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THE PEOPLE'S TOWN HALL STORES!

Everything in Season!
—AT THE—
HARDWARE STORE.

Eureka Field Mowers, one of the best in the market; Mitchell Two-Horse Farm Wagons, Iron Age Cultivator, cheaper than ever; Binder Twine, at lowest prices; Remington and Oliver Chilled Plows.

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Whitewash Brushes,	Hoes,	Plow Lines,	Chisels,	
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Call and examine my Stock and you will be convinced that prices are low to compete with hard times.

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WHEN YOU CAN BUY
CLOTHING AT LESS THAN CITY PRICES!
—AT THE—
Still Pond CLOTHING HOUSE, New Town Hall Building.

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Complete Line of Gent's FURNISHING GOODS, Paragon Pantaloon Overalls, Warranted not to Rip. FULL LINE OF STRAW HATS!

LOUIS LAMBORN, Clothier,
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TO COME AND INSPECT OUR
New Stock of Spring and Summer Goods!
IN ALL OF THE LATEST STYLES.
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Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Shoes for Ladies, Children, Men and Boys of every description, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Straw Hats, Large Stock of Buggy Whips, Complete Line of Drugs and Patent Medicine.

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MONUMENTAL MARBLE WORKS!
CHESTERTOWN, MD.,
—DEALER IN—
FOREIGN AND AMERICAN MARBLE, GRANITE, BLUE STONE,
Iron Railings, Marble Posts, Galvanized Tubing, &c.
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WHAT HAS LONG BEEN NEEDED
—A—
Agricultural Implement DEPOT
AT KENNEDYVILLE!
Buffalo-Pitts Engine and Threshers.
SEVEN SIZES TRACTION ENGINES.
JOHNSTON & ESTERLY
Reapers, Binders and Mowers!

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aug1. Chestertown, Md

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MRS. KATE GILL
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A New and Beautiful Stock of
MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS, Newest Styles in
HATS, BONNETS, &c.
At Lowest Prices!
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Spring & Summer, 1886
If you want any kind of
CLOTHING!
READY-MADE
—OR—
MADE TO ORDER
—GO TO—
A. FRIEDMAN'S
(UNDER THE KENT NEWS OFFICE)
CHESTERTOWN, - - Maryland,

And you will find a Splendid Line of Ready-Made Goods
Fashionable Suits for Men and Boys,
secured from first hands and made not only from latest styles but made in the best manner.

Besides keeping a full Stock of the very best READY MADE CLOTHING from First-Class Manufacturers, we also give special attention to
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A supply of FINE PIECE GOODS—*NOT SAMPLES*—but the exact article itself to choose from kept in stock, and
SUITS MADE TO ORDER
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Try us and see.
A. FRIEDMAN,
April 24, 1886. CHESTERTOWN.

The Season is Now Here

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Economist Chilled Plow
as the "friend of the farmer," as the points and shares can be turned three or four times, thereby saving the expense of buying new ones. Next to the above is
The 'Ohio' Chilled Plow
which excels all for lightness of draft. Persons purchasing the above not only save labor but expense of shares & points.

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We make the best **ROLLER** on the market and sell it at a price to suit all.

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—FOR—
Chicken Cholera.

A Safe and Effective Remedy for Cholera in Chickens and Turkeys. Used also for Fever and Drooping. This Remedy has not been placed upon the market until thoroughly tested, and as in almost every instance a Cure has been obtained, we feel safe in saying from the experiments of many ladies who have used it, that it is the
SUREST CURE YET DISCOVERED!
The use of a small portion in the daily food of Chickens will keep them Free from Disease during the entire season.
Poultribina is warranted pure and made of the best material. Price per package, 25 cents. May be obtained at wholesale from Messrs. Gilpin, Langdon & Co., Baltimore.

COLIN F. STAM,
May 8, 1886. Chestertown, Md.

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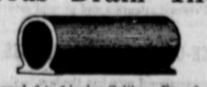
MANUFACTURERS OF
Porous Drain Tile!



Egg-Shaped, 2 to 6 inches Calibre, Round, with Collar, 2, 2½ and 3 inches Calibre.
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For Sale by T. J. VICKERS,
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FOR SALE,
100,000 PEACH TREES
—AT—
Little Grove Nurseries,
CHESTERTOWN, KENT CO., MD.
ESTABLISHED IN 1857.

VARIETIES and BUDS selected with care and to the planter's best interest. Those wishing to purchase from said nursery will please hand in their orders at an early date, and are invited to inspect stock.
Correspondence promptly answered.
Reference—the largest and most successful peach growers of the county.

R. G. NICHOLSON,
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—150,000— PEACH TREES!
GROWN FROM
Natural Virginia Stones!
AND BUDDED FROM
Fruiting Trees Only.

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—THE—
GREAT TOBACCO EMPORIUM!
OF CHESTERTOWN.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. LLOYD McFEELY,
has opened a
Tobacco Store!
His stock comprising
Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes, Snuff, Smoking Tobaccoes, Cigarettes, Cigar Smokers, Cigarette Smokers, &c., and other things pertaining to a Tobacco Store.

Also, B. F. GRAVELY'S Leading Brand.

Special inducements to merchants. I will furnish dealers with all grades of Tobacco or Cigars at the cost of same in the city, thus saving expense of freight, &c. Give me a trial.
Store opposite the Bank.
fe27. J. LLOYD McFEELY.

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Fencing { WHITE PINE, HEMLOCK, CYPRESS
Railing { 2x4 WHITE PINE, 2x4 VA. PINE, 2x3 GA. PINE,
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Pickets { WHITE PINE, No. 1, HEMLOCK, No. 1,
Write for our prices.
TURNER BROS.
Mar. 20, 1886.

FORD'S BAZAR!
51 West Baltimore Street,

IS now offering special bargains in nearly every department. They have reduced the regular $5.50 Hanging Lamps to $2, and the regular $4 polished brass hanging lamp, with prisms, to $2.75; and one still better, with decorated shade, for $3.25. One very fine for $4.90, worth $6. We sell the regular $1 stand lamp, with 7-inch shade, for 75 cents, and a good $1.50 lamp for $1. Electric stand lamps $1.25, $1.50, $1.75. We have more than one hundred different varieties of stand lamps, hanging lamps, at wholesale prices.

SILVERWARE.—We have reduced our $1.50 Castors to $1, and the $3 to $2; a good $5 castor for $3.50. A set of good silver-plated knives, 95 cents; and tablespoons for 50 cents; a set of Rogers & Bros'. teaspoons $1, worth $1.50; a set of Rogers' tablespoons $2, worth $3; a set of Rogers & Bros'. triple-plated teaknives $1.50, worth $2. A good, round, nickle clock 90 cents; a good, nickle, alarm clock $1.25; a fine eight-day clock $3.25. A good music box 75 cents, worth $1.50; a very fine four-tune music box $10, worth $15. A set of good knives and forks 50 cents; a set of knives and forks 75 cents, worth $1.25; a set of knives and forks for $1, worth $1.75. Ladies' and gent's. satchels, all styles and sizes. Bird cages and picture frames, all styles. Ornaments, statues and vases. Jewelry, dolls, doll-carriages and wagons.

The greatest variety of fancy goods for wedding presents, birthday gifts, &c. Also useful and ornamental household goods of nearly every description. Baby carriages in great variety. Albums at half-price, fancy glass-ware and glass shades, brackets, stand-tables, and thousands of other articles, at lowest prices.

—FORD'S BAZAR—
51 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore.

FLY FANS, FLY TRAPS and Wire Screens for windows and doors; also Door and Window Frames for wire cloth at WM. A. WHEATLEY'S.

SUMMER SILKS! SUMMER SILKS! After this date will offer our 50c. quality at 40c. per yard, net cash.
m8. R. F. PARKS.

1886! 1886!
Established 1868!
NEW GOODS
—AT—
Special Low Prices!!

We have laid in a good supply of
Sugars, Coffee, Rice, N. O. Molasses,
SUGAR-CURED HAMS,

Sugar-Cured Shoulders, Breakfast Bacon, Shoulder Bacon, Sugar-Cured Smoked Beef, Chipped Beef, Cooked Canned Beef, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Corn, Canned Peaches, Dried Fruits, Tobacco from 30 to 80 cents a pound, Tinware, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Bowls, and in fact everything usually kept in a first-class store.

Flour! Flour!

We have Clifton F. F. F., Kirkwood, Occidental, Patapsco Superlative, Patapsco Family, Patapsco Extra, Orange Grove Extra, $4 to $6 a barrel. All the above brands also in bags, 12½ and 24½ pounds. Try our 3-cent Flour.

Sugars 5 to 7 cts. a lb, Good Roasted Coffee 12cts. a lb., also, Arbuckle's, Levering's, Enterprise and Ajax Roasted Coffee in pound packages at lowest prices. Rice, cheaper than you ever bought. Headlight Coal Oil 15 cts. a gallon. Mackerel by the barrel, half-barrel and in kits. Domestic Dry Goods and Notions.

We want Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Bacon, Lard and country produce, for which we will give the best market price. Please call at the old stand on Cross street. Respect'y,

J. B. SAPPINGTON,
je12. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

REMEMBER THAT
Eureka Egg & Poultry Food
is as much needed now as at any time.
IT PREVENTS AND CURES CHOLERA.
Saves Young Chicks, Ducks and Turkeys.

Every package pays five hundred per cent. If you use it once you will use it again. Ask for it from your country stores. If they haven't it you can get it in Chestertown from
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H. A. SPARKS, Groceries, etc.
R. F. PARKS, "
A. J. CAHALL, "
J. B. McINTIRE, "
S. FRANK SMITH, "
Wholesale orders filled by
C. W. KENNARD & CO.,
m29-tf. Chestertown.

FENCE POSTS!

LOCUST POSTS,
CEDAR POSTS,
MULBERRY POSTS,
JUNIPER POSTS,
CHESTNUT POSTS,
Rough, Sawed Square or Tapered to order.

Having at last succeeded in getting a cargo of Locust, now unloading at
Scott Point,
I can offer any of the above Posts to suit the wants of customers.

JOSEPH TURNER,
June 5, 1886. Chestertown.

Prices Reduced on Flour!
—AT—
LIEBERMAN'S
MELITOTA.

I have this day REDUCED the PRICE on all my brands of
FLOUR!
Flour sold at Manufacturers Prices and DELIVERED FREE OF CHARGE to any part of the county.

Call or write for prices. Telephone call No. 36.

N. LIEBERMAN,
June 5, 1886. Melitota.

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Your Roofs & Outbuildings
—WITH THE—
Best Roofing Paint in the Market!

We have sole control of the Oil from which this Paint is made and are thereby enabled to offer it for less money than any Roofing Paint sold. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Work done by practical painters. Estimates on application.

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Office with C. W. Kennard & Co., Voshell House corner.
May 29—tf.

REID'S CREAMERY FOR SALE.

THEY give entire satisfaction and in many respects are superior to other makes.

W. A. WHEATLEY.

The Goods That Sell
IN THE SUMMER!
—OUR—
SPECIALTIES:
SHOES AND SLIPPERS,
STRAW HATS,
MATTING,
WHITE GOODS,
HAMBURG EDGINGS,
NECKWEAR,
PARASOLS,
FRUIT JARS AND JELLY GLASSES.

One Price and Fair Dealing!

WROTH & ALDRIDGE.
May 22, 1886.

"The Waterbury."
TRAINS ON TIME!
To introduce our Clothing to New Customers we shall present for a short time a genuine Stem-winding WATERBURY
WATCH
TO EVERY CASH PURCHASER OF
$12.00
or upwards, the watch is presented free gratis, the watch is warranted by the Manufacturers. The Clothing for Men and Boys, is guaranteed cheaper than similar Goods can be purchased for elsewhere. Nobody pays an extra cent for Clothing on account of the Watch. Prices are the same with the Watch, or without. Everybody who has bought our Clothing knows its reliability and general excellence and most people are posted as to the merits of the Waterbury Watch. As we shall present this Souvenir only for a short time, an early call is an absolute necessity.

OEHM & SON,
Pratt & Hanover Streets,
BALTIMORE.
SAMPLES SENT BY MAIL ON APPLICATION.

For First-class Clothing for Men and Boys, cut and made in the finest Style and of the best material, both Foreign and Domestic, call at Acme Hall. You are sure of your money's worth every time and fuller measure for value than you get elsewhere.

ACME HALL,
"THE GLASS OF FASHION,"
No. 209 West Baltimore Street,
(NEAR CHARLES,)
BALTIMORE.
Mail Orders will receive Prompt Attention.

Notice to those Intending to Use
PAINT!
Oils, Glass or Wall Paper!

I have now a full line of PAINT and PAINTERS' MATERIAL of all kinds. A fine stock of LIQUID PAINT and headquarters for the celebrated John W. Masury & Son's Rail Road Colors and Liquid Paint, Varnishes, &c.; Murphy & Co. Carriage Varnish, &c.

PRICES VERY LOW!

I have an entirely new line of Beautiful WALL PAPERS and have employed an Artistic Paper Hanger, lately from the large house of Warren, Fuller & Lange of New York City.

Plain Papering, Decorating, Paneling, &c., at very reasonable rates.

Estimates on work cheerfully given. You will do well to call and see me.

LOUIS K. STAM,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
May 29—tf.

New Store Up Town.

J. T. BLACKWAY,
has just opened a full line of
GROCERIES
—AND—
PROVISIONS,
which he offer to the public at lowest prices for Cash. We quote no prices but ask you to come and see us and we are sure you will come again.
COUNTRY PRODUCE SOLICITED.

We will thank you for a portion of your patronage. Yours, resp'y,

J. T. BLACKWAY,
N. E. corner High Street and College Avenue, Chestertown. d19-y.

DON'T HURRY OR WORRY.

A Common-Sense Talk for Summer Weather Especially.

The people who are never ready and always in a hurry and a worry, succeed only in hurrying death. They would die soon enough, as a rule, if they had more sense and philosophy; but as they have not enough of either to take proper care of themselves, they shorten their days by the almost constant hurry and worry they cultivate. They believe they can't help it; they usually resent friendly advice warning them of their folly, and they must go on hurrying and worrying until they end in apoplexy, sunstroke, consumption or some other fatal disease.

It is fair to say that one-third the people of the country hurry death by the want of sensible method that makes them hurry and worry their way through life. They are in a hurry and a worry from morning till night. They usually hurry and worry over breakfast; hurry and worry over catching a car or otherwise getting to their business; and it is little else than hurry and worry in a greater or less degree until they end the day's work by trying to hurry themselves to sleep and then worry themselves into wakefulness, until the hours of sweetest rest are past. When they are not fretfully hurrying they are fretfully worrying. Instead of taking things as they come and doing the best they can with content, they worry themselves into perspiration, into needless colds, into irritating indigestion and into chronic ill temper, all of which hurry death.

We have had a little foretaste of the heated term this week, and how many people could be noted on the street, or at their daily employment looking and acting like people of sense? Women could be seen fanning themselves so violently as to throw them into excessive heat, and men panted and mopped their faces as they hurried and worried themselves along the shortest way to death. In heated seasons the man or woman who hurries and worries is simply a fool. They seem to study how they can most aggravate the oppressive weather. They rush along; they fan and pant; they complain and worry; and when they have accomplished their labors, they are as hurried and worried to get cool as they were in getting hot. They gulp down ice-water or beer, increase their thirst and general discomfort by overloading the stomach with fluids, and in many cases take colds which plant the seeds of death.

Every class and condition of life should understand that hurry and worry bring no comfort and no compensation. They hurry only death. When the weather is oppressively hot, the necessity is absolute that people should keep as cool as possible. They should not only dress coolly and keep in cool places as much as they can conveniently, but they should think, speak and act with the utmost coolness. The man who, after hurrying and worrying to bolt his breakfast, bolts off in a run to catch a car or train, is simply a picturesque idiot. True, he might miss an hour or so from his daily business; but if instead of provoking paroxysm of the heart or apoplexy or fatal colds, he would coolly sit down, read the morning papers until the next train, and then walk leisurely to it and keep coolly and leisurely at his work all the day, he would accomplish much more, would be vastly more comfortable, and would surely lengthen his days.

There is not one case of sunstroke in a hundred that could not be averted by the simplest and cheapest method. It would cost nothing for a workingman who is exposed to the sun to carry a green cabbage-leaf in the crown of his hat, or to carry a light handkerchief there moistened with water; but they don't do it. It would cost nothing to keep the head well-ventilated, but most of them don't do it; and men and horses are all hurried and worried toward death by refusing to observe the simplest rules of common-sense. Whatever will best keep the head cool, is what every man and woman should employ when exposed to excessive heat; and the surest way to heat the head and brain and produce both physical and mental discomfort, is to hurry and worry. If much work must be done, don't hurry and worry. The best way to do is to begin early, work deliberately, rest when weary, and never worry. "Do your best and leave the rest" all the time, and do what you do methodically and philosophically and quit with content when you can't do all that is desired. The most profitless of all things is to worry over what can't be helped, and the next worst thing is to hurry headlong and worry with it. Keep cool if possible; if not possible, keep cool as you can, and never hurry or worry. They are good for doctors and undertakers and for peopling graveyards; but they never give health, comfort or happiness to the living. Don't hurry or worry.

A BISHOP'S OPINION.

What He Thinks of the Eastern Shore and of Some of the Church People—Why Dr. Nelson Declined.

PARKERSBURGH, W. VA.

To the Editor of the Church:—As I have just returned from a visit to the Diocese of Easton, I do not think it will be amiss for me to write a few words suggested by your editorial in the issue of June 26th.

I saw Dr. Nelson shortly after his election, and found him profoundly impressed with a sense of his responsibility in deciding the important question submitted to him. He paid a short visit to the diocese, and was so kindly received and so favorably impressed that notwithstanding various personal considerations which argued strongly for his retaining his chair in the seminary, the weight of the argument seemed to be more strongly than ever in favor of his accepting the high charge to which he had been chosen.

On returning home, however, he found a new state of things, of which he had no knowledge before. Two physicians, intimately acquainted with his family—one of them having rendered professional services during the past ten years, when there has been a great deal of sickness in the family—practically forbade the move, (of course it is easy to say that they have not sufficient knowledge of the Eastern Shore to justify them in giving a decided opinion, but I think few persons would venture to assume the responsibility of deciding against such professional advice, especially when it had reference not to their own selves but to the family which God has given them to care for in this world, and that too at a time when, by God's blessing upon the care and skill of these same physicians, there is the bright promise of renewed health and vigor.

These are the facts in the case which it is just as well for everybody to know, and I was very glad to be able to tell the good people whom I saw at the various places I visited just how the matter stood.

I may add for myself that I was delighted with the insight I obtained of Church life in Easton. I visited officially nine points and confirmed at most of them, viz: New Market, 3; Vienna, 4; Church Creek, 5; Castle Haven Neck, Cambridge, 6; Federalsburg, 10; Denton, 5; Hillsboro', 12; Greensboro', in all 50 persons. Besides the clergy who officiated at these points I met five or six who came from neighboring churches to attend the services. There seems to be an admirable spirit among these brethren and a very earnest desire and purpose to carry on the work committed to them. They cherish the memory of Bishop Lay with great affection, and are ready, I am sure, to stand by his successor with a like loyal service. The diocese is stronger than many persons seem to realize, I do not know how it may appear to those who live near the great centres, but this was brought home to me very vividly by comparison with my own diocese of West Virginia. When I think of their thirty-six clergy and of our twenty-three, of their sixty-two churches and chapels and our forty-one, of their 2690 communicants and our 2300, of their $41,000 Episcopal fund and of our $900, I feel that whatever others may say it will never do for me to look down upon Easton as a weak diocese. I believe that there is an encouraging work for some good man to take up, and I pray that these brethren may, notwithstanding previous disappointments, soon be led to make choice of such an one as the Lord may send to help them.

I had most charming weather during the entire trip, and enjoyed very thoroughly driving over one hundred miles in the four days of my visit. The seasons have been propitious and the crops—corn and wheat and grass—were very fine. Those who think of the Eastern Shore as a country of malarial marshes, would be agreeably surprised, I am sure, if they could drive through so large a part of it as I did and see such a beautiful, highly cultivated section. No doubt here, as elsewhere, many localities are exposed to malarial influences, but it shows little acquaintance with the real facts of the case to make a sweeping generalization as to the whole country and declare it all unhealthy. During the last ten or twenty years a vast deal of land before uncultivated has been taken up, and with the steady improvement of the agricultural interests there has also been a marked improvement in the general health. To one coming from the mountains as I did, the fresh salt air from the bay and ocean and through the pines was certainly very refreshing and invigorating, and I could not but propose to some of the authorities of Easton that I should like to exchange one of my numerous mountain counties for a strip of their seashore. I am afraid, however, that there is no provision in our canons for such transfer.

I was particularly struck with the activity of some of the laymen I met. I found one who was in the habit of making a round trip of twenty-four miles to read service on Sundays in a vacant church, and two others who have now, for a year, been sending twice a month for a minister to hold service at a mission where I laid the corner-stone of a chapel on Monday, a distance of sixteen miles.

I cannot close even this long letter without mentioning what may bear upon the question of the healthfulness of the country, that on Sunday morning I was strolling about in the churchyard of Trinity Church, Church Creek, and on examining the tombstones of the Jones' family could not but be impressed by the story they told. I do not remember how many they were, but I never saw before such a remarkable series of inscriptions. The ages recorded, as far as I saw them, with one exception, range from seventy-four to ninety-four years. Certainly this is as cheerful an aspect as a graveyard could well present. Finally, let me say it has given me great pleasure to be of any help to my brethren in Easton. I bid them Godspeed in all their work, and pray that they may soon have a bishop of their own to minister to them as a stranger cannot do. Respectfully yours,

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LAUGHTER AS A MEDICINE.

How a Sorrowful Monkey Saved the Life of a Dying Man.

A short time since two individuals were lying in one room very sick, one with brain fever and the other with an aggravated case of the mumps. They were so low that watchers were needed every night; and it was thought doubtful if the one sick of fever could recover. A gentleman was engaged to watch over night, his duty being to wake the nurse whenever it became necessary to administer medicine. In the course of the night both watcher and nurse fell asleep. The man with mumps was watching the clock, and saw that it was time to give the fever patient his potion. He was unable to speak aloud or to move any portion of his body except his arms; but seizing a pillow he managed to strike the watcher on the face with it. Thus suddenly awakened, the watcher sprang from his feet, falling to the floor, and awakening both the nurse and the fever patient. The incident struck the sick men as very ludicrous, and they laughed heartily at it for some fifteen or twenty minutes. When the doctor came in the morning he found his patients vastly improved; said he never knew so sudden a turn for the better, and now both are up and well. Who says laughter is not the best of medicines? And this reminds the writer of another case. A gentleman was suffering from an ulcerated throat, which at length became so swollen that his life was despaired of. His household came to his bed-side to bid him farewell. Each individual shook hands with the dying man, and then went away weeping. Last of all came a pet ape, and shaking the man's hand went away also with its hands over its eyes. It was so ludicrous a sight that the patient was forced to laugh, and laughed so heartily that the ulcer broke and his life was saved.

HOW THEY GAIN GROUND.—"Squidlig," said Podsnap, "I notice in the papers that female dentists are gaining ground in Germany."

"Yes?"

"Well, what I want to know is how a dentist can gain ground?"

"That's simple; the same way a farmer gains ground."

"How is that?"

"By pulling stumps."

THOSE Delaware people will sometimes poke fun at one another. For instance in the last issue of the Smyrna *Record* we find the following: How amusing it is to us to see a Sussex county farmer cultivating his land with a *cow in harness*.

"IT seems to me," mosned Algernon, as he flew toward the front gate with the old man behind him, "that there are more than three feet in a yard."

A Charming Little Story.

Several years ago a gentleman had the misfortune to become totally blind, a cataract forming over his eyes. While in this condition his wife died.

A young German girl, whom the unfortunate man had never seen, was very attentive to the wife in her last illness, and, after her death, did what she could to make the grief-stricken husband and his two little motherless children as comfortable as possible.

Such devotion did not go unrewarded. The blind man proposed and was accepted. He married the faithful girl. Two children were the result of their union.

During all these years the blind man never lost hopes that some day he might again look upon the beauties of nature and the faces of the loved ones around him.

A physician was finally consulted who agreed to attempt the removal of the cataract. The operation was successful, and he from whom the light of day had been shut out for so many years saw again. He was almost beside himself with joy.

A friend, who was at once recognized, came, leading a lady by the hand.

"Do you know who this is?" he asked the happy fellow.

"No, I do not."

"This is your wife."

And then the pair, one of whom had never seen the other, fell into each other's arms, and a domestic scene of pathetic beauty ensued.

The two children were also brought to their father. He clasped them to his beating heart, and all the miseries of the past were forgotten in the pleasure of that moment.

This is a true story. The actors in this life-panoramas, covering a period of ten years, are all alive. The husband seems as well as he ever did and is now in business in a distant city.

MAN wastes his mornings in anticipating his afternoons, and wastes his afternoons regretting his mornings.

A NEW SONG is entitled, "Take your girl some candy when you visit her at night." The writer is probably a confectioner.

AN old proverb says, "An unkind word falls easily from the tongue, but a coach and six horses cannot bring it back."

A MODEST YOUTH was he—
He kissed her finger tips;
She softly sighed, "Ah me!
Why was I born with lips?"

A REGISTER of every horse and mule in France is kept by the government for reference in case of war, when the government may need to call for horses.

THE star I was born under tells me to look up. If we didn't come into this world to better ourselves, we might as well have stayed where we were.—*Jerrold.*

THIS life would indeed be a blank, this world a weary and desolate waste, if, after a misfortune has befallen us, we had no friend to call in and say, "I told you so."

NEVER say a woman can't keep a secret. Four of the wives of Cabinet members knew of the President's engagement since January 1. It was a man who finally let the cat out of the bag.

"I DON'T KNOW where that boy got his bad temper—not from me, I'm sure," said a slightly irritated father one day. "No," said his sarcastic wife, "you're certainly not lost yours." The head of the family subsided.

A LADY of charitable disposition asked a tramp if she could not assist him by mending his clothes. "Yes, madam," he said, "I have a button, and if you will sow a shirt and a pair of pants on it I will be greatly obliged."

IT costs a great deal of money for a lady to dress in extremely bad taste. Everything must be rich, loud and bright, and diamonds must be added. To be charmingly and exquisitely dressed, one must have more brains than money.

"ARE you going to make a flower-bed here?" said the Brooklyn girl to her father's gardener. "Yes, miss, them's the orders." "Why, it'll spoil our tennis grounds!" "Can't help it, miss. Your pa says he's bound to have this plot laid out for horticulture, not husbandry."

A BOY down at San Juan gained an enviable reputation by committing to memory 1,000 verses of the Bible, and was rewarded by the present of a shotgun. His reputation was somewhat mutilated, however, when four days after he shot his grandmother in the right leg.

A COLORED CHILD had a fall from a second-story window the other day and his mother, in relating the accident at the grocery-store, said: "Dat dere chile was 'a comin' down feet fust, with every chance of bein' killed, when de Lord he turned him ober, de chile struck on his head, and dere wasn't so much as a button off."

YOUNG CLERK to his employer—"Sir, there's a lady wishes to speak to you." Employer—"Good looking?" Clerk—"Yes, sir." Employer, on returning to the office—"A nice judge of beauty you are, I must say." Clerk—"You see, sir, I didn't know but what the lady might be your wife." Employer—"So she is."

A FARMER near Quantico, Wicomico county, owns a large gobbler that is carrying a brood of twenty-two chickens. Some weeks ago the gobbler showed a disposition to set, and twenty-five eggs were placed under him, from which he hatched twenty-two chicks. He is now engaged in a praiseworthy, but difficult endeavor to train them to be respectable, well-conducted young gobblers.—*Crisfield Leader.*