70 trees of choice fruit.—It lies within a mile and a half of two public landings, and is convenient to mills, churches and schools.

The Improvements

are a two-story Brick Dwelling, in fair condition, Stable, Carriage House, new Meat House, &c. A Well of excellent water in the yard.

Possession can be given at any time. For further information, terms, &c., consult the undersigned in person, or by letter directed to Hanesville, Kent co., Md.

o10-3t. JOHN S. THOMAS.

SHAKE NO MORE!
MONITOR AGUE CURE,
Is the only Remedy ever discovered for
CHILLS & FEVER
That in every instance has been found to be
SAFE AND RELIABLE.

The effect of the Cure is magical. All liability to shake at once departs. The general health commences to improve; the skin recovers its healthy hue; the eyes their wholesome brilliancy; the whole system gradually recovers its wonted vigor: the patient feels like a new being.

Price $1 per Box.

Prepared by C. C. HUGHES,
Druggist and Chemist,
S. W. cor. 8th & Race Sts., Philadelphia.
For sale by
S. WICKES & SON,
s-p5-6m. Chestertown

FOR SALE,
A SEINE AND BOAT,

nearly new, has only been fished six months. Length of seine 200 fathom; depth 10 and 12 feet, wing and back. I will sell low for the money or young Stock, such as Horses or Cattle, as I have quit the fishing business. Any one wishing to buy a Seine and Boat will apply to

R. A. GRAY,
Near Crumpton, Queen Anne's co., Md.
Sept. 26, 1868—3t*

NOTICE.

All accounts left at the office of WM. BACCHUS, Esq., in Chestertown, to be collected according to law or on commission, will receive prompt attention by

ap11-tf. R. W. CALDER, Constable.

Small Farm for Sale.

THE undersigned, intending to remove to Virginia, offers at private sale his farm situate near Belair, Kent county, Md., adjoining the lands of Messrs. I. C. Taylor, John T. Shirven and Comegys Cosden, and containing

About 60 Acres.

The land is all arable, except a small meadow, and divided into three fields—one of which is in Peach trees (about 1,900) planted last spring. The Dwelling is brick, and with some repairs might be made a very comfortable house. A pump of good water in the yard.

The farm lies in a good and improving neighborhood, and is within a mile and a half of a mill, churches and school. The Railroad will pass within half a mile of the farm on the western side.

This farm will be sold a bargain. For further particulars consult the undersigned, or address him at Chestertown, Md.

jy25-tf WM. R. APSLEY.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at private sale their House and Lot in Quaker Neck, containing AN ACRE OF LAND, more or less. It lies directly on the public road leading into Quaker Neck, adjoining the lands of Col. Edw. Wilkins, Mr. James Baker and others; is about three miles from Chestertown, convenient to places of public worship, &c., and eligibly located for a store.

The improvements are a frame dwelling, with two rooms above and two below; a small Apple and Peach Orchard.

These terms are desired, but may be modified: One-half of the purchase money to be paid cash or within sixty days, and the balance twelve months from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next, when possession will be given. For further information consult our Attorney, Richard Hynson, Esq.

DAVID SHEPPERD,
a15-tf. JACOB SHEPPERD.

FOR SALE
1019 ACRES OF FIRST RATE RIVER LANDS,

IN Middlesex county, Va., lying immediately on the Rappahannock River, eight miles below Urbana—300 Acres well set in clover and other grasses. All the arable land has been well marled and produces well all grain crops—soil loamy and well adapted to Fruit and Truck of all kinds—Improvements good and ample—fencing good.

The tract can be divided into three or more farms, all with river fronts—two farms would have dwelling houses and a first rate barn on each. A Young Orchard of 1600 Fruit Trees of different sorts planted out last fall—plenty of Fish and Oysters of the best kinds—about 2,000 cords of Pine could be cut, worth $4 per cord on the beach.

☞ Address J. L. SMITH, Urbana, Va., or take Baltimore steamboat and landing at Urbana see the premises.

Terms low—one-half cash, balance on terms to suit purchaser. sep5 8t.*

FALL MILLINERY.

MRS. C. R. FIDDIS

Has just acturned from the city of Baltimore with a complete assortment of the LATEST STYLES OF FALL MILLINERY. Bonnets, Hats, and new and standard styles of Ribbons, Flowers, and general Millinery Goods.

Ladies from the town, county and adjoining counties are invited to examine her goods at the old stand. oc17-3t.

Kent County, To Wit.

I hereby certify that J. C Mann, farmer of Kent county, brought before me this 15th day of October, 1868, as estrays trespassing upon his enclosures, TWO WHITE SHOATS, each with a notch mark in the left ear. Given under my hand. JAMES GRAVES, J. P.

The owner of said shoats are hereby notified to prove property, pay charges and take them away. J C. MANN,
oc17-3t. Near Chesterville.

Kent County, To Wit:

I hereby certify that Howard Meeks of Kent county, brought before me, the subscriber, one of the justices of the Peace in and for said county, this seventh day of October, in the year 1868, as strays trespassing upon his enclosures, THREE HOGS, one a spotted sow, one a white barrow, and the third a spotted barrow, with a crop and slit in left ear, and an underbit in the left. Given under my hand the day and year above written. E. W. COMEGYS, J. P.

The owner of the above described property is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away.
oc17-3t. HOWARD MEEKS.

Kent County, To Wit:

I hereby certify that John G. Foster of Kent county, gave information to me this 13th day of October, 1868, as an estray trespassing upon his enclosures, ONE WHITE HOG, a sow with black spot back of her head, no ear mark, would weigh about 150 lbs. Given under my hand.
JOHN T. HURTT, J. P.

The owner of the above described Hog is requested to prove property, pay charges and take her away. JOHN G. FOSTER,
oc17-3t* near Chesterville.

Kent County, to wit:

I hereby certify that James P. Carothers, of Kent county, gave information to me, the subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said county, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year 1868, as a stray trespassing upon his enclosures, a white male Hog, of about 150 pounds weight, with long tail and a piece off the right ear. Given under my hand.
DANIEL U DEWEES, J. P.

The owner of the above described hog is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take it away.
o10-3t JAMES P. CAROTHERS.

Public Notice.

ORDERED by the County Commissioners, that all persons putting their thorn cuttings upon the public road will be required to remove them immediately, otherwise the subject will be brought to the notice of the Circuit Court through the Grand Jury; and the public are hereby notified not to remove sand or dirt from the public roads for private use, or they will be dealt with according to law.

By order, JOHN RUSSELL,
o10-3t Clerk to Co. Comm'rs.

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers at private sale the Dwelling House on Cross street, opposite the jail, now occupied by Geo. W. Hurst. For terms, &c., apply to
jy25-tf A. H. ROCKWELL.

FLOUR, of different grades, from low class Super to good Extra, for sale by barrel or pound, by T. W. ELIASON & SON.

PURE CIDER VINEGAR, for sale by
TH. S. WICKES.
Chestertown, August 1, 1868.

SWEET CIDER for sale by
sep19. J. M. VANDYKE.

WOMAN.

DISSECTED BY A MAN.

A woman is like—but stay—
What a woman is like, who can say?
There's no living with or without one!
Love bites like a fly,
Now an ear, now an eye:
Buzz—buzz—always buzzing about one!

When she is tender and kind,
She is like to my mind
(And Sally was so, I remember;)
She's like to—oh dear!
She's as gold, very near,
As a ripe melting peach in September!

If she laugh, and she chat,
Play, joke, and all that,
And with smiles and good humor she meet me,
She's like a rich dish
Of venison and fish,
That cries from the table, "Eat me!"

But she'll plague you and vex you,
Distract and perplex you;
False hearted and ranging,
Unsettled and changing,
What, then, do you think she is like?
Like a sand, like a rock?
Like a wheel, like a clock?

Her head is like the islands folks tell on,
Which nothing but money can dwell on!
Her heart's like an orange so nice,
She carves for each other a slice!
In truth she's to me,
Like to wind, like to sea,
Whose raging will hearken to no man.

Like a mill, like a pill,
Like a sail, like a whale;
Like a lass, like a glass,
Whose image is constant to no man.
Like a flower, like a shower;
Like a fly, like a pie;
Like a flea, like a pea;
Like a thief, like—in brief,
She's like nothing on earth—but a woman!

DON'T DO IT.

Whatever else you may do, or leave undone, young man, don't disregard or underrate the advice of your father—"the *governor,*" you may call him; if so, well, but let him be your governor in this most important sense. Be governed by his counsel; and if he is not free to offer it, *ask him for it.* He may be a very indulgent parent—possibly rich—and you expect he will give you of his earthly substance sufficient to start you in life. He can give you nothing, aside from a good moral and intellectual training, so serviceable to you as his love, which if you encourage it, he will manifest in "suggestions" for your good.

A father's counsel is necessarily unselfish, which cannot be said with certainty of advice from other quarters. In receiving or rejecting counsel you have always to consider two things; first, whether, in your judgment, it would be safe to follow it; and second, whether it was prompted by an unselfish desire to benefit you.—And, generally, the latter consideration should have more weight than the former. Not that we should blindly follow even the advice of "the governor;" but that advice which is in its very nature unselfish, and which comes from those who are wiser than you, has ten chances of being right to one of being wrong.

Whatever other foolish things you may be guilty of, young man, don't scorn the advice of a father.

THE MARRIED LIFE.—The universal expectation of all young people is that their married lives will be happy ones. Deluded dreamers! They imagine they are different from other people, and that when they enter the portals of matrimony, hope peace and prosperity will ever be their attendants Such ones had better by far consider themselves the same as others, but form iron resolutions to do differently from other married people; resolutions that will keep them from the dangerous coast on which so many have been wrecked and ruined. Unhappy marriages depend upon many causes. In this fast age there is too much deceit practiced by both sexes. Previous to marriage, many try to appear more intellectual, more amiable or more accomplished than they really are. Depend on it, love brought into existence by a moonlight stroll, strengthened by deceit and fashionable displays, and finally consummated through the influence of intriguing friends, will fade almost as soon as the flowers that compose the bridal wreath.

A MAN OF PLEASURE.—The most pitiable wretch on earth is a man of pleasure; a man who has nothing to do, or at least does nothing but enjoy himself and take life easy. That case is the rust of the soul, which dims its bright surface and corrodes its very substance. The most unhappy men we have ever known were those whom wealth (unfortunately for their own comfort) exempted from the necessity of working for themselves, who were too sordid to enjoy the divine pleasure of working for others. One of this class who had almost princely riches, and spent thousands annually on fine fast horses, and the like, said to an intimate friend; "I am a most wretched man. My life is aimless." Another of the same class declared that, often when he had met a funeral, he had wished in his soul he could change places with the dead in the coffin.

CHAPIN talks thus beautifully about a day: "It has risen upon us from the great deep of eternity, girted round with wonder; a new creation of life and light, spoken by the word of God. In itself one entire and perfect sphere of the sun.—Every past generation is represented in it; it is the flowering of all history, and in so much it is richer and better than all other days which have preceded it. And it is for this we are pressed and surrounded with these faculties. The sum of our being is concentrated here, and to day is all the time we absolutely have."

THERE is this difference between happiness and wisdom: he that thinks himself the happiest man, really is so; but he who thinks himself the wisest man, is generally the greatest fool.

TWINS:
BRICK POMEROY AND WARD BEECHER.

The last number of *Packard's Monthly* contains a sermon on "Twins." Several original ideas, pointedly expressed, are contained in the following extract:

When a pair of twins are born in a country village, numerously inhabited by old bachelors and old maids, the old maids always become more pious, and the old bachelors become more dissipated.

Nor are these phenomena inexplicable. They can be accounted for. The plain and simple truth is that they come of the innate goodness of the old maids, and the innate vanity of the old bachelors.

The old maids, in the virgin simplicity of their affectionate hearts, and by virtue of their unselfish neighborly love, are glad to see the thing going on, although they have no part; and so, under emotions of quickened gratitude to God for the comforting assurances implied in such manifestations of His providence, they reinvigorate their devotions.

But the old village bachelors, under the instigations of that same selfish and shallow nature which made and *keeps* them bachelors, put on knowing airs, pull up their shirt collars, thrust their thumbs in the arm-holes of their vests, and strutting around like so many village ganders in whom no gosling will confess paternity, they talk about the twins in tones of proprietorship, as though they were an affair of theirs—as though, in fact, they had had something to do in bringing things to pass. And so, in the exhilaration of their vanity, they take to their cups and drink the health of the twins in feeble bachelor wassail, oft-times ending in much bodily imbecility.

Another singular twintarian fact is, that, whereas the mother is always inexpressibly proud of twins, the father not unfrequently has to contend with a shamefacedness on the subject, of which he is in turn still more ashamed. You see a couple blessed with twins get aboard of a street car with their double chubby treasures. The mother makes the most of them, shows them off in a variety of cunning maternal ways, and challenges the admiration of the whole company; but the father sneaks off to the platform outside, under pretence of requiring the fresh air. We saw that very thing done, no longer ago than the day before yesterday, in a street car in Brooklyn

In fact, the only man that we have any idea would *always* be proud of twins, everywhere, on every occasion, and under *whatever* circumstance, is Brick Pomeroy. Although we never saw Brick Pomeroy, we feel an assured conviction that *he* would never think of going back on a pair of twin Bricks in a street car, or anywhere else.

Does the reader ask us why, in this particular matter, we have such an exalted opinion of the young Democratic David? We answer: our faith in Brick Pomeroy's loyalty to twins is founded on the fact that

Brick is himself a twin! and that Henry Ward Beecher is the other one!

It cannot have been forgotten that, on a memorable occasion, when Mr. Beecher was expostulated with for saying original and live things in the pulpit, he plaintively responded,

"But if you only knew the things I don't say!"

Too true! alas, too true! And here is where the twinship comes in:

Mr. Beecher does *not* say 'em, but his fellow twin *does* say 'em. Brick thus supplements or twins Beecher, whereby we get an entire man, which is purely a providential matter.

And Brick has made a vast deal more by *saying* the things which Beecher does *not* say, than Mr Beecher has ever made by *not* saying the things which Brick *does* say.

But if Mr. Beecher only *would* say 'em in his own heaven-gifted way, what a commotion he could raise, *what a newspaper he could make!* He would be the monarch of the world—the adored leader of the choice and master spirits of this age.

The twin that speaks its uttermost convictions without fear, favor or affection, is the favorite of these times, and we feel obliged to Providence for proving this truth so strikingly by means of Brick Pomeroy. Not that we sympathise or agree in principles or convictions with that conspicuous twin; far from it. But we *do* go in for the out-and-out expression of one's personality, under any and all circumstances.

BLESSED ARE PAYING SUBSCRIBERS.—Blessed is the man who doth subscribe for his county paper and pays therefor. His feet shall not stand in slippery places; he shall not be forsaken by his friends, nor his children be seen begging.

Blessed is he that walketh to the office of the printer, even ascendeth to the sanctum, and payeth a year's subscription in advance.

He shall learn wisdom day by day and be exalted above his fellows.

He shall talk knowingly upon all subjects, and his neighbors shall be astonished at the muchness of his knowing.

He shall not contract bad habits or lose good bargains.

THERE is this difference between a thankful and an unthankful man: the one is always pleased in the good he has done, and the other only once in what he has received.

An exchange says: "There is something sweet about little girls." The Louisville Journal adds: "And it grows on them as they grow bigger."

HORSES IN BATTLE.

The extent to which a charger can apprehend the perils of a battle field may be easilly underrated by one who confines his observation to horses still carrying their riders; for, as long as a troop horse in action feels the weight and hand of a master his deep trust in man keeps him seemingly free from great terror, and he goes through the fight, unless wounded, as though it were a field day at home; but the moment that death or a disabling wound deprives him of his rider, he seems at once to know what a battle is—to perceive its real dangers with the clearness of a human being, and to be agonized with horror of the fate he may incur for want of a hand to guide him

Careless of the mere thunders of guns, he shows plainly enough that he more or less knows the dread accent that is used by missels of war while cutting their way through the air, for as often as these sounds disclose to him the near passage of bullet or round shot, he shrinks and cringes.—His eyeballs protrude. Wild with fright he still does not most commonly gallop home into camp His instinct seems rather to tell him that what safety, if any, there is for him must be found in ranks, and he rushes at the first squadron he can find, urging piteously, yet with violence, that he, too, by right is a troop horse—that he, too, is willing to charge; but not to be left behind—that he must and he will "fall in." Sometimes a riderless charger thus bent on aligning with his fellows, will not be content to range himself on the flank of the line, but dart at some point in the squadron which he seemingly judges to be his own rightful place, and strive to force himself in.

Riding, as it is usual for the commander of a regiment to do, some way in advance of his regiment, Lord George Paget was especially tormented and pressed by the riderless horses which chose to turn round and align with him. At one time there were three or four horses advancing close abreast of him on one side and as many as five on the other. Impelled by terror, by gregarious instinct, and by their habit of ranging in line, they "closed" in upon Lord George so as to besmear his overalls with blood from the gory flanks of the nearest intruders, and oblige him to use his sword.—*Kinglake Invasion of the Crimea.*

A Wonderful Skull.

Nearly twenty years ago, the medical journals of the world recorded a most singular case of a laborer in Cavendish, Vermont, who, while engaged in blasting, had a tamping iron blown entirely thro' his head, but who actually recovered in sixty days. Such a surprising and unprecedented result, at the time of its announcement, was generally disbelieved, and provoked great discussion, many eminent surgeons pronouncing it a physical impossibility; but the subsequent public exhibition of the individual himself convinced the most skeptical. At a very recent meeting of the Massachusetts Medical Society, Dr. John M Harlow gave a history of the case and presented the veritable skull which sustained the injury.

The accident occurred Sept. 13th, '48, and was caused by the tamping iron striking fire from the rock, exploding the powder, and driving the bar, which was nearly four feet long by one and a quarter inches in diameter, and weighed thirteen pounds, through his head; entering under the cheek bone, passing inside an inch behind the eye, and out of the top of the head in the centre, two inches back of the line where the forehead and hair meet. The opening in the skull was two inches wide by three and one-half inches long, and the brain was hanging in shreds on the hair. In fifty-nine days the patient was abroad. Soon after, with his tamping iron—which he carried with him until the day of his death—he was exhibited in Barnum's Museum. His general health appears to have been good until 1859, when it began to fail. At that time, being in California, he was taken with epileptic fits, which finally caused his death in May, 1861, twelve years and eight months after the accident. Dr. Harlow kept himself informed as to the history of his patient, and on his demise, obtaining possession of both skull and the iron, made the disposal of the same as mentioned above. The effect of the injury upon the man seems to have been the destruction of the equilibrium between his intellectual faculties and the animal propensities. He became capricious, irreverent, fitful, vacilating, impatient of restraint, a child in mind, an adult in passion. During his South American life he was a coachman and underwent great hardships.

AN elderly gentleman traveling in a stage coach was amused by a constant flow of words between two ladies. One of them at last kindly inquired if their conversation did not make his head ache, when he answered with a great deal of naivete: "No, ma'am, I've been married twenty-eight years."

A MARRIED woman in Wisconsin says that when her husband is a little drunk, he kicks her, and when he is very drunk she kicks him. She congratulates herself that she does the most of the kicking.

ROUSSEAU used to say, "that to write a good love letter, you ought to begin without knowing what you mean to say, and finish without knowing what you have written."

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