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THE KENT NEWS.

Frustra laborat, qui omnibus placere studet—"He labours vainly, who endeavours to please every one."

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BALTIMORE ADVERTISEMENTS.

BALTIMORE

Piano Forte Manufactory.

VERY IMPORTANT INVENTION.

IT has long been a question among teachers and amateurs of music, as to the most suitable touch for a Piano Forte. Some at this time contend for a light touch, while others, with equal ability advocate the heavy. This question is now permanently settled. WISE & BROTHER have invented a contrivance by which the same Instrument may be instantly set to any required touch, by the turning of a single screw, varying, if necessary, three hundred and sixty-five differences. The advantages of this are evident, both to teachers and amateurs, as lessons may be practiced on the heavy, and exhibited on the lighter touch, to suit exactly any physical capacity which is agreeable to fact and progressive lessons. The contrivance is simple, and may be applied to any common Piano. A patent is about to be taken for the improvement.

J. J. WISE & BROTHER,
March 25. No. 31 Hanover st.

SPLENDID STOCK OF

SPRING GOODS!!!

Hamilton, Easter & Co.,

203 Market street, Baltimore, Maryland.

WOULD invite the attention of Wholesale and Retail purchasers to their splendid stock of spring goods, which will be found much the largest of any establishment in Baltimore. Embracing rich Silks and Ladies' Dress Goods, of every style that is fashionable or desirable—Bombazines and Family Mourning Goods, Shawls, Mantillas, Visites, &c., in great variety. Table Damasks; Linens; Linen Sheetings and Housekeeping Goods of all kinds. Domestic Cottons and Heavy Goods for servant's use. Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, Drillings, &c.

☞ Persons visiting Baltimore will find peculiar advantages in dealing with us as from the great extent and variety of our stock they can generally purchase all that is wanted in one place, and having a regular and uniform price (without abatement) no advantage can be taken of those not fully acquainted with the value of Goods.—☞ An examination of Goods and Prices solicited. [March 25—3m.

SHEW'S

DAGUERREAN ROOMS.

No 117 Balt. st. corner of South.

MR. SHEW would respectfully call the attention of the public to his *not to be excelled* Daguerreotype Miniatures. He has recently enlarged his Rooms and refurnished them in a style which cannot fail to make them at least comfortable and pleasant to all who may be pleased to call and examine his large collection of unequalled specimens. [March 18—3m.

Lamps & Oils Only!

To Dealers in Lamps, Girandoles, Candlelabras, etc.

HAVING had ten years experience in the Lamp Trade, I have now closed out every other article for the purpose of giving it my entire attention and I feel justified in saying that dealers will find it to their advantage to give me a trial. On hand and constantly receiving the latest improvements in all kinds of Lamps for burning Ethereal and Fine, Sperm Oils and Lard, orders for the genuine Ethereal and Fine Oils, carefully and promptly attended to at the lowest market prices,—Lamp Glasses and wicks of all kind.

J. S. TOUGH,
Ball. street Bridge, Baltimore, Md.
April 1—4w.

J. M. OREM. W. S. HOPKINS.

JOHN M. OREM & CO.

MERCHANT TAILORS,

And Wholesale Dealers in Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, and Tailor's TRIMMINGS.

No. 230 Market street, N. W. Corner of Charles, Baltimore.

A large assortment of Ready Made Clothing, of superior quality.

☞ONE PRICE ONLY.☜

April 1—1y.

500 Negroes Wanted!

IN exchange for the ready cash, either single negroes in large or small families, slaves for life or for a term of years with good titles and none others. I will also purchase servants of good characters to remain in the State of Maryland and do not care a fig how strong I am bound that they shall do so, in either event, for which I will pay quite as much or little more than any one else will do. Persons having slaves to dispose of will do well to communicate with me, and I will go to the country and take them up free of charge to their owners. Liberal commissions paid, all communications promptly attended to by.

JOHN N. DENNING,
104 North Exeter street, Balt.
Nov. 27, 1847.

HORSE BILLS Neatly printed at this office.

WANTED.

FROM $1,000 to $2,000 for two years on mortgage at 6 per cent., on *perfectly unencumbered* landed property, situated near the city of Baltimore, and worth fully $10,000.

A *very liberal premium* will be given for the use of the money. Apply to

FLETCHER & CO.
No. 3, North st. Baltimore.
March 4, '48—tf

DENTISTRY.

Dr. Leach No 54 N. Charles Street, opposite St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

INSERTS the best Porcelain Teeth in every variety of style and in the most natural, agreeable, and substantial manner for from $1,50 to $3. in each using *only* the very best materials.

Teeth extracted without pain whilst the patient is under the influence of the Letheon, price 50 cents

Every operation warranted to suit the Patient or no pay required.

October 30, 1847. 1y

PHILADELPHIA ADVERTISEMENTS.

SPRING FASHIONS!

STRAW GOODS!

THE undersigned respectfully invite the attention of dealers to his assortment of *Braid, Fancy and Straw Bonnets*, which from the facilities he posses of manufacturing, cannot be surpassed.

Bonnets of every kind, of the newest and most fashionable styles, at the lowest prices. Also, MEN'S, BOYS' & INFANTS STRAW HATS AND CAPS.

THOS. WHITE,
Bonnet Manufacturer,
41 S. Second St, above Chesnut, E. Side,
PHILADELPHIA.
March 4, '48—3m.

WHOLESALE

Clothing Warehouse,

No. 152½ Market Street,
(Between 4th and 5th,)
PHILADELPHIA.

THE subscriber respectfully solicits the attention of country merchants and dealers generally to an examination of a complete stock of

READY MADE CLOTHING.

Which for extent, variety and workmanship, he flatters himself will give universal satisfaction, while his reduced scale of prices presents to purchasers, inducement which cannot be surpassed by any other establishment in the United States.

JACOB REED.
Philadelphia, March 4, '48——3m

Agents Wanted.

TO canvass for some new and popular works, in every county throughout the United States. To Agents, the most liberal encouragement is offered—with a small capital of from $25 to $400. A chance is offered whereby an Agent can make from $10 to $25 per week.

☞For further particulars, address [post paid. WM. A. LEARY,
No 258 North second st., Philadelphia.
April 1, 1848—3m.

Philadelphia Golden Saddle!

No. 38 Market street.

SADDLES, Bridles, Martingales, Horse Collars, Blind Bridles, Back Bands, Harness, Trunks, Whips, &c.

Manufactured in large quantities, and sold at the lowest prices.

E. P. MOYER,
Sign of the Golden Saddle, No 38 Market st. Philad. [April 1—6m.

Negroes Wanted.

THE highest cash prices will be paid for negroes, of all sexes and ages, for life and for a term of years. All letters, (post paid) addressed to the subscriber at Chestertown or Rock Hall, will be promptly attended to. He can be seen, if desired, in Chestertown, every Wednesday and Saturday. WM. PARKER.

Rock Hall, Kent co.,
March 25, '48. } 1y.

JOB PRINTING,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

—such as—

Handbills, Circulars, Blanks, Cards, Labels, &c.,

Neatly and expeditiously executed on the most reasonable and accommodating terms, at the Office of the "*KENT NEWS*," Chester Town.

CAUTION.

ALL persons are cautioned against purchasing any interest of James Coleman in the property on Cannon and Water streets, opposite the dwelling of Jas. E Barroll, Esq., in Chestertown, and now occupied by Mr. John Greenwood, as the said James Coleman has no legal right, claim or interest in the same—any person, or persons, so purchasing will do so at their own risk.

April 8—3w. JAS. P. HARRISON.

Laws of Maryland.

No. 39.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session, which commenced on the 1st Monday of December, 1847.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE SALES AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

Whereas, By the fourth section of the act of eighteen hundred and forty-five, chapter two hundred and sixty-nine, establishing Biennial Sessions of the Legislature of this State, it was provided that the officers heretofore annually appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and of the Senate, should be after the confirmation of said act appointed biennially, and whereas, Auctioneers will under the operation of that law, be hereafter appointed biennially, while their licenses issued by the Treasurer are for the term of one year only, and their bonds are required to be renewed annually, and *whereas*, difficulty and confusion might arise, hereafter in regard to the issuing of said Licenses by the Treasurer, therefore,

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Licenses issued to Auctioneers by the treasurer, shall be as heretofore for the term of one year only, and at the expiration of the first year from the date of the appointment of each and every auctioneer, the Treasurer shall be and he is hereby authorised and required to issue to said auctioneers a second License for the like period on his paying the same fee now required for an annual license *provided*, the Treasurer is satisfied that the bond of said auctioneer has been renewed as is now required by law, and provided also, the said auctioneer has settled in full, at the Treasury office for all amounts due from him on account of auction duties, under the act regulating sales by public auction, and its supplements; and any auctioneer selling any goods, wares, merchandize, property, or effects; which are liable to duty under the said last mentioned act and its supplements, during the second year of his said appointment, without having renewed his license, shall be liable to the penalties imposed by the auction laws of this State, or any person selling as aforesaid without first obtaining a license therefor.

SEC. 2. *And whereas*, there is a clerical error in the fourth section of the act of December session eighteen hundred and forty six, chapter two hundred and eighty-eight, to correct, said error, *be it enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act, the same duties specified in the first section of said Act of December Session, eighteen hundred and forty-six, shall be chargeable on all goods, wares, merchandize or other property, sold by any auctioneer at private sale on the day of his public auction.

D. CLAUDE, Treasurer.
April 8. 3w

ESTATE OF RICHARD REED.

Md. Kent county, Orphans' Court, April 4, 1848.

On application of Thomas Stephens, Admr. of Richard Reed, late of Kent co. dec'd.

Ordered, that he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks in the Kent News, printed in Chester Town.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand (Seal,) and the seal of my office affixed, this 4th day of April 1848.

Test, EBEN. WELCH,
Register of Wills for Kent county.

In compliance with the above Order this is to give notice that the subscriber, of Kent county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, Maryland, letters of Administration on the personal estate of Richard Reed, late of Kent co. dec'd. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 28th of October, 1848, they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand this 4th day of April, 1848.

THOMAS STEPHENS,
Admr. Richard Reed, dec'd.
April 8, '48——3w

JOHN DULING'S ESTATE.

Dividend Notice.

BY Order of the Orphan's Court of Kent county, the creditors of

JOHN DULING,

late of said count, deceased, are hereby notified to file their claims against the said John Duling, deceased, with the Register of Wills of Kent county, on or before the TUESDAY, the 25th of April next, and to attend before the Orphan's Court of said county, on TUESDAY, 2nd of MAY, 1848, when a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made and paid according to law.

JOHN LEE, Adm'r.
of John Duling, dec'd
April 8, '48.

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☞All communications must be postpaid.

POETRY.

THE KATY-DID

BY CAPT. G. W. PATTEN, U. S. A.

"Kate—Katy-did?" Did what? pray trace
The story full and fair!
And if you know the time and place,
Advise us when and where.
The winds are list'ning 'round the lea,
The flowers attending too,
Dear bird, in yonder linwood tree,
Say, what did Katy do?

"Kate—Katy-did," still "Katy-did,"
From set 'till rise of sun—
Sure something which had best be hid,
This wicked Kate has done!
Perhaps, now, Katy did no harm,
No more than I or you;
Do, bird, to ease this deep alarm,
Say, what did Katy do?

Was Katy tall, or was she small?
(Thou little vexing sprite,
To sit and sing that naughty thing
At that provoking height!)
Was Katy very—VERY fair,
And were her eyes of blue?
What was the color of her hair?
And—what did Katy do?

Was Katy young? was Katy old?
Was Katy in her prime?
Did Katy ever like to scold?
Was Katy fond of rhyme?
The truth speak out—solve every doubt—
Decipher "who is who!"
The action hid which Katy did,
Or Kate declined to do.

Did Katy ever seek the hill,
And was the girl alone?
Was the bright day-star burning still,
Or night upon her throne?
What Katy said was never laid
To either her or you;
The question (if you saw the maid)
Is—what did Katy do?

Perhaps 'mid grove[illegible] flaunting flowers,
She sought the [illegible]ght-wind's kiss!
Perhaps some [illegible]e-bud warm'd her hours!
Some sn[illegible] drop chill'd the miss!
Perhaps [illegible]confound that self same sound,
The[illegible]e long evening thro'!)
W[illegible] not explain in language plain,
What did this Katy do?

The song recalls an early dream
Of one who lov'd to roam,
And sign a name 'mid wood and stream,
She never breathed at home;
But oft as evening's pale, pure star,
Stream'd on her earnest view,
Would kneel and pray for one away,
And lisp his last adieu.

LONGEVITY OF ANIMALS.

The average age of cats is 15 years; a squirrel and hare, 7 or 8 years; rabits 7; a bear rarely exceeds 20 years; a dog lives 20 years; a wolf, 20; a fox, 14 to 16, lions, are long-lived, the one known by the name of Pompey lived to the age of 70; elephants have been known, it is asserted, to live to the great age of 400 years. When Alexander the Great had conquered Porus, King of India, he took a great elephant which had fought very valiantly for the King, and named him Ajax, dedicated him to the sun, and let him go with this inscription:—"Alexander, the son Jupiter hath dedicated Ajax to the sun." This elephant was found with this inscription three hundred and fifty years after. Pigs have been known to live to the age of 30; the rhinoceros to 20; a horse has been known to live to the age of 62, but averages 25 to 30; camels sometimes live to the age of 100; stags are very long lived; sheep seldom exceed the age of 10; cows live about 15 years; Cuvier considers it probable that whales sometimes live 1000 years, the dolphin and porpoise attain the age of 30; an eagle died at Vienna at the age of 104 years; ravens frequently reach the age of 100, swans have been known to live 300 years. Mr. Malleron has the skeleton of a swan that attained the age of 200 years. Pelicans are long-lived; tortoise has been known to live to the age of 117.

How poor are they who have no patients!" said the newly-made physician.

MISCELLANEOUS

Short Patent Sermon.

BY DOW, JR.

My text, for this morning's discourse, is as follows:

Wealth may flee and friends deceive us,
Love may change his sudden device;
But those treasures never leave us,
Which we garner in from books.

My Hearers—do you all know how to read? If you don't, I pour you out sympathy by pales full, and at the same time, feel disposed to cast a brick bat of censure at your heads—if I could get hold of one. You should have a large portion of my pity for your unfortunate, ignorant condition, and as big junk of my blame for being so arrogant as to despise an acquaintance with the little a b-*ab*-zes, the i-b-*ib* zes, the ob-*ob*-zes, and all the ampersands-zes—to say nothing of those still smaller characters, called commas, semicolons, colons, periods, and so forth. It hath been written, "Despise not the day of small things;" neither should you despise these apparently little insignificancies, which are capable of forming such a beautiful, grand and imposing architecture of thought as I happen to know is potential with their natures.—A nation is composed of multitudes of individuals—the Tower of Babel consisted of an "immense number" of bricks—the vast pyramids contain pieces of stone beyond mortal reckoning—and the whole universe itself is made up of an infinity of paltry particles, but more wonderful than all these is the sublime monument that some twenty-six silly-looking alphabetical characters have rendered assistance in rearing. Make yourselves well acquainted with him on the use of these little materials, and verily you shall not look for employments so long as life lasteth.

My friends—our text says, "Wealth may flee, and friends forsake us." Yes, riches seem to be furnished with pinions prematurely plumed. As soon as they are hatched, they are ready to fly; and if you don't cage them closely, they are gone forever. 'Friends may forsake us.' Ay, that's true; to but it is not owing to any wilful neglect, or desire to forsake; for true friends can never part, so long as there is a telegraphic communication between soul and soul, howeve remote the distance. It is owing, bretlren, to the mutability of human affair—to the unavoidable change of circumstances. The world revolves; and so long as it shall continue to revolve, we shall be shaken up, displaced and scattered, like the children of Israel when they undertook to ride the elephant out of the woods into Egipt. "Love also may change his sunny looks." So he may: his countenance is as susceptible of change as an April sky, and he is but shortlived at the longest. Oh!

"Love is pretty,
Love is witty,
Love is charming whilst it's new;
But it soon grows old,
And waxes cold,
And fades away like the morning dew."

And so it is, and so it does. I mean that ephemeral, phosphorescent love, which takes fire from the putridness of the grosser pasions, even as jock-o"-lanterns arise from the decayed and stinking carcases of frogs and meadow turtles. But there is another sort of love, my friends, which Eternity itself can't tire out. It is that kind of love which forever exists among the saints and angles of heaven, and of which I may speak more particularly hereafter.

Dear brethren—when I was a little boy, and wore a little check apron, and could first read the little primer with a blue cover, grandmother assured me that

"When land is gone and money spent,
Then larning is most ex-cel-lent."

and I have since ascertained, to my unbounded joy and satisfaction, that a 'little *larning*' is not half so dangerous a thing as my friend Pope took the trouble to imagine. Would that I possessed more of the article. As bees gather honey from flowers so may you extract the sweets of knowledge from books—sweets that shall afford both solace and sustenance to the soul in the Winter of age, when the friends of former days are few—when the fires of youthful love are extinguished and life's greasy candle is about to sputter in the socket. From books you can gather treasures of which none can rob you; and then you may well say with the poet: "*Precious* treasure, thou art *mine*." I know all about books, like a book; and now let me tell you, if you read for instruction, read that good old book (now almost obsolete with the mass) called the Bible; it tells you how to keep clear of the snags of this world better than I can. That is the Book of all books. Read it—and when you can so read as to thoroughly understand it, you may stop sawing wood, carrying the hod and peddling clams, and take to preaching—the same as I have done—So mote it be!

Dow, Jr.

TO OBTAIN refreshing and sound sleep put a receipt for a printer's bill in your night cap. Positively infallible. The same remedy will remove the most villainous corns if continued sufficiently long, and the amount be not less than twenty dollars. We have known the most inveterate rheumatisms to be cured in this way.

HONOR BRIGHT.

A FACT.

Uncl Zekiel had a pair fat oxen to sell, and one day he said:

"I mean to drive my oxen down to Brighton myself, and sell um."

"You'd better not," said Si, says he, you'd better send me, farther, for you know I can make a sharp bargain; but they'll make you believe the moon's made of green cheese, down there."

"No, no, Siah," says Uncle Zeke, says he, "I know what I'm about, and don't want a gardeen, yet," says he.

Well, one morning Uncle Zeke started, bright and early, with his fat oxen, and off he went. He didn't get home till next day but one, and as soon as we see him coming up the hill, we all begun to ask him questions about his trade; but Uncle Zeke didn't answer till he got ready, and when he got ready, says he:

"I sold um for sixty dollars," says he.

"Have you got the cash with you?" says Si.

"Who did you sell um to?" says Uncle Ethan.

"I don't know the may's name," says Uncle Zeke.

"Why, can't you take out the note and read it?" says Si, says he.

"I havn't got no note," says Uncle Zeke.

"What security have you got, than?" says Si, says he, and his eye began to look pretty big.

"The security I've got is good secvrity enough for me," says Uncle Zekiel, says he, "the man said he'd meet me a fortnight from to-day, at the Four Corners and pay me sixty dollars in silver."

"Where does the man live?" says Uncle Ethan.

"I don't know," says Uncle Zekiel.

We all begun to laugh but Si, and he didn't look by no means as new cider.—At last, says he—

"Well, father," says he, not very slow, "this beast all you ever dont before," says he, "you've gin away your fat oxen to a man that you don't know, and you hain't got nothing to show for it."

"Wait til a fortnight from to-day," says Uncle Zeke, "the man looked like an honest man, and I believe he is an honest man He said he would meet me at the Four Corners and pay the money and I believe he'll do it," said he.

Si didn't say another word, but he turned on his heel and went straight off to the barn, looking as if he didn't want to play.

Poor Uncle Zekil was laughed at all over the hill for his trade, and every time one of the K****s' met him, they called

"Well, Uncle, [illegible] sixty dollars yet?" "[illegible] have you got your [illegible]

"Just you wait," says Uncle Zeke, [illegible] he.

Well, when the time come round, Uncle Zekiel went down to the Four Corners for his money. We kept a pretty good look out and when he came back we went down the hill, a little piece to meet him. Si says to him, with a scornful kink of laugh, says he—

"Well father, your honest man met you at the Four Corners, and paid you the sixty dollars in silver I suppose."

"Yes, he did, Siah," says Uncle Zekiel and with that he pulls a bag of dollars out of one side of his saddlebags, and then pulls another bag of dollars out of the other side.

"Yes, he did, Siah," says Uncle Zeke, again, "here is the money. He looked like an honest man, and he was an honest man; but I'd rather be cheated a little now and then, than to be always suspecting every fellow creature, as you are, Siah."—*Yankee Blade.*

☞A few nights since, says a New York paper, a policeman perceived a young gentleman fondly hugging one of the posts which supports the wires of the telegraph, and desired him to desist and go away.

"You need not have interrupted me," replied the youngster, who evidently had not spent the evening at a temperance meeting——"I was only kissing a young lady in Philadelphia."

"Kissing a lady in Philadelphia?" asked the policeman.

"Yes," was the reply—"I was kissing her by telegraph!"

NOT TO BE HUMBUGGED.

The manager of a country theatre, during the rehearsal of a musical piece, observed a bass player in the orchestra sitting inactive while all the other musicians where playing, "Why an't you playing, sir?" sharply demanded the manager. "Why, sir," said the performer, who was the busy counting some fifty bars rest in his part,—"I'm resting." "Resting, sir," exclaimed the potentate, "I'll have no resting in my theatre; play on, sir!"

A gentleman, taking an apartment, said to the landlady:

"I assure you, madam, I have left a lodging but the landlady she, "it was because

"I hope, sir, [illegible] without paying."

not you went [illegible]

If you wish to gain the esteem and admiration of your friends be honest.