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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Chestertown, - - - - - Maryland.

DR. GENESE.
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March 26, 1891.

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Great Crop Producer.
—FOR SALE AT—
R. S. EMORY'S
PEACH BOX FACTORY,
Aug. 20, 1891. CHESTERTOWN MD.

Dyspepsia
Few people have suffered more severely from dyspepsia than Mr. E. A. McMahon, a well known grocer of Staunton, Va. He says: "Before 1878 I was in excellent health, weighing over 200 pounds. In that year an ailment developed into acute dyspepsia, and soon I was reduced to 162 pounds, suffering burning sensations in the stomach, palpitation of the heart, nausea, and indigestion. I could not sleep, lost all heart in my work, had fits of melancholia, and for days at a time I would have welcomed death. I became morose, sullen and irritable, and for eight years life was a burden. I tried many physicians and many remedies. One day a workman employed by me suggested that I take Hood's Sarsaparilla, as it had cured his wife of dyspepsia. I did so, and before taking the whole of a bottle I began to feel like a new man. The terrible pains to which I had been subjected, ceased, the palpitation of the heart subsided, my stomach became easier, nausea disappeared, and my entire system began to tone up. With returning strength came activity of mind and body. Before the fifth bottle was taken I had regained my former weight and natural condition. I am today well and I ascribe it to taking Hood's Sarsaparilla."
Intense Suffering 8 Years
N. B. If you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to buy any other.
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Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.
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In addition to a full line of First-Class Staple
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I have placed in stock a number of specialties particularly suited for the heated term of the summer months, embracing a full line of fine
CONFECTIONERY, CIGARS, TOBACCO
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Indeed, I am the only dealer in Kent county licensed to sell this hot-weather luxury—the Cigarette. A full line of choice brands of both Cigars and Cigarettes will be kept constantly on hand.
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New York Clothing House
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to my many friends of Kent. Assortment, Cheapness and Quality are our principal attractions. Respectfully,
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PHOSPHATES!
—FOR SALE BY—
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SHE SIMPLY COULDN'T.

She could sing and she could play,
She could dance from night till day,
She could while the hours away,
So 'tis said.
She could skate and she could paint,
She could play the patron saint,
But she couldn't and she wouldn't
Make a bed.

She could walk eight miles a day
And play tennis charmingly,
Flirting in a saucy way,
Little scamp!
She could drive and play base-ball,
She could make a stylish call,
But she could'nt and she would'nt
Clean a lamp.

She could swim and she could row,
She could always have a beau,
And I'm sure that we all know
She was shy.
She could laugh and she could prance,
She could play a game of chance,
But she couldn't and she wouldn't
Make a pie.

She could etch and write a book,
She could vanish with a look,
She could win by hook or crook,
I confess,
She could scold and she could flout,
She could cry and she could pout,
But she couldn't and she wouldn't
Make a dress.

She could talk of church affairs,
But knew naught of household cares;
Still I am sure that none compares
With sweet Nan.
Even if she couldn't bake
Bread and pies and angel cake,
She enraptured and she captured
A rich man.

—*San Francisco News Letter.*

WHAT IS MONEY?

Dozens of Definitions by Seekers for a Golden Prize.

The London *Tid-Bits* lately offered a prize for the best definition of "Money." The prize was awarded to Henry E. Baggs, of Sheffield. His definition was:

> An article which may be used as a universal passport to everywhere except heaven, and as a universal provider of everything except happiness.

The following is a selection of some of the best definitions submitted:

The reward that sweetens labor.

The balance that adjusts the scales in well-nigh every transaction of human life.

The recognized measure of value and medium of exchange.

Money is an idol, worshiped in every clime without a single temple.

The sugar that sweetens life.

The best micro-cope for finding relationship with.

'Tis a bee that stores honey if you know how to use it,
But it stings, and then wings, if you only abuse it.

The only commodity that remains in fashion from generation to generation.

The father's independence, the mother's satisfaction, the son's snare and the daughter's blessing.

The god of the miser, the plaything of the rich, the joy of the middle classes and the envy of the poor.

The bull's-eye of ambition.

Hard to get, easy to spend, awkward to borrow and unpleasant to lend.

What father wishes for, what mother spends;
What old aunts leave us, what uncle lends;
Boys cannot keep it, and girls soon disperse;
Used right 'tis a blessing, used wrong 'tis a curse.

When we possess love and health, money is the one thing wanted to make life worth living.

The traveler's best pocket companion.

One of the umpires in the game of life played between Happiness versus Misery.

The best friend of the masses, the mainstay of the classes, the grand aim of the lassies and the ruin of the asses.

Honest *Iago* calls it trash, but with many it is next to their religion; with some it is a religion, and fools throw up their interest in both worlds for its sake.

The steam is the great engine of life.

That which a man struggles for in life, and after life leaves for others to struggle over.

The guerdon of industry, the will-o'-the-wisp of indolence, the servitor of love, the sinews of war, the good man's portion and the bad man's idol.

Money is, next to religious faith, the mightiest comforter in life, whose value, however, can only be fully appreciated by those who have both possessed it and have felt its want.

Ammunition for the battle of life.

Mrs. Grundy's standard of respectability.

That which everyone desires to obtain in order to have the pleasure of parting with it.

Palm oil.

A most useful commodity, capable of transmitting to its fortunate possessor everything but health and happiness.

That which it is man's mission to get and woman's mission to spend.

The "Mint" sauce which suits every palate.

The dust that blinds all eyes.

Money is like a monster eel, which everyone is anxious to catch, but, being very slippery, it is hard to hold but easy to lose.

The shot required in life to hit the target of success.

A child's tear-dispeller.

The "counters" used in the game of life.

Money to a man is like water to a plant, only used as long as it promotes and facilitates growth; like water in the fountain or water in the tank, keep it flowing and it blesses, keep it stagnant and it injures.

Money is that which has eagle's wings, and yet cannot mount so high as man's desire.

A "curse" which everybody is most happy to be blessed with.

A commodity, the value of which is best appreciated by those who haven't got any.

A tangible expression of fickle Fortune's smile.

A sign language that holds good throughout the world.

The honey-pot that has all the world for flies.

The only altar before which all mankind worships.

The motor of life, without which all its pleasures and enjoyments would come to a dead stop.

That which, having not, we want; having, we want more; having more, want more still; and the more we secure the less happy and contented we become.

The most unevenly distributed commodity on the face of the earth.

A remedy which cures more complaints than all other remedies put together.

A great evil that does a lot of good.

The sole qualification required to render a man eligible in the nineteenth century matrimonial market.

A convenient handle for the grip of avarice, a lever for the efforts of benevolence, and an impulse to the practice of thrift.

The world's passport to everything but health.

That for which we spend the best years of our lives in accumulating and the remainder of our lives in finding a means of spending.

The cloth with which breaches of promise are patched.

A taskmaster to whom everybody is a willing slave.

An article which is made round and intended to be kept going round for the purpose of making things "square."

A capital material for lining pockets with.

A power which the wise use, the foolish abuse and neither refuse.

The rich man's Faith, the poor man's Hope and the good man's Charity.

That by which people lose health and happiness in getting, and some get health and happiness by losing.

The blood that flows through the veins of commerce.

Omnipotent dross.

Money is that which nearly everyone wants to borrow and forgets to pay back.

-Devil's dust.

MODERN GEOGRAPHY.

In Which the Answers are Shaped to Accommodate Present Ideas.

Of what is the surface of the earth composed?

Of corner lots, mighty poor roads, railroad tracks, base-ball grounds, cricket fields and skating rinks.

What portion of the globe is water?

About three-fourths. Sometimes they add a little gin and nutmeg to it.

What is a town?

A town is a considerable collection of houses and inhabitants, with four or five men who "run the party" and lend money on 15 per cent. interest.

What is a city?

A city is an incorporated town, with a mayor, who believes the whole world shakes when he happens to fall flat on a cross-walk.

What is commerce?

Borrowing five dollars for a day or two, and dodging the lender for a year or two.

Name the different races.

Horse race, boat race, bicycle race and racing around to find a man to indorse your note.

Into how man classes is mankind divided?

Six—being enlightened, civilized, half civilized, too utter, not worth a cent and Indian agents.

What nations are called enlightened?

Those which have the most wars and the worst laws and produce the worst criminals.

How many motions has the earth?

That's according to how you mix your drinks and which way you go home.

What is the earth's axis?

The lines passing between New York and San Francisco.

What causes day and night?

Day is caused by night getting tired out. Night is caused by everbody taking the street cars and going home to supper.

What is a map?

A map is a drawing to show the jury where Smith stood when Jones gave him one under the eye.

What is a mariner's compass?

A jug holding four gallons.—*Galveston Tribune.*

A Girl's Own Brother.

"*But he's my own brother.*"

Is that any reason why you should take his courtesies for granted, and never say, "thank you?"

Is that any reason why you should not try to make an evening at home pleasant for him, instead of forcing him by your selfishness to seek his happiness somewhere else?"

Is that any reason why you should not think his opinion of your frocks, your bonnets or your looks worth consideration?

Is that any reason why you should appear before him in a clumsy wrapper and with your hair in papers?

Is that any reason why, when you have a man visitor, he should be made to feel that you endured your brother when there was—well—then it was different?

Is that any reason why you should not be glad of a dance or a game with him as your partner?

Is that any reason why you should not listen to his word of advice about either girls or either girls or their brother?—*La Mode.*

AFTER all, the best way to know the real merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla, is to try it yourself. Be sure to get Hood's.

What Pleases a Woman Most.

To receive a new bonnet or dress when she did not expect it.

To do a good act in secret and have it found out and be praised for it.

To hear she exerts a good influence over you by her words and her example.

To be told by some one she loves that she is the dearest and best woman in the world.

To be sought for advice upon some important matter which the male mind has failed to solve.

To have some big, strong man take her in his arms and say, "I love you."—*Marie in Music and Drama.*

A FEW WORDS ON WOMEN'S DRESS.

This is a very interesting subject to the woman who has money enough to dress well; a very harassing one to the unfortunate creature who has not enough to ditto, and a very contemptible one to the superior damsel who looks upon skirts as a relic of barbarism, and longs for the day when she shall disport herself in the reform suit. This question was asked me not long ago: "For whom do women dress?" This is a little hard to answer, as there are women and women in the world, and one cannot always answer for the numberless vagaries of the fair sex.

One of the ladies at Chataqua this summer, during an animated discussion on dress reform, declared, that as it was a well-known fact that men disliked "abnormal hips and tiny waists," the women of to-day certainly did not dress for the benefit of their male admirers. Now, I venture to say, that a more absolutely untrue statement was never made. Women may, indeed, in dressing, strive to avoid any departure from the prevailing style, which would be pronounced enough to draw forth that smile upon the face of her fair friend, which, to the average girl, is like pouring cold water down her back. It is in the avoidance of doing anything outre, that women consult each other in matters of dress, but when they try the effect of a rose first on one side of the hair and then on the other, and arrange the lace at their throats, and wonder which pair of dainty slippers they shall wear. Do you think they are doing all that for their sister women? Oh dear, no; they are doing it simply and solely for those naughty disagreeable things—the men. And there is no doubt in the world that they work for a sure reward in this matter, for there is nothing a man bows down to so completely as a woman's dress. She will reject the idea with scorn, if you are so unwise as to mention it to him, but it is true all the same.

I once had an old colored man make me his confidante in an affair d'amour. "'Deed, I tell yo' d' gospel truff, missy," he said; "I been see dat 'oman time an' agin, an' I ain' never tuk no partickerlar notice of her, but wen she put on dat yaller cal'ki dress, an' come walkin' in d' gard'n, d' Lawd knows I jess give up, an' I say to myself, if so be dat she would have me, dat thing 'ud be done."

Substitute for the yellow calico a fashionable skirt, drawn so tight that a step is a miracle, with a quarter of a yard of goods training behind in the dirt, a two-cent piece for a hat, a pair of high-heeled shoes which trip the wearer, and a bird-cage veil, which impairs the sight, and you have the average man's divinity. Let him deny it if he can. We have been told that a woman without religion is as a flower without perfume, and I fear that fine dress holds much the same position in regard to the gentle sex. As she goes to church and prays for her husband, while the noble masculine intellect is employed in more important and weightier matters than that of saving his soul; so must she also show off his wealth and generosity by draping herself in costumes which would be too tiresome and unhealthy for him to wear. However, the dress reform is marching in upon us, and the day may dawn when that unappreciative creature, man, may stand at his office door, and watching the train of sensible females robed in still more sensible garb, may sigh for the good old times, and the obsolete "bird-cage veil," and sigh in vain. It is more than probable though that the daughters of Eve will go on dressing for the sons of Adam until the end of the chapter. L.

COMMANDER SETH'S VIEWS.

Oysters More Plentiful Than Last Year, but Yet in Poor Condition.

Commander Seth has spent this week cruising in the bay, and gives your reporter the following information:

The oysters are generally thin and in poor condition. The best are in Pocomoke Sound and Patuxent river. The supply this year of marketable oysters will be about 30 or 40 per cent. greater than last season. If the culling last season had been thoroughly done the catch this season would be double what it was last. He says there is an abundance of young oysters, and he intends to save them it possible. The season should not properly be opened before the first of October, as it is a sacrifice of the oysters to consume them now; their condition is thin and watery, and it takes two bushels to shuck a gallon whereas one bushel later, in first-class condition, will yield a gallon. The bulk of the stock now being caught, however, is being laid down on private beds. The oyster law will need a thorough revision next winter. The discussion of the subject last spring shows that the same system will be continued, but to make it at all effective, the commander thinks the laws should be made general in their operations and local laws should be avoided. Every Legislator from a tide-water county thinks it incumbent upon him to pass some local oyster law, and as a result we have the books full of incompatible acts, and when you cross county lines you find a different law. This is confusing to the catcher and makes the general enforcement of the laws more difficult.

In 1890 eight local laws were passed, and the court has decided that by a subsequent amendment to the general law, the local laws were repealed though all passed by the same body. Prosecutions were undertaken under the local laws and all failed. How much better it would be to have one time for taking throughout the State with the same penalties and same conditions. There could not then be any excuse that our local laws permit this or permit that. This uniformity should also extend to the two states of Maryland and Virginia, and so strongly was he impressed with this fact last winter that early in the spring with the concurrence of Governor Jackson, he wrote Gov. McKinney inviting him to join them in a trip over the oyster beds for conference and information, the object being to have the two Governors recommend next winter acts substantially the same. We have one and the same bay, one and the same markets and should have one and the same laws. He yet hopes to secure this meeting and conference.—*Easton Ledger.*

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