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TO THE LADIES!

## NEW MILLINERY

And FANCY GOODS, FOR

1878. SPRING And SUMMER. 1878.

MRS. H. USILTON, Just below Wickes' Drug Store, has received a well selected stock of new and beautiful MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS for Spring and Summer wear, of the latest and most fashionable styles.

**Hats, Bonnets, Ribbons,**

LACES, TRIMMINGS,

Neck Ties, Belts, Ruffles, Feathers, Flowers and Ornaments. She is satisfied of her ability to please both in quality and price. She has secured the assistance of a first-class Millinery from the city.

STAMPING done in the neatest and most durable manner.

The Ladies are invited to call and examine her goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere. No effort will be spared to give full satisfaction to all who favor her with their patronage.

May 18. MRS. H. USILTON.

*TO THE LADIES.*

## NEW MILLINERY

And FANCY GOODS.

LAMBERT SISTERS have just returned from the city and opened a new Stock of

**Spring and Summer MILLINERY**

AND FANCY GOODS,

embracing all the LATEST and MOST FASHIONABLE STYLES.

Our Goods have been selected with care and bought at the lowest cash figures, which enables us to guarantee satisfaction both as regards style and prices. Our stock includes a full line of all such goods as are usually found in a first-class Millinery Store, such as *BONNETS, HATS, Laces, Flowers, Ribbons, Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Toilet Articles, &c., &c.*

The Ladies are respectfully invited to call and examine our goods and prices. They will find goods much cheaper than heretofore, and we are selling at very small profits for cash.

DRESS MAKING of all kinds done in the best manner and at low prices.

Store opposite KENT NEWS Office.

may11-tf. LAMBERT SISTERS.

## To the Ladies!

NEW MILLINERY

*All the latest and prettiest styles of Spring and Summer HATS and BONNETS can be found at*

**Miss MARY R. BENJAMIN'S,**

Who has recently returned from the city with a full supply. Call early and make selections before her stock is reduced.

She also continues DRESS MAKING, and guarantees first class work as well as a good fit.

She has a beautiful stock of Ribbons, Lace, Flowers, Kid Gloves in all the new shades; a carefully selected lot of Children's Hose, Trimming Silks, Spool Silk Cotton, Fans, &c., &c., which she is selling at prices so low that no one can complain. By perseverance in efforts to please I hope to secure the patronage of those who desire satisfaction in style and price.

PLAITING done by the yard for 6c.

Store adjoining T. W. Eliason, Jr.

June 8. MARY R. BENJAMIN.

## Queen St. Millinery Store.

*NEW GOODS!*

THE LATEST FASHIONS! FINEST GOODS! LOWEST PRICES!

MRS. KATE GILL has just received a new stock of MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS including the latest Spring and Summer styles.

HATS, BONNETS and RIBBONS, Feathers, Flowers, &c.

**BEAUTIFUL FANCY GOODS**

Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Hosiery, Gloves, and a full line of Toilet Articles.

I am determined to sell at lowest prices and respectfully invite an examination of my goods.

MRS. KATE GILL,

May 25—tf. Queen st., Chestertown.

## TO THE LADIES

*And PUBLIC GENERALLY.*

MRS. C. R. FIDDIS, at the old stand, directly opposite the new M. E. Church, has replenished her stock and is now ready to receive orders and calls from any that wish

***MILLINERY***

**Or FANCY GOODS**

Also, many articles that are useful to gentlemen. My stock is complete.

I am one with many others in the same business, and I solicit a share of your patronage.

Please do not forget

MRS. C. R. FIDDIS,

Directly opposite new M. E. Church

my4-tf. Chestertown.

## New Goods! New Goods!

**MRS. E. N. MELVIN,**

Extends a cordial invitation to all the Ladies to call at her store opposite the Bank, and examine her large assortment of

**Spring and Summer GOODS,**

LINEN SUITS, DUSTERS,

Ladies' and Children's UNDERWEAR,

Hamburg Edgings,

Zephyrs,

Germantown Wool,

Embroidery Silks,

Braiding Braid,

and many FANCY ARTICLES too numerous to mention. All are offered at exceedingly low prices.

MRS. E. N. MELVIN.

May 4, 1878.

**HOLMAN'S**

AGUE and LIVER PAD,

a never failing cure for Fever and Ague, Dumb Ague, Remittent and Intermittent Fever, Indigestion, Sick Headache and liver cough; often used for Consumption. For sale at

THOS. W. WICKES'

June 1—tf. Pharmacy.

THE place to get MATTING at *City Prices*, is at STAFFORD'S.

*A BEAUTIFUL*

## COUNTRY SEAT

**On Chesapeake Bay,**

—AT—

## TRUSTEE'S SALE!

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting in Equity, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at public sale on

**TUESDAY,**

***The 6th day of August, 1878,***

At the Voshell House in CHESTERTOWN, Kent County, Maryland,

*AT ONE O'CLOCK P. M.,*

THAT FINELY LOCATED FARM KNOWN AS

## "Huntingfield,"

in Kent County, Maryland, adjoining the lands of R. W. Calder and others.

This desirable Estate lies directly on the Chesapeake Bay, opposite the mouth of the Patapsco river, about 25 miles from the city of Baltimore, and a few miles from Tolchester Beach.

It CONTAINS ABOUT

**410 ACRES,**

about 375 of which are arable, the residue in

***WOOD, TIMBER,***

AND MEADOW.

It is divided into seven fields and well fenced.

*THE IMPROVEMENTS* are a GOOD FRAME

**Dwelling House**

*And the usual OUT-BUILDINGS, all in good order.*

**A Peach Orchard of 3700 Trees,**

thrifty and in bearing, and a FINE APPLE ORCHARD.

*TERMS OF SALE.*

The terms of sale prescribed by the Decree are as follows: $4,000 cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale, the deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustee.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, TRUSTEE.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

**An Excellent**

## FARM

*IN KENT COUNTY, MD.,*

—AT—

## TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, the undersigned will offer at public sale on

**TUESDAY,**

*THE SIXTH day of AUGUST, 1878,*

At half-past Eleven o'clock A. M., at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland,

***That FINE FARM***

KNOWN AS

**"HILL TOP,"**

belonging to Thomas B. Trew, Esq., situated in Quaker Neck, Kent co. Md., adjoining the lands of Francis Baker and others, and on the waters of Lankford's Bay. This tract contains

**135 Acres,**

is very conveniently situated, close to Schools, Churches, Mills, Post Office, &c. Crops can be shipped from the shore of the adjoining farm and Steamboat landing on Chester River is only about 3 miles distant. Nearly the whole Farm is arable, and conveniently divided.

**The Improvements**

consist of a fine old

**Brick Dwelling House**

in good repair. BARN, STABLES and other OUT-BUILDINGS in good order. Possession given January 1, 1879, with privilege to seed wheat the coming Fall.

*TERMS OF SALE:*

The terms of sale are $3,500 cash on the day of sale or within thirty days thereafter at the option of the Trustee, and the balance of the purchase money in two equal installments in one and two years from the day of sale. The whole to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, TRUSTEE.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

**Wesleyan Female College,**

*WILMINGTON, DEL.*

AT the opening of the Fall term, Sept. 9, 1878, there will be a NEW President, NEW furniture, NEW repairs throughout the buildings, NEW pianos, the modern conveniences newly introduced to add to the comfort of the young ladies, both in the public and private rooms, and all this at the old prices. For catalogues address the President, Rev. J. W. WILLIAMS, A. M. jly6-6m.

WILMINGTON

**Conference Academy**

FULL Corps of Experienced Teachers. Modern facilities. Fine building, furnished with heat, gas, bath, etc.

Board and tuition $200 per year. Heat and gas in private rooms extra. Separate building for lady boarders. For catalogue address the Principal,

R. H. SKINNER, A. M.,

je22-6m. DOVER, DEL.

GENTS' GAUZE SHIRTS.

Ladies' Gauze Vests,

Gents' super fine English Half-Hose,

" " stout " " "

" Dress Shirts, made of best materials, in best manner, furnished $1.00.

Gents' Suspenders, by

je22. T. W. ELIASON, JR.

## A Farm for Sale.

BY virtue of a Power of Attorney, I will offer at public sale, at the Court House door, on

***TUESDAY, August 6th, 1878***

at 11 o'clock A. M., the FARM of the late John C. Hynson, lying on the navigable waters of the North Western prong of Langford's Bay, below and near the Ship-Yard, containing about

**260 ACRES.**

The location is one of the finest on that water; the banks are high; fish and oysters are to be had in their season, and the latter abundantly. A grain vessel runs weekly from the Ship-Yard to Baltimore.

THE BUILDINGS are in fair ordinary condition and suitable to the Farm: besides, there are two two-story Houses, separated from the Farm buildings and under rent: The Farm could be easily divided, placing those two houses in the smaller division. The soil is said to be good and can be made very productive, and there is a small peach orchard. There is a considerable woods of Oak, &c., on the edge of the farm at the outer gate sufficient for all the uses of the Farm: On the upper portion nearer the ship-yard, and near bold water, there is a very considerable quantity of Pine and some Chestnut; this portion of the land could be cleaned at considerable profit, and the field for cultivation considerably enlarged.

Mr. William S. Elbern, the tenant of the farm, will take pleasure in shewing the premises, which are less than a mile from Edesville, and very accessible.

Possession first of January next. The lands adjoin the property of Mr. Jas. H. Edes, Mrs. Page & Mrs. Thos. W. Ringgold. The fencing in fair condition.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE: One-fourth of the purchase money on the day of sale, or within sixty days thereafter, and balance in three equal instalments, in one, two and three years from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next, payable half-yearly and secured. The rents of the present year reserved from the sale.

GEORGE VICKERS,

*Attorney for Mrs. Martha H. Griffith.*

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of the State of Maryland, of Fieri Facias, from the Circuit Court of Kent county, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of James L. Pryor, at the suit of Tilghman Foxwell, I have seized and taken all the right, title, interest and estate of the said James L. Pryor, of, in and to the following property, to wit:

**No. 1—A Lot of Land**

on the Main street, in the village of Sassafras, in Kent county, containing about a HALF ACRE, more or less; improved by a

STORE ROOM,

*Barn, Stable and Ice House,*

and adjoining the lands of Stephen Loffland and Mrs. Pryor.

**2.—A LOT of LAND**

on the road to Cold Well, in the Village of Sassafras, improved by a

**Two-Story Dwelling House,**

adjoining the lands of Mr. Conner and others.

**3.—A Building Lot,**

adjoining the above property in Sassafras containing ONE ACRE, more or less.

**4.—A Carriage and Harness,**

And 1 SORREL HORSE.

MR. W. H. NICKERSON will shew the premises and give information concerning the above property to any one who may desire it. Mr. PRYOR will also do so.

I hereby give notice, that on

***MONDAY, July 22nd, 1878,***

at Twelve o'clock meredian, at the Tavern Porch of W. H. Nickerson in the village of Sassafras, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder all the above described property, real and personal, to satisfy the said writ, debt, interest and costs.

CHARLES H. DAVIS, Sheriff

je29-ts. Kent county.

**BALTIMORE**

## STOVE HOUSE

**ESTABLISHED 1851.**

COOKING STOVES, HEATING STOVES, CHURCH STOVES, SCHOOL STOVES, } FOR WOOD OR COAL.

*Ranges, Furnaces, Mantels, Fire-place Heaters.*

We have a splendid assortment of the above articles, that we offer at *Wholesale Prices*, as we are determined to sell. Do not purchase until you have looked over our stock.

B. C. BIBB & SON,

*Successors to Bibb & Co.,*

Inventors, Patentees & Manufact'rs,

39 & 41 LIGHT ST.,

je22-6m. *Baltimore, Md.*

## Ice Cream! Ice Cream!

**NEW SALOON.**

MRS. D. A. BENJAMIN has moved to her new residence on Queen St., near Kirby's Green House, and has opened a FIRST CLASS ICE CREAM SALOON in connection with her Restaurant. She will keep

**PAINTER'S ICE CREAM,**

which is the best made, and will be received from Balto. every day by Steamer.

OYSTERS served in any style, and whatever can be had in a First Class Restaurant in the way of Delicacies, &c.

She is also prepared to accommodate PERMANENT or TABLE BOARDERS at very moderate charges.

Give me a call.

MRS. D. A. BENJAMIN.

May 11, 1878—tf.

## Have You Seen It?

*If not don't delay any longer, but go right straight to*

**MRS. E. N. MELVIN'S**

Picture and Frame Store, and your eyes will sparkle with delight at the beautiful Pictures and Cheap Frames.

LANDSCAPES,

WATER VIEWS,

MOUNTAIN SCENERY,

SCRAP PICTURES,

and a magnificent Chromo of the

SAINTLY BEATRICE,

Splints for Frames, Wall Pockets, Brackets and Picture Card in abundance, and all so cheap you will be astonished.

Give her a call.

MRS. E. N. MELVIN,

May 4. opposite the Bank.

## Soluble Sea Island Guano,

RICH IN

**AMMONIA, SOLUBLE PHOSPHORIC ACID, POTASH, MAGNESIA, SODA, &c.**

**Used in Kent Co. several years, and Surpassed all other Fertilizers!**

***It is the Greatest Wheat Producer Known!***

PRICE AS LOW and TERMS AS EASY as any other.

MANUFACTURED BY

R. W. L. RASIN & CO., Baltimore, Md.

FOR SALE BY THOMAS DeC. RUTH, JR.,

jy13-12t. (*Office near the Wharf,*) CHESTERTOWN, MD.

## THE BEAUTIFUL DULCET ORGANS,

*IN SOLID BLACK WALNUT CASES.*

Instruments can be seen at Edesville.

All instruments warranted for 6 years to give entire satisfaction.

WATERS' Organs and Pianos are acknowledged the best in use as well as lowest in price when quality is considered. Sold on accommodating terms to suit every one.

**Splendid Organs for $50!**

Club Agents wanted in every District.

Send for illustrated Catalogues of these superior Instruments (sent free to all.) Messrs. Waters & Sons are the oldest and most reliable manufacturers of Organs and Pianos in the U. S.

**Splendid Pianos for $145!**

Refer to M. P. Ministers generally.

ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUES free to all.

ADDRESS: WM. K. JUDEFIND, Gen'l Agt.,

jy27-3m. EDESVILLE, KENT CO., MD.

## Summer Goods.

**DRESS LINENS,**

TRIMMINGS TO MATCH.

**LAWN, PERCALES,**

CRETONNES, POPLINS,

Pretty assortment of CALICOES.

**Cassimeres and Cottonades**

for Men and Boys' wear.

**SHOES! SHOES!**

SHOES OF ALL KINDS at lower prices than ever.

**White and Check Matting,**

Floor, Table and Stair OIL CLOTHS.

**STRAW HATS**

for Men and Boys, at low prices.

PARASOLS! PARASOLS! CHEAP.

NOTIONS in great variety.

*NEW GOODS received THIS WEEK.*

We are selling goods at the VERY LOWEST PRICES.

J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

June 8, 1878.

## NEW STORE.

**Corner Queen & High Sts.**

I WOULD most respectfully inform the public that I have just opened a NEW and well selected Stock of Goods in the store corner Queen and High Sts., Chestertown, opposite A. J. Cahall's, where I will be pleased to wait upon them with anything in my line of business.

I keep a GENERAL STOCK, embracing

**DRY GOODS,**

**NOTIONS, GROCERIES,**

*TOBACCO, CIGARS,*

**BOOTS, SHOES,**

*Wood and Willow-ware, &c.*

Our GROCERIES include

*White and Brown SUGARS, COFFEES, TEAS, FLOUR, MOLASSES, SYRUP, HAMS, BACON, LARD, SALT, PEPPER, COAL OIL, &c.*

We sell the celebrated PEARL SHIRT, the best and most perfect fitting Shirt made.

The public are invited to call and examine our goods. Our motto is

*'Quick Sales & Small Profits'*

Call and see me one and all. You are welcome at all times. This is the place to buy good and cheap goods.

Produce taken and highest market price paid in goods.

Public's obl't serv't,

***J. STAFFORD, JR.***

April 13.

CALL AND EXAMINE OUR

## Lubricating Oils.

**GOOD CASTOR OIL**

$1.00 per gallon,

and other Oils at very low prices.

June 15. at T. W. WICKES'.

BLACKWELL'S Pure Durham TOBACCO,

For sale by JAS. A. SHAW.

C. H. J. SPARKS. G. T. NEAL.

## C. H. J. SPARKS & CO.,

*LOCUST GROVE,*

ARE now receiving NEW GOODS from Baltimore and Phila. daily, and intend to sell them as CHEAP AS THEY CAN BE HAD IN THE COUNTY for cash or thirty days.

You will find our stock complete of

**Dry Goods, Groceries,**

**NOTIONS,**

*READY MADE CLOTHING,*

**Suits for $5!**

HATS and CAPS.

We also have a fine assortment of GENTS'

**BOOTS and SHOES,**

WHICH WE ARE SELLING CHEAP.

The Ladies will do well to call and examine our new stock of SHOES, SLIPPERS, &c., which we had made to order, and will sell at low figures.

You will find our stock complete of all goods generally kept in a first class country store. Call and examine our stock and prices. *We intend to sell.*

C. H. J. SPARKS & CO.

**NOTICE.**—All persons who have not paid their bills up to the change in our business (July 1st, 1878) may look for me in a few days, as all accounts must be settled up to that time, either by money or note, 30 days.

C. H. J. SPARKS,

July 20, 1878—3m. *Locust Grove.*

## Look! before you Leap!

YOU CAN BUY **LIME** at 15c. pk.; 50c. bus., or $1.50 bbl.

And GOOD TOBACCO at 60 and 75c. a pound.

SEGARS at 2, 2½, 2 and 5c.

at THOMPSON'S,

Up Town.

**FINE SUGAR-CURED HAMS**

And **Broiling Beef,** at

THOMPSON'S,

Up Town.

A Full Stock of

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,

BOOTS and SHOES,

GROCERIES,

TIN-WARE,

Crockery-ware, &c., which we are offering at close figures. THOMPSON,

May 4. Up Town

**WANTED**

## Every One to Know

That you can buy Goods, such as

**DRY GOODS,**

Men's and Boys', Misses' and Children's SHOES,

NOTIONS, GROCERIES,

Crockeryware, PROVISIONS,

Glassware, Queensware,

Tinware, Willowware,

TOBACCO, CIGARS and SNUFF,

CONFECTIONERY,

and in fact a little of everything at

**ELLIOTT'S,**

**Up Town.**

Produce of all kinds wanted. Cash paid for Old Iron, Brass, Bones, Copper, Rags, &c., at ELLIOTT'S,

apr13. Up Town.

**WOOL WANTED.**

For which the highest cash price will be paid. In my absence Mr. R. S. USILTON, at the Market House, Chestertown, will receive same. Also, SCHROPSHIRE BUCK LAMBS for sale.

May 4—tf. JACOB BARKMAN.

**LUMBER.**

You can buy

SCANTLING, JOISTS, and BILL STUFF,

of good VA. PINE, from **13 to $14** per thousand feet, of

June 1. T. W. ELIASON, JR.


### HEAVEN'S PHONOGRAPH.

"For eve'ry idle word that man shall speak,"
For ev'ry low-breathed curse his lips shall mutter,
I've always read that man shall give account
At the last day, to his confusion utter.

Scoffers have sneer'd, "What, every word recorded,
Nothing illegible on page of gold?"
Earth has it's phonograph—is Heaven without it?
Scoffer, beware! the phonograph is old.

*Boston Advertiser.*

### Tim's Kit.

It surprised the shiners and newsboys around the Post Office the other day to see "Limpy Tim" come among them in a quiet way and to hear him say:

"Boy's, I want to sell my kit. Here's two brushes, a hull box of blacking, good stout box, and the outfit goes for two shillin's!"

"Goin' away, Tim?" quered one.

"Not 'zactly, boys, but I want a quarter the awfullest kind, jus now."

"Goin' on a 'scursion?" asked another.

"Not to day, but I must have a quarter," he answered.

One of the lads passed over the change and took the kit, and Tim walked straight to the counting reom of a daily paper, put down his money, and said:

"I guess I kin write it if you'll give me a pencil."

With slow moving fingers he wrote a death notice. It went into the paper almost as he wrote it, but you might not have seen it. He wrote:

Died—Littul Ted—of scarlet fever; aiged three yeres. Funeral to-morrer, gon up to Hevin; left won bruther.

"Was it your brother?" asked the cashier.

Tim tried to brace up, but he couldn't. The big tears came up, his chin quivered, and he pointed to the notice on the counter and gasped:

"I—had to sell my kit to do it, b—but he had his arms aroun' my neck when he d—died!"

He hurried away home, but the news went to the boys, and they gathered in a group and talked. Tim had not been home an hour before the bare-footed boy left the kit on the door-step, and in the box was a boquet of flowers, which had been purchased in the market by pennies contributed by the crowd of ragged, but big-hearted urchins. Did God ever make a heart which would not respond if the right cord was touched?

### Short Sermon.

The man who penned the following paragraph for the *Methodist Recorder* left no margin for misapprehension as to his opinion on the above subject: "The popular clamor for a short sermon is kept up by a wrestless class of young persons who are smarter than their parents or pastors. They get the figets if a sermon reaches beyond fifteen or twenty minutes. And yet these same goslings of both genders, when they come together in a social party or meet in the parlor, will waste solid hours in the stupidest common-places.—Their talk does not rise to the dignity of conversation; it is nonsense from first to last; it is worse than waste of time, of everything. But these gigglers from the goose pastures presume to know how long a minister should preach, and here and there the kind-souled pastors accommodate their sermons to the gosling taste. Let the pulpit have time to discuss the topics it undertakes, and let the discussion be so fresh, vigorous and attractive as to arrest attention from all who have heart and brain to understand. For a goose in the pulpit is worse than a gosling in the pew."

CHARMED BY A SNAKE.—At the plantation of Mr. Turner, near Lake City, Fla., a most singular scene occurred, the charming of a thirteen foot alligator by a rattlesnake. The snake first saw the alligator, and with his rattle attracted the latter's attention. Then began the charming process, which lasted fully half an hour. The alligator at first turned his head once or twice, but was immediately called to order by the rattles of the snake. Toward the end of the half hour, with fixed eyes, the alligator moved slowly toward his terrible enemy until within striking distance, when the snake curled himself more compactly, and with all the strength he could muster struck the alligator. For a moment the alligator shook tremulously, and then, as if by magic, made a semi-circling backward movement peculiar to the species, and brought his tail down upon the snake with fatal effect. Our informant then despatched the alligator, and found that the snake had missed his mark. The snake measured six feet, and had nine rattles and one button.—*Lake City Reporter.*

HENRY GREEN, a crazy Englishman, who recently committed suicide in Leavenworth, Kansas, had a disordered fancy. One night he determined to attend his own funeral. He hired a hearse, a coffin and several mourning carriages, and proceeded to have a funeral all by himself. He placed the coffin inside the hearse, got into the coffin with a bottle of whiskey, and the solemn procession took its course through the principal streets of the city. It was a queer time for a showy funeral, but it was not until the procession had appeared in the same thoroughfares several times that the suspicions of the community were aroused. When the hearse was opened, the corpse was found sitting upon its coffin and declaring that it wouldn't go home till morning.

COLLEGIATE WAITERS.—Many students from neighboring colleges are earning money in the White Mountain hotels this season by waiting on tables and doing other menial work. In one hotel a Cambridge man is a waiter, a Dartmouth senior is assistant head waiter, and a freshman from Bates College sells photographs in the corridor. It is said that the collegiate waiters are much more satisfactory to guests than the old ones, as they keep their thumbs conscientiously out of the soup.

PARENTS cannot be too careful in guarding the health of their Babies. Only a good and reliable medicine should be given to them. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup is known not to contain anything injurious. Price 25 cents.

NO WONDER a ship is called a "she." She has shifts, stays, an apron, hooks and eyes, pins, caps and ribbons, hoods, poppets and a husband.

### How to Save Infants.

INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE NEW YORK BOARD OF HEALTH.

The New York board of health has issued the following circular in relation to the care and feeding of infants during the hot weather:

In nursing, over-feeding does more harm than anything else; nurse an infant a month or two old every two or three hours. Nurse an infant of six months and over five times in twenty-four hours and no more. If an infant is thirsty give it pure water, or barley water, no sugar. On the hottest days a few drops of whiskey may be added to either water or food, the whiskey not to exceed a teaspoonful in twenty-four hours.

If the infant must be fed, boil a teaspoonful of powdered barley (ground in a coffee-grinder) and a gill of water, with a little salt, for fifteen minutes, strain, then mix it with half as much boiled milk, add a lump of white sugar, size of a walnut, and give it lukewarm from a nursing bottle; keep bottle and mouthpiece in a bowl of water when not in use, to which a little soda may be added. For infants five or six months old give half barley water and half boiled milk, with salt and a lump of sugar. For older infants give more milk than barley water. For infants very costive, give oat-meal instead of barley. Cook and strain as before. When your breast milk is only half enough, change off between breast-milk and this prepared food.

In hot weather, if blue litmus-paper, applied to the food, turns red, the food is too acid, and you must make a fresh mess, or add a small pinch of baking soda. Infants of six months may have beef tea or beef soup once a day, by itself, or mixed with other food; and when 10 or 12 months old a crust of bread and a piece of rare beef to suck. No child under two years ought to eat at your table. Give no candies, in fact, nothing that is not contained in these rules, without a doctor's orders.

Summer complaint comes from overfeeding and hot and foul air. Keep doors and windows open. Wash your well children with cold water twice a day, and oftener in the hot season. Never neglect looseness of the bowels in an infant; consult the family or dispensary physician at once, and he will give you rules about what it should take and how it should be nursed. Keep your rooms as cool as possible, have them well ventilated, and do not allow any bad smell to come from sinks, privies, garbage-boxes, or gutters about the house where you live. See that your own apartments are right.—Where an infant is cross and irritable in the hot weather, a trip on the water will do it a great deal of good, (ferry boat or excursion boat,) and may prevent cholera infantum.

### A Horrible Craft.

All sorts of means are resorted to by the poor of Paris to gain a livlihood, but perhaps the strangest of all the trade of body-finders. The authorities of Paris pay ten francs' reward for every corpse that is discovered in the Seine and brought to the Morgue As the wages of the poor boatmen who ply on the river are extremely small, it will readily be seen that such an addition to their petty earnings is not to be despised. But as bodies float sometimes far down the Seine, beyond the reach of the boatmen employed on the upper part of the river, these boatmen have organized a regular traffic with those who ply their vocation far down the stream, and who, if they find a body, cannot well leave their regular work to take it to Paris. The down-stream bodies are therefore purchased at five francs each by the up-stream boatmen, the proffits being thus fairly divided. The eagerness with which the body-finders watch the river has something horrible in it. They are valuable adjuncts to the police force.

A PRACTICAL SWEETHEART.—A nice young man employed in the Kansas Pacific office resolved the other day to present his beloved girl with a nice pair of shoes. He accordingly procured her measure and went into one of the fashionable stores on Main street and purchased a $2 pair of shoes. In order to make the present appear more valuable, he marked $5 upon the soles of the shoes, and at his request the clerk put a receipted bill for $5 into one of the shoes. The presentation was made, and the lovers were happy, as lovers should be. But mark the sequel. The girl examined the shoes in the daylight and was not satisfied. She was convinced that her lover had been cheated in the purchase of such a pair of shoes at that price. She decided to go and change the shoes and get a better bargain. Yesterday she appeared in the store and selected a pair of shoes, price $3 50, and politely requested the clerk to take back the shoes for which she said her husband had paid $5. The receipted bill was produced in proof and the boot man found it impossible to "go behind the returns." The smart girl took her $3 50 pair of shoes and obtained $1 50 in money, and went home happy and satisfied. The boot seller sent a bill for $3 to the young man, who very promptly paid the difference, but he thinks that girl a little too smart for him.—*Kansas City Times.*

ANOTHER BOY'S LETTER.—Little John is visiting his grandfather. This is an extract from a letter to his mother: "Potater-bugs is plenty, an' I enjoy em very much 'cause they makes gra'father swear an' every time he biles over he spills his false teeth, an' he always forgets ware he spills 'em an' he hires us to roust 'em out. So yer see huntin's good here. He pays us in pigs, an' 'for the sesin's over I think ile hev enuf to start a swine shop. Tell Sam Jenkins, 'cause it'll make him hoppin' mad to know ime hevin' such a binenzer."—*Ex.*

AN enamored swain who recently caught the smallpox from his sweetheart and becoming wofully pitted, while she escaped with an unmarred cuticle, fell on his knees before her at their first meeting thereafter and thanked her for so many marks of her love.

ADVICE to young writers: If you would be clear and forcible, don't use foreign words. Be natural. A man never stops to hunt up a foreign word when he is stung by a hornet.—*Oil City Derrick.*

### Summer Separation.

June is the month of love's joy, and August that of its agony. In June two hearts knit together and become one. In August two bodies separate. She goes to the country to see her mother's aunt, and he stays home working the treadmill of duty. This comes hard on all men, but its weight is the heaviest on the grocery clerk. His heart is not in his work. How can it be? Where the treasure is there will be the heart also, and the treasure is far away. He can not smile at the customers. He can not counterfeit successfully that expression of all absorbing interest which makes a clerkship a thing of beauty. Certainly his is a most critical task. The variety and diversity of the articles in which he deals require that he should keep his wits about him. In this particular he is in almost as much danger as the drug clerk, while the opportunities for slipping are a hundred fold. A Danbury man who went into a drug store to have a prescription prepared, seeing nobody but a clerk present, said:

"Young man, are you keeping company with a girl?"

"Yes, sir," answered the clerk with a blush.

"Do you think the world of her?"

"I do," said the clerk firmly, although blushing considerably.

"Is she in town?"

"No, sir, she is away on a visit."

"That will do," said the man, decisively. "You can't fool around prescriptions for me." And he went away.

But it is the grocery clerk who has to struggle from early morn till late at night with a flood of annoyances. When he dips into the sugar barrel he thinks of her lips, and sighs. In cutting the cheese he is reminded of the strength of his devotion to her, and when he looks into the butter firkin his thoughts stray to her hair. When he would go away by himself and give expression to his emotions he is obliged to help lift a barrel of corned beef, or roll a sack of salt, or open a cask of lard. It is only when he is dealing out mackeral that he feels as if he had a companion in his sorrow, a sympathizer in grief. There is that softened, subdued light in the eye of a salt mackeral which touches a responsive chord in the heart of suffering and awakens it to plaintive melody. How tenderly he lifts it from the kit, how lovingly he lingers in wrapping it up. Poor fellow! He may put up washing starch for backing powder, draw molasses in the kerosene can, and even attempt to palm off various things for tea. He may do this. It is more than likely that he will. But the expression of a mackeral's eye will not change. The soft, subdued light of sympathy still remains.

### Too Much Truth.

Ten or a dozen men were enjoying the hot weather which baked the shingles on a ferry dock saloon yesterday, when a stranger walked in and inquired of the man behind the bar:

"Have you any mint?"

"Yes, sir," was the reply.

"And you have sugar, lemons, gin, brandy, and so forth?"

"I have."

The stranger turned around to the crowd, noted the sudden increase of interest in each face, and kindly said:

"Gentlemen, I'm going to treat every liar in the room—let the liars—the monstrous liars—come forward."

Not a foot moved.

"Gentleman," continued the stranger, in a plaintive tone; "don't be backward. Juleps wait for all. Every one of you who is known as a liar will please stand upon his feet."

Not a man stood.

The stranger's face betrayed keen disappointment, as he ordered a rousing big "mint" for himself, and not a word was spoken in the place while he slowly sipped the cooling liquid through a straw. When he had finished he wiped off his mouth and said:

"Well, every truth-teller in the crowd will now stand up."

Each man rose up with the promptness of a soldier.

"And sit down again," softly said the man as he made for the door.

They would have sat down on him, but great truth-tellers are poor runners.—*Free Press.*

NOTHING makes the tramp so mad as to find a bottle with a German label on it in the road. While he is almost certain that the bottle contains whiskey, there is a lingering suspicion that it is medicine for a sore toe, and between the two doubts he goes thirsty.

DID the prophet Isaiah ever eat at a railroad station? It certainly looks so, for how could he have described it so literally if he had not? "He shall snatch on the right hand and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand and shall not be satisfied."

A BATH, Maine, minister officiated at the funeral of a former member of his church, and prayed earnestly in behalf of "the bereaved husband and the one to come who shall fill the place made vacant by the death of our deceased sister."

"DID you ever dabble in stocks?" asked a lawyer of a witness who was known to have fled from his native land to this asylum of the free. "Well, yes, I got my foot in 'em once in the old country," was the reply.

IT'S now about time to start Spitz dog stories, so here goes: Yesterday a Spitz dog bit a crippled saw-horse, and in less than half an hour that horse was wreathing in all the agonies of hydrophobia.

THE editor of a Virginia paper was asked by a stranger "if it were possible that little town kept up four newspaper." And the reply was: "No; it takes four newspapers to keep up the town."

A COURTEOUS old clergyman being told a very tough story, said: "Since you were an eye-witness, I suppose I must believe you, but I don't think I'd have believed it if I had seen it myself."

ACCORDING to the *Scientific American*, in the State of Connecticut one person in every 855 is an inventor. The other 854 wonder if the darned thing will work.—*Danbury News.*

THE public has been humbugged so often with worthless medical preparations, that only a few good ones now remain in use. Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture is one them.