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EDUCATIONAL.

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MAPLEWOOD INSTITUTE,
for both sexes, is 21 miles west of Philadelphia. Superior buildings, home care, earnest teachers, first-class Lectures. Small pupils admitted the entire year. Incorporated. Trustees are friends. Hon. Washington Townsend says: "As to the progress of my late ward who was under your care and tuition for over two years, I was well satisfied with the school, its arrangement and discipline, and the progress he made in knowledge." Term commences 9 mo. 13th. Address J. SHORTLIDGE, A. M., jy10-4m. Concordville, Pa.

Removed to Media.
Swithin C. Shortlidge Boarding School for young men and boys, is now open at Media, Pa., 13 miles from Philadelphia, is one of the finest school buildings in the State, heated in all stories, and lighted with gas, building 100 by 50 feet, porch all around, 55 lodging rooms, large school room with five class rooms, ample bath and water closet accommodations, 10 trains daily from Philadelphia. Thorough instruction, home care, good table guaranteed. Special attention to backward pupils. S. C. SHORTLIDGE, (Harvard A. M.) Media, Pa.

Washington College, Chestertown, Md.
FOUNDED 1782.
THE next Session will begin WEDNESDAY, September 22d.
Instruction in the usual branches of a College course, with special studies for those who do not desire a full course. There is also a Preparatory class.
Board per week $4; room rent $5 and fuel $4 for the scholastic year. Tuition: English $40; English and Classics or Modern Languages, $50; for all branches, $60.
For circulars address,
jy31-tf. WM. J. RIVERS, Principal.

JOHN N. DODD,
Successor to JOHN T. DODD & SON,
UNDERTAKER,
CONTRACTOR, BUILDER, AND
DEALER IN
Lumber, Sash, Doors, Shutters, &c.
All business and work entrusted to me will receive my special and *personal* attention.—Having had entire supervision and control of the Undertaking department of the late firm for the last six years, I flatter myself am fully competent to give satisfaction.
I hope by attention to business and an endeavor to please, that I shall be able to retain all the customers of the late firm. Satisfaction guaranteed in every particular.
I am fully prepared to furnish Coffins, Caskets and Burial Cases of the latest designs and finish, upon short notice. dec5.

NEW
MILLINERY STORE!
Mrs. H. Usilton & Miss Mollie Willis
Have taken the Store room next door above the Bank, in Chestertown, and have opened a general assortment of
MILLINERY
And FANCY GOODS,
of the latest and most fashionable styles, for Spring and Summer wear. HATS, BONNETS, Laces, Ribbons, Trimmings, Neck Ties, Belts, Ruffles, Feathers, Flowers and Ornaments.
They have also on hand a lot of second-hand goods, which will be sold at greatly reduced prices.
Mrs. Usilton is a practical Milliner, having served a regular apprenticeship at the business and conducted it herself in former years.
☞ STAMPING done in the neatest and most durable manner.
The Ladies are invited to call and examine their goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere. May 8—tf.

Great Reduction
IN PRICE OF
Millinery and Fancy Goods,
DRY GOODS, &c.
MRS. C. R. FIDDIS calls the attention of her lady friends and the public generally, to a GREAT REDUCTION in the price of her goods. Being desirous of CLOSING OUT all her stock suited to the season *during the season*, she is selling some goods even LESS THAN COST.
WHITE GOODS and Figg'd Pique, worth 25 cts., now selling for 20.
Also, great reduction in
Fine Dress Goods,
Muslins, Prints, Flannels, &c.,&c.,
In the Dry Goods line, and
The Latest Styles in Millinery Goods
HATS, BONNETS, RIBBONS, LACES, RUFFLING, &c.
Silks, Thread, Cotton, Needles, Pins, Hosiery, Sewing Machine Silk, Cotton and Needles, and many other articles of use and ornament, too numerous to name.
Those in want of anything in my line are invited to give me a call before purchasing elsewhere. My goods will be found as good and cheap as any in the county.
☞ Strict attention paid to STAMPING for embroidery and braiding.
June 26, 1875. C. R. FIDDIS.

A CARD.
Pump Making and Well Digging,
Done at PRICES to suit the TIMES,
By LOFTON & LYNCH,
Pumps put in at 40c. per foot, Wells dug and walled at 50c. per foot. All guaranteed to give entire satisfaction. Buckets and Spout at $3 per set. Iron work done at what the Blacksmith charges. Pumps repaired and Wells cleaned at short notice, on reasonable terms.
We may be found at the Waibel house, on Queen St., in Chestertown. When in country orders left at the house or Post Office will be promptly attended to. We hope the citizens of Kent and Queen Anne's will give us a call.
E. F. LOFTON,
aug21. JOHN LYNCH.

PEOPLE'S
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE.
I announce myself as a Candidate for the office of SHERIFF, and solicit the vote of the People. H. M. ROLLINSON.
Aug. 21, 1875—tf.

CIDER VINEGAR
Warranted genuine,
In store and for sale by T. S. WICKES.
Chestertown, August 28, 1875.

COTTONADES, LINENS and Cassimere, for Men and Boys. Bleached and unbl'd Muslins, at the very lowest prices.
June 19. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

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A FAMILY NEWSPAPER: Devoted to General and Local Intelligence, Literature, Agricultural and Mechanical Interests, Politics and Advertising

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The Bickford & Huffman
IMPROVED
Farmers' Favorite,
An Entire New Style for DRILLING PHOSPHATE for 1875.
The attention of Farmers generally is respectfully called to the
Great and Important Improvements
made in the Bickford & Huffman "Farmer's Favorite" Grain and Compost Drill for 1875. Do not invest in any until you have seen and examined the IMPROVED.
We have reduced the weight one hundred pounds. We have *transferred* the Fertilizer Attachment to the *rear*, and so perfected the Drill by our improvement as to make the distribution perfectly even and uniform.
We now use both running wheels in the driving process. The machine is so nicely balanced that *all the weight* is removed from the horse's neck. All the attachments are thrown out of gear *before* the teeth leave the ground by the same motion that raises the teeth. The friction has been so lessened that we are not only enabled to offer you the lightest in weight—but also the lightest in draft—Grain and Compost Drill in the market.
A Visit to the Ware-rooms of
HINES & BURCHINAL,
CHESTERTOWN,
(Next door to the Kent National Bank,)
will fully repay any one who may be in want of a Drill.
☞ Examine the Drill. Buy it. Try it; and you cannot but be convinced that the Bickford & Huffman "Farmers' Favorite" is not only a perfect Drill, but the ONLY PERFECT Grain and Compost Drill in the world.

FERTILIZERS.
HINES & BURCHINAL
Have for sale
Lister's Phosphate and Ground Bone,
Whildock & Co.'s Maryland Phosphate,
Turner's "Excelsior" and Ammoniated Phosphate,
At Reduced Rates,
and on accommodating terms. Call before purchasing elsewhere.
HINES & BURCHINAL,
Next to Kent National Bank.
Aug. 21, 1875—3m.

J. H. SIMPERS. E. W. F. SIMPERS.
J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.,
DEALERS IN
Dry Goods, Groceries,
Shoes, Notions,
Queensware, &c.
Have just received a Large and Varied Stock of Goods for the
SPRING TRADE.
A Fine Selection of Calicoes.
3-4, 7-8, 4-4 Bleach'd and Unbleach'd
MUSLINS,
5-4 and 10-4 SHEETINGS
Goods for MEN and BOYS' wear,
A Nice Assortment of SHOES,
For Ladies', Misses and Children.
NEW STYLE of SPRING HATS,
for Men and Boys.
ALL KINDS OF CROCKERY,
All of which will be sold at the
VERY LOWEST PRICES FOR
CASH
Or COUNTRY PRODUCE.
☞ Examine our goods and prices before purchasing.
J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.
Chestertown, Apr. 10, 1875.

Attention!—Prices Reduced!
MARYLAND FERTILIZING AND MANUFACTURING CO.
Have Reduced Prices, viz:
Ammoniated Super Phosphate,
a complete manure, adapted to lands that require a full development of the crop both straw and grain,
Price $45 per Ton
of 2000 pounds.
Dissolved Phosphate
A Speciality for lands containing large quantities of vegetable matter, or for combination with domestic ammoniacal manures,
PRICE $35 PER TON of 2000 lbs.
Above prices are free on board the Cars or Boats in Baltimore.
Farmers are invited to visit the works of the Company and examine for themselves materials used and mode of manufacturing.
For testimonials and more definite information apply to Agents or at the office of the Company, No. 4 South Holliday Street, or P. O. Box 246, Baltimore, Md.
LAWRENCE SANGSTON,
President.
J. EDWIN MYERS, General Agent.
For Sale by
HINES & BURCHINAL, Agents,
Chestertown.
aug7-8t.

NOTICE
To Tax-Payers of the 5th District
THE tax books for the Fifth Election District are now in my hands and I am ready to receipt for all taxes due for the present year. For the convenience of tax-payers I will be at the following places on the days named on and after Aug. 1st:
On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, in the morning, at the TRAPPE.
Second and fourth Tuesday morning Bclair.
Every Saturday morning at Grey's Inn Wharf, and every Saturday afternoon at Edesville. SAMUEL BURGESS.
July 24, 1875—tf.

FRUIT JARS and Cans, Stone Jars, Jelly Glasses, and Sealing Wax, at
jy17. THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
Very Desirable Real Estate
Near Rock Hall, Kent Co., Md.
BY virtue of a Decree of the Orphans' Court for Kent County, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at PUBLIC SALE on
MONDAY,
The Twenty-seventh of September, 1875,
AT THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.,
At Rock Hall Cross Roads, Kent county, the
REAL ESTATE
of John C. Ayres, late of Kent county, dec'd.
This property is situated on the public road leading from Swan Creek to Rock Hall, and within one half mile of Rock Hall X Roads, and consists of about
Ten Acres of Land,
on the South side of the road, which is improved by a
Frame Dwelling, Shoe Shop,
&c., and also about ONE-HALF ACRE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE ROAD, improved by a
FRAME DWELLING.
The land is in good condition and all the buildings in good repair.
TERMS OF SALE
The terms of sale, as prescribed by the Decree, are as follows:—One-fourth of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal annual instalments, in one and two years from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next.—The deferred payments to be secured by bond of purchaser, with security to be approved by Trustee. Deeds at cost of purchasers.
ROBERT N. C. AYRES,
Sept. 4, 1875—ts. Trustee.

Public Sale!
SIX VALUABLE FARMS
AND ONE
SPLENDID MILL PROPERTY
IN THE GREAT PEACH DISTRICT, AT
PUBLIC SALE,
At Middletown, Del.,
On THURSDAY, Sept. 30, 1875
To Close an Estate.
☞ Ten years credit.
☞ Address for descriptive catalogue,
T. C. MURPHEY, or
J. THOMAS BUDD,
Middletown, New Castle Co., Del.
Sept. 4, 1875—ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
OF A
DESIRABLE LOT.
BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale in front of the Court House in Chestertown, on
SATURDAY, the 25th Sept., 1875,
At Three o'clock, P. M.,
All that LOT or PARCEL of LAND
Situate near Worton Station, Kent county, being a part of a tract called 'Oregon, known by the name of the "Gore Lot," adjoining the Graves lot, and containing
28 Acres of LAND,
More or Less.
BUILDINGS sufficient for the place.
The soil is of good quality.
TERMS OF SALE:—Two hundred dollars cash on the day of sale, and the balance in six months from the day of sale.
C. H. BAKER, Trustee.
Sept. 4, 1875—tds.

FOR SALE.
A SMALL FARM of 130 Acres,
SITUATED about half a mile from Worton Station. School adjoining. Churches, Stores, Post office, Mills, &c., convenient. A comfortable HOUSE, good water, and some Wood. Terms reasonable.
ANN M. PORTER,
June 26, 1875—tf. Worton Station.

Head Quarters
FOR THE PUTTING ON OF THE
NEW BICKFORD & HUFFMAN
PATENT
GUANO ATTACHMENT
TO OLD DRILLS.
And they will be guaranteed to work as the new Drill.
The Manufacturers of this Drill have made us agents for all of their extras and parts in this county. You can get Points, Wheels, Funnels, Straps, Brushes, Spouts, Axles, Hubs, or in fact anything belonging to this Drill, or any Drill ever made by the manufacturers above named. Send in your Drills early and have them repaired at home. This work will be done at reduced rates.
Drills of any other make also REPAIRED at short notice.
CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.
Sept. 4, 1875.

FARMERS, LOOK!
DRILLS REPAIRED.
T. SHAFER, Kennedyville,
is prepared to REPAIR DRILLS OF ALL KINDS at short notice, on the most reasonable terms.
FARMERS should overhaul their Drills and if need of repairs send them to the Shop at once. We will do the work in the best manner and at low prices. Give me a call.
TILGHMAN SHAFER,
Sept. 4. Kennedyville.

COAL! COAL!
DURING the month of August we will deliver COAL at the wharf from the boat on the following prices, per ton of 2240 lbs.
Reliance—Egg $7.10, Stove $7.60, Nut $6.85
Lee— " 7.10 " " 6.85
The Reliance Coal comes from Pot Richmond, and is the same as that delivered here by rail.
☞ Terms cash on delivery.
jy31-tf. J. T. TWILLEY & SON.

TIN FRUIT CANS.
Only $1.00 per dozen.
Can wax, Bell-metal and Enameled Preserving Kettles, for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

CHOICE IMPERIAL TEA at 75 cents per pound. Prime roasted Rio Coffee at 30c. per pound. Try them.
Dec. 19. J. B. SAPPINGTON.

CATTLE SHOW
And FAIR.
In Old Kent the Spirit of Improvement Still Dominant!
REMEMBER
THE
Fifth Annual Fair
OF THE
KENT COUNTY
Agricultural Association
TAKES PLACE
AT
WORTON STATION,
ON
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday,
SEPTEMBER 28th, 29th, 30th.
WORTON STATION is on the Kent County R. R., three miles from Chestertown, having direct communication with Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York twice daily. Arrangements will be made with the Companies to run extra trains during the Fair, for the accommodation of visitors.
Visitors from the cities and on the line can reach the fair grounds at noon each day, examine the show and witness the trials of speed and return at night, or run into Chestertown on the train, where are ample hotel accommodations, and remain over night.
THE TRACK and GROUNDS
Have been put in complete order, and the BUILDINGS will be AMPLE and CONVENIENT.
WATER and FOOD for STOCK
On the grounds.
In fact, everything is, or will be in readiness, and there is nothing to prevent this occasion of the meeting of the
FARMERS of OLD KENT
Being both INTERESTING AND PROFITABLE BEYOND ANYTHING HERETOFORE HELD!
☞ A distinguished gentleman has been invited to deliver the ANNUAL ADDRESS, due notice of time of which will be given.
TRIALS OF SPEED EACH DAY!
GOOD PREMIUMS OFFERED, and LISTS OPEN TO THE WORLD. Entries to close September 15th.
The trials of speed to be governed by the rules of the National Association.
Tournament!
On the First day of the Fair, Tuesday,
AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.,
THERE WILL BE A
GRAND TOURNAMENT.
First Premium—Set of SINGLE HARNESS complete $40.00. 2nd Premium—Saddle, Bridle and Martingle, $25.00, complete. 3d Premium—Lap Robe, $10.00. $5.00 to enter.
☞ Ring two inches. Height varied to suit each rider.
Entries to close September 15th.
A Full Brass Band of Music
Will be in attendance each day.
☞ FOOD for man and beast provided on the ground.
Inventors, Manufacturers, Mechanics, Artisans and others, desiring their models, advertisements, cards, or other evidences of their business conspicuously displayed in the hall and grounds of the fair, can have their wishes gratified, free of charge, by forwarding same at an early date, (expressage or postage paid,) to the Secretary of the Executive Committee.
RATES OF ADMISSION:

Single admission	50 cents
Children under 12 years	25 "
Admission to Grand Stand	25 "
Saddle Horse	25 "
Single Carriage	25 "
Double Carriage	25 "

BIDS open for the following privileges:
Refreshment and Dining Saloon,
Soda Fountain and Horse Pound.
See or address Secretary.
☞ Secure room for Stock, Articles, &c., at once. For premium lists or further particulars, address the Secretary of the Executive Committee:
SAMUEL VANNORT,
Hanesville, Kent County, Md.
Express Office Address—Chestertown, Kent co.
Aug. 28, 1875—5t.

T. W. ELIASON, JR.
New Goods! New Goods!
REDUCED PRICES.
STANDARD CALICOES 9 CENTS.
Best Bleached Muslins in the County for the Prices.
JACONET STRIPES of new and Beautiful Styles.
GRASS LINENS.
VICTORIA LAWNS.
Striped and Plain NANSOOKS,
WHITE SWISS,
HAMBURG EDGINGS and INSERTINGS, carefully selected and very cheap.
☞ Call and examine our large and varied assortment of New Goods.
T. W. ELIASON, JR.
June 19, 1875.

LADIES', Misses and Children's Gaiters Slippers and Shoes, cheapest in Kent co., at J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

CALL and see our stock of SHOES, for Gents', Ladies', Misses, and Children.
May 1. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

A CHEAP INGRAIN CARPET at
jy31. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO'S.

What Makes a Woman?

Not costly dress nor queenly air;
Not jeweled hand, complexion fair;
Not graceful form nor lofty tread;
Not paint, nor curls, nor splendid head;
Nor pearly teeth, nor sparkling eyes;
Not voice that nightingale outvies;
Not breath as sweet as eglantine;
Not gaudy gems, nor fabrics fine;
Not all the stores of fashion's mart,
Nor yet blandishments of art;
Not one, nor all of these combined,
Can make one woman true, refined.
'Tis not the casket that we prize,
But that which in the casket lies!
These outward charms that please the sight,
Are naught unless the heart be right.

PAY THE MECHANIC.

The man who employs a mechanic does not always know to how much inconvenience, loss of time and expense he exposes him, by neglecting to pay an undisputed bill, on presentation. Without going too deep into the subject, let us propose a very simple example, of constant occurrence. A mechanic undertakes a job, for which his honest charge is fifty dollars. It is done to the satisfaction of his employer. The mechanic is an industrious but poor man. He expects his pay on the presentation of his bill. Why should he not receive it? He has no bank credit. He pays cash for stock, and he pays cash for labor. He has been employed for a week or two on that job, with two or three journeymen, besides furnishing the raw material, paying shop rent and other expensive contingencies. Why should he be asked to wait six months or a year for his money? He must pay his hands on Saturday, provide for his family during the week, pay for his stock, and lay up something against rent day. Is it reasonable—is it just—that his ready employer should ask him to wait for his pay until his convenient time, when cash is not scarce—when three per cent. a month is not to be had on the loan of money which belongs to others, or which ought to be appropriated to the payment of the honest debts, instead of sleeping and fattening at interest, on post notes, or contributing to the artificial wants of his family—or gratifying a reckless spirit of speculation in visionary stocks? Is it righteous, is it just, that a man of supposed wealth should do this, and leave the honest and hard working mechanic to the clamors of small creditors—the importunities of journeymen, and the rapacity of usurious extortioners? Certainly not.

Broken Friendship.

Friendship is a good deal like china. It is very durable and beautiful as long as it is whole; but break it, and all the cement in the world will never quite repair the damage. You may stick the pieces together so that, at a distance, it looks nearly as well as ever, but it won't hold hot water. It is always ready to deceive you if you trust it, and it is, on the whole, a very worthless thing, fit only to be put empty on a shelf and forgotten there. The finer and more delicate it is, the more utter the ruin. A mere acquaintance, which needs only a little ill-humor to break it up, may be coarsely puttied like that old yellow basin in the store-closet; but tenderness, and trust, and sweet exchange of confidence can no more be yours when angry words and thoughts have broken them than can those delicate porcelain tea-cups which were splintered to pieces be restored to their original excellence. The slightest crack will spoil the true ring, and you had better search for a new friend than try to mend the old one. And all this has nothing to do with forgiveness. One may forgive and be forgiven, but the deed has been done and the word said; the flowers and the gilding are gone. The formal "making up," especially between two women, is of no more avail than the wonderful cements that have made a cracked ugliness of the china vase that you expected to be your "joy forever." Handled delicately, washed to purity in the waters of truth, confided to no careless, unsympathizing hands, friendship may last two lives out; but it "does not pay" to try and mend it. Once broken it is spoiled forever.

A KISS FOR CHARITY.—A charity festival held recently in Paris had for its heroine a certain well known Princess. The lady who was selling flowers or cigars, was accosted by a Russian nobleman famous for the eccentric use he made of his colossal fortune, who, after speaking to her and purchasing some of the articles she had on sale, asked her very suddenly, "What will you sell me a kiss for?" "A hundred thousand francs," replied the Princess, thinking that the question was not put in earnest. "Done," cried the Russian, as he drew his pocketbook from his coat, and scribbled on a leaf an order on his banker for the $20,000 demanded. Throwing his promise to pay on the counter, he held out his cheek to the *belle marchande*, who, after some hesitation, performed her part of the contract, and thus it was that the amount collected that year for the poor was increased by the princely sum of $20,000—the price of a kiss.

EXTRAVAGANCE.—The first lesson in economy is to learn to "do without."—The second is to use what one has without waste. These two lessons are very hard to be learned by a people which have always been accustomed to have whatever is wanted, and to treat costly things as if they were common, for fear lest it should not be supposed to be familiar with them. One thing has much contributed to this—the absence of anything like class styles of expenditure. Abroad, a man will not allow his wife and daughters certain modes of dress, unless he can have other things in keeping. A camel's hair shawl and diamonds require a carriage and servants in proportion. The habits of life which fit a particular income are well known. No one goes beyond them without censure. In America there is no such rule. People live at hotels where waste is the order of the day, and where children are educated in the want of care, and the habit of unlimited ordering.

Henry Ward Beecher was introduced to a Shaker at the White Mountains the other day, and said to him: "I understand your belief deprives you of some of the pleasures of this life," whereupon the other replied, "It shields us from some of its temptations, also."

HEAVEN has no rage like love to hatred turned, nor hell to fury like a woman scorned.

WHY HE DIDN'T MARRY.

BY MAX ADELER.

"You're not married, I believe, Mr. Hunks?"

"No. I've been tolerably near it several times, but somehow I never got there. Something always happened to make me miss it. There was Hannah Perkins; lived over here at Hape's Corner. I was in love with that girl, and I would have married her. But one night, while I was going to see her, she and her sister was in the parlor, and after a bit Hannah went up stairs for a minute. I slipped behind the door when I heard her coming back so she'd think I had gone, and then I was going to jump out and surprise her. Presently she came in, and, looking around and not seeing me, she said:

"So he's gone, is he? Thank goodness for that. I don't know what he comes fooling around here for anyway. I'd as soon marry a graven image as him."

"At first I thought I'd stay behind the door, the situation was so embarrassing, but I concluded it was best to go, so I came out and said 'good evening,' and quit."

"That girl never loved me, I know."

"But it was different with Mary Parrott. She accepted me, and when I went to see the old man about it, as soon as I'd try to introduce the subject he'd begin to talk about politics. After awhile I'd try it again, and he'd instantly switch off on the price of grain or the best way to cure glanders in horses. I'd let him talk, and when he'd get through I'd jam in a remark so's to lead up to the matter, but he'd let on he didn't hear, and insist on giving his views on woman's rights and temperance, and such questions.

"Finally I got mad, and bolted it right out that I wanted to marry his daughter, and then he stood up and shook his fist under my nose and observed:

"I'll see you hanged first!"

"He said also that if he caught me coming around there again he'd blow me apart with a shot-gun. I think old Parrott must have had some prejudice against me. So I staid away."

"But the next time I had better luck. It was the Widder Miles. She said she loved me. We had all the arrangements made for the wedding, and we went to the church to get married. At the door she stopped and said that she'd turned the matter carefully over in her mind, and although she was willing to be a sister to me, she had determined never to marry any man that hadn't a Roman nose. Then we went home. A Roman nose, mind you! Sacrificed me and broke her solemn vows because I hadn't a Roman nose! Just as if a man's nose has anything to do with the emotion of an affectionate heart. I'd marry a woman with a patent-leather nose that had to be blown with a dydraulic jack, if I really loved her.

"However, afterward, when I got engaged to Sallie Bonns. I wasn't sorry, for she and I got along first rate until a few days before the wedding, when I happened to mention that I was fond of toasted cheese with onions. That seemed to disgust her somehow, for she wrote me a note next day saying that no man with a noble soul could want to fill his stomach with toasted cheese and onions, and consequently she wanted to back out. When I called to see her to announce that her love was more to me than any preparation of cheese, her brother sicked the dog on me, and I had to get over the fence very suddenly. She subsequently married a man who kept a brick-yard, and they have had twins twice.

"I never seemed to have any luck courting. The last shy I made was round at Thompson's. I appeared to get along pretty well with Maria, but every night when I called they wanted me to help the hired man carry the piano up or down stairs. It used to take the whole evening, and then I was so tired that I wanted to go home to bed. I rasseled with that piano on the stairs, I think, about fifteen times, till at last it struck me as curious the fickleness of those Thompsons about that musical instrument. I began to have suspicions. So one night when we had the machine up as far as the first landing, and I was pretty near dead, I dropped my end, and went down to the parlor to ask what in the thunder they meant by hustling the piano about. The first thing I saw was a young fellow with spectacles and weak eyes, sitting on the sofa with his arm around Maria. When they saw me they laughed. Then I got mad and said I wanted an explanation, and the fellow in specs picked up the poker and ordered me to leave. He was engaged to her. He had been in there enjoying himself every night while I was exercising with that piano. They were married in June.

"I never fancied any woman since. I don't ever get a fair show. I'm still a bachelor.

"Rough, isn't it? But luck's against me. These women are so queer. I don't understand them. But what puzzles me is how Brigham Young ever roped in forty of 'em. There must be something gorgeous about that man. He's got the knack of it. But it beats me."

A MODERN pair of "babes in the woods," who strayed away from home a few days ago, near Lower Lake, Cal., were more fortunate than their prototypes in the fairy tale. These little ones, a boy of twelve and a girl of seven, instead of losing courage when they found themselves surrounded on every side by huge forest trees, and with the shades of night fast falling around them, betook themselves to a tree, where they sought shelter. Arrived there the boy left his sister and shot several quails, which they managed to cook and eat. During the night the gallant youth shot a huge California lion, which had approached his sister. In the early morning the "babes in the woods" were found asleep by their distressed parents and taken home.

A VERY fashionable Danbury lady tried to mount the step in front of Merrill's grocery, yesterday, but her pull-back prevented her. Several times she repeated the attempt, but without success, while an anxious populace looked on. What do you suppose she then did? Retreated? O, no. She just turned around, and went up the step backward, as easy as could be.

Persons living in unhealthy localities may avoid all billious attacks by taking a dose of Dr. Bull's Vegetable Pills occasionally to keep the liver in a healthy action.

The Cuisine of the Grand Union.

A correspondent, while a guest of A. T. Stewart's hotel in Saratoga, descended to the kitchen and obtained some interesting facts and figures. He tells of the force employed in the hotel and how one thousand people are daily fed. A few days ago, (says Laertes,) I walked with the steward, Mr. Walter H. Johnson, during the breakfast hour, through the larder, kitchen, laundry, and servants' quarters of this vast temporary village. The head cook, Edward Schelcher, receives twenty-five hundred dollars for the season at Saratoga; yet it is not considered a large salary. He has thirty-two cooks and assistants under him, and is responsible only to the steward, who is autocrat over two hundred and twelve waiters, fifty laundry women, thirty-two cooks and assistants, and a constabulary of storekeepers, contractors for supplies and runners. The chief barkeeper, Jerry Converse, who had opened six thousand eight hundred and sixty-three quarts of wine up to noon on Monday, is absolute over the wines. The following is a statement of the food consumed each day in this hotel during the summer just passed: *Number of eaters in house*—Four hundred and fifty persons on July 4; eight hundred after July 5. Average, one thousand to twelve hundred, not including nurses and children. Number of *employees*, five hundred. These are official figures in Mr. Johnson's handwriting: *Amount of stock used per day*—Beef, eighteen hundred pounds; whole chickens, fifteen hundred; whole hams, twenty-five; beef tongues, twenty; eggs, six hundred dozen; milk, eight hundred quarts; cream, two hundred quarts; flour, eight barrels; whole sides of best bacon, forty; berries, four hundred quarts; oranges, eight hundred; tomatoes, forty bushels; whole lambs, ten; mutton racks, four hundred pounds; barrels of potatoes, fifteen; ears of corn, four thousand; pies, four hundred; puddings, four hundred; ice cream, fifty gallons; water ices, fifty gallons; peaches, thirty bushels; watermelons, one hundred and fifty; nutmeg melons for breakfast, eight hundred. The ice cream in the hotel is frozen by steam, the freezer being connected with a band passing over a wheel, so that it turns in the ice cistern and equally freezes the cream in a few minutes. The same attachment grinds the coffee. The potatoes are mashed at the rate of one barrel in five minutes by a wooden cylinder working in a colander. A machine also shaves the Saratoga potatoes. The soft soap to wash the clothes is all made from refuse fat; the clothes are washed by steam machines and ironed by great mangles rolling over rollers wound with sheets and table clothes. The laundry is a separate edifice, clean and large enough for a gentleman's mansion. The cooks are of four nationalities—German (meats,) French (*entrees*,) Italian (pastry,) and Spanish (*ragoutos*.) A cupboard of bread is required every day for toast, and bread is toasted and baked by five persons, working all day from five o'clock A. M. to nine P. M. The meats are roasted on spits turned by steam before a separate furnace, the grease dropping into pans of water, which is afterward skimmed for gravy. The dishes are washed by a force of thirteen persons, who do nothing beside; a special service dispenses the cream and butter. Nine men cut up the meat into steaks and chops. Nine gunners, supplied with ammunition, are out on the mountains, perpetually killing birds, that are paid for at seventy-five cents apiece uniformly. The chickens are received in barrels from Syracuse; all the provisions, except the milk, come from New York city, and are ordered by telegraph.

The First Umbrella in London.

An old English record states that as early as the middle of the eighteenth century some enterprising genius introduced letting umbrellas at Oxford and Cambridge, letting them out, like sedan-chairs, to the students at so much per hour, thus enabling poor young men to pass from building to building to their lectures without being drenched with rain. But people no more thought of taking an umbrella about the streets of a town or city than of taking a bed to sleep in or a stove to warm themselves by as they went about their regular business.

The first person who ventured on such an innovation was Jonas Hanway. Mr. Hanway had traveled in China and other parts of the East where umbrellas were in general use, and having brought one over with him as a sort of curiosity, he at length determined to avail himself of its prospective benefits, and so one day ventured on the streets of London holding the "queer looking apparatus" over his head, during a heavy rain. Perhaps if he had known what a shower of ridicule, and even abuse, he was provoking, he would rather have faced the rain. Groups of men hustled him on the side walks and called him mad; women from doors and windows clapped their hands and laughed; and boys in crowds ran after him, hissing, hooting and even pelting him with stones. But they soon grew tired of such shameful sport, and took it quite as a matter of course, as Mr. Hanway, day after day, walked the streets, umbrella in hand, whether in rain or sunshine. Occasionally he invited a friend to share his comfortable shelter, and all agreed in pronouncing it very pleasant; but so afraid were they of ridicule that it was more than three years after Mr. Hanway's first experiment before another man in London found courage to own or carry an umbrella. Jonas Hanway died in 1776, and for the last thirty years of his life carried an umbrella whenever either sun or rain rendered one desirable; yet the present century had passed more than its first decade before the use of umbrellas became general.

"OH! your nose is as cold as ice," a Boston father thought he heard his daughter exclaim the other evening, as he was reading in the next room. He walked in for an explanation, but the young fellow was at one end of the sofa and the girl at the other, while both looked so innocent and unconscious that the old gentleman concluded that his ears had deceived him, and so retired from the scene without a word.

A YOUNG lady in Minnesota boasts of having ten grown-up brothers to watch over her; but a Norristown girl prefers to have only one brother to watch over her—provided he is the brother of some other girl.—*Norristown Herald.*

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CURRENT ITEMS.

Oxen are only $1 a head in Egypt.

During the past year 700 divorces were granted in Maine.

An extensive show of dogs will be held in Chicago in January next.

Shoes made of rattlesnake skins are becoming fashionable in Alabama.

Hog cholera is carrying off numbers of victims among North Carolina porkers.

The African locust has appeared this summer in Germany, and laid waste the crops on the Berlin and Anhalt railway.

Instead of fighting duels, Virginians go out and see who can make the best shot at a stump and who would have been hit.

In Germany the loss of young men in the war has been so great that there are at present nearly a million more women than men.

A lad at Sioux City being bitten by a rattlesnake while out in the timber with his axe, deliberately chopped off the wounded finger, thus saving his life.

A Missourian, after looking over the White House grounds, remarked "that everything looked purty nice, but he didn't see any place for a hog pen."

A drunken man slid head first into a flue of a church at Pittsfield, and two carpenters destroyed a hundred dollars worth of the building in getting him out.

A new arrangement of musical glasses, thirty-two in number, has been invented by a Portugese gentleman, on which very elaborate music can be played, and which is said to imitate closely the human voice. He calls it the "copophone."

Some months ago an Oregon man called his girl baby after Queen Victoria, and wrote to the Queen to that effect. She didn't seem to care a cent, and he changed the child's name to "Sal," and went out and pounded the first Englishman he met.

Another Parisian celebrity is gone.—Leo Lippman, the well known cloakman, who was always present at all the races, theatres and balls, is dead. He leaves a fortune of about $20,000, saved from the pennies given him for taking care of gentlemen's coats and sticks.

A man in Iowa claims to be the father of the smallest living child ever born at that place. The boy when born weighed exactly two pounds. Its feet are about two inches in length, the other limbs being proportionate. It is lively and healthy and bids fair for a long life.

The representative in Congress of the Springfield district of Massachusetts began life as a coachman, and by changing from box to box he now possesses one of his own with ten millions of dollars in it. And to-day he has hold of the reins on the national footboard. Go driving, young man.

The serving of a writ of execution upon Wadsworth Drake, of Williamsburg, Mass., for the amount of a small debt, had the effect of driving him crazy. He is under the delusion that countless debtors are constantly dunning him, and is so violent in his efforts to get away from these imaginary persons, that he is kept in a straight jacket.

Useful Recipes.

Lime slacked just before application and sown by hand is said to be an infallible protection against fly in turnips.

A whitewash made of quicklime and wood ashes will destroy moss on trees.

A mixture of tallow 3 parts, tar 1 part, applied to the bark while hot, will protect fruit trees against mice.

A four-horse team will haul from 25 to 36 cubic feet of limestone at each load.

The best home-made fire-proof safe is a hole in the ground, well lined with brick and cement.

About 270 cubic feet of new meadow hay, or from 216 to 243 cubic feet of hay from old stacks, or from 297 to 324 cubic feet of dry clover, weighs one ton.

To compute the number of tons an ice house will contain, calculate the number of cubic feet in the house and divide by 35; this gives the number of tons if closely packed.

BETTER TACTICS.—A young mechanic recently got married to the girl of his choice, and the happy pair went to housekeeping. After the honeymoon was over the young wife discovered that her hubby's temper was none of the sweetest, and that attempts at mollifying him by sweet smiles and kisses were generally flat failures while his dander was up; so, like a sensible young woman, she resolved on another plan of action, and soon had an opportunity to try it. Hubby was rather captious about his steak, but she made no excuse. 'It's tough,' said hubby, 'and it's not cooked half enough!' The young wife smiled, but made no defence. Then hubby got fearfully mad; he lifted his plate, and dashed it on the floor, with the remark, 'Curse that steak!' His wife raised up her plate