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Possessing unsurpassed facilities for the proper handling of Grain, consignments are respectfully solicited and liberal advances made. o19.

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CREW & JEROME,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
118 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE.

Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered. x

W. H. RUTTER,
Late of the firm of Greenwood, Rutter & Co.,
Commission Merchant,
For the sale of GRAIN and PRODUCE,
No. 96 Light st. Wharf,
BALTIMORE.
Consignments solicited. a6.

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GREENWOOD & WOODALL,
Commission Merchants
And General Produce Dealers,
72 SOUTH ST., Corn Exchange Building,
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Manufacturers of all styles
CHEWING TOBACCO,
AND DEALERS IN
LEAF TOBACCO, SEGARS, PIPES and SNUFF.
No. 92 Lombard, and 5 Water Streets,
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PEPPER'S NEW HOTEL
On the American and European Plans,
HOLLIDAY ST., opp. Main Entrance to City Hall,
(One Square from Baltimore Street.)

BOARD per day - - - - $2
Breakfast, Dinner and Supper 50c. each. Rooms 75c. to $1. Permanent Boarders according to room. First class Restaurant attached.
y. W. S. PEPPER, Prop'r.

MALTBY HOUSE,
BALTIMORE, MD.
C. R. HOGAN.....PROPRIETOR.
Reduction of Fare.
$2.50 PER DAY.

Being determined that nothing shall be left undone in the future to make the "MALTBY" what it has been in the past—second to none in the city—a liberal share of public patronage is solicited. j22-y.

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ROOMS FIRST CLASS
With GOOD SUBSTANTIAL BOARD
At $1.50 PER DAY.
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ROOM AND BOARD $2.00 Per Day.
Breakfast 50c., Dinner 75c., Supper 50c., Lodging 50c.
First Class Restaurant attached to the Hotel. Choice Liquors and Cigars always on hand. nh25y.

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FOR RENT, A NICE STORE, with comfortable Dwelling attached suitable for a Fancy or Notion Store, in Crumpton, Q. A. co., Md.
Address W. H. BAYNARD,
151 Harford Av., Baltimore, Md.
Dec. 7, 1878—3t.

FOR RENT, for 1879, the large two-story and attic Frame DWELLING, with Back Building, on N. E. side of Market Space, in Chestertown, known as the 'Simms Property.' Pump of Water in yard. Terms made known on application to
J. A. PEARCE, Att'y
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TO RENT, Store House and Dwelling corner High street and College avenue. Double Frame Dwelling on Cannon street near Princess.
CHAS. T. WESCOTT,
Nov. 16—3t. Attorney

FOR SALE, or RENT, A small HOUSE on Cannon street above Cross.
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
Nov. 16—3t. Attorney.

FOR RENT, For 1879, The DWELLING HOUSE and Garden at Still Pond X Roads, now occupied by J. W. Robinson.
Apply to LOUIS S. HEPBRON.
Nov. 23—3t.

FOR RENT, For 1879, The "ROCKWELL HOUSE," now occupied by Mr. John Armstrong.
Apply to WM. VANNORT,
n23-2t. Chestertown, Md.

TO RENT for 1879,
The DWELLING and DRUG STORE in Millington, now occupied by Frank M. Gooding. For terms apply to subscriber N. E. cor. Broadway & Pratt sts., Baltimore, or to THOS. J. BRITTON, Millington.
oc26-tf. EDGAR B. BRITTON.

Educational.

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.

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.

CHESTER RIVER
PURCHASING AGENCY
And PACKAGE DELIVERY.

The undersigned having been authorised to travel on the Steamer B. S. FORD for the purpose of purchasing goods in the city by order or sample, persons wishing to take advantage of this manner of obtaining goods direct from the city at lowest prices can see me at the different landings on the route, where I will receive orders and execute them with promptness. I will also deliver letters and packages to any part of the city. Charges nominal, from 10c, to 25c. according to service.—The cash must always accompany the order. Very resp'y,
oc19-3m* O. A. GODWIN.

SPECIAL NOTICE to the LADIES!
DRESS MAKING,
Plain and fancy, done in the latest styles and neatest manner.
MISS LUCY PARSONS, having had considerable experience as a Dress maker, is prepared to do work at shortest notice.—Will be found at her home opposite Catholic Church. Prompt attention given to all. oc26-tf.

SEWING. MISS ANNIE CRADDOCK and MISS MARY M. ZIESEL beg leave to inform the ladies of Chestertown and the public generally, that they have engaged rooms at Miss J. E. Redue's on Water st., where they are prepared to do all kinds of plain and fancy Sewing, promptly and at the lowest prices. A liberal share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.
Oct. 19, 1878.

MRS. S. C. JOINER continues the MANTUAMAKING business in all its branches. Store on High street, opposite residence of Senator Vickers.
Oct. 19, 1878—tf,

1878. 1878
FALL TRADE.
Dry Goods.
READY-MADE CLOTHING.

WICKES & BROTHER beg leave to inform their acquaintance that they have just bought and opened an extensive line of Goods in the departments named above, selected with care and at close cash figures, enabling them to sell at prices in keeping with the temper of the times, and encounter successfully the fiercest competition in the Trade.

These purchases form with Goods already on hand, a large and varied stock of merchandise, which they believe worthy the attention of close cash buyers or prompt paying people.

Their stock of Ready Made CLOTHING and RUBBER GOODS will be found unusually attractive.
Chestertown, October 9, 1878.

NOTICE! We have purchased our stock of *FALL & WINTER BOOTS,* at lowest cash prices, and are prepared to offer inducements to buyers. We guarantee every pair of our best Boots. Call and see them at
aug24. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

GLOVES!—Genuine Buck, Dog Skin, Chinchilla, Petersham & Cloth backs; best assortment of Men's & Boys' Heavy Gloves, and lowest prices, at
n16. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO'S.

TOBACCO AND CIGARS.
The finest grades of Tobacco and the choicest Cigars may be found at the Corner Drug Store.
July 6. C. F. STAM.

KNOW EVERY ONE
where you can get the Cheapest GROCERIES, Produce and Fruits, in fact

EVERYTHING that is kept in a first-class Grocery. We study to please the wants of our customers.

NEVER before have prices been as low as we are selling the best quality of goods for.

NOW, is it not better to deal with a good, reliable house, one that keeps

A FULL STOCK

AT ALL TIMES, and deals with others as they would be dealt by. We believe that small profits will

RUIN NO ONE, provided that the one attempting it is patronized by those he wishes to benefit.

DON'T THINK that this, like many advertisements, is only intended as a *draw* to attract only to

SELL the purchaser. But call and see for yourselves.

We *invite comparisons* in prices and goods.
dec7. C. W. KENNARD.

Beautiful Millinery
And FANCY GOODS,
FOR
1878. *FALL And WINTER.* **1878.**

MRS. KATE GILL,
Has received her new stock of MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS including the latest Fall and Winter styles.
HATS, BONNETS and RIBBONS, Feathers, Flowers, &c.
BEAUTIFUL FANCY GOODS
full line of Worsted FRINGES, Single & Split ZEPHYRS of all shades. Zephyr Needles, Mottoes, Canvas Card Board, 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,
Oct. 26—tf. opp. Voshell House.

New MILLINERY
AND
FANCY GOODS.
THE LATEST FASHIONS! FINEST GOODS! LOWEST PRICES!

MRS. L. J. DAVIS
Has just received and opened
A FRESH and BEAUTIFUL assortment of
Fall and Winter Millinery
embracing HATS and BONNETS of the latest fashions and styles; Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, Hdk'fs, Hosiery, Gloves.
A Large and Varied Assortment
of every description of goods found in a first class Millinery store.
We can guarantee satisfaction to every customer, both as to price and quality.
Agent for Demorest's reliable Patterns.
"What to Wear and How to Make It"—portfolio fashions, price 15c.
Call at the old stand.
oc26-tf. MRS. L. J. DAVIS.

TO THE LADIES.
NEW MILLINERY
And FANCY GOODS.

LAMBERT SISTERS have just returned from the city and opened a new Stock of
Fall and Winter 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 enable 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 cheaper than heretofore, and we are selling at very small profit for cash.
DRESS MAKING of all kinds done in the best manner and at low prices.
Store opposite KENT NEWS Office.
oc26-tf. LAMBERT SISTERS.

1878. *FALL AND WINTER.* **1878**
NEW MILLINERY
And FANCY GOODS.
LATE STYLES! LOW PRICES!

MRS. H. USILTON,
Just below Wickes' Drug Store, has received a well selected stock of new and beautiful MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS for FALL and Winter 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.
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.
Nov. 2. MRS. H. USILTON.

To the Ladies!
MISS MARY R. BENJAMIN
Has recently returned from the city with a new and complete assortment of
Fall and Winter Millinery
AND FANCY GOODS,
embracing all the latest styles of HATS, BONNETS, Feathers, Ribbons, Flowers, Silks, Hosiery, Kid Gloves, Hdk'fs, Toilet Articles, &c., &c.
All kinds of
DRESS MAKING
done in the neatest and best manner, at the lowest cash prices. I am determined to sell goods as low as the lowest; guarantee satisfaction in style and price.
All kinds PLAITING done by the yard.
Store adjoining T. W. Eliason, Jr.
n16 MARY R. BENJAMIN.

THE BEST 5c. CIGAR IN TOWN. Chewing Tobacco all grades, at low prices, at KENNARD'S.

To Parents and Children.

You are invited before purchasing elsewhere to call and examine
T. W. WICKES'
Varied Stock of
Holiday Goods.

My last season's stock and sales having proved so successful, and feeling sure I can offer you superior inducement both as regards QUALITY, STYLE AND PRICE in our line of Fine Imported Hair and Pocket Combs, Hair and Tooth Brushes.

TOILET POWDERS,
Comprising Pearl, Hunt's, Lubin's, Magnolia Balm, Bloom of Youth, Tooth Powder, Sozodont, Tooth Paste, Rouge, Tooth Soap.
English, French, German and American EXTRACTS and COLOGNES.
A full assortment of Fine Toilet Sets, Vases, Bronze Ornaments, Work Boxes.
Gilt and Bronze LAMPS,
with the latest improved Patent Triumph Burners, which give such a superior light and do not smoke or break the chimney.
Also, a Large Stock of Suitable PRESENTS FOR CHILDREN.
T. W. WICKES'
dec7. DRUG STORE.

Merry Christmas

We shall open during the coming week one of the LARGEST STOCKS and GREATEST VARIETY of
CHRISTMAS GOODS
ever offered in Kent county, consisting in part of CONFECTIONERY and FOREIGN FRUITS of all kinds.
Toys! Toys! Toys!
IN ENDLESS VARIETY, cheaper than old time prices.
Silver Plated Castors
BUTTER DISHES, &c.
FINE SCROLL WORK,
BRACKETS, CLOCKS, WORK BOXES.
Fine Bohemian Glass,
VASES, TOILET SETS, &c.
LARGE STOCK
GLASSWARE,
Lamps of beautiful Styes and very cheap.
JEWELRY! JEWELRY!
CLOCKS! CLOCKS!
and everything you can think of to gratify the appetite or please the eye of the most fastidious. We pledge ourselves to sell any and everything in our line as low, and many things lower, than can be had elsewhere. An examination and comparison of our goods with others in the same line is respectively solicited
At SPARKS'
dec7. *VARIETY STORE.*

BOATING, FREIGHTING.
To the FARMERS
And PUBLIC GENERALLY.

I take this method to inform you that I am in the market BUYING ALL KINDS OF GRAIN, for which I will pay the very highest cash price the market will afford, delivered at my warehouse or on the public landings.
All Grain FREIGHTED at 4c. per bushel, and all other Freights carefully handled & carried at extremely low rates. Give us a call. Resp'y,
oc26. CAPT. JAS. H THOMPSON.

WANTED
TO BUY OR FREIGHT
50,000 or more Bushels of GRAIN!

We are daily in communication with the Baltimore market, and are before the farmers competing with any and all buyers for the PURCHASE OF GRAIN, offering the highest market price—less charges for handling—and paying for same when delivered at our Granary or on board vessel. *We are still soliciting Freights of Grain and General Merchandise.* Charges moderate. Prompt and personal attention given to any business entrusted to our care. Mr. WM. H. PALMER is still at the Wharf, where he or I can always be found to attend to any business in our line. Give us a trial.
n23-tf. J. E. TAYLOR.

C. H. J. SPARKS,
DEALER IN
GRAIN and COAL,
LOCUST GROVE, MD.

HIGHEST price paid for **CORN,** and *COAL furnished*
At the very Lowest Prices, at
BLACK'S STATION, on the Kent Co. R. R.
n23-tf.

FALL and WINTER of 1878-9.
CELERY! CELERY!
Cut Flowers and Plants!
Furnished at the lowest prices at short notice.
WM. KIRBY has the largest crop of Celery grown in this county, and the best. It is now ready for table use, and can be had fresh any time at the Greenhouses on Queen St., or W. J. MCFEELY'S store on Post Office Corner.
WM. KIRBY, FLORIST,
n9-m. Chestertown.

NEW GOODS
ARE BEING RECEIVED WEEKLY
by
R. F. PARKS.
A call from the public solicited.
Nov. 2, 1878.

ATTENTION is called to our stock of Produce, Provisions and Groceries. Prices as low as can be sold in the town. See adv. in another colmn:
jy27. C. W. KENNARD.

FINE SALT at $1.60 per sack, can be had at R. F. PARKS'.

SOMEBODY'S MOTHER.

The woman was old and ragged and gray,
And bent with the chill of a winter's day;

The street was wet with a recent snow,
And the woman's feet were aged and slow.

She stood at the crossing and waited long,
Alone, uncared for, amid the throng

Of human beings who passed her by,
Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eye.

Down the street, with laughter and shout,
Glad in the freedom of "school let out,"

Came the boys like a flock of sheep,
Hailing the snow piled white and deep.

Past the woman so old and gray,
Hasted the children on their way.

Nor offered a helping hand to her,
So meek, so timid, afraid to stir,

Lest the carriage wheels or the horse's feet
Should crowd her down in the slippery street.

At last came one of the merry troupe—
The gayest laddie of all the group;

He paused beside her, and whispered low,
"I'll help you across if you wish to go."

Her aged hand on his strong young arm
She placed, and so, without hurt or harm,

He guided her trembling feet along,
Proud that his own were firm and strong;

Then back again to his friends he went,
His young heart happy and well content.

"She's somebody's mother, boys, you know,
For all she's aged, and poor and slow,

And I hope some fellow will lend a hand
To help my mother, you understtnd,

If ever she's poor and old and gray,
When her own dear boy is far away."

And "somebody's mother" bowed low her head
In her home that night, and the prayer she said

Was—"God be kind to the noble boy,
Who is somebody's son and pride and joy."

A BRIDAL PARTY.

A tall woman, having a troubled countenance, took the easy chair and led off:

"Mr. Joy, people are getting married every day."

"Is that possible madam?"

"Yes, sir. My daughter Emeline is to be married next week."

"Well, that beats 'em all! Do you know madam, I never dreamed of such a thing? She loves the feller, and of course you will give them your blessing!"

"Y-e-s, though, I think she could have done better. However, they fell together and it was no use to talk to her. The more I talked the more sot she was, and finally I gave in."

"And did you want me to happen in like, and happen to see Emiline, like, and happen to advance ten thousand reasons why she should break off the engagement, and wait for some Prince or Duke to come along?"

"No, sir. The marriage is all settled on, and what worries me now is the supper they want to get up. It's got to come out of my picket, but Emiline rushes in the extravagantest manner. Were you ever at a bridal feast?"

"Ever! Why I've been at 500 of 'em."

"Well, I'd like your idea as to what I shall provide. I've got my opinion as to what I shall provide. I've got my ideas about it, and if you agree I'll go ahead, Emeline or no Emeline."

"Well," said Bijah, after a moment's thought, "I'd put on a clean table cloth, of course, and I'd scour up the knives and forks, and borrow all the spoons and dishes I could."

"Yes—that is the way I should do."

"Then I have a big boquet at the head of the table, two more in the centre and one at the foot. They not only look beautiful, but they are a great deal cheaper than sweet cake."

"That's the plan exactly."

"Some folks are just mean enough to turn a bridal party away hungry," resumed the old man, "but that isn't my style. Sweet cake and peppermint candy are all well enough for consumptives, but after a person has hung around three or four hours to see a marriage go off he's apt to fell a goneness. Now, if it was me, the foundation would be meat and taters."

"Just what I told Emeline!" exclaimed the woman, rubbing her hands in a delighted way.

"Yes, meat and 'taters. I'd have good, solid pork, fried rather hard, flanked by breakfast bacon and ham. Then I'd have baked 'taters, mashed 'taters, fried 'taters and 'taters warmed over."

"I told her so—I told her so!" exclaimed the excited mother.

"Then I'd have a plate of summer squash at the head of the table, and a plate of winter squash at the foot. The edges of the plates can be ornamented with slices of onions placed half an inch apart."

"I hadn't thought of that, but I'll have 'em or bust the wedding."

"Well, then, the side-dishes may consist of—of—of—let's see?" Buckwheat cakes are awful nice, madam, for one thing. I get three yards of sausage, also. A pickled pig's foot, placed on a plate by itself and half hidden and stalks of celery looks romantic and tastes first rate. Then cut your pumpkin pie up in small pieces and serve it with the sweet cake. Then—"

"But isn't that about enough?" nervously inquired the woman.

"All but some more onions, madam. There's where they make a great mistake at bridal feasts. The guest who comes with his mouth watering for more onions goes away a disappointed and crushed man. I'd have 'em raw, have 'em stewed, baked and hashed up. Those who don't like 'em, won't touch 'em, and those who hanker after 'em will bless you."

"I think I'll do it—in fact I know I will," replied the woman. "It's me who is running this bridal feast, and if Emeline doesn't like it she can be married on the commons. Well, Mr. Joy, I'm a thousand times obliged, and you are hereby invited to attend the feast."

"I'll come. Don't forget the onions—don't go back on the 'taters and solids. And now may all the blessings on earth attend you and yours, and if you get stuck on onions I can send you over a half bushel, cheap, any minute. Good-bye—have 'em in all styles—so long—yum, yum!"—*Detroit Free Press.*

A MAN who had been much interested in the cremation system said to his wife: "My dear, I wish you to remember that when the Lord calls me to my reward I desire to be cremated if a suitable furnace is accessable." "Yes, love," replied his spouse, "but when the Lord calls you, I think He will provide for your burning."

LAZINESS travels so slow that even poverty can catch and keep pace with it.

Rev. John Newland Maffitt.

HIS DEATH FROM A BROKEN HEART.

The Rev. Dr. Carter has been writing for the *Methodist* an autobiography from which we quote in reference to the singular manner of Rev. Mr. Maffitt's death:

"Mr. Maffitt must have preached thirty years in this country, his death occurring when he was about fifty-eight years of age. He traveled all over our land, especially in the larger cities, and was greeted everywhere by immense audiences. There was a wonderful fascination in his manner. Multitudes yet live who heard him preach; and multitudes in various places, who are still members of the Church Militant, were converted through his instrumentality; and multitudes, no doubt, have gone to join the Church Triumphant, who were called to Christ through the Word which he preached. We pass over all these years of his triumph. It was not our intention to speak of them at present. We come to the closing up of his earthly career, for the particulars of which we are indobted to a pamphlet written by Rufus F. Hibbard, bearing the date 1856.

"Many persons who will read this article probably know that, during his life, Mr. Maffitt, like other great and successful preachers, was assailed by various calumnies. It has been well said that the whiter our garments are the more easily are they stained. He had been for some weeks preaching in Mobile. The news came to New York that he was ministering to large assemblies with extraordinary success, and that a glorious revival was attending his labors. Some person or persons furnished for the columns of a scurrilous paper, published in New York, articles is reference to Mr. Maffitt, charging him with gross evils, and reviving old rumors that had been afloat in the church. An extra edition of this paper was sent to Mobile and sold around the church where he was preaching during the hours of service. The brethren in Mobile, however, still believed in his innocence, and the meetings grew more and more interesting. But each succeeding week the paper, as it was forwarded from New York, contained more pointed articles, and, influenced by its statements, several persons, who were not members of the church in Mobile, took the matter up and charged flagrant crimes against him.

"At length, we omit particulars, the official brethren forbade his preaching in the church. Mr. Maffitt exclaimed:

"God pity my enemies!" and fell backward. A physician came in immediately, who said it was a spasmodic action of the heart. He applied restoratives and the great preacher revived—lingered some hours and died without a struggle. His sister said that the evening before his death, as they were walking the room together, talking of his persecutions, he said:

"Oh! Ellen, your poor brother is dying. My heart-strings are breaking; I feel they are; but remember I die innocent, a Christian and a gentleman. I pray God to have mercy on my enemies, and forgive them, as I do, from the bottom of my heart."

Thus died John Newland Maffitt. A post mortem examination was demanded by his friends. They selected the best physician in this city. Dr. Nott conducted the examination, and found the stomach and lungs in a healthy condition; but when Dr. Nott took out the heart he wept like a child and said:

"There can be no doubt as to the cause of his death now, for the heart is literally burst."

"The heart was taken to the doctor's office in Mobile and preserved, and the body was buried without it. The verdict of the jurors was that J. N. Maffitt died of a broken heart, caused by excessive grief, and, says Mr. Hillard, "I believe the heart still remains in Mobile and may be seen by any one."

Too Hot for Him.

As Confederate war reminiscences are always in order, here is one that is too good to be buried. The hero of this joke was one Jim. He was attached to Rosser's Cavalry in Stewart's command. Jim was noted for his strong antipathy to shot and shell, and a peculiar way he had of avoiding too close a communion with the same; but at last all his plans failed to keep him out of the "row," and he and his companions, under a lieutenant, were detailed to support a battery that was composed of a portion of the rear guard. The enemy kept pressing close, in fact, so close as to endanger the retreating forces, and the troops covering the retreat had orders to keep the enemy in check for a given period at all hazards, and the order was obeyed to the letter under a galling fire. Jim grew desperate. He stuck behind trees that appeared to his excited vision no larger than ram-rods. He then tried to lie down. In fact he placed himself in every position that his genius could invent, but the "hiss" of bullets haunted him still. At last, in despair, he called to the commanding officer: "Lieutenant, let's fall back." "I cannot do it, Jim," replied the officer. "Well, I'll be dratted if we don't get cleaned out if we stay here." "My orders, Jim, are to hold this place and support that battery of guns," pointing to the artillery close by. "If we fall back the enemy will rush in and capture the guns" Just at that instant a well directed bullet impressed Jim with the fact that a change of base became necessary. Jim found another apparently protected spot, and, as soon as he recovered his mind, he sang out: "Oh, lieutenant! what do you think them 'ere cannons cost?" "I don't know, Jim; I suppose $1,000." "Well," said Jim, "let's take up a collection and pay for the darned guns and let the Yankees have 'em."—*Star, Va.*

"Do you make any reduction to a minister?" said a young lady to a salesman. "Always. Are you a minister's wife?" "Oh no, I am not married," said the lady, blushing. "Daughter, then?" "No." The tradesman looked puzzled. "I am engaged to a theological student," said she. The reduction was made.

A NORTH Carolina editor declares that "the man who will read a newspaper three or four years without paying for it, will pasture a goat on the grave of his grandfather."

Three Times Sentenced to Death.

RELEASE OF AN INNOCENT MAN FOR WHOM THE GALLOWS WAS TWICE ERECTED—WHAT MICHAEL MURPHY DID WHEN HIS PARDON CAME TO HIM AT SING SING.

The New York *World* of a recent date says: Michael Murphy, who thrice has heard his sentence of death pronounced, sits in his home in Jersey City a free man. He was pardoned on the the 21st ultimo by Governor Robinson. The story of the crime of which he was convicted, with its surroundings and ramifications, extends over a space of ten years. "Had it been a New Yorker or a person of any prominence who stood accused, this narrative of the Nanuet murder and its many dramatic scenes would have filled a good-sized romance," said a prominent criminal lawyer recently. "Circumstantial evidence never came nearer to hanging an innocent man, yet after four years and seven months of imprisonment all the State can do is to let him go."

On the night of April 19, 1874, Mrs. Matilda Hujun was shot at and killed in her residence, at Nanuet, Rockland county. A sister of Michael Murphy had been a wife of Robert J. Gamble, with whom Mrs. Hujus lived. Murphy was arrested and convicted in October, 1874, before Judge Barnard, and on October 15 was sentenced to be hanged on December 14. The general term affirmed the sentence after a stay, and a resentence passed. For the third time sentence was passed after an unavailing resort to the Court of Appeals, but on newly discovered evidence, Governor Tilden, on May 21, 1876, commuted the sentence to imprisonment for life. Since that time the man has worn the prison stripes and worked at his trade of blacksmithing in the convict shop. His counsel, Henry Daily, Jr., still stuck to him, and on the evidence he produced Governor Robinson's pardon issued.

On the 22d ult. Governor Robinson's son, who has special care of all pardon business, called at Sing Sing prison with the pardon, "I was working in the shop," said Murphy yesterday, "when I was told that Mr. Robinson wanted to see me. I went to the warden's office, and the warden was there and another gentleman. He asked me about the shooting, and I told him how I was in Jersey City on that day and was as innocent as the God in heaven. Then he said you are a free man. The State cannot touch you. I can't keep you; nobody can keep you, and you can go just where you please. Well, sir, I had no idea that it was coming and fell on my knees before him, thanking God."

Gamble, the man who suggested the arrest of Murphy, and whom the latter evidence implicates very seriously, fell away from a stout man of 208 pounds to a mere skeleton of 125, and died a beggar in Brooklyn, after having spent over $50,000, it is said, for evidence in the case. Brandis, another important witness, has since died, and Dr. G. B. Hammond, who swore that he saw Murphy at Nanuet on the Sunday of the murder, died a suicide. In passing Hammond on leaving the bar after his first sentence Murphy turned to him and said, "Dr. Hammond you have sworn my life away, but you will die before I am hung."

Mrs. Murphy, left without resources, had a shanty on Congress street, Jersey City Heights, as a residence and by washing and charring managed to keep it up. Only five times in four and a half years did she see her husband. When he was arrested Murphy had but two children, but another was born a few months afterwards. Twice Murphy saw the scaffold erected for his execution, and on the occasion, as a rebuke to Sheriff Benson, the fact of a stay was kept from him, while Murphy, knowing of it, looked quietly on the scaffold borrowed from Hackensack, saw the crowd gather, and was treated to a volley of oaths provoked from the Sheriff by the disappointment.

ACCIDENTALLY HANGED A BABY.—The infant daughter of Prus Haffley, of Newark, N. J., met with a shocking fate. Its mother had occasion to go up town, and left her little one in charge of its aunt, her sister. The latter put the child to sleep and laid it on the bed in the bedroom. She took a cord and tied it loosely around the little one's neck, and fastened the other end to the knob of the door. Her idea was that if the child awoke its pulling the chord would please it and keep it from crying. When the mother returned home she went to kiss her babe and found it dead. It had hanged itself in its struggles to get free.

A BUTCHER complained to a lawyer that sombody's dog was in the habit of stealing meat from his cart, and asks what he should do about it. The lawyer replied: "Prosecute the owner of the dog, of course." "But," said the butcher, "it is your dog." "I will pay the bill," said the lawyer, bringing his hand down on the place where his pocket book was supposed to be, "if you will tell me how much the meat was worth." The butcher replied, "About $1." "All right," rejoined the lawyer, "hand over $1 to me and we will be square. The advice which I gave to you in the begining was worth $2!"

A COUPLE of little fellows was overheard yesterday as they sat in the sand on the sunny side of the school house, talking as follows: "Say, Tom, did you notice mother shake her head at me when she passed the pie at dinner to-day?" "Yes," answered his companion; "what did she do that for?" 'She always does that when she has pie and company. She wanted me to refuse pie, I didn't, though, this time, and when I go home to-night I'll get this ear yanked out about an inch and a half, and then comes the goldarnest larrupin' on my bare legs, and all for that stingy piece of pie."

"SANDY, what is the state of religion in your town?" "Bad, sir; very bad! There are no Christians except Davie and myself, and I have my doubts about Davie."

"PRAY, sir, pity me," said a beggar, "I have a wife and six children." A gentleman replied. "Accept my heartfelt sympathy, so have I."

OUR greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

A SLOW match—marriage after ten years' engagement

DILIGENCE is a fair fortune, and industry is a good estate.

ESSAY ON WOMEN.

After man came woman.

And she has been after him ever since.

She is a person of noble extractions, being made of a man's rib.

I don't know why Adam wanted to fool away his ribs in that way, but I suppose he was not accountable far all he did.

Woman is not an amphibious animal, but she seems to know a good deal about the peculiar merits of water, and preaches them to her husband whenever she smells something stronger than water on his breath.

It costs more to keep a woman than it does three dogs and a shot gun.

But she pays you back with interest—by giving you a house full of children to keep you awake at nights and smear molasses candy on your Sunday coat.

Besides your wife is a very convenient article to have about the house.

She is so handy to swear at whenever you cut yourself with the razor and don't feel like blaming yourself.

Woman is the superior being in Massachusetts.

There being about sixty thousand more of her sex than males in that State.

This accounts for the terrified, hunted down expression of the single men who emigrate frem the East.

Woman was not created perfect.

She has her faults—such as false hair, false teeth, false complexion, and so on.

But she is a good deal better than her neighbor, and she knows it.

Eve was a woman.

She must have been a model wife, too; for it cost Adam nothing to keep her in clothes.

Still I don't think she was happy.

She couldn't go to sewing circles and air her information about everybody she knew, nor excite the envy of other ladies by wearing her new winter bonnet to church.

Neither could she hang over the back fence and gossip with her neighbor.

All these blessed privileges were denied her.

Poor Eve! she's dead now.

And the fashion she inaugurated is dead also.

If it hadn't been for the confounded "snaik" perhaps the ladies of this day would dress as economically as Eve did.

But the only place where this primitive style is emulated is in certain portions of Africa, where the women consider themselves in full dress when they have nothing on but a postage stamp stuck in the centre of their foreheads.

What a beautiful example in simplicity of dress is shown some of the followers of fashion by that domestic animal, the cat, which rises in the morning, washes its face with its right hand, gives its tail three tremendous jerks, and is ready dressed for the day.

Woman is endowed with a tremendous fund of knowledge and a tongue to suit.

She has the capacity for learning everything she was divinely intended to know and a few extra items besides.

Young ladies take a good deal of stock in classics and learn very fast.

When you see a young lady student from Vasar, with an absorbed look in her eyes and her lips moving, you understand at once that she is memorizing a passage from Virgil.

But perhaps a closer inspection will reveal the fact that she is only chewing gum.

A woman may not be able to sharpen a lead pencil or hold an umbrella, but she can pack more articles into a trunk than a man can into a one-horse wagon.

The happiest period of a woman's life is when she is making her wedding garments.

The saddest is when her husband comes home late at night and yells to her from the front door steps to throw him out a handful of keyholes of different sizes.

There is some real curiosity in feminine nature.

For instance, I once knew a young lady who could easily pass another one on the street without looking around to see what she had on.

Poor thing! she was blind.

One of the worst habits a woman can get into is a riding habit.

But it is not much worse than the modern walking dress, which ladies persist in wearing on the streets.

When a woman approaches the crossing she pauses for one fleeting instant, gives a sudden kick that would fire the envy of a Mexican mustang, and catches her train on the fly.

There is no fun in kissing a girl when you know you have got to do it, and a crowd is standing by to see fair play.

The best way is to lie in wait for