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Job Printing of every description executed with neatness and dispatch.

JUNE, 1869.

Latest and Important NEWS!

THE subscribers would respectfully inform their friends, customers, and the public in general, that they have just returned from the city, where they have purchased a large and full assortment of Goods suitable for the season, and which they are prepared to dispose of on the most liberal terms, at a very slight advance on cost. We have a full assortment of

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

Of the Very Best Workmanship;

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS

consisting of Bleached and unbleached MUSLINS of all grades, SHIRTING CALICOES, DRESS PRINTS, CHINTZES, &c.

Queensware, Boots, Shoes and Hats.

A FULL ASSORTMENT OF

GROCERIES,

SUGARS, RIO & JAVA COFFEE, TEA, &c.

GOOD TOBACCO AND SEGARS.

They have also a full assortment of

Liquors of all kinds and grades

suitable for private or domestic use, consisting of American and Foreign Wines, Brandies and Gins. A good assortment of Whiskies, and a very good article suitable for the approaching Harvest, all of which we will sell CHEAP for Cash, or Sixty days.

☞ Country Produce Wanted, ☜ for which the HIGHEST PRICE will be paid.

SPARKS & WALLS,
je26-3m. LOCUST GROVE.

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, bro. 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.

ECCE SIGNUM!

AT

THE NEW STORE HOUSE!

Two Doors Above the Old Stand.

MY STOCK OF GOODS IS LARGE AND COMPLETE AND EMBRACES EVERY ARTICLE KEPT IN A FIRST CLASS STORE.

I respectfully invite the Ladies to call and examine the Goods I have for their wear. My Dress Goods are new and numerous and are of the Latest Styles.

MY ORDER MADE SHOES FOR LADIES, have spoken for themselves; and my Stock embraces the most Fashionable make.

If you will call you will find that I have as large and as good an assortment of

Dry Goods, Notions, Boots and Shoes, Queensware, Hardware, Groceries,

&c., &c., as any story you have visited on this Shore, and all at the VERY LOWEST PRICES FOR CASH!

☞ Don't forget to stop at the place (GALENA) and visit the Store of

E. W. PURNELL.

N. B.—I have just received, and have for sale, Harrison's celebrated Flavoring and Coloring Extracts. E. W. P.
Galena, July 17, 1869.

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.

LIVERY STABLES.

THE undersigned having supplied himself with HORSES AND CARRIAGES, is prepared to convey persons to any part of the Peninsula, upon moderate terms.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES FOR HIRE, by the day or otherwise.

SABLES on Cannon Street, near the Iron Foundry. SAMUEL J. RAWLEIGH.
Chestertown, je5 6m.

HOUSE TO RENT.

For the balance of the year, the DWELLING HOUSE in Queen Street, lately occupied by JOHN RUSSELL.
July 10, 1869—tf.

The Kent News.

A FAMILY NEWSPAPER: Devoted to Literature, Agriculture, Politics, General News and Advertising.

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BANKING HOUSE

OF

JOHN McLEAR & SON,
607 Market St., Wilmington, Del.
(ESTABLISHED 1848.)

We respectfully call the attention of our friends and customers to the advantages offered as an investment by the

Wilmington and Reading Rail Road
FIRST MORTGAGE

7 Per Cent. Bonds.

The price at which they are offered is only 85 and accrued interest, at which they net the purchaser

8 1-5 Per Cent. Per Annum,

CLEAR OF ALL TAXES, either State or National. We unhesitatingly recommend the Bonds as being, in all respects,

A First Class Investment.

Holders of Government Securities may realize an especial advantage by exchanging them for these Bonds. For example, take a 5-20 Bond of 1867 for $1000. At the present rate of premium on gold it yields the holder in currency a fraction over eight per cent on its *par* value. It may be sold, however, at a premium of Twenty-one per cent, and the proceeds invested in Wilmington & Reading R. R. Bonds with the following result:

1000 5 20's at 121 yields	1210.00
1400 Wilmington & Reading R R. Bonds at 85 cost	1190.00
The yield of interest from the former investment (gold at 37 premium) amounts to	82.80 per yr.
But from the latter it amounts to	93.00 " "

Or in other words, while the money invested in 5-20's yields over eight per cent. on the par value of the Bond, the same money invested in Wilmington and Reading R. R. Bonds will yield nearly TEN PER CENT. per annum with an additional profit of over $200 at the maturity of the bonds, and the further advantage that income from the bonds is clear of all taxes, while interest from U. S Bonds is subject to tax as a part of the owner's income.

We are prepared at all times to furnish the bonds without any charge to customers for commission.

We continue to transact all business relating to the investment or loaning of money.

Bonds and Stocks bought and sold on Commission, at the Stock Boards in all parts of the country.

Deposits received at any time, and paid on demand with interest.

Correspondence promptly attended to.

JOHN McLEAR & SON.
Aug. 7, 1869—1m.

A VALUABLE FARM

NEAR CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

AT PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at private sale his Farm, situated near Chestertown Kent county, Maryland. It adjoins the lands of Stephen Lecates, Thomas C. Parsons and others, and

Contains 256 Acres,

1 ROOD AND 19 PERCHES.

There is a sufficient quantity of TIMBER and Fuel for the use of the Farm. It lies within three miles of Chestertown, a half mile of a contemplated Depot on the Kent county Railroad; within four miles of a Steamboat Landing on Worton Creek, where we have a daily line of Steamers to Baltimore. It is also convenient to Churches, Schools and Mills, and is divided into five fields. The land is in a fair state of cultivation.

A Peach Orchard of 1600 Trees
And 85 APPLE TREES,

five years old this fall. The Farm has been limed over twice, and some of it three times within a few years. The land is kind and easily improved, and grows all kinds of cereals well. Its location, being convenient to the County Town, and in the midst of a highly improved neighborhood, renders it a truly desirable estate.

The Improvements
consist of a

CONVENIENT BRICK HOUSE, dry cellar, with Kitchen attached; Pump of excellent water at the door; a Spring House in good order, convenient and cool water, with necessary Out-Buildings. There is a never failing stream of water running through the Farm.

TERMS OF SALE.—The terms are one-half cash; the balance in five years, bearing interest from the day of sale.

jy17-7t. JOSEPH WALRAVEN.

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,
june 19-tf. JACOB SHEPPERD.

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.

Railroad Notice.

THE stockholders of the Kent County Railroad Company are hereby notified that an instalment of SIX DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS PER SHARE OF STOCK has been called for by resolution of the Board of Directors of said Company, payable to the Treasurer on or before the First day of September next. C. T. WESTCOTT, Sec'y.
July 10, 1869—8t.

Bulbs for Fall Planting.

THE following, imported direct from Van Waveren & Co., Haarlem, Holland, will be ready Sept. 15th, 1869:

HYACINTHS—double and single, named and unnamed of all colors and prices.
TULIPS—Double, Single, Parrott & Bizard.
CROCUS—of all colors.
IRIS—Hispanica and Anglica.
ANEMONES—double and single.
RANUNCULUS.
POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS—named varieties.
IXIAS and CROWN IMPERIALS.

As the stock of some varieties is quite limited orders, accompanied with cash, will be received and filed, to be filled in rotation as received.

All roots of the best variety. Prices on application. Also, a fine stock of Plants for window culture in winter. Boquets and baskets of cut flowers prepared at short notice.

W. F. MASSEY,
aug21-tf. Queen St. Garden.

CUSHINGS & BAILEY,

BOOKSELLERS

AND

STATIONERS,

262 BALTIMORE STREET,
BALTIMORE, MD.

THE LARGEST and best assorted stock in the city of

SCHOOL, LAW,
DENTAL, MEDICAL,
CLASSICAL, AND
Miscellaneous Books.

GENERAL BANK and COUNTING-HOUSE STATIONERY OF ALL KINDS.

☞ BLANK BOOKS made to order in any style of binding and ruling. ag21-6m*

MISS REDUE'S SCHOOL.

MISS REDUE will resume the duties of her School on the first Monday in September. Parents intending to patronize the school are earnestly desired to send their children on that day, as all the bills will bear the same date, and no deduction will be made for loss of time, except in cases of long spells of illness.

Terms per quarter: Seven dollars for advanced pupils—the members of the first class.

Four dollars for small children, learning to read, and Six dollars for all the intermediate classes. For the Fall quarter, and also for the Winter quarter, there is an extra charge of one dollar.

Extras:—French, Three dollars. Music on the piano, Ten dollars. aug21-3t.

School for Small Children.

MISS CARRIE SPENCER proposes to open a SCHOOL FOR SMALL CHILDREN on the first Monday in September. The number of pupils will be limited and no effort will be spared to advance them in their studies.—The discipline will be mild but firm. For terms, &c., apply to MISS SPENCER, at Miss Caroline Thompson's. aug14-3t.

SELECT ACADEMY, CHESTERTOWN.

MISS JESSIE G. MACBETH, Graduate of the Normal School, Baltimore, and well known in Kent county as a Teacher, will reopen on the first Monday of September, the School formerly kept by her father.

TERMS: $5.00 and $2 50 per eleven weeks. Latin, Greek and French $2 each extra. Drawing taught without extra charge to those paying $5.00. Piano $10.00. She insures strict order and rapid progress. aug14-3t*

Newark Academy,

NEWARK, DELAWARE.

PROF. EDW. D. PORTER, A. M., PRINCIPAL

A first-class Mathematical, Classical & Scientific

BOARDING SCHOOL

FOR BOYS AND YOUNG MEN,

will commence its one hundred and first Academic year September 1st, 1869.

☞ For full information send for Circular.
July 31, 1869—3m.

West Nottingham Academy.

ONE mile from Colora Station, on Phila. and Balt. Central Rail Road. Location healthy. The course of study extensive, embracing Classics, Mathematics, Modern Languages and Commercial course.

Surveying taught practically.

Expenses for board, tuition and washing for school year of ten months in English, $200.

Send for a Catalogue to

REV. S. A. GAYLEY, A. M.,
PRINCIPAL.
jy31-2m Colora, Cecil county, Md.

To Our Customers.

OUR friends, the farmers, on receiving their Wheat and Peach Money, will PLEASE REMEMBER THE BLACKSMITH. We are greatly in want of funds, and as we have indulged our customers for some time, a settlement is now much needed.

In consequence of the present system of doing business in the cities we shall be compelled hereafter to require a settlement of bills every six months.

CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.
Chestertown, July 24—6t.

To Land Buyers.

BEING well acquainted with the soil and location of Tide Water, Virginia, I offer my services, for the next three months, to accompany parties visiting the State with a view to purchase or lease.

ALEX. HOGG, Chestertown, Md.
Washington College, July 3, 1869.

REFERENCES:—Geo. B. Westcott, W. N. E. Wickes, Judge Wickes, J. A. Pearce, R. Hynson, T. W. Eliason, J. K. Hines, Hon. George Vickers. 3m.

EDWIN CROUCH, JR.,
MILLINGTON, MD.,

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF

Schuylkill Lime,

Delivered at any landing on Sassafras or Chester Rivers. mb6-tf

Pure Imported French Brandy.

"JULIEN LA FERRIERE," a much better article than is usually offered in this market, and to which the attention of Medical men and Heads of Families is respectfully called. Just opened and placed on sale by

THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, August 7, 1869.

POLISH YOUR KNIVES AND FORKS. Plated and Silver Ware, with the Celebrated Bath Polish Powder, for sale by
ap3. L. S. FOWLER.

"NOT ANY FOR ME."

When I see my friends drinking,
I cannot help thinking
How foolish it is to get on a spree;
And if asked to partake,
For sociability's sake,
My answer is, "No, not any for me."
That's me.

Very foolish and risky,
This drinking of whisky,
In these times, at least, you all will agree;
The habit's a bad one,
In truth, 'tis a mad one,
And, for one, I can say "Not any for me."
That's so.

It is poisonous stuff,
And you know well enough
'Twill kill you in time; then why not agree
To stop this hard drinking,
Ere you find yourself sinking,
And say when you're asked, "Not any for me."
Why not?

When my friends propose play,
I get quickly away,
For gaming, with me, in whatever degree,
Is distasteful at best;
And I never am pressed,
For they know I will say "Not any for me."
They do.

'Tis a terrible passion,
And, although 'tis the fashion,
Yet from its allurements 'tis best to steer free;
Whether at faro or stocks
'Tis a snare that mocks—
And, for one, I can say, "Not any for me."
You bet.

It takes hold of all classes,
And not even the lasses
Themselves from the vice are totally free;
They will bet odds in gloves
With their brothers or "loves:"
But the vice I detest—"Not any for me."
Not any.

When I see our young ladies
With whom showy parade is
Paramount to anything else I can see,
Doing nothing but playing
The piano—crocheting—
I think to myself, "Not any for me."
Not any.

With the girls of to-day
It's no work and all play,
And they'd scream if you'd ask them how to to make tea;
They are far too good looking
To meddle with cooking;
And as that is the case, "Not any for me."
Not any.

No, I'd rather live single,
And with bachelors mingle,
Than wed one of these; yes, I'd rather be free;
Yet my friends, they say, "Harry,
Pray, why don't you marry?"
But I only remark, "Not any for me."
That's me.

ADVICE.—Young man don't get too "foxy." If you happen to get in possession of a few dollars, act as you did before you got them. Don't swell up and burst. If you won't do this you will remember that neither money, clothes or good looks makes the man, and that worth is as often garbed in a ragged coat as it is in broadcloth. Don't stand on hotel steps, dangling your watch chain and talk "hoss." Better buy a book and learn to read without spelling your words. Those who load themselves with airs are the smallest potatoes and fewest in the hill. A "fat" job often spoils young men of weak minds. They immediately commence to "rag out," and take great pride in cultivating an aldermanic corporation and sporting air. Sensible persons are always disgusted with such actions when they deign to notice them, which is very seldom. Reflect and turn over a new leaf.

KNOWING EACH OTHER'S HEARTS.—If we could but read each other's hearts, we would be kinder to each other. If we knew the woes and bitterness and physical annoyances of our neighbors, we should make allowances for them which we do not now. We go about masked, uttering stereotyped sentiments, hiding our heart-pangs and headaches as carefully as we can; and yet we wonder that others do not discover them by intuition. We cover our best feelings from the light; we do not conceal our resentments and our dislikes, of which we are prone to be proud. Often two people sit close together, with "I love you" in either heart, and neither knows it. Each thinks, "I could be fond; but what use of wasting fondness on one who does not care for it?" and so they part and go their way alone. Life is a masquerade, at which few unmask even to their very dearest. And though there is need of much masking, would to heaven we dared to show plainly our real faces, from birth to death, for then some few at least, would truly love each other.

WHAT IS TO BE DONE IN HEAVEN.—The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher ridicules the popular idea that the inmates of heaven do nothing but stand round a great white throne, with harps in their hands and sing psalms. Mr. Beecher, it seems to us, has the right of the matter. There is no scriptural ground for limiting the activities and employments of immortal beings to a monotonous physical exercise; and it is a wonder that the absurdity of doing so had not been perceived long ago. It is much more sensible to suppose that people in the other life, enjoy social and intellectual delights, and have varying occupations, according to their respective capacities similar to those which are enjoyed by the good on earth, only more perfect in quality and degree. Death takes from us nothing but the body of flesh and blood, leaving the constitution and requirements of our soul without radical change. Whatever, above mere corporeal pleasures rightfully render us happy here will likewise render us happy there; and as no man, however pious, would like to spend his whole life on earth in singing, it is not likely he will be compelled to do it hereafter.

MEN often attempt, by the light of reason, to discover the mysteries of eternity. They might as well hold up a candle to see the stars.

A LADY in Portsmouth recently declined the offer of a gentleman on the ground that he had no taste in arranging his neck-tie.

How Smith Asked the Old Man.

Smith had just asked Mr. Thompson's daughter if she would give him a lift out of bachelordom, and she had said "Yes."

It therefore became absolutely necessary to get the old gentleman's permission, so, as Smith said, the arrangements might be made to hop the conjugal twig.

Smith said he'd rather pop the interrogatory to all of Thompson's daughters, and his sisters, and his lady cousins, and his aunt Hannah, in the country, and the whole of his female relations, than ask old Thompson. But it had to be done, and so he sat and studied out a speech which he was to disgorge at old Thompson, the very first time he got a shy at him. So Smith dropped in on him one Sunday evening when all the family had meandered around to meeting and found him doing a sum in beer measure.

"How are you Smith?" said old Thompson, as the former walked in, white as a piece of chalk, and trembling as if he had swallowed a condensed earthquake.—Smith was afraid to answer, cause he wasn't sure about that speech. He knew he had to keep his grip on it while he had it there, or it would slip from him quicker than an oiled eel through an anger hole. So he blurted out—

"Mr. Thompson, sir: Perhaps it may not be unknown to you, that during an extended period of some five years, I have been busily engaged in the prosecution of a commercial enterprise—"

"Is that so, and keepin it a secret all this time, while I thought you were tendin story? Well, by George, you're one of them now, ain't you?"

Smith had begun to think it all over again, to get the run of it.

"Mr. Thompson, sir: Perhaps it may not be unknown to you, that during the extended period of five years, I have been busily engaged in the prosecution of a commercial enterprise, with the determination to secure a sufficient maintenance."

"Sit down, Smith, and help yourself to beer. Don't stand there boldin' your hat, like a blind beggar, with paralysis. I never have seen you behave yourself so queer in all my born days."

Smith had been knocked out again, and so he had to wander back again and take a fresh start.

"Mr. Thompson, sir: It may not be known to you, that during an extended period of five years, I have been engaged in the prosecution of a commercial enterprise, with the determination to procure a sufficient maintenance—"

"A which ance?" asked old Thompson; but Smith held on to the last word as if it was his only chance, and went on:

"In the hope that some day I might enter wedlock and bestow my earthly possessions upon one whom I could call my own. I have been a lonely man, sir, and have felt that it was not good for man to be alone; therefore I would—"

"Neither is it, Smith; I'm glad you dropped in. How's the old man?"

"Mr. Thompson, sir," said Smith, in despairing confusion, raising his voice to a yell, "it may not be known to you that, during an extended period of a lonely man, I have been engaged to enter wedlock, and bestowed all my enterprise on one I could determine to be good for certain possessions—no, I mean—that is—that is—that—Mr. Thompson, sir: it may not be unknown—"

"And then again, it may. Look here, Smith, you'd better lay down and take something warm—you ain't well."

Smith, sweating like a four year old colt, went in again.

"Mr. Thompson, sir: It may not be lonely to you to prosecute me whom you a friend, for a commercial maintenance but—but—ch—dang it—Mr. Thompson, sir: It—"

"Oh, Smith, you talk like a fool. I never seen such a first class idiot in the course of my whole life. What's the matter with you anyhow?"

"Mr. Thompson, sir," said Smith, in an agony of bewilderment, "it may not be known that you prosecuted a lonely man who is not good for a commercial period of wedlock for five years, but—"

"See here, Mr. Smith, you're drunk, and if you can't behave better than that, you'd better leave, if you don't I'll chuck you out, or I'm a Dutchman."

"Mr. Thompson, sir," said Smith, frantic with despair, "it may not be known to you that my earthly possessions are engaged to enter wedlock five years with a sufficiently lonely man, who is not good for a commercial maintenance—"

"The very dence he isn't. Now you jist get up and git, or I'll knock what little brains out of you you've got left."

With that old Thompson took Smith and shot him into the street as if he'd run him against a locomotive going out at the rate of forty miles an hour. Before old Thompson had time to shut the front door, Smith collected his legs and one thing and another that were lying around on the pavement, arranged himself in a vertical position, and yelled out:

"Mr. Thompson, sir: It may not be known to you"—which made the old man so wretched mad that he went out and set a bull terrier on Smith before he had a chance to lift a brogan, and there was a scientific dog fight, with odds in favor of the dog, for he had an awful hold for such a small animal.

Smith afterwards married the girl, and lived happily about two months. At the end of that time he told a confidential friend that he would willingly take more trouble and undergo a million more dog bites to get rid of her.

"NANCY," said James, "what letter in the alphabet do you like best?" Nancy didn't like to say, but the young man insisted. "Well," she finally answered, dropping her eyes, "I think I like U best."

Josh Billing's Sayings.

There seems to be four styles of mind: 1st, them who knows 'tis so! 2d, them who knows it aint so! 3d, them who split the difference, and guess at it! 4th, them who don't care a darn which way it is!

There is but few men who hez character enuff to lead a life of idleness.

True love is spelt just the same in Choctaw as it is in English.

Those who retire from the world on account of its sins and peskiness must not forget that they have yet to keep company with a person who wants just as much watchin as anybody else.

A puppy plays with every pup he meets, but old dogs have few associates.

It costs a great deal to be wise, but it don't cost anything to be happy.

Necessity begot convenience, convenience begot pleasure, pleasure begot luxury, luxury begot riot and disease, riot and disease, between them begot poverty; poverty begot necessity again—and this is the revolution of man and is about all he can brag on.

"Love lies bleeding!"—this is probably one of the darndest lies that ever was told.

When a man loses his health, then he just begins to take care of it. This is good judgment, this is!

An individual to be a fine gentleman, has either got to be born so, or be brought up so from infancy; he can't learn it sudden any more than he can learn how to talk injun correctly by practicen on a tomahawk.

If a man wants to get at his actual dimensions, let him visit a graveyard.

I have often set down square on the ice by having my feet get out of place, but he never could see anything in it to laff at, (especially if there was some water on the top of the ice,) but I notice other folks can.

Precepts are like cold buckwheat slapjacks, nobody feels like being sassy to them, and nobody wants to adopt them.

If anybody wants to be an old bachelor, and get sick at a boarding tavern, and have a back room in the fourth story, and have a red-hair chambermaid bring his watergruel to him in a tin wash-basin, I have always said, and I stick to it yet, he has got a right to it.

It is dreadful easy work to repent of other folk's sins—but not very profitable.

SENATOR MURPHY EARNING FIFTY CENTS.—A "Long Branch" letter to the Houston (Texas) Times, says:

Senator Murphy, who is a fine looking jovial, whole souled, intellectual fellow, went down to bathe, and, while in the costume of the bathers, was addressed by a lady of distinction, who had come down to bathe alone: "You can come and bathe me!" The Senator jumped at the opportunity, and taking the fair lady by the hand, led her out into the water, protecting her from the under currents and sometimes dangerous waves, at the same time listening to her joyous exclamations, such as, "Oh, how delightful!" "It is indeed delicious!" &c. After getting through with bathing and paying the Senator the fifty cents, which is the regular price charged by the bathing men, one of whom she supposed the Senator was, she said to him: "Well, sir, I wish you to bathe me every day at 11 o'clock; what name shall I call when I want you?" "Tom, madam; I will wait on you with pleasure." Soon after the lady met the Senator in the parlor—She saw her mistake and blushingly left the room. Tom Murphy, however, met her at the breakfast table and removed her embarrassment by saying in his winning way: "I'm nobody but Tom, madam, and hope you will call on me at 11 o'clock!"

A YOUNG MAN TAKES A TWO YEARS' NAP, AWAKENS AND ASKS, "IS BREAKFAST READY?"—We are informed that a young man living in the lower part of this county was taken sick about two years ago, and fell into a deep sleep, from which he only awoke about two weeks since. The first expression he made use of on coming to was, "Is breakfast ready?" just as though he had been asleep but one night. A physician had been attending on him all the time, and happened in just as he awoke. On walking up to the bed, he called the patient by name, remarking that, "You must feel better, as your cheeks have more color," to which he replied by asking; "Who are you?" On being informed that he was a physician who had been attending him constantly for two years, he could hardly believe his senses. During his sleep he was fed regularly with spoon victuals as though he were conscious. He is now up, enjoying good health, and busily engaged in trying to get the events of the past two years posted up in his mind, that he may unite them with the past and present. He has a distinct recollection of everything up to the time of his going to sleep. We have heard no explanation of this case of Rip Van Winkleism.—*Mad. (Ind.) Cour.*

A TELLING SPEECH.—Governor Senter, of Tennessee, ended one of his campaign speeches as follows: "Ladies, a word before we part. When, then, the day of the election arrives, get up early, prepare a good breakfast, have the shaving water and towel ready, let nothing but smiles and cheerfulness possess you, and when the good old man starts for the polls go with him to the gate, put your arms about his neck, kiss him, then ask him to vote for Senter." That speech settled Stokes.

AN Irish editor congratulates himself that "half the lies told about him ain't true."

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REMOVAL SCHEME.—The persistent agitation in St. Louis of the question of removing the national capital westward has led to some practical inquiries that must be considered in connection with such an important movement. To obtain a wise discussion of the facts a national capital convention was called to meet in St. Louis on October 20, 1869, each State to be represented by delegates equal to double the number of its presidential electors—that is two from each congressional district and four at large. These delegates are expected by the callers of the convention to be appointed by the respective Governors of the States. The Territories are to be represented by two delegates appointed by the Governors, and the District of Columbia by two delegates appointed by the Mayor of Washington. Whether the Governors of the Middle, Eastern and Southern States or the Mayor of Washington will feel enough interest in the removal to appoint delegates is questionable.

In order to form some idea of the amount of money required to erect public buildings at St. Louis, it may be stated that, according to statistics furnished by Secretary McCulloch, the total sum expended in the District of Columbia, from the time the seat of government was established there to June 30th, 1868, for public works of every description, including buildings, paintings and statuary, was $37,390,853. The real estate belonging to the government, excluding the public buildings, was assessed in 1858 at $13,412,293. There has been no assessment since 1858. The extent of territory owned by the government, including grounds, parks, gardens and navy-yards, according to the Secretary of the Interior, amounts to 578 acres. As an inducement to remove, a prominent citizen of St. Louis has offered, as we have heretofore stated, to give the government 500 acres of land in that city, and erect buildings suitable for offices for clerks, and rent them at certain fixed rates. But if we take into consideration the changes in the value of money, in wages, cost of materials, it may be estimated that the removal of the capital to St. Louis would cost, at the very lowest, $100,000,000, while the whole benefit would be reaped by the owners of real estate in that city.

THE COLORED CONSERVATIVES IN VIRGINIA.—The colored conservatives of Virginia, it is learned, have issued a congratulatory address to the colored voters upon the result of the recent State election, and call upon them to organize political clubs to support Walker, for the purpose, the address says, "of strengthening his hands in carrying out, in letter and spirit, the reconstruction acts of Congress and the policy of the President, so far as they relate to Virginia." The entire address is temperate in tone, and in gratifying contrast with the spirit of radicalism as shown by some of the leaders of the proscriptive party in their recent efforts to alienate the colored people from the whites of the State.

ANOTHER APPLICANT FOR INDEPENDENCE.—Australia is now setting up a claim and showing reasons why the independence of the six Australian colonies and their federation in a republic should come to pass. Australia and New Zealand have the area and capacity to support a population of fifty millions, but as yet only two millions have availed themselves of these advantages. It is shown that, within fifty years, while only one million British subjects have emigrated to the American British colonies, four millions of emigrants have settled in the United States, showing that emigrants generally, especially the continental emigrants, prefer to go to a republic. Therefore Australia desires to be a republic, hoping thus to attract a portion of the emigration that now tends towards the United States.

CHINESE LABORERS FOR SOUTH CAROLINA.—Information has been received in Washington to the effect that a large number of planters in South Carolina have entered into contract with an immigration agent for several hundred Chinese laborers, the first ship load being expected to arrive about the first of January next.—One successful rice planter has contracted for 250, and others for 10, 20, 50, &c. No payment is to be made until the Chinese arrive and commence work on the plantations. There seems to be a great demand for them by planters throughout the South.

Two Irishmen stopping at the Island House, Toledo, lit their gas, and, with windows open, sat down is enjoy a chat. The hungriest of Toledo mosquitoes soon flocked in and drove them desperate.—The clerk, who was summoned to find some defence against them, told them to close the windows and put out the gas.—They acted on the suggestion and placed themselves between the sheets. Just as they began to doze, a lightning bug which had strayed into the room, caught the eye of one of the travelers. He roused his companion with a punch. "Jamie, Jamie, it's no use! Here's one of the cratures searchin' for us wid a lantern!"

"HALLO!" ejaculated an anxious guardian to his pretty niece, as he entered the parlor and saw her on the sofa in the arms of a swain who had just popped the question and sealed it with a kiss, "what's the time of day now?" "I should think it was about half past twelve," was the cool reply of the joyful damsel; you see we are almost one."

IT was Mrs. Watkins, of San Francisco, who was recently asked by the "lady" who does her cooking, "Are you going to use your horses this evening?" "Yes I am; why?" "Oh, pshaw!" responded the cook, "I meant to have gone out with them myself!"

A MAGISTRATE asked a prisoner if he were married.

"No," replied the man.

"Then," said his worship amid peals of laughter, "it's a good thing for your wife."

CARLYLE says with witty ambignity, "If you are in doubt whether to kiss a pretty girl give her the benefit of the doubt."

WHAT is the difference between the outer wall of a bridge and two nice young ladies? The one is a parapet, and the other is a pair of pets, of course.

Be temperate in diet. Our first parents eat themselves out of house and home.

To keep your wife in constant check—make her dress in gingham.