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USE SURE GROWTH TO GROW WHEAT

IT PAYS!

TRADE MARK

SUPER-PHOSPHATE

MANUFACTURED BY D. SCOTT & BRO., ELKTON, MD.

For sale by W. MELVIN, Chestertown. A. WOODALL, Georgetown.

NONE CAN BEAT IT! SPEAKS FOR ITSELF!!

"Reliable" and "Corsica Compound"

PHOSPHATES,

Manufac'd by THOMPSON & McFEELY,

CENTREVILLE, Queen Anne's Co., Md.

Show Their Success by the Increased Demand for Them.

The sales of 1882 were over double those of 1881, an increase of over 100 per cent. It is made at home under our personal supervision and guaranteed to be first-class in every respect. Nearly every one that uses it once buys it again in larger quantities.

In Splendid Drilling Condition. Put up in the Best Bags that can be Bought. Yields this Year in Very Many Cases Thirty-Five Bushels to the Acre.

We refer you to:

Theodore F. Dill, Robert Nicholson, R. J. Catlin, Josiah Lusby, John N. Dodd, W. W. Stephens, W. T. Nicholson, Thos. Massey, Mrs. E. R. Wickes, Wm. Morris, Furnell Jefferson, Thos. S. Wilmer, B. N. S. Wilkins, E. N. Roland.

Analysis Guaranteed.

For Sale by R. G. NICHOLSON, Chestertown, Md.

August 4, 1883—s.

High Grade Fertilizers!

TRADE MARK

MONARCH, MASSEY'S STANDARD

—MANUFACTURED BY—

C. W. KENNARD & CO.,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Especially adapted to the growth of Wheat and Grass. Prompt action and Reliable. The great and increasing popularity of these Goods is a proof that they are Excellent in quality and condition. Orders solicited and filled promptly.

BranchS Office and Warehouse at MASSEY'S. Aug. 4, 1883.

1850. 1883.

W. N. E. WICKES,

AGENT FOR

LISTER'S FERTILIZERS

BASIS BONE.

Wheat and Grass producers and permanent improvers of the soil. Long tested, well known and universally approved.

Lister's Standard Phosphate,
Lister's Ammoniated Phosphate,
Lister's U. S. Phosphate,
Lister's Pure Ground Butchers' Bone.

Are offered to the farmers at reasonable prices, and on accommodating terms. These goods will be delivered at any of the wharves or landings of the river or bay. It is very desirable to have orders filed early in the season. This will secure the goods in dry and fine condition for the drill. Orders left at the store of WICKES & BROTHER will receive prompt attention. Aug. 4-3m.

MOGEE & FLEMING,

Chestertown, Md.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

MOGEE'S

GREAT VALLEY SCHUYLKILL

Quick and Slaked LIME,

Manufactured at NORRISTOWN, MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

THIS LIME has been used more extensively during the past eight years than any other lime by the Farmers in Maryland and Delaware. It has given decidedly BETTER RESULTS than any other Lime on the market, and as we are the largest dealers now in the Lime business we can and will deliver to farmers and dealers as cheap if not cheaper than any other firm in the business.

We supply orders by Railroad, from Philadelphia to Crisfield, and all the connecting branches, and we have boats to fill all orders not accessible by rail.

We are prepared to sell on time—4, 6 or 8 months note—payable at Banks.

April 7, 1883. MOGEE & FLEMING, Chestertown, Md.

Farmers' Favorite

BRADLEY'S SUPER PHOSPHATE

is too well know to need more than the agent's name selling it. We warrant it to be a first class article, and to drill in every case. When we say drill we mean that the farmer shall return the Phosphate if not found in Drilling condition.

Prices as Low as any Goods in the Market, Analysis being the Same.

We will deliver free of freight to any landing on the bay or rivers. Call and give your orders early.

HINES & CLEMENTS, CHESTERTOWN. Aug 4-s.

1846. *1883.*

CHAPPELL'S

FERTILIZERS

Have Stood the Test for 36 Years.

Chappell's CHAMPION Super Phosphate,

Ammoniated Super Phosphate,

Pure Dissolved Raw Bone,

Dissolved South Carolina Bone.

The above Phosphates having been in the market for 36 years is sufficient guarantee that the standard has been kept up and farmers can rely on them. Guaranteed to drill.

We will deliver at any of the landings on the bay or rivers. Order early.

HINES & CLEMENTS, CHESTERTOWN. Aug. 4-s.

"OLD KENT"

PHOSPHATE.

I am now prepared to furnish the Farmers of Kent and Queen Anne's counties with "OLD KENT," No. 1, FOR WHEAT, in fine drilling condition. It has given entire satisfaction.

JOHN W. HINES, Chestertown. Aug. 4-tf.

FARMERS who are interested in Growing Crops cheaply and successfully should write us for our pamphlet on pure fertilizers. A good fertilizer can be made at home for about $12 a ton by composting with POWELL'S PREPARED CHEMICALS. References in Every State. Agents wanted for unoccupied territory. Apply with references.

BROWN CHEMICAL CO.

Manufacturers of Powell's Tip-Top Bone Fertilizer, Bone, Potash, Ammonia, &c.

16 LIGHT STREET, BALTIMORE, MD.

ARMSTRONG & SPARKS, Ag'ts, Chestertown

THEY NEVER FAIL!

Smith's Fever and Ague Pills

ARE WARRANTED TO CURE FEVER and AGUE, MALARIA, INTERMITTENT and REMITTENT FEVERS.

We Challenge their equal.

PRICE $1.00 PER BOX.

Sold by Druggists and Dealers.

ELIAS SCHMIDT & CO., Sole Proprietors, BALTIMORE, MD., U. S. A.

Sold at TOULSON'S Drug Store, Chestertown. June 30-6m-1p.

Kampmeetin Time!!

It's a little early perhaps to begin talking about Camp-Meeting Buggies; but you will want one, and we have them—

Good Top Buggies, from - - - $60 to $74

Call and see us and we promise to sell you the very best buggy in Baltimore for the money. We mean business—big business.

R. F. BRIGGS & CO.,

53 W. Fayette St., Baltimore,

Opposite Barnum's.

je30. A. W. HAWKS, Manager.

Dr. A. A. WHITE'S

Blood and Liver Pills,

For the cure of Diseases arising from an impure state of the Blood or Derangement of the Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. They are mild in their operation and will Cure with despatch

Malaria, Bilious Fever, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Jaundice, Headache and Constipation.

PRICE 25 CENTS PER BOX.

Sold by all Druggists.

B. STRAUSS, Agt,

Wholesale and Retail

LIQUOR DEALER,

No. 1 Camden Street,

May 19—6m. BALTIMORE.

COMMISSION CARDS.

HUTCHINSON & HILL,

Commission Merchants,

(Of 324 N. Del. Ave., Phila.,)

HAVE OPENED A BRANCH HOUSE AT

183 Reade Street, NEW YORK,

which will be managed in person by WALTER S. HILL, formerly of this county. ag4-tf.

B. TREW,

114 Light St. wharf, Baltimore,

Will give Special attention to THE SALE OF PEACHES and other FRUIT this season. jy28-tf.

D. B. STEWART

With T. H. KEPNER,

General Commission Merchant,

And Wholesale Dealer in all kinds of

COUNTRY PRODUCE,

No. 2 Bowly's Wharf, Baltimore, Md.

Special attention given to the sale of Peaches. No charge for empties not collected. Sales reported daily. Returns weekly.

References:—Messrs. Polk & Pennington, of Howell's Point fruit farm; Wm. Archibald, Jno. Young, Louis S. Hepbron, W. H. Stewart, E. B. Pennington, Wm. H. Pennell, Kent co.; James A. Ray, Baltimore. jy7-tf.

JACOB BARKMAN. R. FRANK LAWDER. SAMUEL M. LAWDER.

BARKMAN & LAWDER,

General Commission Merchants,

88 S. Charles St.,

BALTIMORE, MD.

PEACHES a Specialty.

je2-3m

R. GROVES. T. H. WINPENNY

GROVES & WINPENNY.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

92 Light St., Baltimore, Md.,

For the Sale of all kinds of Country Produce.

All business entrusted to us will receive our earnest attention. Communications answered promptly. mar17-y.

FRANK WRIGHT. JNO. N. SPARKS.

WRIGHT & SPARKS,

Commission Merchants,

No. 114 Light street Wharf, Baltimore,

For the Sale of

GRAIN, FRUITS, LIVE STOCK

AND GENERAL PRODUCE.

jan6-6m.

W. H. RUTTER. JOS. M. ASHBURY.

RUTTER & ASHBURY,

Commission Merchants,

And Dealers in

GRAIN, HAY, MILL FEED, &c.,

No. 79 SOUTH STREET,

BALTIMORE.

WM. TOMLINSON, Sr.,

WITH

CREW & JEROME,

Commission Merchants

For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,

No. 3 Camden Street, BALTIMORE.

Near Light St. wharf.

Consignments respectfully solicited. Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered y

JESSE WILSON.

—WITH—

J. A. STEPHENS. J. W. STEPHENS.

JOHN A. STEPHENS & SON.

General Commission Merchants

For the sale of

GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE,

92 Light St. Wharf, Baltimore.

Consignments respectfully solicited. Correspondents cheerfully and promptly answered.

ABEL J. REES. JAMES J. REES.

REES & SON,

General Commission Agents,

FOR THE SALE OF

GRAIN, FRUIT, LIVE STOCK, Poultry, Fish, Oysters, &c.,

And the PURCHASE of SUPPLIES,

162 Light St., opp. Str. Enterprise Pier. BALTIMORE, MD.

Refer to Citizens' National Bank. jan1.

GEO. Z. GREENWOOD. A. W. WOODALL.

GREENWOOD & WOODALL,

Commission Merchants

And General Produce Dealers,

72 SOUTH St., Corn Exchange Building BALTIMORE.

Commission on Grain 1 cent per bushel. Commission on Peaches and Produce 7 per cent., and no charge for collecting empties. jy26.

B. F. PARLETT & CO.,

Manufacturers of all styles

CHEWING TOBACCO

AND DEALERS IN

LEAF TOBACCO, SEGARS, PIPES and SNUFF.

No. 92 Lombard, and 5 Water Streets, BALTIMORE.

FACTORY—No. 18, Danville, Va.

ESTABLISHED 1860.

MILBURN, MITCHELL & CO.,

Wholesale Liquor Dealers,

CURERS OF

RYE AND BOURBON WHISKEYS,

55 W. Pratt St., Balto. Md.

Don't pay agents or smugglers 25 or 30 per cent. to get your whiskey but send your demijohns direct to our House; we guarantee full value for your money. June 9, 1883—3m.

R. I. C. JONES, JR., & CO.

IMPORTERS OF

BRANDIES, GINS, WINES, &c.

DEALERS IN

Pure Rye Whiskies.

No. 26 German Street, bet. Calvert and Light, BALTIMORE, MD.

Orders respectfully solicited. je23.

Trustee's Sale

—OF—

Valuable TOWN LOTS.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Kent county in Equity, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale, at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY,

The 28th of August, 1883,

At 11½ o'clock A. M.,

the property in Chestertown situate on Mill and Cannon streets, formerly know as

The "Anderson Property"

now known as the

WELCH PROPERTY,

and adjoining the farm of John N. Usilton, Esq.

This property will be offered first in

BUILDING LOTS,

and afterward as a whole.

The part lying on Mill street will be offered in three lots, two of which measure 50 feet each in front, and the third 54 feet and 147 feet deep; The last is improved by a two-story frame building nearly new, and one of the others has on it the large horse-chestnut tree. The part fronting on Cannon street will be offered in 8 building lots of from about 35 and 40 feet front by 250 feet deep.

This property is well located, being high and dry, and desirable for building lots. A plot of same may be seen at the office of C. H. Baker.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the decree are as follows:—One-third cash on the day of sale or on the final ratification thereof, at the option of the trustee, the balance to be paid in two equal annual instalments, in one and two years. All money unpaid on day of sale to bear interest from day of sale, and to be secured by bond of purchaser with security to be approved by the trustee.

C. H. BAKER, Trustee.

Aug. 4—ts.

A New Departure

W. A. WHITAKER & BRO.

Galena, Md.,

Dealers in General Merchandise.

Department No. 1: DRY GOODS, PRINTS, Muslins, Ginghams, Satins, Cashmeres, Lawns White Goods, Flannels, Cottonades, Notions, Hosiery, Gloves—the celebrated Alexandria Kid Glove, warranted. Hamburg Edgings, Corsets; Ladies', Gents' and Misses' Waterproof Gossimer Coats; Satchels, Clocks.

Gents' Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes.

SHOES! SHOES! SHOES! for the large and small.

HATS and CAPS, Queensware, Hardware, Cigars, Tobacco, Fancy & Staple Groceries.

Depart. No. 2—Syrups, Molasses, Oils, Salt, &c.

Depart. No. 3—Men's and Boys' *READY-MADE CLOTHING.* Men's Suits $5, $8, $10, $12, $15, $18, $20.

Depart. No. 4—(second floor)—*FURNITURE AND BEDDING.* Cottage Suits, Tables, Chairs and Lounges at City Prices.

Depart. No. 5—(second floor)—*CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, MATTINGS.*

We also buy the Sigwalt Singer Pattern Sewing Machine, and sell at less than list prices.

We would ask our friends and the public to please call and examine our stock.

Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

W. A. WHITAKER & BRO., Main Street, GALENA, MD. March 3, 1883.

CARRIAGES!

NEWEST STYLES! BEST MAKE! and LOWEST PRICES!

—AT—

GEORGE E. LAMBERT'S

CHESTERTOWN.

I have ample accommodations and a full supply of the best material on hand for the manufacture of Carriages, and have in my employ the very best workmen to be found anywhere, enabling me to make to order any style of Carriage needed in this section.

I have now in my show rooms as fine a variety of the different styles as can be found in most city establishments, and we guarantee them to be AS GOOD and AS CHEAP.

Among them we may mention

Piano-box Top Buggies,

Brewster & Wilson spring;

Double Spring Phætons,

Jump Seats, Rockaways and Dayton Wagons,

We deal exclusively in Carriages, Dearborns and Express Wagons, and knowing our reputation is at stake, and purposing the permanency of our business establishment here, we have something more at heart than temporary pecuniary advantage. We are determined that our work shall give satisfaction in every respect and therefore do not hesitate to give guarantees in every case.

DAYTONS.—Special attention is called to our Dayton Wagons—the very thing for farmers

Repairs of all kinds—Smithing, Painting and Trimming—at short notice, at lowest prices.

Please give me a call.

GEO. E. LAMBERT, jt1. opposite M. P. Church, Chestertown.

WANTED

30,000 Boxes Peaches,

(We furnish Boxes.)

Delivered at any of our wharves on Chester River or Corsica Creek

Cash paid on delivery.

J. W. THOMPSON, j28-tf. Manager Thompson's Line.

TO PEACH GROWERS.

If you want a first class Set Springs for your Peach and Farm wagons call at Hines & Clements and examine their Spiral Springs which are guaranteed the best and Cheapest on the market. July 14. HINES & CLEMENTS.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF—

A Fine Farm

BY VIRTUE of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, the undersigned as trustee, will offer at PUBLIC SALE, on

TUESDAY, the 28th August, 1883,

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.,

At the Voshell House, in Chestertown, THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE REAL ESTATE:

THE FARM

CALLED

Green Point,

in the Third Election District of Kent county, State of Maryland, lately owned by Lewin Usilton, now deceased.

THIS FARM contains

402 ACRES, 3 Roods,

And 27 Perches of LAND,

more or less, all arable but 100 Acres in

WOOD AND TIMBER,

and a few acres on the water lines.

The location is desirable, being convenient to Churches, Schools, &c., and the Dwelling is beautifully situated on a high bank, commanding a magnificent view of the Chesapeake Bay, the Harford shore and surrounding country.

Worton Creek, one of its boundaries, is navigable for steamers and grain vessels. On this Creek the farm has a good WHARF, and has the additional advantage of being near the steamboat wharf and Public Landing at Buck Neck. The arable land is conveniently divided and well fenced.

THE IMPROVEMENTS

Are a NEW FRAME DWELLING, commodious and well arranged, with a Kitchen attached. The outbuildings are ample for the farm and in good order; there is also a

Peach Orchard of 2200 Trees,

one year old, of well selected varieties;

Pear Orchard and other Fruits.

Any person desiring to purchase a beautiful residence in a healthy, enterprising and social neighborhood should not fail to visit this farm, where they will meet Mr. Jos. R. USILTON, who will take pleasure in showing it.

TERMS OF SALE,

as prescribed by the Decree are as follows:—One-fourth of the purchase money cash at the sale, or on its final ratification at trustee's option; residue in equal instalments of six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, from which time the whole purchase money will bear interest. The deferred payments to be secured by bond of purchaser with surety or sureties approved by the trustee.

RICHARD HYNSON, Trustee.

As the Decree directed, the trustee gives notice to the creditors of the said Lewin Usilton, deceased, to file their claims, with the vouchers thereof, with the clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county within four months from day of sale of his real estate.

RICHARD HYNSON, July 28—ts. TRUSTEE.

VALUABLE FARM

—AT—

PRIVATE SALE,

BY AN EXECUTOR.

UNDER the power vested in the undersigned contained in the last will and testament of the late Annie E. Bowers, and by virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, he will sell at private sale the real estate of his testatrix—the same being all her

FARM in the 2d Election District,

of Kent county, save a lot in the northwesterly corner of said farm, adjoining the village of Still Pond, and the farm of J. B. Parrott and others. The Farm as offered for sale contains

About 125 Acres,

all arable except a WOOD LOT of about Five Acres, and is now in the possession of Mr. Rob't Bowers as tenant, who will take pleasure in showing it to any one who may desire to purchase. The soil is naturally good, and has been highly improved. It is well fenced.

The Improvements

ARE A COMMODIOUS

BRICK DWELLING

and Out-buildings suitable for the farm, all in good order.

This estate may be purchased at a fair price and upon liberal terms.

RICHARD T. TURNER, Executor.

R. HYNSON, Attorney. Aug. 4—3t.

AT PRIVATE SALE

A FARM IN MORGAN'S CREEK NECK, containing 135 ACRES,

More or less, known as the Bosee farm, adjoining the lands of Messrs. Wilmer, Crow, McGee and others. For terms of sale and full particulars address JOHN K. BOSEE, jan21-2m. 64 South st., Baltimore.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the estate of A. J. Hackett, dec'd, are hereby notified that unless they call and settle by note or otherwise on or before the 25th day of August, 1883, their accounts will be placed in suit.

JAMES M. SEVERSON, jy21-4t. Adm'r.

FARMERS will do well to cut the briars and sassafras bushes in August, 17, 18, and 20, and J. K. Aldridge's Bush Scythes will be sure to kill them.—Call and purchase before that time—at

July 25-tf. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

ENAMELED PRESERVING KETTLES, best quality and Cheap at

ju-25-tf. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

DREAMING BY THE SEA.

Thou sea, thou grand old sea,
Filled with sublimity,
Answer, oh, answer me.

What do thy depths unfurl?
Long coral reefs do curl,
In palaces of pearl.

Beauty doth sparkling dwell,
Within the rainbow shell,
Like music in a well.

Unmeasured fields of grass
I through my vision pass,
Where golden mountains mass.

Ships freighted with fair forms,
That sank beneath the storms,
Now free from all alarms.

A myriad of strange dreams
Beneath the ocean beams;
Is it as thus it seems?

I see the waves at war,
Dashing against the shore
They translate not the lore.

That hoarded ocean tells,
When ringing loud its bells,
Joys bridal, and death-knells.

Again, oh, mighty sea,
Unfold thy lore to me,
Thy vast eternity.

God rides upon the storm,
Clasps to His bosom warm,
The poor despairing form.

I cannot, sings the sea,
Unfold in songs to thee,
What thou dost ask of me.

With thee, O, God with thee,
Creator of the sea,
Must rest the mystery.

Beyond the horizon's rim,
Are open gates to Him,
Faith, never there is dim.

There on the foaming brine,
Reflected glories shine,
As diamonds from a mine.

Nearer around the shore,
The breakers, break and roar,
God reigns forevermore.

Atlantic City, July 28. MATILDA CANBY.

A BAREFOOTED GROOM.

About twenty years ago a young fellow named Johnson, in the wilds of the Cheat Mountains in West Virginia, made up his mind to be married.

"But you have not a penny," remonstrated his friends.

"I have my hands. A man was given hands—one to scratch for himself, the other for his wife," he said.

On the day of the wedding, Johnson appeared in a whole coat and trowsers, but barefooted.

"This is hardly right," said the clergyman, "I will lend you a pair of shoes."

"No," said Johnson, "when I can buy shoes I will wear them—not before."

And he stood up to be married, not thinking of his feet.

The same sturdy conduct showed itself in his future course. What he had not money to pay for he did without. He hired himself to a farmer for a year's work. With the money he bought a couple of acres of timber land and a pair of sheep, built a hut, and went to work on his ground.

His sheep increased. As time flew by he bought more; then he sold off the cheaper kinds, and invested in Southdown and French Merino. His neighbors tried by turns raising cattle, horses, or gave their attention to experimental farming.

Johnson, having once found that sheep raising in his district brought a handsome profit, stuck to it. He had that shrewdness in seeing the best way, and that dogged persistence in following it which are the surest elements of success.

Stock buyers from the markets found that Johnson's fleeces were the finest and his mutton the sweetest on the Cheat. He never allowed their reputation to fail—the end of which course is, the man who was married barefooted is now worth a large property.

The story is an absolutely true one, and may point a moral for the hordes of stout, able-bodied men who crowd the cities complaining that they must starve for want of work.

FOOD MAKES THE MAN.

Speaking roughly, about, three-fourths, by weight, of the body of man is constituted by the fluid he consumes, and the remaining fourth by the solid material he appropriates. It is therefore no figure of speech to say that food makes the man. He is, in fact, choosing his animal and moral character when he selects his food. It is impossible for him to change his inherited nature simply because modifications of development occupy more than an individual life, but he can help to make the particular stock to which he belongs more or less beefy or fleshy, or watery, and so on, by the way he feeds. We know the effect the feeding of animals has on their temper and very natures; how the dog fed on raw meat and chained up so that he cannot work off the superfluous nitrogenised material by exercise becomes a savage beast, while the same creature fed on bread and milk would be as tame as a lamb. The same law of results is applicable to man, and every living organism is propagated "in its kind" with a physical and mental likeness. This is the underlying principle of development. Happily the truth is beginning, though slowly and imperfectly, to find a recognition it has long been denied. It is possible, that in the natural desire to secure the best and purest supplies of food and drink for man we are pushing matters a little to extremes and becoming ridiculous. Utopia is a long way off, and Hygeia has not been built. It is, however, desirable that we should aim high and make the teachings of physiological science the precepts of our daily life and conduct. We may not be able to reach our ideal, but progress will be advanced by striving to make its attainment an object. "What to eat, drink, and avoid" is a rational proposition; and if some of us are becoming a little unreasonable in the attempt to solve it, at least we are on the right road, and ought to be encouraged rather than abashed by the not unkindly criticism our endeavors are calling forth.

A DESCRIPTION OF A COWBOY.

A genuine cowboy is worth describing. In many respects he is a wandering creature. He endures hardships that would take the lives of most men, and is therefore a perfect type of physical manhood. He is the finest horseman in the world, and excels in all the rude sports of the field. He aims to be a dead shot and universally is. Constantly during the herding season he rides seventy miles a day, and a majority of the year sleeps in the open air. His life in the saddle makes him worship his horse, and it, with a rifle and six-shooter, complete his happiness. Of vice in the ordinary sense he knows nothing. He is a rough, uncouth, brave and generous creature, who never lies or cheats. It is a mistake to imagine that they are a dangerous set. Any one is as safe with them as with any people in the world, unless he steals a horse or is hunting for a fight. In their eyes death is a mild punishment for horse stealing. Indeed it is the highest crime known to the unwritten law of the ranch. Their life, habits, education and necessities breed this feeling in them. But with all this disregard of human life there are less murderers and cutthroats graduated from the cowboys than from among the better educated classes of the east who come out here for venture or gain.

They delight in appearing rougher than they are. To a tender foot, as they call an eastern man, they love to tell blood-curdling stories, and impress him with the dangers of the frontier.—But no man need get in a quarrel with them unless he seeks it, or get harmed unless he commits some crime.—*Cor. Phila. Press.*

Anecdote of Commodore Vanderbilt.

This anecdote is told of the late Commodore Vanderbilt: At Saratoga, on one occasion, when sitting on the piazza of a hotel, a somewhat over-dressed lady approached and claimed his acquaintance. The commodore arose and talked affably with her, while his wife and daughter sniffed the air with scorn. "Father," said the young lady, as the commodore resumed his seat "don't you remember that vulgar Mrs. B—as the woman who used to sell poultry to us at home?" "Certainly," responded the old gentleman promptly, "and I remember your mother when she used to sell root beer over in Jersey when I went up there peddling oysters out of my boat." As this homely reply was heard by a group surrounding the family, there was no further attempt at aristocratic airs on the part of the ladies during that season.

AMERICAN GIRL FOOLS.

The London correspondent of the St. Paul Sunday *Pioneer Press*, in his last letter, says, If I felt free to mention names I could tell tales to wring the heart about American girls who have married English noblemen. In almost every instance it proves fatal to the bride's happiness. It isn't long since Lord Flyfinger married the heiress of an American Crœsus. There was a tremendous time about it. She was envied by all her marriageable cronies, and old Crœsus was congratulated on the fine alliance. He grinned with self-complacency and handed over $1,500,000 to his Lordship Flyfinger on the spot. Flyfinger took the wife and the money and brought them to England, where he introduced her to a few acquaintances and left her to shift for herself while he travels with relays of fast horses and mistresses, races and hunts, gambles and lives a wild life on the million and a half of money for which he sold the shelter of his title to the brightly hopeful, ambitious American girl. Five or six years ago an American girl, whose name was on all lips, married a rich Englishman, who had the entree of high society in England. She has slept in a social cocoon ever since, heartily wishing herself home, not seeing for months, sometimes, the husband who loves to follow the hounds.

I have been approached within a month by an English lord, who may be a duke some day, but whose fortune has become greatly impaired by his dissipation. He has fixed his eye on an American girl, whom he has never seen. She is comparatively uneducated, not very bright, and fearfully plain. Her nose is snub. Her mouth is large. Her eyes are small and watery. Her father is an Irishman; but he is worth at least $20,000,000. This young lord wants me to bring about a match between himself and this girl.—I'd see him hanged first; for I know what a sacrifice of her it would be.

One other case: There is a lady now in high society in America, her native land, whose husband is an English lord, and whose father-in-law is a duke. She is beautiful, accomplished, interesting, and she might have made a good match in New York. But she wanted a lord, and she got him. He, alas, inherited gambling from his mother, the duchess, and he gambles away all he can get. He is dissolute and unscrupulous; she is neglected and wretched. So she pays very long visits to her relatives in America, where she can plunge into society and forget her pitiful European experiment.

FAMILY EXPENSES.

After religion and politics there is nothing about which intelligent people differ so radically as what they call the cost of living. A skilled man in some departments of business will earn several thousand a year, spend nothing on wine, women or horse, yet always be in debt. Some acquaintance of his, with similar salary and a large family, lives comfortably, sends his boys to college, drives a good horse and has a snug little bank account. There are mechanics earning two dollars a day who comfortably feed and clothe a family of half a dozen people, while some of their fellow workmen, married, but without children, live meanly, wear shabby clothes on Sundays and are occasionally ejected from their homes for non-payment of rent. The principal cause of the difference may almost always be found in the family larder, and the family wardrobe. Some families must breakfast either on beef-steak or mutton chops; others will serve just as much meat and make it just as palatable at a quarter of the expense of choice cuts because well cooked. Temperament has much influence on the larder. Excitable people will eat twice as much without satisfying their hunger, as those of better physical balance, yet they will not do more work.

Some wives will save the price of a ton of coal by renewing for one of the children an old dress or suit of clothes; some others, seeming to be destitute either of tact, skill or inclination, must buy everything new or go without. Economy is a science which quite a number of men and women have mastered by close observation and diligent practice; others do not seem to know of its existence. A few days ago a couple of ladies who had been refitting their parlors compared notes. One had spent just $150 and the other nearly $1,500, and the cheaper parlor was the prettier. It takes longer to learn economy than to learn a trade, but when learned it is the most consoling science in existence, no matter how much or how little money its devotee may have.

HOW THE DOCTORS KILLED JONES.

"So Jones is dead?" said one Sommerville man to another.

"Yes, poor fellow," was the reply, "he has gone."

"What did he die of?" inquired the first speaker.

"Starvation," was the answer.

"Starvation! Good gracious, the man was worth $50,000."

"I know that; nevertheless, he died of starvation. I'll tell you how it was. Jones was alway fancying that there was something the matter with him; so he went to a doctor one day and had himself examined, and the doctor informed him that he had the kidney disease, and that, besides taking medicine, he must diet himself.—Said the doctor: "You must avoid all kind of salt meats, salt fish, potatoes, cabbage and vegetables of every kind. Jones followed the advice but found himself no better. He went to another doctor, and, after being examined, was informed that he must avoid all kinds of fresh meats also. This did not do him any good, as he thought, and he went to another doctor, who highly approved of the advice which had previously been given, and further warned him against all kinds of pastry, likewise shell-fish, including oysters and clams. "The best thing for you is milk diet," said this doctor; so Jones lived wholly upon milk. Not feeling himself any better he went to another doctor, who cautioned him to avoid milk above all things if he wanted to get well. This reduced Jones to a diet of cold water and fresh air, and, finding himself no better under this regime, he went to another doctor, who advised him to beware of drinking too much water and being too much in the air. This last advice cut off the last of Jones' articles of diet, and he died of starvation, as I have told you."

HOW ANTS BURY THEIR DEAD.

It is the general habit among many species of ants to bury the dead very carefully. The following interesting account is given by an Australian observer: "I saw a large number of ants surrounding the dead ones, and determined to watch their proceedings closely. Four or five started off from the rest toward a hillock a short distance away, in which was an ants' nest.—This they entered, and in about five minutes they reappeared, followed by the others. All fell into rank, walking regularly and slowly two by two, until they arrived at the spot where lay the soldier ants. In a few minutes two of the ants advanced and took up the dead body of one of their comrades; then two others, and so on, until all were ready to march. First walked two ants bearing a body, then two without a burden; then two others with another dead ant, and so on, until the line was extended to about forty pairs, and the procession now moved slowly onward, followed by an irregular body of about 200 ants. Occasionally the laden ants stopped, and, laying down the dead ant, it was taken up by the two walking unburdened behind them, and thus by occasionally relieving each other, they arrived at a sandy spot near the sea. The body of ants now commenced digging with their jaws a number of holes in the ground, into each of which a dead ant was laid, when they were carefully covered over. This did not quite finish the remarkable circumstances attending the funeral of the ants. Some six or seven of the ants had attempted to run off without performing their share of the task of digging; those were caught and brought back, when they were at once attacked by the body of ants and killed. A single grave was quickly dug, and they were all dropped into it."

A DELAWARE FARMER sent his ten-year-old boy to the spring after a pitcher of water. The boy hid the pitcher near the spring and went away to the West and grew up with the country. Fifteen years later he sold a thousand long-horned steers and started for his old home. Stopping at the spring he found the pitcher just as he had left it when he went away mad. He filled it, and walking beneath the parental roof like the prodigal son from Squedunk, said, "Father, here is the pitcher of water." "Thanks, my son," said the thirsty ancestor, "you always were a quick boy to go on an errand."—*Middletown Transcript.*

EDITORS should be careful how they use the word "dudess." The chief scribe of a paper at Bloomington, Illinois, spoke of a woman as a "dudess" a few days ago and she went after him with a cowhide and made him dance around lively for awhile. And she served him right. A man who would try to introduce the word "dudess" into the United States language ought to be cowhided.—*Middletown Transcript.*

"I SEE that in New York the horses and mules are dying off rapidly with the glanders," said Deacon Gilpin in the store last night. "Ya-as," answered Witherspoon, "and it was pesky lucky for Oscar Wilde that he went back to England last fall."—*Marathon Independent*

A WESTERN WRITER thinks it is unfortunate for women that they must wait to be courted. Yes, but just think how unfortunate it would be for a fellow if a half dozen women should follow him home and insist upon remaining until midnight courting him.—*Boston Star.*

IT used to be that young people "fell in love," afterwards they were "struck;" then they got "mashed;" now, when they become interested in one another, they are said to have "a chill."—This is the latest name for the flame.

A TRUE MAN never frets about his place in the world, but just slides into it by the gravitation of his nature, and swings there as easily as a star.