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CHESTERTOWN.

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A CARD.

GEORGE VICKERS & H. W. VICKERS

Have united under the title of GEORGE VICKERS & SON, for the practice of the Law in Kent and Queen Anne's Counties.

Chestertown, July 1, 1871. j15-3m

PAINTING!

C. H. DAVIS & BRO., are prepared to do all kinds of PAINTING in the best manner, and on reasonable terms. ☞ Orders respectfully solicited.

Chestertown, July 29—3m.

TAX NOTICE.

THE TAXES for the year 1871, for the 2nd Election District, are now due, and I am prepared to receive them. Prompt attention to this matter upon the part of Tax-Payers will save them expense and myself much trouble. I can be found at any time at my place of business in Kennedyville.

aug26-tf. C. W. WARREN.

Hines & Burchinal

ARE AGENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING WELL KNOWN PHOSPHATES:

WATSON & CLARK'S
SUPER PHOSPHATE.
TURNER'S EXCELSIOR,
WHITELOCK'S VEGETATOR,
J. S. REESE & CO.'S PACIFIC GUANO,
EUREKA, (Original,)
MORO PHILLIPS'
B. M. RHODES & CO.,

And several kinds of PURE GROUND BONE, either for Drilling or sowing broad cast.

☞ Phosphates having declined

HINES & BURCHINAL

Are offering Special Inducements, either for Cash or on Time.

Sept. 2—2m.

BURNS & SLOAN,

132 Light Street Wharf,

BALTIMORE, MD.,

Building Lumber

LATHS AND SHINGLES,

FENCING AND PALES,

ASH, OAK & WALNUT,

DOORS, SASH AND BLINDS,

AT LOWEST PRICES.

WASHINGTON A. PAGE,
DEALER IN
LUMBER,
SHINGLES, LATHS, PICKETS, DRESS FLOORING, JOIST, GIRDERS AND SILL STUFF

Of all sizes, constantly on hand, or cut to order, at the shortest notice.

LEE STREET, near Light st. Whf.,
o22y. *BALTIMORE.*

MERCHANT TAILORS.

HAVING recently refitted Store No. 10, Light Street, Baltimore, and having supplied it with an

ENTIRE NEW STOCK OF GOODS
FOR GENTLEMEN'S WEAR,

it will afford us pleasure to have the public call and examine them.

Our Staple CLOTHS, DOESKINS and SUITINGS are superior, and our FANCY CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, &c., are of the latest novelties in design and style.

OUR SYSTEM OF CUTTING is by actual measurement, and the fit of all Garments is guaranteed. Prices moderate. Terms cash.

P. WEIKEL & CO.,
feb4y. No. 10 Light Street, Baltimore.

CARPETS AND OIL CLOTHS.

THOMAS DEPUY,
37 SOUTH SECOND ST.,
Above *Chestnut, East Side,*
PHILADELPHIA,

Would call the attention of those wishing to purchase *Carpetings*, to his large and choice line of Foreign and Domestic, both in relation to qualities as well as styles. Also, *Oil Cloths, Mattings, Rugs, Mats, Stair Rods, &c., at the lowest cash prices.*

N. B.—Mr. J. Stewart Depuy is not at 253 S. 2d St., but is with *Thomas Depuy.*

Sept. 16, 1871—3m.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

ALL persons are hereby forbidden from trespassing on the grounds of the KENT CO. RAILROAD, for the purpose of moving dirt therefrom, as they subject themselves to a prosecution. Great damage has already accrued to the Road from such trespassing, and in the future it will not be allowed.

aug19-2m. JESSE K. HINES, Sup't.

SAVE YOUR MONEY.

There is no class or remedial agent so extensively or so justly used as MEDICATED PLASTERS; the timely use of one of Alcock's or Wells' STRENGTHENING PLASTERS, will prevent much suffering and sickness, especially if predisposed to weak lungs, or any affection of the Chest or Back. They afford great relief in Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, &c. For sale at

jan9-tf. WICKES' DRUG STORE.

GENUINE EXTRACTS for FLAVORING,
—such as—
VANILLA, LEMON, ALMOND,
AND OTHER EXTRACTS.
For sale at WICKES' DRUG STORE.

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NOTICE.

I would respectfully inform my friends and the public in general, that I have opened a fine assortment of

Drugs and Medicines,

to which I beg leave to call their particular attention. I am dealing with a first class house and shall endeavor to keep none but goods of the VERY BEST QUALITY.

Physicians and all others interested may rely upon having their prescriptions and orders accurately filled with FRESH and PURE MEDICINES, at prices lower than they have previously paid in this place. Prescriptions carefully compounded day and night, and all packages plainly and properly marked.

Also the principal Patent Medicines in use.

I hope by careful attention to business, and fair and honest dealing with my customers, to merit and receive a liberal share of their patronage. JOSEPH E. WEER,

oc14-tf Kennedyville, Md.

☞ *READ THIS.* ☜

New Goods! New Prices!

JAMES B. SAPPINGTON,

HAS just returned from the city, and has opened a full assortment of Fall Goods, which were selected with care from the best houses in the city. My stock of

Muslins, Calicoes, Canton Flannels,

Red & white Flannels, Bed Tickings, Shirtings, Domestic, Ginghams, Linsies, Kerseys and Sattinets, are unsurpassed in quality and economy of prices.

A FULL LINE OF GROCERIES,

Sugars, of all grades, sold as low as can be bought in the Baltimore market.

Prime Rio Coffee, green and roasted;
Fine Teas, green and black;
Molasses and Syrups, cheapest in town.

Notions of all kinds.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hose, Men's half Hose, Suspenders, &c., Men's Undershirts and Drawers, all qualities and prices. Violin Strings, screws, cruppers and bridges.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes, Men's, Boys' and Childrens' Boots and Shoes.

CROCKERY.

Plates, Cups and Saucers, Cream Pitchers, Sugar Dishes, Bowls, Vegetable Dishes, &c., will be sold very low.

Tobacco and Cigars

of all qualities and prices. Garrett's Scotch snuff and Rappee Snuff.

Pure Cider VINEGAR.

Salt Fish, Mackerel and Labrador Herring. Powder and Shot, E B Gun Caps, Philadelphia Concentrated Lye, "Fisher's" Washing Chrystal, Soaps of all kinds, Rumford's Yeast Powders, Bacon, Flour, Lard, Cheese, Spelling Books, Copy Books, Letter writers, Slates, Ink, Ready reckoners, paper, etc. Castor Oil, Bateman's Drops, Pain Killer, Vermifuge and Wright's Pills. Essences of all kinds, Spices, Laudanum, and, in fact, if you want *any thing* come direct to

SAPPINGTON'S,

and you will save time, trouble and money.

I respectfully solicit an examination of my goods and prices. I will pay the cash or goods for all kinds of Country Produce.

☞ Store on Cross St., opposite G. E. Lambert's Coach Factory.

sep30-tf. JAS. B. SAPPINGTON.

Watches, Clocks, Spectacles
&c., &c.
JUST RECEIVED AT
W. G. RUSSELL'S,
FROM NEW YORK,

A large and well selected stock of **Watches, Clocks and Spectacles,** which will be sold *fifty per cent. cheaper* than can be bought on the Shore.

He is also prepared to do any and all kinds of Repairs on Watches, Clocks or Jewelry at short notice, and much cheaper than can be done in the State. *All work guaranted for one year.* Satisfaction given or money refunded

☞ Ask for W. G. RUSSELL, adjoining T. W. Kliason, Jr. sep30-3m.

Cucumber Wood Pumps!

EDWARD CARTY, Agent,

WOULD announce that, in addition to his usual line of business, he has on hand and is prepared to put in, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms, the celebrated Cucumber Wood Pumps, manufactured by Wilson & Walton, Wilmington, Del.

All orders will receive prompt attention.

s30-6t. EDW. CARTY, Chestertown.

Crumpton Saw Mill.

WM. BOWKER,

IS prepared to do SAWING OF ALL KINDS at short notice, and the lowest rates

The Mill is near the Wharf of the Chester River Steamboat Co., Crumpton, Md.

Sept. 9, 1871—6m*

COAL! COAL!

ALL persons who wish to lay in their coal at a reduced price can do so by leaving their orders with J. T. TWILLEY or F. ALDRIDGE, which will be filled at a small advance for the cash. 2240 pounds a ton sep2 2m

NOTICE.—All persons, black and white, are warned against crossing or gunning on any of my property, after this date, as I will prosecute to the full extent of the law all who disregard this notice.

sep30-2m. J. C. MANN.

TO RENT.

For the ensuing year, THE STORE HOUSE and DWELLING on Main Street, now occupied by E. Rylaud. To a good tenant it will be rented low.

Apply to W. J. VANNORT

Sept. 23, 1871—tf.

FOR RENT, for the year 1871, the DWELLING HOUSE on Cross street, in Chestertown, recently occupied by William Cannon. For terms, apply to

WM. VANNORT.

n19-tf

C. F. STAM & BRO.,
APOTHECARIES,

Cor. High and Court Sts., Chestertown, Md.

Have just received a large lot of

WINDOW GLASS,

of all sizes, which they are selling very cheap.

Sept. 30, 1871.

PURE SPICE.—Ginger, Cloves, Cinnamon, Mace, Allspice, Nutmegs, Sage, Mustard, Black and Red Pepper—all can be obtained, ground, at

jan7tf. WICKES' DRUG STORE.

NATURAL MINERAL WATER
FOR THE DEBILITATED.
VICHY, KISSENGEN, CONGRESS
and other Waters, for sale at
WICKES' DRUG STORE

PURE CIDER VINEGAR
for sale by
Sept. 9. MRS. A. M. SMITH.

ARE you in want of NECK TIES, call at S. Merritt & Co's., where you will find a full line of Black Ties and Bows; fancy Ties and Bows; and Scarfs, all of the latest styles.

A FULL assortment of UNDERSHIRTS and DRAWERS, Merino, all wool, Cotton, and Red Flannel; also Colored over Shirts, very handsome, and Hickery Shirts can be found at S. MERRITT & CO'S.

CAUTION NOTICES.

NOTICE.—No person will be allowed to sport on the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun, boat, seine, or otherwise, after this date. I will enforce the law against all offenders. ROBERT H. ROUSE,

oc21-3t* Poplar Neck.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby notified not to trespass on the Farm and premises now occupied by the subscriber, with gun or dog, after this date, under penalty of the law.

oc21-3t* JOHN A. MILLER.

NOTICE:—All persons are hereby cautioned, under the penalty of the law, from trespassing with dog, gun or otherwise, upon the premises of the undersigned in Shrewsberry Neck. GEORGE BOLTON,

oc21-4t* J. C. POWELL.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the premises of either of the undersigned, with dog or gun, after this date. D. C. BLACKISTON,

oc21-3t. WM. H. FAULKNER.

NOTICE:—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.

oc21-3t. J. L. SMITH.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing with dog, gun or otherwise, upon the premises of the undersigned, after this date.

EDWARD OVERND,

oc21-3t* JAMES SHUSTER.

NOTICE to GUNNERS AND FISHERMEN. All persons are warned not to trespass on my East Neck Island farm. The gunning and fishing shores are for rent.

C. J. B. MITCHELL,

Oct. 21, 1871—3t. Queenstown, Md.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.—All unfeathered bipeds are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon my land, by taking wood, chestnuts or walnuts, or in any other manner—particularly two or three low, sneaking, lying poltroons. P. T. SIMMONDS,

oc21-3t* Quaker Neck.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the premises occupied by either of the undersigned by gunning, hunting or otherwise, after this date.

STEPHEN LECATES,
W. H. LECATES,

oc21-3t. JAMES LECATES.

CAUTION:—All persons are cautioned against trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date, under penalty of the law

JAMES W HURTT,
W. O. SHALLCROSS,
T. J. SHALLCROSS,

oc21-3t. ROBT. COMLY.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date, as the law will be enforced.

CHAS. E. JONES,
ALEX. BOSTIC,
WM. B HARBOURD,
J. T. GALE,
J. Z. CLARK,
THOS. RASIN, Jr.,
SAMUEL COOPER.

oc21-3t.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.—All persons are hereby cautioned from trespassing with dog, gun or otherwise on the premises owned or occupied by the undersigned.

ROBERT H. LOUD,
S. SPARKLIN,
EMELINE BIDDLE,
JOS. H. HOSSINGER,
J. A. TOULSON,
THOS. A. HUDSON.

oc21-3t

CAUTION:—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing, with dog, gun or otherwise, upon the premises of either of the undersigned after this date. The law will be enforced against all trespassers.

ISAAC PARSONS,
P. O. HUTCHINS,
W. T. ANDERSON,
H. I. PARSONS,
S. P. PEARSON,
WM. V. LUCAS,
WM. K. COPPER,

oc21-3t. EDWARD PLUMMER.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing with dog, gun or otherwise, upon the premises of either of the undersigned, after this date. The law will be rigidly enforced.

B. C. CATLIN,
W. N. C. ANDERSON,
GEO. HAZLE,
W. H. HARRISON,
WM. BOWKER,
SARAH E. WELCH,
GEO. WILSON,
JACOB BARKMAN,
W. C. PENNINGTON,
WM. LINDSAY,
JOHN BRYAN.

oc21-4t*

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the premises of either of the undersigned, with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.

THOMAS A. HULME,
THOMAS W. SKIRVEN,
JAS. RANKIN & BRO.,
THOS. H. HAGUE,
WM. H. FRENCH,
WM. C. CROW,
C. W. CROW,
JAMES A. SKIRVEN,
L. A. THOMAS,

Oct. 14—4t* A. B. JUMP.

CAUTION.

All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the premises of either of the undersigned with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.

J. S. HURLOCK,
SAMUEL HURLOCK,
C. S. HURLOCK,
J. J. HURLOCK,
C. L. WALLIS,
MRS. ELLEN SPRY,
JOHN HURLOCK,
WILLIAM T. SPRY.

Oct. 7—4t*

CAUTION.—All persons, black and white are warned against crossing, gunning, or otherwise trespassing on the premises of either of the undersigned, in Queen Anne's county, after this date, as we will prosecute to the full extent of the law all who disregard this notice.

J. F. HALL, ROBT. J. CATLIN,
D. WOODALL, J PRIMROSE,
A. WELCH, S. ROLPH,
JOS S. COSDEN, B. S. FORD,
J. CLEMENTS, T. J TUCKER,
WM. LOLLER, GEO. W. SMITH,
SAM'L LOLLER, JOS. CATLIN,
R. F. MEREDITH, THO. H. HENDRIX,
GEO. H. SNITCHER, SOLOMON SPARKS,
T. Q. PRIMROSE. oc21-4t*

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the premises of the undersigned with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.

oc14-2t. GEO. S. BIDDLE.

NOTICE.—All persons are positively forbidden tresspassing on my farm with dog or gun, on or after this date.

oct5-4t. ANTHONY BELL, Worton.

MILLINERY.

MRS. C. R. FIDDIS, Milliner, has just returned from the city with an assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods

which she is now opening.

A general assortment of

Ladies' FURNISHING GOODS

to which special attention is invited. Call and see her at the old stand. oc14-3t.

FARMERS

And others,

Can have their BROOM CORN made up for 16 cts. per piece. Handles, wire, &c., found. Brush may be left in Chestertown.

Address J. & W. K. JUDEFIND,

oc14eow7t. Edesville, P. O.

SUGAR-CURED HAMS, Smoked Beef, and Flitch, for sale by J. B. SAPPINGTON

The Drunkard's Child.

You ask me why so oft, father,
The tear rolls down my cheek,
And think it strange that I should own
A grief I dare not speak;
But oh, my soul is very sad,
My brain is almost wild;
It breaks my heart to think that I
Am called a drunkard's child.

My playmates shun me now, father,
Or pass me by with scorn,
Because my dress is ragged, and
My shoes are old and torn;
And if I heed them not, "there goes
The drunkard's girl," they cry;
Oh then, how much I wish that God
Would only let me die.

You used to love me once, father,
And we had bread to eat;
Mamma and I were warmly clad,
And life seemed very sweet.
You never spoke unkindly then,
Or dealt the angry blow;
Oh father dear, 'tis sad to think
That rum hath changed you so.

Do not be angry now, father,
Because I tell you this,
But let me feel upon my brow,
Once more thy loving kiss;
And promise me, those lips no more
With drink shall be defiled,
That from a life of want and woe,
Thou'lt save thy weeping child.

THE TENDER HEART OF HUMANITY.

We be brothers!

Out of the greatest sorrows come the sweetest consolations. Samson is not the only man who found sweetness in the lion and who got meat out of the eater.

Only a few days ago it seemed that St. Louis and Cincinnati and Chicago could not enough revile each other. Each stretched its iron arms out greedily for the growing western commerce, and Chicago, the most youthful, eager, and energetic of the competitors, was the common target of the others. But that was only on the surface. When once the fearful destruction that had overtaken her made the ears of men to tingle, the two rivals with eagerest haste sent firemen and their engines to the rescue, and before the fire was out dispatched food already cooked, loaded trains with clothing, and, with tears of tenderest sympathy, reached out their fraternal hands to help the desolate city.

Truly we be brothers!

The great metropolis, so cold in its outer look, so hard and earnest in its busy commercial temper, is melted and heart-broken with sympathy, and is pouring out her money by hundreds of thousands of dollars; great merchants make great gifts of their gains, poor men throw in the wages of their daily toil, and the very school children, while we write, are saving their candy-money and putting in their pennies to relieve a distress that makes even the little faces look awe-stricken. Great railroad corporations, which seemed so soulless, are sending lightning trains to carry consolation and relief.

For we be brothers!

The President orders military stores; the cities, the villages, the hamlets of the land, are pouring out their relief in little rills and great rivers; and the despairing people who stood on the bleak shore of the Michigan sea weeping the ruin of their homes, have found themselves quickly and tenderly lifted into the helping arms of brothers touched to the core with their great anguish. For are we not brothers?

There be those who would have us believe in a hereditary enmity between England and America. There is boasting and braggadocio on both sides. There is bickering and selfishness on both sides. The old kinship has seemed to be forgotten. But when the telegraph that brings us all so near together, caused the roar of the flames on the lake shore to be heard in London, and the cry of the homeless to reach Edinburgh, then we found that we were not strangers and foreigners. English pity were swifter than the swiftest steamers. Nothing but the lightning could carry its tender relief to a broken-hearted people quickly enough, and before the flames had ceased to ravage the great city of the prairies, there were thousands of dollars of British money carried to the credit of Chicago on the books of our bankers. And almost as quickly as our own the English Government has ordered all its surplus tents and blankets in Canada to be offered to Chicago. Away with those who talk of war and enmity between the old mother and ourselves when such deeds bind us together!

For, thank God! we be brothers!

Even Germany, now almost as near to us as Great Britain, is moving for the relief of Chicago, and the quiet bankers in Frankfort and Berlin are counting out the thalers over their counters for the relief of the city of the lakes and prairies, which is indeed almost half-German itself. The tender heart of Christendom knows no race or nationality in the hour of distress. We are all brothers to the afflicted ones.

The world seems healthier. Humanity seems better. The future has more of hope in it. Christianity is indeed leavening all. The great disaster has shown it. Men are coming to be brothers.—*Hearth and Home.*

IT IS NOT generally known as it ought to be that a human being is liable to infection from a glandered horse. Numerous such cases have been reported in medical works; and only a few weeks ago a man named Martin, who lived in Washington county, Md., suffered a horrible death from this cause. While attending to a horse which had the glanders, some of the virus from the diseased animal's nose or mouth found its way into a cut on one of his thumbs, and shortly afterwards he was taken with spasms, which were succeeded by severe nausea ond utter prostration. Although medical assistance was immediately procured, and the man had every reasonable attention, he lived only a few days after the infection manifested itself. Before dying his body became a mass of ulcers, and at the end the flesh fell in pieces from his bones.—When a horse is found to be glandered, it should be killed at once and proper measures taken to disinfect every object that has been in contact with the animal.

A WOMAN who stole a pound of butter has been sent to jail, but a man who stole $1000 was discharged upon returning $800 of the money. So says the Philadelphia *Ledger.*

JOSH BILLINGS says when you commence a courting expedition, it is the best way to court the girl's mother a little in the start, as she knows all about it, and will know what you're good for.

MONEY.

It is a singular fact, but a fact nevertheless, that most people have a profound respect for the mere possession of money. Everybody is ready to deny this, and each one will protest that he does not regard any man as better, wiser or nobler because he happens to have more dollars than it falls to the lot of people generally to possess. Abstractly perhaps this is true, but the fact is that but one person in a hundred really refuses to estimate men by their acres or their bank account. Strangely enough, the people who show the most reverence for wealth are often those who most loudly decry such sentiments. They abuse wealthy people as purse-proud, and really think themselves above estimating men by the coats they wear or the dinners they eat. But these very people are careful to dress well when they cannot afford it, lest their own poverty shall appear. Their shabby carpets must be replaced by new ones, even though the education of their children be cut short for want of the money thus spent. They entertain more company than they can afford, and feed their guests on costly viands, while they themselves are haunted by gaunt ghosts of pinched dinners to come. And so with everything else. A thousand shams show an undue respect for money, and a thousand lies are acted for the sake of concealing poverty.

It is an old adage that "the king need not dress well," and its inference, that poorer people must cover up their poverty with more costly clothes and finer houses than they have any use for, tells a sad tale of human folly. If your last winter's overcoat is dingy, will it be any less comfortable on that account? If you cannot afford to buy a new one, is it not more manly to wear the old one than to wrap yourself in a lie made to order by your tailor? Why should you deny your family needed comforts in order that people for whom you do not care a straw may think you wealthier than you are?

Money has a certain value. It is worth just what it will purchase, and no more. In other words, it is good as a means, but not as an end. It is a serviceable thing, because, to a certain extent, it will purchase comfort for its possessor, and enable him to accomplish worthy ends. But its possession adds nothing to his moral or intellectual stature, and the man who pretends to have more of it than he has, or who is ashamed of its absence, must be wanting in manliness of character.—Money has no intrinsic value, and must be expended to be of any account. It will buy food and clothing; but in itself it will not feed the hungry nor clothe the naked. As a powerful instrument in the hands of its possessor, it is well worth working for; but is not worth a sacrifice of health or of honor, because it will not buy these. Yet there are people who, for the sake of gold, will sacrifice comfort and duty, and even honor, denying themselves, for the sake of wealth, all of good that wealth can bring them, and more.—Mrs. Barbauld says that any man may be rich if he is willing to pay the price; and she is probably right. But in how many cases is the price altogether too high? We have seen men whose wealth was made a grand machine for the accomplishment of worthy ends; but these are not they who have paid high prices for their gold. They have struggled and toiled, perhaps; they have denied themselves and practised economy, that thrift might come to make them strong for good deeds; but they have sacrificed nothing of character; they have paid out no reputation as a price; they have not put their souls up to barter.—*Hearth and Home.*

A STARTLING EXCLAMATION.—The New Orleans Bulletin publishes the following anecdote of the celebrated Dominician friar Rocco, of Naples:

"One day he was preaching to a crowd in the market place. "This day," said he, "I will see if you truly repent your sins." Thereupon he commenced penitential discourse that made the hair of the hard hearted multitude stand upright; and when they were all on their knees, gnashing their teeth, beating their breasts, and putting on all imaginable signs of contrition, he suddenly cried, "Now you who truly repent of your sins hold up your hands." There was not one present who did not immediately stretch out both arms. "Holy Archangel Michael," then exclaimed Rocco, "Thou who with thy adamantine sword standest by the judgment seat of God, hew off every hand that has been raised hypocritically." Instantly every hand dropped, and Rocco poured forth a fresh invective against the sinfulness and perversity of his audience."

HINTS TO MOTHERS.—If you wish to cultivate a gossipping, meddling, censorious spirit in your children, be sure when they come home from church, a visit, or other place where you do not accompany them, to ply them with questions concerning what everybody wore, how everybody looked, and what everybody said and did; and if you find anything in all this to censure, always do it in their hearing. You may rest assured, if you pursue a course of this kind, they will not return to you unladen with intelligence; and rather than that it should be uninteresting, they will, by degrees, learn to embellish in such a manner as shall not fail to call forth remarks and expressions of wonder from you. You will, by this course, render the spirit of curiosity—which is so early visible in children, and which, if rightly directed, may be made the instrument of enriching and enlarging their minds—a vehicle of mischief, which shall serve only to narrow them.

STRETCH IT A LITTLE.—A little girl and her little brother were on their way to the store one morning last February. The common was white with frost, and the wind was very sharp. They were both poorly dressed; but the little girl had a sort of cloak over her, which she seemed to have outworn.

As they walked briskly along, she drew her brother closer to her and said, "Come under my cloak, Johnny."

"It isn't big enough for both, sister."

"Then I will try and stretch it a little."

And they were soon as close together and as warm as birds in the same nest.

What a lesson! How many shivering bodies, and sad hearts, and weeping eyes there are in the world, just because people do not stretch their comforts a little beyond themselves!

Poisoned Whiskey.

The Philadelphia *Price Current* says: Western distillers have recently invented a new system of manufacturing whiskey, by means of which a peculiar strength and odor is imparted to the product, highly injurious to the health of the consumers, and certainly not creditable to those engaged in its sale. Neither the noxious ingredients themselves nor the process of manufacture are known to many outside the ring, but sufficient has leaked out to show the character of the men and their business. Sulphuric acid is blended with the mash or applied directly to the product of the stills, which imparts a disagreeable odor to the whiskey; and so powerful is its effect upon it that it corrodes and eats up the inside of the barrels in which the foul compound is kept.

Another feature of this rot-gut, sold under the name of whiskey, is that it cannot by any way be extracted by any process of distillation, redistillation or rectification. This fact has caused its presence to be traced in high wines purchased from the West by respectable distillers here, and prompted them to shut down on the nefarious traffic as injurious to life and the interests of the trade. By experiment it has been tested that if a small piece of iron or copper, is inserted into a barrel of whiskey adulterated with this acid the entire mass will be instantly blackened, and if left in it for a short time will evolve a large quantity of disaccetate of copper or verdigris. Such a compound cannot fail to prove injurious.

A Remarkable Dream Verified.

The Louisville *Commercial* of Tuesday says: Yesterday a gentleman of the highest character, a minister of the gospel, related to us the following remarkable facts, which were furnished him by Rev. I. N. Thompson, a well-known Methodist minister, of Southern, Indiana, and formerly presiding elder of the Mitchell district. One of Mr. Thompson's parshioners had a very singular dream, which ran about as follows, as he related it to his family the next morning. He dreamed that in walking through one of his pasture fields, he came upon a certain tree near the path he was following, and which had an opening, from rot, on one side. Near the foot of this tree, coiled alongside the path, he saw in a dream a large yellow rattlesnake, and this snake, his dream told him, had bitten him. After relating the dream to his family the next morning, he concluded to go to the pasture, and there beside the path at the foot of the half rotted tree, lay coiled up a large rattlesnake. Seizing a small limb from a tree lying near, he struck at the snake, but in doing so his foot slipped and he fell upon the poisonous reptile, which bit him upon the cheek, he hastened to his home, nearly a quarter of a mile distant, where two hours later he died in great agony. This story is almost an incredible one, but it comes to us from such a high source that we cannot doubt its truth.

RIGHTS OF WITNESSES.—In the Philadelphia *Ledger* of October 2, we find the following among the proceedings in the Court of Quarter Sessions, Judge Pierce presiding:

Edgar M. Chipman, member of the bar, was fined $25 for contempt of court, in having declared to a witness, while under examination, that he was guilty of perjury. In reference to the rights of witnesses the Judge said: A witness whilst on the stand, or attending Court, is under the protection of the Court, and it is the duty of a Judge to protect him from all outrage of his feelings or person. Witnesses, when on the stand, are frequently sensitive and nervous by reason of the novelty of the position, and counsel who are sincerely anxious to arrive at the truth in such cases, can best attain it by a gentle and soothing course towards the witness. If a witness be obstinate and refractory, or is manifestly withholding the truth, or is prevaricating or telling that which is believed to be false, the ingenuity or even the boldness of counsel may be exercised to elicit the truth, or to make manifest to the Judge or jury that the story of the witness was not reliable.—But to pass beyond this and to charge the witness with falsehood, and especially when on the stand, is to pass from the domain of reason and examination into that of passion and outrage upon the proprieties of the occasion, the dignity of the Court, and the feelings of the witness.

IF.—If we could only read each other's hearts, we should be kinder to each other. If we knew the woes and bitterness, and physical annoyance of our neighbors, we would make allowances for them which we do not now. We go about masked, uttering stereotyped sentiments, hiding our heart pangs and our 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 so conceal our resentments and our dislikes, of which we are prone to be proud. Life is a masquerade, at which few unmask even to their very dearest friends. And though there is need of much masking, would to Heaven we dared show our real faces from birth to death, for then some few at least, would truly love each other.

PROPER PRECAUTION.—An old lady read an item in one of the papers, the other day, describing how a grindstone burst in a saw factory, and killed four men. She just happened to remember there was a grindstone down in her cellar, learning up against the wall. So she went out and got an accident insurance policy and then, summoning the hired girl, and holding the pie-board in front of her, so that if the thing exploded her face would not be injured, she had the stone taken out in the alley, where twenty-four buckets of water were thrown upon it, and a stick was struck in the hole, bearing a placard marked "Dangerous." She says it's a mercy the whole house was not blown to pieces by the thing before this.

WHAT A WHOPPER.—"May it please your, honor," said a lawyer, addressing one of the judges, "I brought the prisoner from jail on a habeas corpus." "Well," said a farmer in an under-tone, who stood at the back of the court, "these lawyers will say anything. I say the man got out of a cab at the court door."

A WIFE'S text: "The right man in the right place—a husband at home in the evening."

ON OUR OWN FARM.

We have always found October and November the two busiest months of the year. We have often had cause to regret doing work the early part of October that might have been postponed. We have dug out stones during fine weather in October, and been compelled afterwards to dig potatoes amid snow, sleet, rain, frost the latter part of November. Let our readers be wiser. Push the work now. Hire extra help, if need be, to secure all the crops as soon as they are ready. The farmer that gets behind with his work now will certainly be a loser. Every thing will turn against him. The weather will grow colder, and the days shorter. Hired help will become scarcer, and will ask higher wages and do less work. We have paid men $1.75 per day to dig potatoes the last of November, who were willing to work for $1.25 in October.—And they would have done one-third more work.

A farmer should sit down and make out a list of the work he has to do before winter sets in. He should place the items under two heads, thus (we give a few items as an example:)

Work that MUST *be done.*

1st. To finish cutting up corn.
2d. To dig potatoes, commencing on the ripest.
3d. Corn to husk, and stalks to draw in.
4th. Apples to pick and barrel.
5th. Stock to attend to daily.

Work that OUGHT *to be done.*

1st. Ditches cleaned out and deepened.
2d. Fall plowing.
3d. Stones to be got out and put in heaps, so that they can be drawn away in winter.
4th. Corn to draw in, to be husked in the barn.
5th. Gates to hang, posts to straighten up, fences to fix, boards to nail, etc.

Under the head of work that ought to be done, a farmer, if he will jot them down as they occur to him, can readily find a score or two of items. The work that must be done should of course have the precedence, but if the weather is unsuitable, or the crops are not quite ready, select some job from the other column.—Such a list will be found a great help, and we would urge every reader of the *American Agriculturist* to make one out at once.

WHEN DOES A LAMB BECOME A SHEEP? This question has been decided—according to law—in a suit which was recently brought against a railroad company for damages for killing fourteen sheep. It was contended that they were lambs; but the evidence sufficient to prove them sheep was not their age—which was fifteen months—but the fact that they had got their first pairs of teeth. So that a lamb becomes a sheep, legally, when it has its first permanent teeth.

HOOVE.—E. A. M., Baton Rouge, La., states that an animal attacked with hoove will be relieved immediately if driven into deep water, so that a chill can be given to the surface of the body. Also, that animals will instinctively plunge into water when suffering from this complaint.

THE AMERICAN POSTOFFICE.—*Some Facts and Figures from Postmaster-General Creswell.*—Upon the occasion of the laying of the corner-stone of the new post-office building at Boston, Postmaster-General Creswell made an address, giving some interesting facts and figures. He said:

"In this country the relations of the people with the postoffice are more intimate than with any other branch of the government. They pay directly for its services, come personally in connection with its officers, and claim an immediate interest in its operations.

Having conceded when first entrusted with the administration of the Postoffice Department, that the people should be satisfied with nothing less than the best and cheapest service, I deem the present a fit opportunity to make known what has been accomplished during the last three years.

The number of letters transported and delivered during the year which ended 30th of June last exceeds 640,000,000, and it is estimated that the newspaper and miscellaneous mails disposed of were ten times greater in both weight and bulk than the letter mails.

In the discharge of these arduous labors there were in the postal service, at the end of the last fiscal year, 43,954 persons, scattered over every part of the national domain. Of these there are employed in the department proper, at Washington, 331, and in the local service as follows: Postmasters 30,045, contractors 7,286, clerks in postoffices 3,439, letter carriers 1,419, together with route agents, clerks, &c., bringing the grand total up to 43,955, or 13,323 more than the whole army of the United States, officers and men.

Of 30,045 postoffices in operation, 2,076 were money-order offices, 1,172 were filled by appointment of the President, and 28,873 by appointment of the Postmaster-General.

FEAT OF A WESTERN PEDESTRIAN.—A new aspirant for pedestrian honors has appeared in the person of an amateur walker, of Louisville, named Henry Ratterman, a mechanic, who has just walked one hundred miles within twenty-four hours, not on a race track or in a hall, but over a dirt road, which is said to have been in an uncommonly bad condition. He started from Lexington at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, and walked elven miles toward's Louisville and back without stopping, accomplishing twenty-two miles in five hours and nine minutes. This movement was necessary in order to make out the distance of one hundred miles, it being but seventy-eight miles from Lexington to Louisville, which was to be the termination of his journey. On returning to Lexington, Ratterdam ate a light supper, after which he started afresh for Louisville, which place he reached eight minutes ahead of time, having accomplished the full hundred miles in twenty-three hours and fifty-two seconds. In addition to a short stop previous to his second start from Lexington, he made halt of twenty five minutes at Versailles for rest and refreshments. He made the last two miles in twenty-four minutes, the fastest time shown during the march.—Two men in a buggy attended Ratterdam throughout the trial, and it is said that the horses attached to the vehicle showed as strong evidences of fatigue as were exhibited by the pedestrian.

Republican Blessings.

The Republican party has been in power ten years, and not one blessing has followed its administration. It came in power promising to abolish all the evils in the country. It abolished no evils, but inaugurated and sustained a thousand bitter curses.

It established negro suffrage!

It disfranchised thousands of white citizens!

It invaded the Federal Constitution!

It usurped the sovereignty of the States!

It annihilated ten States!

It ignored the Courts of Justice!

It abolished civil law in certain parts of the United States!

It erected military departments out of States!

It created military commissions to try civil cases!

It suspended the *habeas corpus* in time of profound peace!

It denied to the white citizen the trial by jury, five years after the war ended!

It gave over two hundred millions of acres of the public lands within the last two years, to corporations of rich capitalists!

It disregarded solemn obligations!

It broke every pledge it ever made to the people!

It unseated Democratic Congressmen who were duly elected!

It squandered the public treasury!

It refused