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Mr. Vickers is one of the oldest members of the Corn and Flour Exchange, and is conceded by every one who knows him, to be one of the best grain men in Baltimore.
Cash advances, for both Shelled Grain and Cob Corn, made upon short notice.
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Public Notice

—OF—

COMMISSIONERS

Kent County.

Those who have trimmed their hedges and removed weeds, etc., along the public roads are notified to remove the cuttings, and those disregarding this notice are reported to the grand jury.

T. J. SHALLCROSS, Pres.;
ROBERT C. MORGAN,
GEO. W. RODENHISER,
JOHN A. GROVES,
HORACE A. WILLSON,
County Commissioners
Russell, Clerk, a3-tf.

W. S. MASLIN,

Near Rock Hall, Maryland,

—DEALER IN—

Dry Goods, Groceries,

BOOTS, SHOE, NOTIONS.

WHITE GOODS, HARDWARE, TINWARE, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, CLOTHING, CHINA,

and everything usually kept in a well-appointed general store. This store is really divided into departments, among which we mention with pride the Millinery Department, the Clothing Department and the Shoe Department. In them a complete line of goods is carried, and at prices that deserve the attention of this neighborhood.

Our Line of Harness

is first-class and complete, and will be sold at rock bottom prices, while the Sleigh Bells and Carriage Robes go at such low prices as to invite the attention of purchasers.

PATENT MEDICINES

are constantly kept in stock, and the general line of merchandise sold at my store will be found to be just a little lower in price than others who make greater pretentions. During the month sweeping reductions will be made in order to reduce this enormous stock, and for every dollar invested we guarantee full value received. Don't forget the full and complete line of

OILS, PAINTS, TRUNKS, VALISES, Etc.

Special Notice.—Full Line of LADIES' COATS and DRESS GOODS, and TRIMMINGS in connection with our Millinery Department a Specialty.

A call solicited.

W. S. MASLIN.

G. E. LEARY & SON,

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Kent County, - - - - - Maryland.

Are the pioneers in the local manufacture of

Building Materials

of every class and description. Framing, Flooring, Shingles, hard-wood materials and everything essential to a thoroughly equipped planing and saw mill always in stock. Materials of the best and in quantities to meet every demand of the local market.

MILLER BROS., Rock Hall, Md.

Always Reliable,

PRICES ALWAYS THE LOWEST.

We take this opportunity to thank our friends and acquaintances for the patronages so liberally bestowed upon us during the holiday trade, in spite of the many misleading advertisements of other merchants.

WE HAVE LAUNCHED OUT,

feeling assured that customers who have patronized us once, will continue to do so.

—OUR STOCK—

for the new year will always be complete. During January and February we will reduce many winter articles far below regular price, and offer special advantages to our customers.

Respectfully, etc.

MILLER BROS.,

Jan. 24, 1895. ROCK HALL, MD.

J. F. LEARY,

Near Rock Hall, Md.,

Dealer in General Merchandise,

Consisting of

DRY GOODS, BOOTS & SHOES, NOTIONS,

Hardware, Clothing.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, CONFECTIONERY, STATIONERY, HATS AND CAPS,

and a complete line of all kinds of goods usually found in a first-class general store.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—During the approaching holidays we will be headquarters for Santa Claus. Our fruits, consisting of Raisins, Currants, Lemons, Oranges, Apples, Cocoanuts, etc. Also Confectionery of all kinds, will be sold at prices in keeping with the dull times complained of. Toys to please the little folks will be sold at astonishingly low prices. We mention a few prices that deserve the attention of close buyers: Raisins 8c, Currants 5c, Citron 15c, Seedless Raisins 10c, Cocoanuts 6 to 8c, Walnuts and Butternuts 15c, Almonds 20c, Broken Candy, Mixture, Drops and French Mixture 10c lb, or 3 lbs for 25c. A No. 1 Gum Drops, Chocolate Drops, Cream Dates, Caromels and French Mixture at 25c a lb. Pure Extract of Lemon and Vanilla, my own make, Ground Cloves, Allspice, Cinnamon, Mace, Ginger, Pulverized Sugar, also children's Picture Books, Express Wagons, etc. This stock is complete, and prices so low as to astonish all who give me a call. Our lines of Drugs and Medicines are fresh, and a full stock constantly kept on hand. Prescriptions carefully and accurately compounded at all hours, day or night. I respectfully ask for a share of your patronage, believing that I can save you money on your purchases. Jewelry, Perfumery and Fancy Soaps Resp'y, etc.,

J. F. LEARY, Near Rock Hall.

J. H. RUTH,

—DEALER IN—

GROCERIES AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

AT ROCK BOTTOM PRICES.

ANNOUNCEMENT—Having accepted the agency for the Relay Manufacturing Company, I am now offering the best line of

BICYCLES on the Market.

The Relay Special, 22 pounds, $100. The Relay Roadster, 26 pounds, $85. Crown, 28 pounds, $75. Ladies' Relay, 27 pounds, $90.

Furnished in either Black, Carmine or French Grey Enamel, with choice of following tires: New York, Morgan & Wright, Hartford Single Tube, Dunlap and Gormully and Jeffrey Clincher. We claim this wheel to have more brand new important features than any other on the market. No need now to buy a worn out second hand machine when you can buy a strictly high grade wheel for the same money. Write for handsome descriptive catalogue and special cash discount.

J. H. RUTH, Agent Relay M'f'g Co., Overton, Md.

A GREAT

CLEARING-OUT SALE!

—AT—

R. BERGEN'S.

I am determined to sell out the balance of my Winter Goods, consisting of

LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S

COATS,

DRESS GOODS,

Blankets, Quilts and Flannels.

I have put the prices way down to come in reach of all. Now is the time to buy if you want a great bargain. As we have had such a fine success in

Our Millinery Department,

and thanking our lady friends for the same, and in the future we will be pleased to have their patronage, and will always try to please and guarantee satisfaction. The balance of our Millinery Goods will be sold at half price.

Remember the place.

R. BERGEN, Chestertown, Md.

Extraordinary Announcement!

JAMES A. CASEY, a progressive Rock Haller, is now offering to the people of this county special low prices on his entire stock in order that the bulk of goods now upon our shelves can be reduced. For fifteen years we have been catering to the wants of the trade here, and all during that time we have never thrown out catch penny advertisements in order to hoodwink the people, but a steady, straightforward plan adopted in the beginning has been continued to the present time, and now for the future we promise greater bargains than have ever been shown in Rock Hall.

THE STOCK

Embraces a general line of goods, and consists of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Notions of all kinds, including special bargains in Underwear and Hosiery, together with a first-class supply of Gum and Rubber Goods, so extensively used by our oystermen. The approaching holidays get nearer and nearer every day, and don't forget that we are fully prepared to meet your wants, as we can supply you with a complete line of goods at prices unequaled in this community. Our Grocery department receives special care, all the goods being bought for spot cash at headquarters, enables us to place in the homes of our people a line of fresh groceries at prices which are considered rock bottom. In the Boot and Shoe department there are many bargains awaiting you, and a call will convince you that we advertise bargains. Remember, we carry everything to be found in a well-appointed store, and from this time on sweeping reductions will be made, and a number of goods during this month will be closed out at prices that will astonish you. Look out for change of advertisement next month.

JAMES A. CASEY,

Dec. 13, 1894. ROCK HALL, MD.

TALK ABOUT

Tariff off Woolen Goods

JUST LOOK AT

FRANK HOGAN'S,

Cheap Cash Store.

$3.00 Boots Marked down to $2.38.
$2.50 Boots marked down to $1.50.
$1.50 Boots marked down to $1.15.

WHAT!

Hominy 3 1-2 cents per quart: Beans 4 cents per pint: Raisins 5 cents, Currents 4 cents,

and all other things marked down likewise.

FRANK HOGAN, Rock Hall, Md.

WILLIAM R. COLEMAN,

Two Large Stores— ROCK HALL —AND— PINEY NECK

in which is kept a complete and general line of merchandise, consisting of dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries, notions, confectionery and everything usually found in a complete establishment. While at Rock Hall be sure to call at our store and we will save you money, and when you are at Piney Neck call on us and be convinced that our prices are such as to astonish you. Our trade is growing and we are constantly gaining the confidence of the people, and to those who favor us with their trade we guarantee satisfaction. During this month we propose to reduce our stock, and in doing so we have greatly reduce the price of many useful articles that will interest close buyers. For the Christmas holidays we will be headquarters for Confectionery, etc., that will please the little folks. Give us a call.

WM. R. COLEMAN.

Dec. 13, 1894 Rock Hall and Piney Neck

WHAT A LOSS OF PROFIT!

BUT SUCH IS LIFE.

15 Per Cent. Less Than the Regular Price

is the way we are selling

CLOTHING!

When our Clothing is received we mark it in plain figures before placing on our tables, so any one can tell the price. SUITS $3.75 to $10.00. OVERCOATS $4.50 to $10.00. All go at a discount of 15 per cent.

Figure out the price yourself.

LEATHER BOOTS.

$2.50 your choice of any in our store.

Dry Goods and Notion Department Complete.

Prices way down on Hominy, Beans and Buckwheat.

THE ROYAL BARGAIN STORE,

R. S. CREW,

Look for his sign—Big Flag. ROCK HALL, MD.

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Have you headache? Do your eyes burn? Do you have trouble to see at a distance or to read fine print? Have you pains in the back of your head? If you have any of these symptoms, send for our "*Eyesight By Mail.*" Satisfaction invariably guaranteed. WALTER H. PODESTA & CO. Eye Specialists, *Walter H. Podesta late Eye Specialist for Queen & Co.* PHILADELPHIA, PA.

A STRANGE BENEFACTOR.

Remarkable Story of How a Man Helped Relieve Suffering in Hundreds of Homes.

(*From the Brooklyn, N. Y., Standard-Union.*)

There is a curious character in Blissville, the southern extreme of Long Island City, who is known to everybody, including children, as "the doctor," although his advice has always been gratuitous and he has but one remedy.

Joseph J. Myers, "the doctor," is the proprietor of the Homestead Hotel, where a *Standard Union* reporter found him last night.

"What is the secret of my remedy?" he smilingly observed, in response to a question. "There is no secret. Neither am I a doctor; and there hasn't been one in my house for almost a quarter of a century. My doctor stands up there on the safe in the form of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer, and under no circumstances would I allow myself to be without a bottle.

"I was once afflicted by ulcerated sore throat, and my position became so critical that three physicians, who had been called in consultation, gently broke the yarn to me that my days were numbered. An application of Pain-Killer was suggested. I tried it. A week later I was back at my work.

"A few weeks afterwards a neighbor's wife was suffering from the same affliction. I sent a bottle to her, and in a few days she came to my house to thank me for having saved her life.

"My oldest boy, last winter, was attacked with inflammatory rheumatism. I applied Pain-Killer and drove every vestige of the malady out of his system.

"My two boys were brought through a siege of diphtheria, at a time when the disease was widespread, and the Pain-Killer's success with them induced me to send a dozen bottles to neighbors whose children were also prostrated. In every instance it effected a cure. That's why they call me "Doctor" in Blissville."

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Its Splendid Record in a Comparatively Short Time.

WHAT IT IS—WHY IT IS—WHAT OF IT.

Since the recent splendid Convention of the Conference Union Christian Endeavor Society, in Christ M. P. Church, we have been frequently asked the question, What is the Christian Endeavor movement? What does it mean, and What does it do? We have, therefore, concluded to give this brief review of the subject:

HISTORY OF THE IDEA.

About fourteen years ago, Dr. Frances E. Clarke, of Portland, Maine, had a great revival in his church, which brought in a number of young people. Not having any special work for them to do, and knowing that the old program of "Young People's Societies" would soon run out, he devised a society of Christian Endeavor in which they might improve themselves in Christian living and working. The idea was enthusiastically received by his young people, and soon spread over America. When firmly established here, it crossed the seas, and is now a world-wide thing.

WHAT THE IDEA IS.

Christian Endeavor is a plan of daily Christian life. It binds the endeavorer to read something in the Bible, and to pray *every day*: to attend the Sunday services, and the weekly church meeting; to exhibit a willingness for public Christian service, by leading the Endeavor meeting, or by reading selected Scriptures or other Christian writing at the meeting, or by praying, or by "telling one's experience," or testifying of God's mercies. So far it is an attempt to get a professing Christian to exercise himself in the weekly religious services of the church, and to be alike to God in his own home. All this is done to develop piety, and thus bind the convert to the church.

THE FURTHER SCOPE

of the idea is seen in its outside labors. There are committees charged with various duties, such as looking after the aged and reading to them; after the sick and carrying them comfort; after the poor and helping them; after the unconverted; after the "backslider" and the "lukewarm" Christian. Rightly conceived and worked, the Endeavor idea permits no indifferent Christian to remain so, and no unconverted person to be without a weekly visitation; and no neglected soul in the church, or in the village, to be without a real and deep show of Christian attention.

Many societies are mere "self admiration clubs," however, and the committees are just so many sleepy-heads, while the members take things easy generally, and sit down and slop around in a puddle of contentment with themselves, and of neglect of everybody else.

WITHIN THE CHURCH

the idea extends itself to everything. There are flower committees to keep the church supplied with bloom; missionary committees to develop the cause of missions; lookout committees to see after strangers and stir up the laggards, the estranged and the "cold" ones; social committees to make things pleasant and provide sociables; and in cities, kindergarten committees, who use the Sunday-school, while church is going on, so that mothers with young children may come to church. A variety of toys, some baby-carriages, a few swings, and a nice soft bunk for the little things is provided, and here they frisk and keep happy while "Mamma" gets a chance to worship.

This feature has gained a rapid growth, and is highly useful. It might be applied in Chestertown if any were willing to engage in it.

II.

As a denominational movement, Christian Endeavor embraces every church in America, except the Episcopal, the Methodist Episcopal and the Catholic. The inter-denominational feature which it presents, does not seem to commend it to these bodies; but the great historic centres of influence—the Lutheran, Reformed, Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, together with bodies of more recent origin, the Methodist Protestants, United Brethren, Christians, Reformed Episcopal, and others—have heartily espoused it. By many the inter-denominational feature is regarded as a means of bringing Christ's people into practical union of Christian life, and preparing the way for fellowship and loving service in the Lord's vineyard. No attempt has been made, or thought of, to bring about a union of denominations. Union of sentiment, of purpose, of loving heart, and helping hand, of larger work, and broader toleration, is all that has been sought for. And this is of vast benefit to the cause of Jesus.

III.

WHAT THE IDEA HAS ACCOMPLISHED.

It has brought over 2,000,000 of young people in America into service.

It has raised thousands of dollars to spread the gospel.

It has built churches, and paid off church debts.

It has been the means of thousands of conversions.

It has sent out its members to found Sunday schools, and paid for missionaries in foreign lands.

It has secured literature to distribute in jails, and done other benevolencies.

It is now making successful efforts to reform the land by refusing to acknowledge the right of corrupt and wicked men to stand for office.

It has revived the decaying life of many a Sunday school and church when other means have failed.

IV.

THE WORLD-WIDENESS OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR,

is the marvel of to-day. It has gone into China, Japan, India and Africa, as into England and the Continent of Europe. "There is nothing like it," says Dr. Wayland Hoyt, "in Christianity since the reformation." And once a year in general convention, it gathers representatives from all lands to participate in its debates, its worship, and its mighty enthusiasm for redeeming the world.

The next Convention will be held in Boston, July, 1895.

A VERY pretty bodice of black, gray and crimson checked cheviot cloth has a slightly full front of red miroir velvet, ending in a point below the waist. The bodice is fastened with overlabed taps and embossed buttons. The square collar has lapels of mink fur. The sleeves are slashed and have bobs over velvet cuffs.

Three Fools.

There was a business man who failed
To win the longed-for prize
Of riches and prosperity;
He did not advertise.

There was a lover once who died
Quite wretched, I suppose,
Because all through his life he was
Too bashful to propose.

There was another man whose ways
His neighbors greatly pained,
Because he didn't know enough
To go in when it rained.

All three were fools; but worst of all
To everybody's eyes,
Was he who was a business man,
And didn't advertise.

WHAT IS YOUR INCOME?

If it Exceeds $4,000 a Year You are Subject to the Income Tax.

By a careful estimate in last week's TRANSCRIPT, the number of persons in Kent county so fortunate as to have incomes of over $4000 and therefore subject to the Income Tax, was put at nine. And in connection with that estimate, it may be interesting to know exactly how the incomes are to be computed under the new act, which Senator Hill has so persistently opposed, and which, in spite of him has become a law. Where any person or persons, firm or corporation, living and conducting business in the United States, or living elsewhere and conducting business in the United States shall have an income of over $4000, he or they shall be subject to a tax of 2 per cent. on their income, and if their income exceeds $3,500, they are required to fill out blank 365 but are not subject to the tax. The return of all blanks must be made on or before the first Monday in March, and the tax must be paid on or before the first day of July.

The return of profits are arranged as follows under the prepared form:

Gross profits from any business; from rents received or accrued; from profits realized on sales of real estate; from farming operations; from sales of live stock; from sales of agricultural products; money and value of all personal property acquired by gift or inheritance; premiums on bonds, stocks, notes or coupons; income from profession, trade or other employment except stated salary or pay; for particular services, and not including salary or compensation from the United States, from salary or compensation for services in the civil, military, naval or other service of the United States, including salary of Senator, Representative or Delegate in Congress; interest received or accrued upon all notes, bonds, mortgages or other forms of indebtedness bearing interest, whether paid or not, if good and collectible; interest or coupons paid or accrued on any bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, of any corporation, company or association; from all sources not above enumerated.

DEDUCTIONS.

Exempt by law, $4,000; interest which has become due, or which has been paid during the year; national, State, county, school or municipal taxes paid, not including taxes paid, assessed against local benefits; amounts expended in purchase or production of live stock or produce sold; necessery expenses actually incurred in carrying on any business, occupation, or profession, and not elsewhere deducted losses actually sustained in trade, or arising from fires, storm or shipwreck, and not compensated for by insurance or otherwise; actual losses on real estate purchased during the year; debts ascertained during the year to be worthless; salary, compensation or pay over $4,000, from which the tax of two per cent. has been deducted or withheld.

The $4,000 exempted, it should be remembered, is supposed to cover expenses for medical attendance, store account and store supplies.

Debts cannot properly be returned as worthless, unless legal proceedings have shown them to be so or the debtor is insolvent.

Wintering Idle Horses.

On most farms there is not enough work during the winter season to keep constantly employed half the number of teams kept busy during seed time and harvest. Many farmers think it economical to winter the idle horses at a straw stack, but such economy is more imaginary than real, urges the *Agriculturist*. If these horses had their snoes removed, and were allowed to run loose in a 12x14 ground floor box-stull, and fed a less quantity of straw than they eat and trample under foot in the open yard, their condition would be far better at the opening of spring. It should also be remembered that only young horses, whose digestion is good, and that are known to be easy keepers, can be successfully wintered on straw alone. Oats are the natural food of the horse, and should be fed during enforced idleness rather than grain or meal of a more stimulating nature. If kept in a stable they should have new bedding as needed, and be curry-combed and brushed daily, whether they are stabled or in the open air. A feed of potatoes, carrots, turnips, beets or apples should be given weekly. Such food is worth the market price for feeding to horses in winter.

Transatlantic Liners.

It takes an expenditure of nearly $20,000 to carry a vessel like the Majestic across the Atlantic.

A ship's steward, who sprang into the sea and rescued a young lady who had fallen overboard from an Atlantic liner, has been presented with $1000 by her relatives.

It is said that the first cost of building a fleet of Atlantic liners is a trifle compared to the cost of running them; in less than three years it will exceed the cost of construction, so enormous is the constant expenditure in wages, port duties and repairs.

SHORTHAND WRITERS are nowhere as regards speed with spiritualistic wielders of the pen. The chairman at a recent meeting of the London Spiritualist Alliance declared that he had once known a message of 900 words to be written in long hand in the space of six seconds.

THE sea otter is the most valuable of all furs, £250 (says *London Answers*) having been paid for a single skin.

HALL CAINE is 40 years of age, and till he began to write had never read a novel in his life.

THE BASE-BALL TEAM.

Fine Material From Which to Select the Washington College Team for the Coming Season.

Now that the foot-ball season is fully over, and by the way, one through which the team of Washington College passed with great credit to themselves, the athletic mind is turned toward that most popular of summer sports—base-ball. Ever since the college has had the services of its star battery, Burris and Zearfoss, its base-ball team has accomplished wonders on the diamond. Its success has of course been largely due to the efficient work of the above mentioned men, but in field and stick work the team has shown steady advance for the last three years. The college and the citizens of Chestertown have seen during that time, more genuine base-ball probably than during its whole existence. It has measured bats with better teams, and its inter-collegiate contests have been the delight of both student and town populace. It stands to-day as the champion in that line of sport, and it has earned the title by genuine ball playing. As the time advances for base-ball preparation, everyone naturally looks over the material at hand to make up the ball tossing representation. With the exception of Polk and Blackiston the old players are all on hand, and with last year's experience, should show a great improvement in their play. Everyone knows that Burris and Zearfoss will hold their own with any amateur battery on the diamond, and it only remains to fill the other positions. At first base, Brice will hardly be seen, he has gone into the mercantile business, and has other cares that will occupy his time and attention. The candidate looming up for that bag most conspicuously is Faithful, of Church Hill. This young man played the position on the second team last year, and showed himself capable of holding his own. He is especially good on holding low thrown balls and in catching a man napping. Those are the kind mostly put to that bag. He is a good hitter, a heady player, and with practice should push any other applicant closely for the position. At second, the old reliable, Woodruff, can be obtained if he is wanted. He has played the position so long and acceptably that every one knows he is in the right place. There is prospect, however, of a fine player from Clayton entering school at the commencement of the spring term, Deakyn by name. If he does he will be placed at second. This young man has few equals as a second baseman; every move shows him a born ball player. He literally eats up everything that comes his way. The amount of ground he covers is phenomenal, and his whole action on the field is grace itself. Besides being a fine fielder he is a heavy hitter, although a light-weight. With Zearfoss, Burris and Deakyn in line, the runner has a rough road to travel when he starts to second. Should Deakyn enter, Chestertown will see an exhibition of second base play that will open her eyes. At third base the team will be much stronger than last year. Davis, a new man, is a fine all-round player. He is a catcher, a fair pitcher and a good fielder, and will probably be put at third. Although a heavy-weight, he is quick to handle himself, and in the little practice the sunshiny days have brought out, he has shown that he knows the game. He is a reliable player, and the public can depend on seeing good work from him. With a good man at short-stop the infield would be exceptionally strong. There are three men who might play that position, Cameron, Holloway and Armstrong. The last-named has had time and opportunity to perfect himself in short-stop work. He has the elements of a ball player, but his past work has shown that he likes a match better than a practice game, and the shade of a maple tree rather than a sunny diamond. With good conscientious practice he will fill the position, and it is to be hoped if he goes into the work this year it will be with a will. The other two men are good conscientious workers and only a pace or two behind Armstrong in proficiency. Cameron is a heady player and probably knows the game as well as any man in the college. He has a good eye for the ball, and would make a valuable man for the team. Holloway should be ten per cent. a better player than last year, and with these three men short-stop should not suffer.

In the out-field Blackiston will be missing; it will be difficult to fill his place. Boston, at present is the most available man. This player was a sub last year and towards the close of the season showed rapid improvement. With a place assured on the team this year he will go into the work with zeal and should fill the bill. He covers a great deal of ground and will make a fair hitter. Holloway and Cameron will probably fill the other two positions in the outfield, unless one goes in at short-stop, then Armstrong will take a place outside. Massey, Patton, Usilton, Brice (possibly), and others will make valuable substitutes. It can be seen from the above that the college need not fear the ball season, and with the encouragement of the past extended this year, success should come this way.

The athletic association wants to make some improvements on their field in the shape of a canvas fence and a grand stand. A dramatic entertainment is the first step toward raising funds for that purpose and the students will appear in Stam's Hall the latter part of February. They ask the support of the town and county and will doubtless get it. A good ball team is an advertisement for the college and a credit to the town. Let everyone support it.

Words of Wisdom.

Get your clover seed now.

What sort of a husband has your wife?

Have a white cover on the reading table.

True love has hard hands for love labors.

Let all subscriptions begin with the first of February number.

What do the young women want to lace tight for, anyway?

Take good care of the babies. Do not let them like corn shrink in the crib.

The man that never makes a mistake never makes anything.

Do not be severe on the faults of others; try to be fair and candid.

There is not so much effort required in getting as in keeping what is got.

Give the boys a chance next season. Set apart from one to ten acres and let them farm it.