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Job Printing of every description executed with neatness and dispatch.

NEW STORE and NEW GOODS
At BUCK NECK WHARF.

J. BELL & BRO., invite the attention of the public to their well selected assortment of

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES,
Boots Shoes, Hats and Caps,
Hardware, &c.

FLOUR by the Barrel, at City Prices. All Goods sold cheap for Cash.
sep24. J. BELL & BRO.

JOHN BELL & BRO.,
BUCK NECK WHARF,

INVITE the attention of Farmers to their Large Stock of Fertilizers, viz:

SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO,
Terms, $56, per 2000 lbs. cash.
ZELLS' AMMONIATED PHOSPHATE
of Bone, $60 per. Ton—90 days.
WILSON SUPER PHOSPHATE OF LIME,
$56 per Ton—90 days.
WATTSON AND CLARKS' CROSDALE,
$52 per Ton cash, $56 10 months.
BOWER'S COMPLETE MANURE,
$52 per Ton cash, $56 4 months.

SPHAGNINE, the great Delaware Fertilizer, $40 per. 2000 cash, $42, 6 months, $44 10 months. Also, BONE FLOUR, a pure article, $36 per Ton. LAND PLASTER.

Also,
Farming Implements,
suitable for the season, and prices to suit the times, viz: BICKFORD AND HUFFMAN'S GRAIN DRILLS, with Guano, and Seed attachments. Tripple Screen, Dripple Grain Fan, Fodder Cutters, and Corn Shellers, &c.,
sep24. JOHN BELL & BRO.

Look! Look! Look!

No longer any need of the perplexity of having Clothes half washed, Worn, Torn and Buttonless, Soap wasted, and one or two days consumed in washing by the old wash-board system, when you can buy

DOTY'S WASHER
LATELY MUCH IMPROVED
AND THE NEW
Universal Clothes Wringer.

Hear what leading Journals say:

"It is worth one dollar per week in any family."—*New York Tribune.*

"We do not hesitate to give it the preference."—*American Agriculturist.*

"It really merits all the good that can be said of it."—*Rural New Yorker.*

A host of other papers say just as much in favor of the WASHER AND WRINGER.

You have only to use them to appreciate them, as they are the real genius in the way of getting washing done expeditiously and satisfactorily.

The best of Testimonial could be given from many to whom I have sold the WASHER and WRINGER. I, however, deem it unnecessary.

I have the sole agency for Kent County. All orders will receive prompt attention.

MACHINES delivered in any part of the County.

FOR CIRCULARS, containing full explanations, address

G. W. COVINGTON,
Still Pond, Kent County, Maryland.
Aug. 27, 1870—3m.

SOLUBLE
PACIFIC GUANO,
IMPROVED IN
QUALITY AND CONDITION.

THE quality of this Guano is materially improved this season by the addition to its composition of a large per cent. of the

Salts of Potash.

It is improved in condition by being brought into market sufficiently dry and uniformly fine to pass with *facility* and *regularity* through the orifices of the

WHEAT DRILL.

More than $1,000,000 is involved in the production of this Guano, and the trade in it has steadily increased, until now it far exceeds that of any other fertilizer.

The Pacific Guano Company has a far greater interest in the maintenance of the *quality* of its Guano than any number of *consumers* can have; hence no apprehension need exist as to its *continued excellence.*

JOHN S. REESE & CO.,
General Agents for Pacific Guano Co.,
No. 10 SOUTH STREET, (2D FLOOR,)
jy30-3m. Baltimore.

HINES & BURCHINAL, Agents,
CHESTERTOWN.

Perfect FERTILIZER for all Crops.
BOWER'S
COMPLETE MANURE,
MADE FROM
Super-Phosphate of Lime,
Ammonia and Potash.

Warranted free from adulteration, and equal in quality to any sold during the last four years.

The Manure contains all the elements of Plant food in a soluble form. Also food giving lasting fertility to the soil.

AN UNDENIABLE FACT.

Experience in the use of "Bower's Complete Manure," by the best farmers of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and the Cotton States, running through a period of four years' trial, has resulted in proving it to be

The Best Fertilizer Offered for Sale.

HENRY BOWER, Manufact'g Chemist,
Grey's Ferry Road, Philad'a.
DIXON, SHARPLESS & CO.,
40 South Delaware Avenue, Philadelphia.
WILLIAM REYNOLDS,
sep17tN1. 105 South St., Baltimore, Md.

BOWER'S
COMPLETE MANURE,
FOR FALL CROPS,
At Reduced Rates!

THE ABOVE FIRST CLASS FERTILIZER WE ARE OFFERING AT

$56 AND INTEREST PER TON
OF 2,000 POUNDS,
On TEN MONTHS TIME

To parties with approved security, subject to a Discount of 40 cents per ton per month, thus reducing the price to

$52 Cash.

Delivered either at Chestertown, or in Baltimore for any Landing in Kent. When delivered in Baltimore the purchaser allowed $1 towards freight.
sep10-tf. T. W. ELIASON & SON.

The Kent News.

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

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VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE
HELD AT PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at private sale either or all of the following Farms, situate in the lower section of Kent co., Maryland.

Tolchester Farm
is beautifully located on the Chesapeake Bay, opposite the mouth of the Patapsco river, and

Contains about Six Hundred Acres
all arable except a few acres of Meadow.

Large Mansion House,
with several small TENANT HOUSES, with good Out-Buildings; Large APPLE, PEACH AND PEAR ORCHARDS, in bearing. The farm is divided into six fields and two lots, all well watered and in a good state of cultivation.

OYSTERS.—Thousands of bushels of Oysters in beds, are located along the water front of this farm, within two hundred yards of the shore, and the best Fishing Grounds on the Bay, are located adjacent.

Rees' Corner,
Contains 340 ACRES,
Is well situated and believed to be the BEST LOCATION FOR BUSINESS IN KENT CO.

Large Brick Dwelling
AND BRICK
Store House,

Blacksmith Shop and Wheelwright Shop, with Dwellings for the use of the same. There are also SEVERAL OTHER DWELLING HOUSES under rent, the annual rent of which amounts to seven hundred dollars. Churches, Schools and Mills, all within a mile of the Store house. There are TWO PEACH ORCHARDS of 1000 Trees each. Out-Buildings in good order and ample for the use of the Farm. Land good.

This to an energetic person is one of the most desirable locations in the State of Maryland.

DALE FARM.
This Farm is well located near the waters of Swan Creek, and

Contains about 276 Acres of Land,
About forty Acres in WOOD, with Chestnut Timber sufficient for the farm. DWELLING and Out-Buildings in fair order. The farm is divided into four fields and two lots. Land in fair state of cultivation, and has all been limed within the last two years. This farm is very convenient for Schools, and one of the best Points for shipping grain or the delivery of lime is within one and a half miles of the farm.

PAGE'S POINT,
Is a shipping point, located on Swann Creek, and is a desirable location, either for a residence or a business point. The grounds contain about TEN ACRES, and there is a LARGE BRICK DWELLING HOUSE in excellent order, containing ten rooms and cellar, with ample Out-Buildings. Also a neat Frame Dwelling of four rooms, in nice order, with Granary and Wharf somewhat out of repair. There is also located TEN ACRES OF OYSTER BEDDING GROUND in the waters contiguous to the shore, and said to be the best planting ground on the Creek. Oysters in abundance and of fine quality; also fish, crabs, &c., in season.

For further particulars, terms, &c., consult my Attorney, RICHARD HYNSON, Esq., Chestertown, Maryland.
je4-tf. ABEL J. REES.

HOUSE AND LAND FOR SALE.
THE subscriber offers at private sale his HOUSE AND LAND at Smithville. The House is a two-story Frame, with three rooms and Kitchen below and four rooms above. There are about

Eight Acres of Land,
divided into three Lots, under good fencing. One lot in Peach Trees in full bearing.

For particulars enquire of the undersigned, or at the Kent News office.
apr30-tf. SAMUEL L. USILTON.

Dwelling House on High St.,
FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, or for rent for the present year, the DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, occupied the past year by Mr. E. T. Willis. The house is very eligibly located near the river, and in a very desirable neighborhood. There is a fine Garden, and a Pump of good drinking water in the yard.

The terms will be made accommodating.
jan8-tf. J. W. HINES.

HO! FOR THE CHEAP STORE! UP TOWN!
WM. C. A. THOMPSON,

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public that he is still in the

Grocery & Provision business,
and is prepared to furnish them with all such at the very lowest figure. He has on hand and for sale a choice selection of the above goods, consisting in part of

Flour,	Bacon,	Buckets,
Sugars,	Lard,	Brooms,
Coffees,	Butter,	Powder & Shot,
Teas,	Eggs,	Tobacco & Segars
Spices,	Molasses,	Snuff, Pipes,
Soaps,	Vinegar,	Yeast Powders,
Candies,	Oil,	Notions,

and a great many other articles too numerous to mention.

BABBIT'S SOAP, one bar warranted to make three gallons soft soap. Kitchen Crystal Soap, for cleaning Tins and Paints.

Tonic Beer and Mineral Water for sale.

My motto is—Not to be undersold.

All kinds of Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

Thankful for patronage heretofore extended and with a determination to please I ask a continuance of the same.

I buy for cash and sell for cash ONLY.
aug27. WM. C. A. THOMPSON.

TO FRUIT GROWERS!
WORDEN & EVANS call attention to their superior PEACH and BERRY BASKETS and CRATES, which they are manufacturing, and which cannot be surpassed in the market. Call and examine them at the Smyrna Steam Saw Mill and Machine works. Address WORDEN & EVANS,
July 2, 1870—tf. Smyrna, Del.

PEOPLE'S POPULAR STORE.
CHEAP GOODS to be had at VICKERS'.

Call and examine before purchasing, and be convinced.

We would be pleased if our friends would call and settle their accounts now due. We need money to meet our obligations at this particular time. Respectfully,
sep3. WM. A. VICKERS.

TURNER'S AXES and POST AUGERS, for sale at low prices by L. S. FOWLER.

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

TUESDAY,
THE TWENTY-FIFTH OF OCTOBER, 1870,

at eleven o'clock, A. M., at the Hotel porch of Mr. Samuel V. Farson (the Voshell House,) in Chestertown,

PART OF A TRACT OR TRACTS OF LAND lying in Kent co., called

"Cornwhitton" and "Chester Grove,"
CONTAINING
92 Acres, 3 Roods & 22 Perches
OF LAND, More or Less,

and which is particularly described in a Deed from Moses Lambson to Jeremiah N. Moffett, in a Mortgage Deed from the latter to the former, and at present constituting a part of the Farm on which Jeremiah N. Moffett resides. The land is under fencing, and lies between other lands of Moses Lambson and the other portion of the farm occupied by Mr. J. N. Moffett. A part is in WOOD.

The land is supposed to be productive and valuable. It lies near the land of Mr. R. F. Moffett, Mr. Lambson, and others, within a few miles of Millington, and within a short distance of two railroads.

Mr. Moffett will shew the premises to any one who may call to examine it.

THE TERMS OF SALE are cash, or on such credit as Mr. Lambson may allow. As Mr. L is desirous that the land shall bring a fair price, he will no doubt modify the terms to suit a purchaser.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.
Chestertown, Oct. 1, 1870—ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.
BY Virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at Public Sale, on

MONDAY, the 17th of October, 1870

at three o'clock, P. M., at the Voshell House in Chestertown,

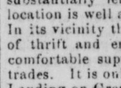
All that LOT or PARCEL OF LAND,

situate, lying and being in Kent co., Maryland, at or near the junction of the Rock Hall road with the public road from Chestertown to Eastern Neck, adjoining the property of Samuel G. Copper and others; it being the property lately owned by Samuel Conway.

It Contains about 7 Acres of Land,

substantially fenced and improved; and the location is well adapted to Merchandising, &c. In its vicinity there is a dense population, full of thrift and enterprise, realizing an annual comfortable support from the fish and oyster trades. It is only a mile from the Steamboat Landing on Grey's Inn Creek.

The Improvements
ARE A
FRAME DWELLING,



STORE HOUSE, Blacksmith Shop and Tenant House, in good order,

and a Well of most excellent Water near the Dwelling. The soil is well adapted to Truck and Fruit.

THE TERMS OF SALE, as prescribed by the Decree, are—Eight hundred dollars cash on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof, at the option of the Trustee; the residue in twelve months from the day of sale, to be secured by the note or bond of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustee, bearing interest from the day of sale.

R. HYNSON, Trustee.
Chestertown, Sept. 24—ts.

THE BARGAINS
AT
B. B. PERKINS & SON'S
ARE NOT ALL SOLD YET!

We shall continue to sell at COST until the

First of October.

Such goods as we have we are selling very much below the usual prices. Come and see.
Sept. 17, 1870—tf.

LOTS OF CHEAP GOODS.
A. W. SPARKS has this Saturday morning commenced to run of his entire stock of goods at such prices as he can get. He has no standing price, and will take anything in reason His stock consists in part of Black Clothes, Cassimeres, Boots and Shoes, Hats & Caps will be sold almost for nothing, Ladies Dress Goods, shawls, Ready Made Vests, Sheets, &c. Flannels, Linsey, Domestics, Muslins, a lot of Cambrics, Alpacas, lot of Remnants, &c.
September 24, 1870—3t.

HYACINTHS, TULIPS, CROCUS,
And other Dutch Flower Bulbs.

MY ANNUAL IMPORTATION
OF
DUTCH BULBS
HAS ARRIVED IN SPLENDID ORDER,

and I offer them at reasonable prices. These bulbs should be planted from Sept. 15th to Nov. 15th, in order to have a good bloom in the Spring. Orders by mail, with the cash, will receive prompt attention.
sep17-tf. W. F. MASSEY.

BOWEN & MERCER'S
SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME!
WE invite the attention of FARMERS to the above FERTILIZER.

It is very highly recommended in the localities where it has been used.
sep17-tf. T. W. ELIASON & SON.

100,000 No. 1 Peach Trees FOR SALE.

All leading varieties, one year old, from Bud perfectly healthy and worked on seedling stock. For circulars and trade list inquire of
H. PULLEN,
sep24-1m. Hightstown, New Jersey.

FOR SALE,
75,000 Very Large and Healthy Peach Trees, embracing all the best varieties, new and old. E. R. COCHRAN,
Middletown, Delaware.

N. B.—Persons desirous of buying trees are invited to call and examine my stock.
Sept. 24, 1870—tf.

WALL BRUSHES, Shoe Brushes, Buckets, Tin Cups, Tin Plates, common Knives and Forks, com. Tea and Table Spoons, com. and good Plates and Cups and Saucers, Bowls, &c., and a general assortment of Queensware, for sale at low prices, by
je25. L. S. FOWLER.

CAUTION TO GUNNERS & OTHERS.
CAUTION.—All persons, black and white, are hereby cautioned from crossing or gunning upon my property, after this date, under the penalty of the law.
oc8 3t* JOS. C. MANN.

CAUTION.—I hereby forewarn all persons, under penalty of the law, from trespassing upon my farm with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date.
oc8-3t. JOHN T. DODD.

Notice to Trespassers.—All persons are cautioned, under penalty of the law, against trespassing on my premises with dog or gun, or crossing my grain fields.
JOHN WILSON,
oc8-3t* Still Pond.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forbid, under the penalty of the law, from trespassing with dog or gun, or in any other way, on the property owned by me. The law will be strictly enforced
oc8-3t. DAVID C. BLACKISTON.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forbid, under the penalty of the law, from trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned, with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date.
A. T. THOMAS,
oc8-3t. Broad Neck.

CAUTION.—All persons are cautioned against trespassing on the farm of the subscriber with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced.
Sept. 24—3t. J. W. IVENS.

CAUTION.—All persons, whether white or black, are hereby cautioned, under penalty of the law, against trespassing upon or crossing the premises of the subscriber, for the purpose of gunning or otherwise. Foxhunters are excepted. THOS. LUSBY,
oc1-3t. Quaker Neck.

NOTICE.—I hereby forewarn all persons, irrespective of color, from trespassing upon my land—enclosed, or that which is not enclosed—with gun, dog, or in any other manner. I particularly forbid the taking of Wood and other articles from off my land. I shall enforce the law against all offenders.
P. T. SIMMONDS,
Sept. 24—3t. Quaker Neck.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby notified and forewarned that they must not trespass on nor cross our farms, with dog or gun, for the purpose of hunting, or for any other purpose, after this date.
A. W. MELVIN,
Sept. 24—3t* JOHN F. MELVIN.

CAUTION.—All persons, and especially R. P. Stewart, are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the "Ward Oak Farm," on which I now reside, with dog, gun or otherwise, from this date. The law will be enforced against all trespassers.
Sept 24—3t* JOHN T. BRAMBLE.

Notice to Trespassers.—All persons are forbid trespassing, with dog, gun, cattle, horses, hogs, or anything else, on any of my property in or near Chestertown, particularly my Chambers Lot. Parties disregarding this notice will be prepared of course to take consequences, which will be summary, as I have suffered to an extent from trespassers that will not be submitted to any longer.
JOHN N. DENNING.
Chestertown, Oct. 1, 1870—2t*

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the premises of either of the undersigned with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders
EDWARD PLUMMER,
WM. K. COPPER,
oc8-3t. WM. V. LUCAS.

CAUTION TO GUNNERS.
All persons are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon the lands of the undersigned with dog or gun after this date.

J. H. HOSSINGER,	F. STEWART,
M. H. RASH,	J. A. TOULSON,
J. D. BOYD,	D. McKEE,
JULIA A. HUNT.	oc8-3t

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forewarned, under penalty of the law, against trespassing on the premises of the undersigned with dog or gun after this date.

WM. A. KENNEDY,	G. W. JONES,
WM. WELCH,	P. F. RASIN,
SAM'L A. MERRITT,	WM. F. ROEDER,
R. J. BOULDEN,	HENRY CULP,
JOHN R. LUSBY,	A. MEDDERS.
JOHN PROCTOR,	JOS. J. HOWARD,
JACOB SUTTON,	L. C. JUSTIS.
ROB'T E. WALLIS,	oc8-3t*

CAUTION!
All persons are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon the lands of the undersigned with dog or gun, after this date, under penalty of the law.
GEORGE R. PARROTT,
THOMAS RASIN, JR.,
JOHN F. BEEKS,
MARY A. E. HEPBRON,
JOSEPH CLINTON,
JOSEPH W. PRICE,
LEWIS S. HEPBRON.
Still Pond, Oct. 1—3t.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forbid, under penalty of the law, from trespassing with dog or gun, on the property owned or occupied by the subscribers.
EDWARD WILKINS,
E. M. WILKINS,
JOHN W. LOUD,
oc1-3t* ROBERT S. EMORY.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned, in Worton, with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date. All such will be prosecuted.
ISAAC PARSONS,
WM. T. ANDERSON,
P. O. HUTCHINS,
sep24-5t.* H. I. PARSONS.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all disregarding this notice.
H. W. CARVILL,
JOHN LUSBY,
JOSIAS RINGGOLD, SR.,
LEMUEL STEVENS,
RICHARD JONES,
BENJAMIN F. BECK, JR.,
WILLIAM FORD,
JOSHUA COPPER,
JOSIAS RINGGOLD, JR.
JOSIAH LUSBY,
VICTOR HENDRICKSON.
Oct. 8, 1870—3t*

TO RENT,
At Harmony, Kent county, Md., for the ensuing year,
A NEW DWELLING HOUSE AND STORE. Also, Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shops, and Dwellings with them if required. It is a good business stand on the Cross Roads. Apply to
sep10-3m* WM. ARCHIBALD.

NOTICE.—The Notes given at the sale of the Personal Property of Henry C. Rile, dec'd, were due on the 23rd instant, and all other persons owing the estate must make payment by the 10th of October, or I shall proceed to collect according to law.
TILGHMAN SHAFER,
sep24-tf. Adm'r.

Science vs. Luck.
BY MARK TWAIN.

At that time, in Kentucky (said the Hon. Mr. Knott, M. C.) the law was very strict against what is termed "games of chance." About a dozen of the boys were detected playing "seven up," or "old sledge," for money, and the Grand Jury found a true bill against them. Jim Sturgis was retained to defend them when the case came up, of course: The more he studied over the matter and looked into the evidence, the plainer it was that he must lose a case at last—there was no getting around that painful fact. Those boys had certainly been betting money on a game of chance. Even public sympathy was roused in behalf of Sturgis. People said it was a pity to see him mar his successful career with a big prominent case like this, which must go against him.

But after several restless nights an inspired idea flashed upon Sturgis, and he sprang out of bed delighted. He thought he saw his way through. The next day he whispered around a little among his clients and a few friends, and then when the case came up in court he acknowledged the seven-up and the betting, and as his sole defence had the astounding effrontery to put in the plea that old sledge is not a game of chance! There was the broadest sort of a smile all over the faces of that unsophisticated audience. The Judge smiled with the rest. But Sturgis maintained a countenance whose earnestness was almost severe. The opposite counsel tried to ridicule him out of his position, and did not succeed. The Judge jested in a ponderous judicial way about the thing, but did not move him. The matter was becoming grave. The Judge lost a little of his patience, and said the joke had gone far enough. Jim Sturgis said he knew of no joke in the matter—his clients could not be punished for indulging in what some people chose to consider a game of chance, until it was proven that it was a game of chance. Judge and counsel said that would be an easy matter, and forthwith called Deacons Job, Peters, Burke and Johnson, and Dominies Wirt and Miggles to testify, and they unanimously and with strong feeling put down the legal quibble of Sturgis, by pronouncing that old sledge *was* a game of chance.

"What do you call it *now?*" said the Judge.

"I call it a game of science!" retorted Sturgis, "and I'll prove it too!"

They saw his little game.

He brought in a crowd of witnessés, and produced an overwhelming mass of testimony, to show that old sledge was not a game of chance, but a game of science.

Instead of being the simplest case in the world, it had somehow turned out to be an excessively knotty one. The Judge scratched his head over it awhile, and said there was no way of coming to a determination, because just as many men could be brought into court who would testify on one side as could be found to testify on the other. But he said he was willing to do the fair thing by all parties, and would act upon any suggestion Mr. Sturgis would make for the solution of the difficulty.

Mr. Sturgis was on his feet in a second: "Impanel a jury of six of each, Luck vs. Science—give them candles and a couple of decks of cards, send them into the jury room, and just abide by the result!"

There was no disputing the fairness of the proposition. The four deacons and the two dominies were sworn in as the "chance" jurymen, and six inveterate old seven-up professors were chosen to represent the "science" side of the issue. They retired to the jury room.

In about two hours Deacon Peters sent into court to borrow three dollars from a friend. [Sensation.] In about two hours more Dominie Miggles sent into court to borrow a "stake" from a friend. [Sensation.] During the next three or four hours the other dominie and the other deacons sent into court for small loans. And still the packed audience waited, for it was a prodigious occasion in Bull's Corners, and one in which every father of a family was necessarily interested.

The rest of the story can be told briefly. About daylight the jury came in, and Deacon Job, the foreman, read the following

VERDICT.

We, the jury in the case of the Commonwealth of Kentucky *vs.* John Wheeler *et al.*, have carefully considered the points of the case, and tested the merits of the several theories advanced, and do hereby unanimously decide that the game commonly known as old sledge or seven-up is eminently a game of science and not of chance. In demonstration whereof it is hereby and herein stated, iterated, reiterated, set forth and made manifest that, during the entire night, the "chance" men never won a game or turned a jack, although both feats were common and frequent to the opposition; and furthermore, in support of this our verdict, we call attention to the significant fact that the "chance" men are all busted, and the "science" men have got the money. It is the deliberate opinion of this jury that the "chance" theory concerning seven-up is a pernicious doctrine, and calculated to inflict untold sufferings and pecuniary loss upon any community taking stock in it."

"That is the way that seven-up came to be set apart and particularized in the Statute books of Kentucky as being a game not of chance but of science, and therefore not punishable under the law," said Mr. Knott. "That verdict is of record and holds good to this day."

AN Assistant United States Marshal in Louisville, in taking the census, asked a colored woman what personal property she possessed, to which she replied, "Nothin' but dese t'ree chillen yere, an' day an't wuff much since de 'mancipation.

The Horrors of War.
The correspondent of the *London Times*, in his account of the recent battle of Forbach, gives this picture of the flight of the villagers. It may assuredly be read with profit in the families of those who dwell at home at ease:

"When we had reached the summit of the heights, and were actually out of immediate danger of the Prussian shot and shell—when, in fact, the poor people could think of something beyond the instant peril of life and limb—they seemed suddenly to realize the entire ruin which had fallen upon them; they also began to think of their families and friends who were all scattered, flying in desperation through the deep woods, where the darkness was deepening with the falling night. Such scenes of anguish and misery I never saw before, and hope never again to see. Mothers who had lost their children seeking for them with frantic cries and gesticulations—old tottering men and women stumbling feebly along, laden with some of their poor household goods, silent with the silent grief of age—little children, only half conscious of what all these things meant, tripping along, often leading some household pet, and seeking for some friendly hand to guide them—husbands supporting their wives, carrying their little ones (sometimes two or three) on their shoulders, and encouraging the little family group with brave and tender words—the woods ringing with shrieks and lamentations, with prayers to the Saviour and the Virgin. It is impossible to describe in language the sadness and the pathos of that most mournful exodus. If all the world could only catch a glimpse of such a scene, I will venture to say that war would become impossible; that fierce national pride, those Quixotic notions of honor, and the hot ambitions of kings and emperors and statesmen, would be forever curbed by the remembrance of all the pity and the desolation of the spectacle."

RIGHT AND LEFT.—An interesting article appears in a scientific magazine on the preference of the human race for the use of the right hand. The different theories to account for this well admitted fact are examined, and it is shown that all fail to explain the superior strength of the right side of the human body. One theory is based upon the anatomical arrangement of the arteries from the arch of the aorta, and certain experiments and examinations, it is alleged, show conclusively the connection between the arteries and the arms and hands. But it is objected that this explanation does not account for the more frequent use of the right leg, the right eye, and perhaps also the right ear. Another theory is, that the greater efficiency of the right side depends on the larger development of the left half of the brain, but the facts do not support all the phenomena. Again it is advanced that the use of the right hand is entirely a matter of education; but it is asserted that it is not uncommon to see a child belonging to a right-handed family become most perversely left-handed, notwithstanding its earliest motions have been carefully watched and directed. Another curious fact has been discovered, that while the sense of touch is most developed on the right side, the sense of temperature and the sense of weight, very nearly allied to the muscular sense, are more acute on the left. On surveying the whole ground the writer arrives at the conclusion that we shall probably never know the nature and origin of the impulse to use the right side of the body in preference to the left, and why such impulse is occasionally inverted.

AT NIGHT.—Here is one of Thackery's pleasant touches:

"It is night now; and here is home.—Gathered under the quiet roof, elders and children lie alike at rest. In the midst of a great peace and calm, the stars look out from the heavens. The silence is peopled with the past; sorrowful remorses for sins and shortcomings, memories of passionate joys and griefs rise out of their graves, but now alike calm and sad.—Eyes, as I shut mine, look at me that have long ceased to shine. The town and fair landscape sleep under the starlight wreathed in the autumn mists. Twinkling among the houses, a light keeps watch, here and there, in what may be a sick chamber or two. The clock tolls sweetly in the silent air. Here is night at rest. An awful sense of thanks makes the heart swell, and the head bow, as I pass to my room through the sleeping house, and feel as though a hushed blessing was upon it.

SCOLDING.—Of all the disagreeable habits the world was ever tormented with, scolding is the most annoying. To hear a saw filed, to hear a steamboat whistle, to hear an ass bray, to hear a peacock scream, or an Indian yell is music compared with it. Since we were a little child we have always felt a mortal abhorrence to scolding. And had we been scolded as some children are, we know not that we should ever have been good for anything. Our sensitive spirit would have been rebelled, and wrought itself into a hateful discordant thing. It is no wonder many children are bad. They are stunted or killed by early frosts of cold, icy scolding. What a frost is to the spring buds, is scolding to all the best in the child heart. Scolding folks at home! How miserable! Lightning, thunder, hail, storm and winds, let them all come, rather than hurricanes of scolding. Let all the powers that be, wage a war of kindness on all the scolders, that they may be overcome with a better spirit.

YOUNG Lady Physicians are multiplying rapidly throughout the country, and consequently the young men are decidedly more sickly than they used to be.

Josh Billings on Marriage.
Sum marry bekauze thay have been histed sum whare else; this iz a cross match, a bay and a sorrel; pride may make it endurable.

Sum marry for love without a cent in their pocket, nor a friend in the world, nor a drop of pedigree. This looks desperate *but it is the strength ov the game.*

Sum marry bekause they think wimmin will be scarce next year, and live to wonder how the crop holds out.

Sum marry tew get rid of themselves, and discover that the game was one that two could play at, and neither win.

Sum marry the second time to get even, and find it a gambling game, the more they put down the less they take up.

Sum marry, they can't tell why, and live, they can't tell how.

Almost every body gets married, and it is a good joke.

Sum marry in haist, and then set down and think it careful over.

Some think it over careful fust, and then sit down and marry.

Both wais is right if tha hit the mark.

Sum marry rakes to konvert them; this is a little riskey, and takes a smart missionary to do it.

Sum marry coquetts. This iz like buying a poor farm, heavily mortgaged, and working the ballance ov youre days to clear oph the mortgage.

But, after all, married life iz full az certin as the dry goods bizness.

No man can swear exactly whare he'll fetch up when he touches calico.

Kno man can tell jist what calico has made up its mind tew do next.

Calico don't know even herself.

Dry goods ov all kinds iz the child ov circumstancis.

The man who stands on the bank shivering, is more apt to ketch cold than him who pitches hiz hed fust into the river.

Marriage iz a safe way tew gamble—if yu win, yu win a pile, and if yu loze, yu don't loze enny thing, only the privilege of living dismally alone, and soaking your own feet.

HOW SCHOLARS ARE MADE.—Costly apparatus and splendid cabinets have no magical power to make scholars. In all circumstances, as a man is, under God, the master of his own fortune, so he is master of his own mind. The Creator has so constituted the human intellect that it can only grow by its own action and free will, it will certainly and necessarily grow. Every man must, therefore, educate himself. His book and teacher are but helps; the work is his. A man is not educated until he has the ability to summon, in an emergency, all his mental powers in vigorous exercise to effect his proposed object. It is not the man who has seen the most, or read most, who can do this; such a one is in danger of being borne down like a beast of burden, by an overloaded mass of other men's thoughts. Nor is it the man who can boast of native vigor and capacity. The greatest of all warriors in the siege of Troy, had preeminence because self-discipline had taught him how to use his bow.—*Dan. Webster.*

THE ALLEGED WEALTH OF THE EMPEROR NAPOLEON.—Unless we are misinformed, the Emperor Napoleon, who has been the chief of the French state for nearly twenty-two years, and its almost absolute master for nearly eighteen, retains no property but a small cottage which came to him from his mother. Call it rashness, call it overweening confidence, or call it a generous carelessness, it is proved by the event that he did not devote his reign to the accumulation of money.—Whatever he has received from France he has spent in the country, in accordance with the social system established with the empire.—*London Times.*

STIMULATING COURAGE.—Rewards for special acts of courage are advertised in the German papers. One paper has a list of these prizes which extends through several columns. The rewards comprise recompense in money, amounting in some cases to many thousands of thalers, besides gold medals, rifles, gold watches, carriages, thousands of bottles of wine and innumerable other articles.

IMMIGRATION FROM GERMANY.—Immigration to this country from Germany has not been materially checked by the European war, as it was greatly feared would prove the case. The arrivals at New York for the week ending last Saturday were twice as great as for any week during the last two months, and the total arrivals for August last were only 1,886 less than for the corresponding period of last year.

GOOD PLACE FOR NEWSPAPERS.—Pittsburg is probably better supplied with newspapers than any other city in the Union of the same population. It supports seven daily English papers, four Sunday papers, five religious weeklies, one commercial weekly, two monthly publications, and one or two advertising sheets. Of the German press there are three dailies, and two or three weeklies—making in all twenty-six publications in the city.

POKE berries will cure the rheumatism. Put the berries in gin, in the proportion of two ounces to the pint. Take a tablespoonful three times a day. This simple remedy has effected some very remarkable cures. If gin is not convenient, whiskey will do. The tincture must be taken for several weeks, or until its beneficial effects are felt.

MASONIC PEN.—The Rondout *Courier* gets the following story from a telegraph operator in that village: "Make room for ten Royal Arch-Masons. Coming to-day." When the companions arrived they found a pen had been built for their accommodation, the telegraph at its destination reading, "Make room for ten R A M's. Coming to-day."

A GOOD old lady who improved every opportunity to teach by precept and example, once remarked at a prayer meeting—"My friends, as I come along I saw a cow a switching of her tail, in this wicked world of strife she was peaceful and contented a switching of her tail, and I said to myself—Go thou and do likewise."

A Cincinnati chambermaid sold her four-foot hair for $150, went on a drunk, got arrested, spent all her money, and has gone back to her work to raise another crop of hair. That was the second crop she had harvested from the same field in three years.