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Job Printing of every description executed with neatness and dispatch.

SPRING GOODS.

STOCK VERY COMPLETE, TO MEET PRESENT WANTS OF BUYERS

STAPLE & FANCY DRY GOODS,

Purchased during the most favorable turns of the market.

READY-MADE CLOTHING, IN FINE BLACK CLOTH and Light Fabric Cassimere of bright Spring color.

Our present stock of SHOES and HATS is in quantity and variety fully as large as during any former Season, and most of it in FRESH GOODS of very recent purchase.

LIGHT and HEAVY GROCERIES bought for cash, just received.

Thomas S. Wickes.

April 17.

PLOW CASTINGS superior to anything we have ever had in stock before, on hand in large quantities

GARDEN SEEDS, warranted fresh, for sale by THOMAS S. WICKES.

Chestertown, April 17, 1869.

BOOTS, SHOES, Gaiters.

A NEW STOCK JUST OPENED AT

COLLINS' BOOT & SHOE STORE.

JOHN W. COLLINS has just returned from the city with a new and fine assortment of BOOTS, SHOES, &c., which cannot fail to please purchasers. He calls especial attention to his goods for

Ladies and Children's Wear, AND GENTS' FINE WORK.

Side-lace, Front-lace, Button and Congress GAITERS for Ladies, Misses and Children. Gents' fine Calf-skin Sewed Boots and Gaiters, English Walking Shoes, Slippers, &c.

Coarse Boots and Shoes of all kinds.

Also, a large assortment of

Children's Shoes,

of every description, to which the attention of parents is invited. Call and see.

LOOK HERE.

ALONZO MING,

HAS taken the store room formerly occupied as an Apothecary by Mr. John L. Stam, and has opened a store for the purchase and sale of all kinds of

PRODUCE and GROCERIES,

and has now in store and for sale

FLOUR AND MEAL, POTATOES, BUTTER, EGGS, POULTRY,

Cabbage, Parsnips, Turnips, Onions, Dried Apples, Sweet Cider, Cider Vinegar, Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Molasses, Rice, Mackerel, Herring, Tobacco, Snuff, Coal Oil, Pepper, Mustard, Allspice, Pickels by the dozen, &c.

WANTED

ALL KINDS OF COUNTRY PRODUCE for trade or cash. RAGS, FUR and HIDES wanted, for which the highest market prices will be paid. Call and see me

Jan23-y. ALONZO MING.

A Useful Machine.

ONE THAT EVERY FARMER SHOULD HAVE!

THE undersigned having purchased the County Rights for Kent and Cecil, of

MOHR'S PATENT POST AND RAIL MACHINE,

offer it to Farmers and others at a very low price. This Machine will bore holes in any size post and clean them out; point rails ready for fencing; saw fire-wood, or do anything in the shape of Sawing or ripping. It will do as much work in a day as ten men, and will recommend itself to all who use it.

The Machine is on exhibition at the shop of John T. Dodd & Son, Chestertown, where persons are invited to call and examine it.

JOHN N. DODD, ISAAC CORDRAY.

N. B.—The Right for Cecil county will be sold on reasonable terms.

Address, JOHN N. DODD, mh20-3m. Chestertown, Md.

SPRING GOODS.

Something New and Beautiful

NOW OPENING AT THE

PEOPLE'S POPULAR STORE.

Especial attention is called to our Beautiful BLACK ALPACAS, unsurpassed in this State; living your cheap goods and compare, which will ensure us sales. Bleached Sheetings, bleached and brown Muslins, Chintzes, new styles Prints, Tickings, Cambrics and Fancy Goods.

We are waiting for some of our friends to settle their last year's accounts. Credit in the city is unknown. Respectfully,

mh13-tf WM. A. VICKERS.

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.

To My Friends and the Public.

FEARING that I may not be able to undergo the arduous duties of my profession, I have this day associated with me Dr. J. A. PERKINS. From my knowledge of Dr. Perkins, I without hesitation recommend him to my patients. If any one should object to the services of either, they will so state when sending, that anything unpleasant may be avoided. The one preferred will give all or most attention. Consultations will be held without the consultation fee. Our charges will correspond with those who practise around us. We herewith offer our services and pledge our best efforts to discharge our duty.

T. H. WHALAND.

N. B.—I shall proceed to settle my old books, by legal process, upon all accounts remaining unsettled for more than two years.

Jan. 23, 1869—tf. T. H. W.

EDWIN CROUCH, JR., MILLINGTON, MD.,

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF Schuylkill Lime.

Delivered at any landing on Sassafras or Chester Rivers. mh6-tf.

UP TOWN CHEAP DRY GOODS STORE!

I HAVE now open and offer at the Lowest market rates, a general assortment of

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS.

An Elegant Assortment of

Ladies Dress Goods,

Beautiful Style of Prints, Spring Delaines, Ladies' Cloaking Cloth, White Marseilles, Plaid and Striped Muslin, Plaid and Striped Nainsooks, White Spreads, Bleached and unbl'd Muslin, Hosiery, Hoop Skirts.

Cassimer for Men and Boys' wear, Domestic, Shirting Stripes Ticking, Floor Oil Cloth and Matting, Ladies' Gaiters, Ladies' and Children's Shoes.

☞ No trouble to show goods. Call and examine. MRS. S. E. BARRETT.

March 27, 1869—4m.

LATEST ARRIVAL!

L. S. FOWLER,

WOULD respectfully announce that he has just received and opened his

First Spring Purchase,

comprising Heavy and fine Brown Muslins, brc Drills, Osnaburgs and Stripes for heavy shirtings, Cotton Ducks, "Wamsutta," "Fruit of the Lawn," "James' Steam Mills," and a variety of the lower grades of Bleached Muslins. Bleached and col'd Corset Jeans, col'd Cambrics, Wiggans, Denims, Blue Drills and Jeans. SPRING PRINTS, Shirting Prints, Purple do., Late Style Delaines, col'd and black and white Ginghams, Irish Linens, Linen Cambrics, Shirt Fronts, Hosiery, Gloves, Hdk'fs, Suspenders, Knitting Cotton, and an assortment of Notions generally. Among his stock of SHOES are a nice line of Ladies' City Made and Eastern glove Kid, Calf, Morocco and Goat high cut Balmorals; Women's Medium and Coarse Boots for service; Misses, Children's and Infants' Morocco, Goat and Fancy Boots and Balmorals, with and without heels. Men's, Boys' and Youth's Coarse, Medium and fine Brogans and Balmorals, and a fine article of Men's Plough Shoes.

Groceries.—Rio and Laguayra Coffee, Black, Japanese and Imperial Teas, comm. and good brown and white Sugars, Crackers, Spices, Tobacco, Cigars and Snuff, Soaps, Putty, Glass, Tumblers, Goblets, Lamps, Lamp Chimneys and Wicks, Butter Dishes, &c.

A small stock of Tinware on hand will be closed out very cheap.

ROPES, Twines, Traces, lines, brooms, tubs, buckets, Plow Castings of Galena and Balt. manuf., Nails by keg or lb., Builders' Hardware, Chain Traces at less than ruling prices; Shovels, Forks, Spades, Hoes, Bridles, Collars, Whips, &c. Garden Seeds and Beans. Wall, horse, shoe and scrub Brushes, Carriage Canvass, Green Oil Cloth for Window Blinds, Table Oil Cloths, and a general assortment of all kinds of Goods most generally in demand.

☞ Purchasers may rely upon getting goods from us at the lowest possible cash figures, as our terms are Cash, or its equivalent in merchantable Produce. Cash paid for Lard, Bacon, Butter, Eggs, Rags, Feathers, &c., by

L. S. FOWLER.

Chestertown, March 27, 1869.

The Last Sensation!

JAS. W. IVENS,

HAS OPENED the Store lately occupied by Mr. Wm. W. Parks, corner of High St., UP TOWN, where you can get

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, AND LIQUOR,

AT THE LOWEST PRICES for Cash or Country Produce. Our stock consists in part of JAPAN AND OTHER TEAS, COFFE, SUGAR, TOBCACCO, CIGARS, FIGS, ORANGES, SPICES, Worcestershire SAUCE and a variety of othes goods.

A Large Stock of LIQUORS,

Consisting of RYE WHISKEY of several grades, PINE KENTUCKY BOURBON WHISKEY; extra fine APPLE BRANDY and COGNAC BRANDY.

Many of these goods have been bought at auction for cash, considerably below cost, and will be sold at a small profit, as I am determined to give the public every advantage of my experience in buying goods in the New York Philadelphia and Baltimore markets.

Tavern Keepers will find it to their advantage to call and buy our Liquors. We will sell from one gallon to a barrel at lower prices than they can purchase elsewhere.

mh27. JAMES W. IVENS.

STEAM GRIST MILL!

THE subscribers would respectfully inform the public that the STEAM GRIST MILL, at Chestertown wharf, is now in full operation, and prepared to grind

WHEAT, CORN, &c.,

at the same rates of toll charged by country Mills. Our Mill being new, we are prepared to do good work and give a good turn-out.

FLOUR, MEAL, &c., kept on hand at the Mill, and for sale by the barrel, bushel, or small quantity. MILL FEED of all kinds for sale.

H. M. STEWART & BRO.

Carpentering.

The subscribers are also prepared to do Carpentering of all kinds. Being practical STAIR BUILDERS, our particular attention will be given to that branch of business.

Having attached to the MILL, SAWING AND PLANING MACHINES, we are prepared to do all kinds of work in this line as cheap as it can be done in the city.

Nov. 7. H. M. STUART & BRO.

Tobacco, Segars, AND CONFECTIONERY.

RICHARD B. RUSSELL respectfully calls the attention of all who love good Segars and Tobacco, to his fine assortment now on hand.

SEGARS of all kinds, OF MY OWN MANUFACTURE,

by the box or single one, kept on hand. Those who can appreciate good Cigars are invited to give us a call. Storekeepers will be supplied at city prices.

TOBACCO, of superior brands, always on hand. Also, a good assortment of SMOKING TOBACCO, SNUFF and PIPES.

We have also in store a variety of CONFECTIONERY, which will be sold at low prices.

We return our thanks for the liberal patronage extended to us in the past, and hope by untiring efforts to please, to secure continued favor and patronage.

☞ GIVE ME A CALL. Store opposite the M. E. Church.

jan23. RICHARD B. RUSSELL.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VERY VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE Circuit Court for Kent County, sitting as a Court of Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will on

WEDNESDAY,

THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF MAY, 1869, beginning punctually at 10 o'clock, A. M., offer at PUBLIC SALE at the "Hayes House," in Sassafras, Kent county, Maryland, the following mentioned TRACTS OF LAND, being a part of the

REAL ESTATE OF WHICH THE LATE WM. H. BLACKISTON DIED SEIZED,

and situated in the First Election District of said County, on or near the public road leading from Sassafras to Massey's Cross Roads and Millington.

No. 1.

KNOWN AS THE "HOME FARM," or "SUNNY SIDE," CONTAINS

400 Acres of Land,

More or Less. It is acknowledged by all to be one of the most valuable and highly improved Farms in Kent county; the whole of it with the exception of about thirty acres, (which is good Timber land and detached from the farm proper,) is under EXCELLENT CULTIVATION, well improved, well watered, and with good post and rail fencing.

Has 3,000 HEALTHY, CHOICE VARIETIES OF PEACH TREES, two years old this Spring, and a

Fine Apple Orchard

IN FULL BEARING.

The soil is admirably adapted to the growth of fruit, grass and grain. It is located about two miles from the post village of Sassafras, on the public road leading form Sassafras to Massey's Cross Roads and Millington; about two miles from Wilson's Point, a Steamboat Landing on the Sassafras River; and three miles from Massey's Cross Roads, a Station on the Delaware branch of the Kent county Railroad. It is convenient to Churches, Schools, Mills, &c. This is really a most desirable estate, such as is very rarely offered for sale, lying in the midst of our very best lands, and in one of the most beautiful, thrifty and social neighborhoods in the county. It should be seen to be appreciated.

THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE A TWO-STORY FRAME

DWELLING,

BARN, STABLES, POULTRY HOUSES, &c., in short everything needful to a first class farm.

Mr. JOSEPH PEACOCK, on the farm, will take pleasure in showing the premises to any who may call.

THE TERMS OF SALE,

as prescribed by the Decree, are: Five Thousand Dollars cash, or within thirty days, at the discretion of the Trustee, and the balance in equal annual instalments of one, two, three, four, five and six years from the day of sale. The credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security approved by the Trustee, bearing interest from the first day of January, 1870.

No. 2,

KNOWN AS "DAVIS' INDUSTRY," CONTAINS

142 Acres of Land,

More or Less. It is highly improved and under good fencing. About Forty-two Acres of the said Farm is in

TIMBER,

the balance being SUPERIOR ARABLE LAND.

This Farm is in the same neighborhood as the "Home Farm," being only about a half mile distant from it, on the new road from Wilson's lane to the public road leading from Sassafras to Massey's Cross Roads and Millington. Convenient to Churches, Schools, &c.—Three miles from the Post Village of Sassafras; one and a half miles from Wilson's Point, a steamboat Landing on the Sassafras River, and two miles from Massey's Cross Roads, a station on the Delaware branch of the Kent County Railroad. Is healthy and well watered.

THE IMPROVEMENTS are A ONE AND A HALF STORY

DWELLING,

And the usual OUT-BUILDINGS.

DAVID C. BLACKISTON, Esq., on an adjoining farm, will take pleasure in showing the premises to any who may call.

THE TERMS OF SALE,

as prescribed by the Decree, are: Three thousand dollars cash, or within thirty days, at the discretion of the Trustee, and the balance in equal annual instalments of one, two and three years from the day of sale. The credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security approved by the Trustee, bearing interest from the first day of January, 1870.

No. 3,

KNOWN AS "ADVENTURE BUILDINGS," CONTAINS

248 Acres of Land,

More or Less, and lies near the above described property. About two hundred Acres of this farm is arable, the balance being in

TIMBER.

The soil is naturally good, and with proper attention can be made a first class farm; the fencing tolerable. Has a small

PEACH and APPLE ORCHARD.

Three miles from the Post Village of Sassafras, and the same distance from a Steamboat Landing on Sassafras river. The Delaware branch of the Kent County Railroad runs within about twenty yards of this farm. It is convenient to Churches, &c.

THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE A TWO-STORY

FRAME DWELLING,

WITH THE USUAL OUT-BUILDINGS in ordinary repair.

Mr. GEORGE MORRIS, on the farm, will show it to any who may call.

THE TERMS OF SALE,

as prescribed by the Decree, are: Three thousand dollars cash, or within thirty days, at the discretion of the Trustee, and the balance in equal annual instalments of one, two and three years from the day of sale. The credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security approved by the Trustee, bearing interest from the first day of January, 1870.

The Grave Yard on the "Home Farm," and the right of way to and from the same will be reserved. There will also be reserved two lots of one acre each in the Woodland.

Possession in all the cases to be given on the first day of January, 1870.

Costs of all Deeds, Stamps, &c., to be paid by the purchasers.

A Plot of each Tract of Land will be exhibited at the sale, when the number of acres in each will be definitely ascertained.

There will be a POSITIVE SALE in all the cases. There is a daily mail from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore to Sassafras. Cars leave Philadelphia twice per day for Middletown, a station on the Delaware Railroad, a short distance from these tracts of land.

For further information apply to the Trustee, who will cheerfully communicate with any one on the subject.

D. JAMES BLACKISTON, TRUSTEE.

Chestertown, Kent Co., Maryland.

E. E. MILLER, Auctioneer. mh15.

A VALUABLE FARM On Chester River, AT PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at Private Sale their FARM lying in Kent county, Md., containing about

350 ACRES,

nearly all arable and under good fencing. It is about five miles from Chestertown, lying directly on Chester River, convenient to Churches, Schools, Mills, &c.

The Improvements

are a FRAME DWELLING with Kitchen attached, Barn, Granary, and other Outbuildings, all in good order. Also, two Tenant Houses.

A Fine Apple Orchard and about 300 Peach Trees in bearing

TERMS OF SALE:—One-sixth cash; one-sixth in twelve and one-sixth in eighteen months and the residue in four years—the purchaser to give bond with approved security for the credit payments, with interest from day of sale. For further particulars consult R. HYNSON, Esq., our Attorney. FORD & BARKMAN.

Nov. 21, 1868—tf.

FLOWERS NOW READY.

SHRUBBY CALCEOLARIAS—one of the most splendid bedding plants.

Carnation and Picotee Pinks.

Clematis Lanuginosa—fine climber, large blue flowers.

Fuchsias—double and single.

Geraniums of all colors.

Heliotropes.

Maderia Vines—very rapid growers, flowers very sweet scented.

Pansies—of various styles

Lemon Verbenas—fine bushy plants.

Penstemons—scarlet, blue, yellow & white.

Double Petunias.

ROSES—Marechal Niel, Safrano, Devoniensis, General Jaquiminot, White Ten, Madame Desprez, Madame Rosanquet.

Sedum, Kenilworth, Ivy, Alternantheras, Lobelia Gracilis and Lycopodium, for hanging baskets.

Verbenas, of all colors.

Aucuba Japonica—a hardy, white flowering shrub, fine for Cemetery Lots.

Also, a great variety of Plants of Annual Flowers, in a short time.

Any Plant not found in my collection I will procure upon short notice.

SWEET POTATO, TOMATO and EGG PLANTS now ready.

W. F. MASSEY, QUEEN STREET GARDEN, Chestertown.

my1-tf.

MILLINERY AND FANCY STORE!

NEW SPRING GOODS Just Received

MISSES A. E. MIDDLETON AND M. J. WYATT,

Respectfully inform their friends and the ladies generally, that they have formed a Copartnership for the purpose of conducting a general MILLINERY BUSINESS, and have taken the Store Room on High Street, in Chestertown, recently occupied by Miss Anna Earle, where they will keep on hand a general assortment of Seasonable MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS, consisting of

Bonnets, Hats, Ribbons, Laces,

OF THE NEWEST STYLES,

which will be sold at the LOWEST PRICES.

They have just returned from the city with a handsome assortment of Spring Goods, to which the attention of Ladies is invited.

A. E. MIDDLETON. apl7-tf. M. J. WYATT.

NOTICE.

I AM BUYING WOOL for Mallalieu & Bro., and paying the highest price for the same in GOODS or CASH, optional with seller.

I am also prepared to repair Coal Oil Lamps, add the many different improvements.

Coal Oil and Lamps

for sale at Low Figures. My stock of

GOODS and NOTIONS

are as usual well selected, and sold at SMALL PROFITS for the cash, or on short time to punctual customers.

☞ My bills up to the first of January last, are all made out, and the money is very hard to get in place of the bills. I hope "times" will soon get better, and money will be more plentiful. Give me a call and help me out.

Respectfully, ENOCH N. ROLAND, mh27-3m. Bell Air.

NOTICE.

On and after Monday, January 4th, 1869, my son, COLIN F. STAM, will have an interest in my business. The title of the firm will be JOHN L. STAM & SON.

All persons indebted to me are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts either by note or cash, as it is important to me that my old accounts should be settled to pay my own indebtedness. My son, COLIN, is authorized to settle up my old business.

jo-tf. JOHN L. STAM.

MEDICAL CARD.

After nearly ten years practice in Kent Co., Delaware, the subscriber has located in Kennedyville, where he intends continuing the practice of Medicine, and offers his professional services to the citizens of the village and vicinity.

☞ Medicine furnished if preferred.

fe6 26-3m. WALTER MELVIN.

LAND LIME,

BUILDING LIME and HAIR,

For sale by LEVI FIDDIS, JR., ap10-3m. Chestertown.

I'VE BEEN THINKING.

I've been thinking, I've been thinking,
What a glorious world were this,
Did folks mind their business more,
And mind their neighbor's less,
For instance, you and I, my friend
Are sadly prone to talk
Of matters that concern us not,
And other's follies mock.

I've been thinking, if we'd begin
To mind our affairs,
That possibly our neighbors might
Contrive to manage theirs.
We've faults enough at home to mend—
It may be so with others;
It would seem strange if it were not,
Since all mankind are brothers.

Oh! would that we had charity
For every man and woman;
Forgiveness is the mark of those
Who know "to err is human."
Then let us banish jealousy—
Let's lift up our fallen brother;
And as we journey down life's road,
Be good to one another.

Caught in his Own Trap.

A girl, young, pretty, but above all, gifted with an air of adorable candor, lately presented herself before a certain Parisan lawyer.

"Monsieur, I come to consult you upon a grave affair. I want to oblige a man I love, to marry him in spite of himself. How shall I proceed?"

The gentleman of the bar had of course, a sufficiently elastic conscience. He reflected a moment, then being sure that no third person overheard him, replied unhesitatingly. "Mademoiselle, according to our law you always possess the means of forcing a man to marry you. You must remain on three occasions alone with him, then you can go before a judge and swear that he is your lover."

"And that will suffice, Monsieur?"

"Yes, Mademoiselle, with one further condition."

"Well?"

"That you will produce witnesses who will make an oath to their having seen you remain a good quarter of an hour with the individual said to have trifled with your affections."

"Very well, Monsieur, I will retain you as counsel in the management of this affair. Good day."

A few day afterwards the young girl returned. She is mysteriously received by the lawyer, who scarcely giving her time to seat herself, questions her with the most lively curiosity.

"Well, Mademoiselle, how do matters prosper?"

"Capital, capital!"

"Persevere your design, Mademoiselle, but mind the next time you consult me you must tell me the name of the young man we are going to render so happy in spite of himself."

"You shall have it without fail."

A fortnight afterwards the young person more naive and candid than ever, knocked at the door of her counsel's room. No sooner was she within than she flung herself into a chair, saying that she had mounted the steps too rapidly, and emotion made her breathless. Her counsel endeavored to re-assure her, and made her inhale salts, and even proposed to release her garments.

"It is useless, Monsieur," said she, "I am much better."

"Well, now tell me the name of the fortunate mortal you are going to expose?"

"Well, then, the fortunate mortal, be it known to you, is—yourself," said the young beauty bursting into a laugh. "I love you, I have been three times *tete a tete* with you, and my four witnesses are below, ready and willing to accompany me to the magistrates," gravely continued the narrator.

The lawyer, thus fairly caught, had the good sense not to get angry. The most singular fact of all is that he adores his young wife, who by the way, makes an excellent house-keeper.

TABLE CONVERSATION.—You will find that a great deal of character is imparted and received at the table. Parents too often forget this; and therefore instead of swallowing your food in sullen silence, instead of brooding over your business, instead of severely talking about others, let the conversation at the table be genialy kind, social and cheering. Don't bring disagreeable things to the table in your conversation, any more than you would in your dishes. For this reason too, the more good company you have at your table, the better for your children. Every conversation with company at your table is an educator to the family. Hence the intelligence and the refinement and appropriate behaviour of a family which is given to hospitality. Never feel that intelligent visitors can be anything but a blessing to you and yours. How few have fully gotten hold of the fact, that company and conversation at the table are no small part of education.

FUN FOR LITTLE ONES.—Cut of letter paper a number of tiny figures of dolls, not over ½ inch in size; place them on a table; take a black silk ribbon 1½ inches wide, ½ yard long; draw it quickly over your head for a number of times; then hold it over the miniatures, and they will all rise and cling to it. This creates great sport for little children.

THEY tell you in London the story of the Frenchman and Englishman who quarrelled. Both were unwilling to fight, but their friends put them up to it. At last it was agreed that they should fight alone, in the dark, with pistols. The candles were put out, and the Englishman, to make sure not to hit any body, fired up the chimney and brought down the Frenchman.

IT is true of many persons that their memory is nothing but a row of hooks to hang up grudges on.

FOOD AND LABOR.—The present depressed condition of trade is not wholly without encouragement as to the future, and from whatever causes produced it promises a brighter future to the country at large. There is a downward tendency of values which may work heavy individual loss, but which must be highly salutary to the country at large. The *Commercial and Financial Chronicle* very correctly remarks that "the late heavy decline in the value of breadstuffs, though attended with results not immediately welcome to some interests, is yet one of the most auspicious features connected with our national industries that has occurred since the war. High prices of food mean high prices for products generally; for the reason that the cost of human sustentation regulates the cost of labor, and the cost of labor determines that of products. While, therefore, food was high, we could not have a healthy condition in the industries at large.—Natural law, however, ultimately adjusts all industrial irregularities, and the late high prices of grain were infallibly prophetic of the lower prices we have now reached. If the war withdrew an undue proportion of population from the agricultural class, rendering farm labor scarce and crops light; the consequent high price of grain made agriculture exceptionally profitable, drawing labor from less remunerative employments, and attracting emigration from other countries. The rapidity with which this process has worked out conspicuous results, is beyond what was generally anticipated, and illustrates the safety with which natural causes may be trusted to remedy the irregular movements in production and commerce.

BALKY HORSES.—If you have balky horses it is your own fault and not the horses', for if they do not pull true there is some cause for it, and if you remove the cause the effect will cease. When your horse balks he is excited, and does not know what to do. When he gets a little excited, stop him five or ten minutes; let him become calm, and as soon as he is over his excitement he will, in nine cases out of ten, pull at the word.—Whipping and slashing and swearing only make the matter worse. After you have gentled him awhile, and his excitement has cooled, take him by the bits, turn him each way a few minutes, as far as you can; pull out the tongue, gentle him a little; unrein him, then step before the balky horse, and let the other start first; then you can take them anywhere you wish. A balky horse is always high-spirited and starts quick; half the pull is out before the other starts; by standing before him the other starts first. By close application to this rule you can make any horse pull. If a horse has been badly spoiled, you should first hitch him to an empty wagon, and let him draw it around for a while on level ground, then put on a little load and increase it gradually, caressing as before, and in a short time you can have a good work horse.

A WIRE MERCHANT.—The following incident is not without its lesson to a large class who think that "fine feathers make fine birds:"

A servent girl went to a leading dry-goods house in the city to purchase a cloak. The clerk who waited upon her, after displaying one or two patterns, rudely refused to show her any more, and she left the store. The facts came to the knowledge of her employer, who communicated them to the proprietor of the establishment.—This led to an interview between the parties, and the offending clerk was pointed out by the girl, and instantly dismissed by his employer. "I want you all in my employ to understand," said the dry-goods millionaire, "that a servent girl who comes into my store to purchase goods is of as much importance to me as the richest lady in the city. The people are my customers, and it is to their support that I owe my business success."

TO CURE WARTS.—A correspondent requests us to publish the following: Warts are very troublesome and disfiguring. The following is a perfect cure, even of the largest, without leaving a scar. It is a Frenchman's perscription and has been tested by the writer.—Take a small piece of raw beef, steep it all night in vinegar, cut as much from it as will cover the wart and tie it on, or if the excrescence is on the forehead fasten it on with strips of sticking plaster. It may be removed in the day, and put on every night. In one fortnight the wart will die and peal off. The same prescription will cure corns.—*Westminister Advocate.*

EDUCATION.—Some suppose that every learned man is an educated man. No such thing. That man is educated who knows himself, and takes accurate common sense views of men and things around him.—Some very learned men are the greatest fools in the world; the reason is they are not educated men. Learning is only the means, not the end; its value consists in giving the means of acquiring, the use of it properly managed enlightens the mind.

HAPPY COMBINATIONS.—There is nothing purer than honesty, nothing sweeter than charity, nothing warmer than love, nothing brighter than virtue, and nothing more steadfast than faith. These united in one mind, form the purest, the sweetest, the richest, the brightest, the holiest and the most steadfast happiness.

MEN often lose opportunities by want of selfconfidence. Doubts and fears in the minds of some rise up over every event and they fear to attempt what most probably will be successful, through mere timorousness, while a brave, active man will, with perhaps half the ability, carry the enterprise to a prosperous termination.

THE "IMPERIAL" MOVEMENT goes on—the Imperial [illegible] in New York [illegible] advocates [illegible] lecturers [illegible] sons in different portions of the country avow their adherence to the scheme, &c. We design [illegible], to ask first, who is expected to be the Emperor, and who are to compose hereafter the "imperial family!" A great deal depends upon the latter clause of the inquiry. We might stand an emperor, singly and alone, but there is no telling what disgust might be created by the "court circle" and the "nobility" to surround him. We are afraid all the vulgar, shoddy aristocracy might be installed in the "household"—and, that would be intolerable. Duke Coupon—Count Contract—the Marquis of five Twenties! It would never do. And then only to think of some of the duchesses, and countesses, and ladies that might peradventure lead society! Nay, the more we think of it, "from this stand point," the less favorably inclined do we feel. The authors of the imperial movement had better at once publish a programme, telling who is to be emperor, and who to compose the imperial court!—*Alex. Gaz.*

SENSIBLE WAY OF WINDING UP A COURTSHIP.—We are of the opinion that some of our city belles could pick out a leaf of experience from deep contemplation of the following. As an unalloyed exhibition of "natur" in its unpolished state, we regard it in the light of "some pumpkins." The courtship took place in the State of Hoosierdom, in a log cabin, boasting of a single room, onehalf of which is occupied by two beds, one contained the "old folks" and "baby," the other whose duty by day is to stand beneath the over shadows of its loftier mate laden with five younger members.

Ezekiel (in a whisper)—"I swaw sew gosh Sary, I luv ye."

Sary (in a higher key)—"Good! Zeke, I'm glad on't."

Ezekiel—"Will yer hev me? that's what I want to know?"

Sary—(looking astonished)—"Hev ye? to be sure, I cal' late to."

Zeke—"When will we get spliced."

Sary—"Wall, hoss, that's what I've been thinkin' on; I telled dad to-day that ef so be he'd go to mill ter-morrow, we'd git hitt next day."

Zeke—"Yer did? Well, then, swap a buss with me."

Father—(from the bed)—"There, now, varmints, ef you've got the bizness settled, dew quit fer to-night; ye make sich a racket, a fellar might as well sleep in bedlam."

HOW IT IS DONE.—In Chicago when they ask you to drink, they say—Nominate your family disturbance.

In St. Louis—Choose your cold pizen.

In Cincinnati—Do you feel like driving a nail in your coffin.

In Louisville—Let's put an enemy in our mouths.

In New York—Let's reduce ourselves below the level of the brute.

In Boston—Let's violate the liquor law.

In Frankfort—Let's absorb.

In New Orleans—Shall we fortify?

In Albany—Suppose we drug ourselves?

In Indianapolis—Let us start for the watch-house.

In Terra Haute—Let us perjure ourselves?

In Buffalo—Let's disqualify.

NIAGARA.—We once read the opinion of a Western drover, expressed on a first view of Niagara Falls. After looking at them half a minute, he remarked:—"Them's nice falls; let's go up and see the town." This was about as cool a remark as could be made; but there is something more exquisitely droll in the story of the English cockney who, recently, returned from a trip to America. He had seen the falls, and was asked, of course, what he thought of them. "They're quite han' some," he replied, "quite so—but they did'nt quite hanser my hexpectations—besides Hi got vetted hand lost my 'at."

THE DIFFERENCE.—The marriage portion of a young bride in olden times was a feather bed, six chairs, a plain cherry table and bureau, six cups and saucers, half a dozen silver teaspoons and a lot of sand for sanding floors. Now they expect a set of silver plate, carved half seat sofa, ottomans, divans, tete-a-tetes, rosewood pianos, marbletop tables for parlors, painted furniture for chambers, brussels carpets and all other such modern fixings for show. This is the reason there are not more marriages.

GERMAN immigration to this country promises to surpass any former year this season. The facilities furnished at Bremen and Hamburg are greater than ever, and it is stated that between one and two thousand emigrants have passed through Berlin alone every month of the current year. It is now time for the hegira to commence swelling; indications of war at home and a certainty of permanent peace, with a quick demand for labor here, can only hasten the movement. The German element is now and must continue to be the main feeder of our European supply, owing to the exhaustion of Ireland.

THE other day an Irish woman called at the postoffice for a letter for herself: "An is there anything here for me?" "What name?" "Bridget McCarty." "Yes, there's a letter here for you from the dead letter office." The poor woman's face fell, and she burst into tears. "An' sure an' I thought some of them mought ben dead that I didn't hear from them before."—The clerk soothed her, with a few legal remarks, explaining the nature of the dead letter office, and the woman wiped away her tears and went away with one of her old letters, happy in the thought that the folks at home wan't dead.

BLACK-EYED ladies are said to be most apt to be passionate and jealous. Blue-eyed—soulful, truthful, affectionate, and confiding. Gray-eyed—philosophical, literary, resolute, and cold-hearted. Hazel-eyed—quick-eyed, quick-tempered, fickle.

WOMEN charm, as a general thing, in proportion as they are good. A plain face with, with a heart behind it is worth a world of heartless beauty. Men who have tried both unhesitatingly agree to this.

BEYOND all doubting is the credulousness of the atheist, who believes that chance could make a world when it can not build a barn.—*S. Clarke.*