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To Travelers.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Saturday, April 7th, 1877, the Steamer HIGHLAND LIGHT, Captain E. T. Leonard, will leave pier 2, Light street, foot of Camden, every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock P. M., for EASTON, Double Mills, Oxford, Cherry Point, Wallace's, Cambridge, Chancellor's Point, Cabin Creek and Medford's, making close connection with Maryland & Delaware Railroad at Easton and with the Dorchester & Delaware Railroad at Cambridge. The Tuesday trip will be extended to Denton, making all the regular landings on the River. On the return trip, will leave Denton every Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon, and every Monday, Wednesday and Friday will leave Medford's at 2, Cambridge 5, and Easton at 9 o'clock P. M., arriving in Baltimore early next morning.

On and after Tuesday, June 12th, the Steamer SAM. ULL J. PENTZ, Captain John H. Kirwin, will leave Pier No. 3, Light st., foot of Camden, every TUESDAY and FRIDAY, at 6:30 A. M., for St. Michaels and Miles River Ferry (Easton). On the return trip, will leave Miles River Ferry at 11 o'clock A. M., and reach Baltimore at 3 P. M.

Freights solicited at low rates and carefully handled.

Baltimore, March 27, 1877.

Fall & Winter Arrangement.

THE STEAMER

OLIVE,

CAPT. E. N. DODSON.

FROM BALTIMORE.

On and after Tuesday, September 18th, the steamer Olive will leave Baltimore every Tuesday and Thursday, at 10 a.m., for Claiborne, St. Michaels, Tunis's Wharf, Trimble's Wharf and Wye Landing. Every Saturday, at 10 a.m., for Claiborne, St. Michaels and Tunis's Wharf.

FOR BALTIMORE

Leave Wye river every Wednesday and Friday at 7 a.m., Tunis's Wharf 9 a.m., St. Michaels 10 a.m., Claiborne 10:45 for Baltimore. Every Monday Tunis's Wharf at 9 a.m., St. Michaels 10, Claiborne 10:45 for Baltimore.

R. S. DODSON, Proprietor.

St. Michaels, Oct. 16, 1877.

Maryland & Delaware

RAILROAD.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after Monday, Nov. 26th, 1877, Trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH.		GOING SOUTH.	
LEAVE		LEAVE	
Easton	7 30 A. M	New York	8 25 P. M.
Woodland	7 45 "	Baltimore	6 50 A.M.
Cordova	7 55 "	Philadelphia	8 00 "
Hillsborough	8 10 "	Wilmington	9 30 "
Bridgely	8 25 "	Clayton	11 20 "
Greensborough	8 45 "	Kenton	11 35 "
Goldsborough	9 00 "	Slaughters	11 50 "
Kenderson	9 15 "	Marydell	12 05 P.M.
Marydel	9 25 "	Henderson	12 15 "
Slaughters	9 40 "	Goldsborough	12 30 "
Kenton	9 55 "	Greensborough	12 50 "
ARRIVE AT		Ridgely	1 05 "
Clayton	10 10 "	Hillsborough	1 20 "
Wilmington	12 10 P. M.	Cordova	1 35 "
Philadelphia	1 45 "	Woodland	1 45 "
Baltimore	3 35 "	ARRIVE AT	
New York	5 10 "	Easton	2 00 "

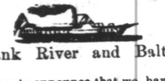
All freights must be at the various stations at least twenty (20) minutes before starting of Trains, otherwise they will lay over twenty-four hours. Freight trains will have passenger car attached and will be subject to delays incident to freight business.

J. L. CALDWELL, Superintendent

To Farmers and Merchants

On Choptank River.

Steamer Ruggles.



Choptank River and Baltimore.

WE beg to announce that we have placed the good Steamer *RUGGLES*, Capt Townsend, upon the Choptank River as a Freight Boat to and from Baltimore, and so limit the patronage of farmers and others to sustain the enterprise. This is exclusively a Freight Line for transportation of Grain, Fruit, Truck, Merchandise, &c., at reasonable rates. A good wharf has been secured in Baltimore, foot of Commerce street, for delivery and receipt of cargo. The *RUGGLES* will leave Choptank River on *MONDAYS* and *FRIDAYS*, leaving Coward's Point at 10 A. M., and stopping at Reese's Landing, Gilpin's Point, Kingston, Dover Bridge, Hog Island, Lloyd's Landing, Medford's Wharf, Cliff, Cabin Creek, Jamaica Point.

Will leave Baltimore on *TUESDAY* and *SATURDAY* evenings.

Every effort will be made to satisfy the patrons of the Steamer and merit success.

I. M. PARR & SON.

WM. E. TURNER, Agt. on the Choptank.

Baltimore, August 8th, 1877.

Farmers' and Merchants

Packet Line

The Schooners

Clara M. Leonard

and

Annie M. Leonard.

THE above boats are making weekly trips between Easton and Baltimore, and will do all kinds of freighting as cheap as any other line. Every effort will be made to give satisfaction. Our boats are new and built out of the very best material. Orders left with Messrs. G. E. Bowdoin & Co., Commission Merchants, corner of Bowley's Wharf and Pratt st., Baltimore, will be promptly attended to. Grain bought or taken at the lowest freight rates. All Grain stored in our Warehouses, in case of fire will be at the owners risk. Agricultural Lime delivered at the lowest cash price. Feeling thankful for past favors, we hope by strict attention to business, a continuance of the same.

C. R. LEONARD & BRO.

Office in same room with R. B. Dixon on Dover street, Easton.

may8,77

Easton Livery Stables.

FRANKLIN G. WRIGHT, *Proprietor*

Office next door to the Easton Star Office.

TRAVELERS will deposit their whips, robes, blankets, &c., at the office. Stable accommodations for 100 horses. Horses received on livery by the day, week, month or year. Horses and carriages for hire at all times. Travelers promptly sent to any part of the county or adjoining counties.

In hiring horses, 12 hours is considered a day, 6 hours a half day. For extra hours an extra charge will be made.

Hacks run regularly to the steamboat landings, to convey passengers with dispatch.

Passengers transported free of charge to the Steamer GEORGEANNA in my omnibus.

A daily Stage line to the Railroad. Passengers leaving Easton in the morning arrive in Baltimore and Philadelphia in time for dinner.

The highest market price paid for corn, hay, oats, blades and straw.

dec25,77

Furs, Furs.—Fur Gloves, Fur Collars and Fur Caps for sale by

M. M. Higgins.

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Building Materials of all Kinds.

Weatherboarding, Framing,
Shingles, Flooring,
Laths, Bricks,
Lime & Hair, Doors,
Sash, Shutters,
Mouldings &c.

White, Virginia and Carolina Pine.

Fencing, Fence Posts, and Cant Rails.

Lumber Dressed and Undressed.

Farmers and Builders, Look to your Interests.

Everything at Bottom Prices.

LUMBER-YARD AND OFFICE ON WASHINGTON STREET, NEAR THARP'S PEACH HOUSE.

The subscriber informs the public that he has a full line of all kinds of building material and fencing particularized above, which he is offering at city prices. He particularly invites a call from all wanting lumber, satisfied that he can please all as to PRICE and QUALITY.

John A. Arringdale.

Easton, Sept, 26th 1876 1y.

RELIABLE CLOTHING!

AND

LOWEST PRICES FOR CASH.

We sell the very best Clothing, for the prices asked, in America.

THE MOST SUITABLE

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

FOR MEN, BOYS AND CHILDREN.

N. B.—The greatest novelty and invention in the manufacture of Clothing is our Zero Coat or *Patent Overcoat*. It is the most sensible, comfortable and stylish garment ever invented, affording entire protection to face, neck, ears, and hands. Prices from $10 to $40. Only to be found on our counters. No other house has them.

ALSO A

Merchant-Tailoring Department

on the second floor of our building, which is stocked with all the novelties and leading styles of both foreign and Domestic fabrics, from which we make to measure and guarantee fit and entire satisfaction.

GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS

AT THE

LEADING BALTIMORE CLOTHING HOUSE,

Chas. N. Oehm & Son, Proprietors

NEW BUILDING, 230 WEST PRATT ST., NEAR HANOVER ST.

Farmers and Merchants

ON

Choptank River,

FROM

Kingston to Dividing Creek.

WE have placed our fine Schooner PANDORA on the Choptank for the accommodation of the farmers along the river. We therefore hope the enterprise will be patronized. Orders addressed to us or to Captain JAMES E. PRICE at Trappe, will receive prompt attention. Freighting done as low as the lowest. WM. N. CALVERT & CO., Commission Merchants, dec25,77-yr 89 South st., Baltimore.

Fashionable

DRESS MAKING

MRS. M. A. STEWART has connected with her Millinery establishment, MADAM LORD, (late of New York)

FASHIONABLE DRESS AND CLOAK MAKER,

where may be found the latest

NEW YORK AND PARIS FASHIONS,

and also the most reliable Patterns to please the most fastidious.

CUTTING, FITTING AND BASTING done for those who wish to do their own work. Also Pinking, Stamping, Stitching, Fluting and Braiding. We will be corresponding weekly with the leading Fashionable Emporiums of the Metropolis and can confidently promise superior work and elegant styles. We invite a call from the Ladies, Misses and Children. We will make prices to suit all who will favor us with their custom.

NEW MILLINERY GOODS,

Fancy Goods & Notions.

I have secured the services of a first-class Milliner from the city and will be pleased to wait on the ladies in that department. I have just returned from the city with everything the newest and most desirable in my line. I am constantly receiving novelties from both Baltimore and Philadelphia. I earnestly invite an examination of my stock. Repairing done with neatness and dispatch.

The public's obedient servant,

oct1 M. A. STEWART.

MILLINERY

I HAVE begun the purchase of my Fall Stock of

MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS,

and can now display some of the latest styles of Hats untrimmed. My

"Fall Opening,"

will take place in October, for which cards will in due time be sent out.

Ladies not receiving a card to my Spring Opening are requested to hand in their names and post-offices prior to October 1st, and they will be entered on my post-office book, and cards sent them.

Don't buy your Fall Hats and Bonnets until my "Opening" and I will show you "Models of Taste and style."

Respectfully,

sep18 E. V. HIGGINS.

FREE GIFT COUPON.

CUT THIS OUT

We take this means to introduce our beautiful new style Oleographs, in black and gold mats, oval opening, into every neighborhood. They are the most beautiful household ornaments ever seen, and are cheap to any purchaser at $3.00 per doz., but to every reader of this paper who forwards this coupon and 60 cts. to pay for packing and postage (the package being quite heavy) we will send 12 samples free of charge.

☞Do not miss this opportunity, as you can get your money back by selling one or two and thus secure the balance for nothing.

Address J. LATHAM & CO.,

419 Washington st., Boston, Mass.

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HOME GUEST on trial for three months. The HOME GUEST is declared the best family paper now published. Each number contains an illustrated Fashion Department, a department on *Writing* and *Penmanship*, edited by *Prof Gaskell*, also a column of Chat with Readers, *Puzzle* Department, Letters from Children, Domestic Receipts, History, *Poetry*, Biography, and a host of reading to interest and instruct. The whole including a copy of the most beautiful chromo of the day, on trial 3 months for only 30 cents. Address the publishers, J. LATHAM & CO.,

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WE WILL mail 1½ dozen of the most beautiful new Chromos, in French oil color, ever seen for $1. They are mounted in 8x10 black enamel and gold mats, oval opening and outsell anything now before the public. Satisfaction guaranteed. Two samples for 25 cents, or six for 50 cents. Send 10 cents for grand illustrated catalogue with chromo of Moonlight on the Rhine or 20 cents for two Landscapes and Calla Lilies on black ground. J. LATHAM & CO., 419 Washington street, Boston, Mass., Headquarters for Chromos, Engravings and Art works.

A FORTUNE

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The Ladies

BAZAAR OF FASHION,

And Fashionable Resort.

For Millinery, Notions and Fancy Goods,

Mrs. M. S. Norris

Opposite Court House, Easton, Md.

The cases of this well-known and favorite establishment have again been replenished with all the articles necessary to make up the fashionable toilet, and selected with the greatest care as to quality, style and price. Bonnets and Hats in endless variety. Ribbons and Laces of every grade. Trimmings a heavy assortment of every design; and Notions innumerable. The elegant taste always displayed in the trimming of Bonnets and Hats and which has secured for her an enviable reputation as a Milliner which she intends in the future to maintain, and the Ladies may always rest assured that their work will be executed with neatness and dispatch.

Grand Opening

Every Tuesday and Saturday. The Ladies of Talbot and adjacent counties are cordially invited to inspect her large and superb stock of Millinery. To see is to please.

Hats! Hats!!

I AM constantly receiving at the Old Stand all the Latest Styles for Fall and Winter wear. My stock of Fur and Wool goods for Men, Youths and Boys cannot be surpassed on the Shore. Especial attention is called to the *HELMET*, the latest style out, which I have in both fur and wool and in suitable sizes for Men, Youths and Boys. A full line of Derby always on hand. Good stock hats in stap shapes and colors a specialty. My prices always guaranteed to be as low as the lowest. Please call and examine my stock and prices before purchasing.

sep25 JAS. H. LINTHICUM.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

LORD & TAYLOR

NEW YORK.

WE INVITE ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS OF OUR ESTABLISHMENT, THE LOW PRICES AT WHICH OUR GOODS ARE MARKED, HAVE SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE HOLIDAY SEASON, AND BARGAINS WILL BE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE, THIS SEASON'S IMPORTATIONS GIVING US AN UNEQUALED STOCK OF GOODS.

BLACK SILKS,

handsome and durable, all widths, $1.0 to $3.0. The GREAT AMERICAN INDESTRUCTIBLE SILK, $1.20, $1.25, and $1.50.

PLAIN COLORED SILKS,

new shades, commencing as low as 75c. per yard, and at $1.00, same as quality of last season at $1 25.

Fancy Broche and Damassé Figures of the new *Paris* shades, from $2.00 upwards. Trimming Satins at $1 00, worth $1.25.

THE PRICES AT WHICH WE OFFER OUR SILKS ARE ONE-QUARTER TO ONE-THIRD LESS THAN LAST SEASON.

☞A SILK DRESS IS A HANDSOME HOLIDAY PRESENT.

IN DRESS GOODS

there is richer display of colorings and brilliant effects this season than for many years past.

The mixed COSTUME CLOTHS range in price from 50c. a yard to $3.00, and on low-priced DRESS GOODS, from 10c. a yard up, many of them being as effective as the heavier fabrics.

Shawls, Mantles and Wraps.

India Valley Cashmere Shawls from $100.00 up. India Filled Centers at $40.00 and up.

Real Dacca, Ulwdia and Striped India Shawls, new designs, from $10.00 upwards. Also, full lines British, French and German Shawls in beautiful new styles, of the best and most reliable manufacture. Paris Mantles and Cloaks of the latest modes from $15.00 up, and Berlin from $8.00.

Ladies' and Children's Suits and Fine Under Clothing.

These departments embrace everything pertaining to Female Costume, suited to all ages and circumstances. For full particulars see catalogues.

HOSIERY.

Ladies', Misses', and Children's Hosiery from $1.50 a dozen, up to the finest goods. All the newest and prettiest designs in Hosiery are represented in our stock in Silk, Cotton and Merino.

FURS.

Alaska Seal Sacques, from $65.00 up.
Alaska Seal Muffs from $5.00 up.
Alaska Seal Boas, from $6.00 up.
Mink Muffs and Boas, from $12.00 a set, upward.
Silk Fur-lined Garments, from $65.00.
Alaska Sable Sets, from $7.50.
A good set of Furs as low as $5.00.
☞A SET OF FURS IS A SUITABLE AS WELL AS SEASONABLE HOLIDAY PRESENT.

GENTS' FURNISHING.

DRESSING GOWNS, SMOKING JACKETS AND JAPS, SCARFS, TIES, UMBRELLAS, GLOVES, AND OTHER ARTICLES FOR GENTLEMEN, SUITABLE FOR THE HOLIDAYS TO WHICH THE ATTENTION OF LADIES IS INVITED.

GLOVES.

Kid, Silk, Lisle Thread and Merino Gloves of the new colors and shapes, in great variety.

Lord & Taylor's Kid Gloves, 2 buttons, warranted, at $1.00 per pair, price last season $1.50.

ALSO,

Lace, Cambric, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, and beautiful Neckerchiefs, all prices from 25c. upward, and all kinds Dress Trimmings to match our goods.

☞Our Goods are all first-class. We make a point to fill all orders exactly and to the interest of purchasers. We guarantee all purchases to be satisfactory to buyers, and stand ready to remedy all errors. We invite orders, convinced that a first trial will insure us the regular custom hereafter.

Catalogues of our entire stock sent to any address on application.

All orders for Goods to be accompanied by the money, or where parties wish Goods will be sent by Express, C. O. D. Where the remittance is too large, we always return the difference.

Broadway & Twentieth St.
Grand, Chrystie & Forsyth
Streets, N. Y.

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Terms reduced to Specie Basis.

THE undersigned takes pleasure in announcing to his many friends and patrons that he has taken the management of the above Hotel, where he would be pleased to meet them. This Hotel is furnished with fine suits of rooms, also a large number of single rooms handsomely furnished and well ventilated. Elegant Parlor, Reading Room, Hot and Cold Baths free for our guests. We have added a fine Billiard room with the most approved style of Tables. Our sample rooms contain the choicest liquors and cigars. Messenger Call and Telegraph in the Office, and with an excellent table, polite and attentive servants every endeavor will be made to satisfy the wants of all who may favor us with their patronage. We have adopted the following low schedule of prices:

Transient Rates, $2.00 per day.
Transient Board and Room, $7 to $10 per week.
Table Board, $5 per week.
Dinner, 50 cents
Rooms, 50c. to $1 per day.

WM. WHITNEY, Manager.
Late of Ridgway House.

Philadelphia, Pa., nov6-3m

No Quinine!

Dr. Berg's German Ague Pills!

Are strictly Vegetable, being entirely free from Quinine Mercury and all other deleterious substances. They have been tested for years in private practice, and have never been known to fail to cure Fever and Ague in its worst stages. Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Headache, Foul Stomach, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Neuralgia, Liver Complaint, Nervous Debility and all diseases arising from a change of climate and impurity of the blood, greatly benefitted by their use. All I ask is a trial of these valuable Pills, and they will convince the most skeptical of their merits. Ask your Druggist for them and if he has them not, inclose 50 cents by mail to us, and they will be sent free of charge, by the next mail, with full directions for use.

Address,

GEO. W. WILLIAMS & Co.

Sole Proprietors and Manufacturers,

918 Spring Garden st., Phila., Pa.

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No Mercury

NEW GOODS.

Martin & Co.,

Keep on hand Fish's celebrated Mince Meat, which will be sold for less than it cost to make it at home. Get some and try it.

Martin & Co.,

Have received a supply of Prime Apple Cider from New York, which will keep sweet. It will be sold in quantities to suit.

Martin & Co.,

Receive daily from St. Michaels and other points fresh Oysters, both in shell and shucked, and will be sold in quanties to suit.

Martin & Co.,

Bake daily all kinds of Bread and Cake. Bride's cake made a specialty and put up in the best style, and at city prices. Give your order a few days in advance and we will be sure to give satisfaction. We will bake cake or families every day and at low prices.

Apples, Apples, Apples.

A LARGE supply of prime Northern Apples just received and for sale by

L. G Henry & Goldsborough.

KELLER'S

ROMAN

LINIMENT.

Rheumatism.

Time and money have been wasted in futile endeavors to obtain some embrocation that would prove a cure for this excruciating disease; but all have failed except KELLER'S ROMAN LINIMENT, and that has been successful in almost every instance where it has been employed, whether such has been of the inflammatory or chronic type. In Lumbago and Sciatica it affords instant relief.

Neuralgia.

This excruciatingly painful disease is instantly relieved and rapidly cured by the continued application of this Liniment.

Toothache.

This painful and annoying complaint is instantaneously cured by the application of the Liniment.

Frosted Feet.

The Roman Liniment has proved effectual in all cases where it has been properly used. No instance is known where it has failed in giving immediate relief.

Burns and Scalds.

This Liniment has proved itself to be one of the best remedies ever used for Burns and Scalds. Its quickness in alleviating pain when applied, gives it great superiority over all other preparations.

Ulcerated Sores.

The healing and purifying qualities of KELLER'S LINIMENT render it the best article for the speedy and safe cure of ulcerated sores.

A Stitch in the Back

Is caused by a sudden wrenching of the spine, and produces violent and acute pains, making it very difficult for the person to move. It should not be neglected, as the curvature of the spine is often brought on by neglect of this common complaint.

Sore Throat and Quinsy.

The causes which usually induce Sore Throat are those which give a sudden check to perspiration, and thus obstruct Nature's regular work, quickly producing, in consequence, an inflammatory condition which, involving the tonsils, and rapidly spreading over the whole mucous membrane of the fauces will cause Quinsy.

Inflammation of the Breast.

This distressing complaint may be cured, or entirely prevented by the timely use of this remedy. It has never failed, when applied at the commencement, or before the gathering takes place.

Weakness of the Ankles and Joints.

Strains and chronic pains, cold and external injuries, are the chief causes of this complaint. The muscles are relaxed, in many cases making it difficult to move. By a free use of this Liniment a certain cure will be effected. As a

Horse and Cattle Lotion

it is invaluable to Farmers, Express Companies, Stage Proprietors, well appointed Livery Establishments, and all who own or use Horses and other Stock, immediately relieving and curing

Spavins,	Foot Rot in Sheep,
Ring Bone,	Foundered Feet,
Bruises,	Corns,
Cracked Heels,	Flesh Wounds,
Sprains,	Galls of all Kinds,
Scratches or Grease	Poll Evil,
Sores,	Splint,
Colic,	Fistula,
Lameness,	Sitfast,

And many other Diseases.

KELLER'S
Roman Liniment

Never fails to give satisfaction, and, as a domestic remedy for man and beast, it is incomparably superior to any of the so-called family liniments, salves, etc., as a single trial will convince all.

FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

Price, Fifty Cents a Bottle.

Fall and Winter Goods

S. KANN,

154 and 156 Broadway street,

BALTIMORE, MD.

Dealer in Foreign and Domestic

DRY GOODS,

Has now in store a complete stock of *Black* Silks, Dress Goods, *Shawls*, *Blankets*, Flannels, Cassimeres and Domestic Goods

of every description. *Prices warranted lower than anywhere in the city.* This is the

Largest Dry *Goods Store* in Baltimore. oct. 9,77-1yr

FRESH ARRIVAL

OF

BOOTS & SHOES.

A. A. Hughes has just received a new supply of Ladies' Gaiters, Mens' and Children's Boots and Shoes. Will sell cheap.

Fire Place Stoves—

The Fame and Golden Sun promptly furnished and satisfaction guaranteed.

T. G. Nicols.

WAPENTAKE.

We give in this column a very pretty poem from the pen of Henry W. Longfellow, and inited to the poet laureat of England.

The title "Wapentake" is from an olden custom of our mother country.

On certain occasions such as the selection of a chief, the inhabitant would meet and touch lances in friendship.

This touching of lances is called "Wapentake," and the selection of such a title by Mr. Longfellow for his theme does credit to his delicate tastes.

WAPENTAKE.

TO ALFRED TENNYSON.

Poet! I come to touch thy lance with mine;
Not as a knight, who on the listed field
Of tourney touched his adversary's shield
In token of defiance, but in sign,
Of homage to the mastery, which is thine
In English song; nor will I keep concealed,
And voiceless as a rivulet frost-congealed,
My admiration of thy verse divine.
Not of the howling dervishes of song,
Who craze the brain with their delirious dance,
Art thou, O sweet historian of the heart!
Therefore to thee the laurel-leaves belong,
To thee our love and our allegiance,
For thy allegiance to the poet's art.

—HENRY W. LONGFELLOW, in Dec. *Atlantic.*

NO TIME LIKE THE OLD TIME.

BY O. W. HOLMES.

There is no time like the old time, when you and I were young,
When the buds of April blossomed and birds of spring-time sung!
The garden's brightest glories by summer suns are nursed;
But, oh! the sweet, sweet violets, the flowers that opened first!

There is no place like the old place, where you and I were born,
Where we lifted first our eye-lids on the splendors of the morn!
From the milk-white breast that warmed us from the clinging arms that bore,
Where the dear eyes glistened o'er us that will look on us no more.

There is no friend like the old friend, who has shared our morning days,
No greeting like his welcome, no homage like his praise!
Fame is the scentless flower, with gaudy crown of gold;
But friendship is the breathing rose, with sweets is every fold.

There is no love like the old love, that we courted in our pride,
Though our leaves are falling, falling, and we're fading side by side.
There are blossoms all around us with the colors of our dawn,
And we live in borrowed sunshine when the light of day is gone.

There are no times like the old times—they shall never be forgot!
There is no place like the old place—keep green the dear old spot!
There are no friends like the old friends—may Heaven prolong their lives!
There are no loves like our old loves—God bless, our loving wives.

My Wife's New Friend.

Mrs. Jones has quite a habit of cultivating new friendships, which have every appearance of blooming eternally but which soon wither in the world's cold blasts. I used to think this characteristic was confined to school-girls, who swear immortal fidelity in letters crossed and recrossed, but forget each other as soon as they have caught a lover.

My wife's last acquisition in the way of a bosom friend is Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray, with whom she became acquainted last summer, while we were boarding out of town. Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray had her carriage with her, and create' quite a sensation—in fact, every lady in the house was eager to become her confidante; but the amiable deportment of Mrs. Jones, combined, I doubt not, with her intellectual accomplishments, rendered her the favorite, and she it was who occupied the spare seat in the coach, and had the honor of advising Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray in those thousand grave perplexities under which women suffer.

We returned to the city after the Mowbrays; but my wife, though usually very firm on questions of etiquette, waived her privileges on this occasion, and made the first call. She was graciously received, and came home in high spirits. All that evening she could do nothing but talk of Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray. "Such an elegant establishment," she said. "A footman, with manners like a prince, waited at the door. The drawing-room was the perfection of luxury and taste. Mrs. Mowbray had on such a sweet cap, and altogether looked so lady-like. Her manners were, indeed, most aristocratic, just what those of a Countess are supposed to be."

In a few days Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray returned my wife's call, coming in a shining new carriage, and with a new span of horses. Her equipage created quite a sensation in our street.

Mrs. Jones, soon after this, began to act as if brooding over some vast design, which not being matured, she deemed it wisest to be silent respecting. At last the mighty secret was broached.

"I was thinking, Jones," she said, one night, just as I was composing myself on my pillow, "that we ought to give a party. Not a regular ball, indeed, but a select entertainment, where a few congenial minds may be brought together. I should like to introduce my dear Mrs. Mowbray to some of the choicest of our set."

Now, I detest parties, small or large; but, as the delicacy of my wife's nerves does not allow of her being thwarted, I made no objection to the proposal though I sighed to myself.

"Of course, my dear," I said. "You know best."

"Well, about thirty," continued my wife, warming with the subject. "There's Mrs. Wharton, and Mrs. Horace Shinn, and Mrs. Price, and the Misses Trelawney," and thus the dear creature ran on, until she had mentioned about forty names; and I saw that her "select party of congenial souls" was going to be, after all, a crowded room.

"You have forgotten the two Misses Howell," I said at last, when my wife stopped for want of breath.

The two Misses Howell were amiable, intelligent, and pretty girls, in whom I took particular interest, because their father had once been an extensive shipping merchant, but, having become reduced and died bankrupt, the sisters were obliged to earn a livelihood by standing in a store. They had numerous rich relations on whom they might have billeted themselves, but with a spirit of proper independence, they preferred to work for their maintenance instead of eating the bread of charity. I had long nourished a romantic idea of seeing them married well, and had consequently made it a point always to invite them to our parties; to praise them highly to the young gentlemen there, and, in every other indirect way, to assist in realizing my pet scheme.

My wife, heretofore, had seconded me in my benevolent plan; but on the present occasion she hesitated to reply and I knew at once there was something the matter.

"Ahem!" she said at last, clearing her throat. "Ahem! The Misses Howell are very nice girls, to be sure—that is, in their place—but as it is to be a select party, and as I have already mentioned rather too many, and as Mrs. Mowbray may not want to meet all sorts of people, and as"—

"Stop, my dear," said I, with a sigh, for I saw that my favorites were not to be invited, "you have given good reasons enough. It is a great pity though." And I sighed again—a sigh eloquent of passive resignation.

My wife heard my sighs, and her tender heart was touched. She paused a moment in embarrassment, and perhaps even revolved the idea of yielding to my wishes; but in the end she raised herself on her elbow, and said:

"Mr. Jones, do listen to reason. You don't know how foolish you make yourself about those Howell girls. They're very passable, indeed; but there's a prejudice, you are aware, against girls who stand in stores; and who knows but Mrs. Mowbray would take offence at my inviting such persons to meet her. I shouldn't like to do it, indeed, without first asking her; and I can't do that this time. She is very particular, and so excessively high-bred."

"Then I don't think she'd regard you the less, my dear," I ventured to say, "for being acquainted with two such excellent girls as Patty and Lizzy Howell."

"Mr. Jones, don't be a child," replied my wife flinging herself to the other side of the bed. "At your age you should know something of the world. Exclusive people, like Mrs. Mowbray, don't care to meet nobodies. She was very choice, as you saw, whom she admitted to her acquaintance this summer; I may say, indeed, that I am the only one, of all she met, whom she recognizes now."

To have protracted the conversation would have excited my wife's nerves and deprived her of sleep, so I said no more, but closed my eyes and courted slumber anew. I have no recollection of anything after that till I woke up next morning, and leaving Mrs. Jones abed, as usual, went down to see that the fires were all right and to do the marketing while breakfast was being prepared.

The invitations to the party were issued that week, Mrs. Mowbray graciously promising to attend.

When the important evening arrived my wife was all nerves. At every ring of the bell, the color rose to her face with expectation, but guest after guest entered without Mrs. Mowbray appearing. Her nervousness soon began to change to anxiety, and this, as the hours wore on, to disappointment and dismay. She delayed the supper for a full hour, thinking that the new friend might yet arrive, but in vain.

"What can the matter be?" she said to me, as soon as we were alone. "I hope the dear babe is well. Perhaps, however, Mrs. Mowbray is herself sick. Dear me, I am afraid I shall not sleep for anxiety. The first thing I'll do to-morrow will be to call on Mrs. Mowbray and see what is the matter."

"Wouldn't that be against etiquette?" I ventured to ask. "It seems to me that Mrs Mowbray should send you a note or message, or something of that sort, to apologize for her absence."

Mrs. Jones did not reply in words, but she give me a look. And such a look! It expressed all the indignation which her outraged bosom felt at having the slightest suspicion cast upon her friend.

When I came home to dinner that day I saw at a glance that something had occurred to ruffle my wife's nerves. She had nothing whatever to say to me, but she scolded the servants and children incessantly. I was too wise to inquire what was wrong. I knew that Mrs. Jones, if she thought proper, would tell me; and if not, that idle questions would only aggravate her secret troubles.

But the next day, having heard something that cast light on Mrs. Mowbray's absence from our party. I could not contain myself when I came home.

"Did you ever hear, my love," said I as I began to carve the turkey at dinner, "that the Misses Howell had a married sister?"

Mrs. Jones looked sharply up, as if she suspected I meant more than I said, and then answered laconically:

"I heard it casually, but never asked further."

"It seems," I continued, "that Mrs. Mowbray is that sister."

"I've heard so since," said Mrs. Jones, sharply; and turning to our second child, who was asking for the wing-bone, rapped him over the head, exclaiming, "Haven't I told you to wait till you're helped? Take that, now, and learn manners."

I allowed a minute or more to elapse, in order that my wife's ebullition might subside, when I remarked:

"Mrs. Mowbray, it seems, expected to meet her sisters here."

"I shouldn't wonder if she did," snappishly said Mrs. Jones, looking down into her plate, and apparently absorbed in parting a wing joint.

"When she found," I continued, "that her sisters were not asked, she grew indignant. She heard the reason, it seems. Your friend Mrs. Wharton, whom you have made a confidante, told some lady, who told her; and hence her anger."

"I m sure I don't care if I never see the proud thing again," said my wife, reddening very much, but still without looking up. "One would not have supposed that she was a sister to the Misses Howell."

After another pause passed I said:

"Did you call on Mrs. Mowbray, as you intended?"

Mrs. Jones was silent for a full minute, and seemed half disposed to decline answering altogether; but finally she blurted out her reply as follows:

"Yes, I did, since you must know. She was not at home—so, at least the footman said, but if I didn't see her at the drawing-room window," and here she burst into tears of mortification and rage, "may I never eat another mouthful."

I saw that it would not do to continue the conversation; so I quietly ate my dinner, kissed the children, and went my way.

Of course the intimacy of my wife with Mrs. Mowbray ceased from that fatal party; and I am sorry to say that the Misses Howell have, as the phrase goes, "cut our acquaintance."

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After the burning of the office of the Eastern Shore Whig, in March, eighteen hundred and forty one, Mr. Sherwood, the editor, set himself promptly and diligently at work to resuscitate his paper. The destruction of his press, types and materials for printing, involved the loss of pretty much all his possessions. He was therefore driven to the necessity of calling upon his party friends for pecuniary assistance to enable him to restore what had been destroyed. This assistance was promptly and cordially rendered; so that within one month from the date of the fire, a new paper was issued, but under another name. The origin of this new title was in this wise: The name *Whig*, given by Mr. Green to his paper, was not intended to be, as indeed it could not be, a distinctive appellative of a party journal. It was adopted as reminiscential of revolutionary patriotism, and as significative of liberalism in politics, as opposed to the alleged toryism of Federalism.* But it so happened that this name, in the course of time, had been adopted by a party for the very same reasons that it had been adopted by the editor: and it so happened that the party thus adopting the name of Whig was that party to which the paper called *The Whig* was in direct antogonism or hostility. Mr. Sherwood therefore deemed it becoming as well as expedient, to change the name of his journal when it should arise from its ashes. There were still living in the county many persons who had pleasant recollections of Thomas Perrin Smith and of his paper which had for many years been a welcome visitor at their firesides; there were many who recollected the Republican *Star* as the early and earnest advocate of Jeffersonian democracy. These people it was thought would be pleased with a name which would revive old memories. It was therefore suggested to Mr. Sherwood that he should adopt the title of Mr. Smith's old paper which had expired, with him, in 1832. This suggestion was fortified by an offer from Miss Ann Smith, the sister of the ancient editor, that if Mr. Sherwood would call his paper *The Republican Star*, she would stand patroness so far as to endow it with a handsome portion. He, very naturally, was anxious to secure this benefaction, as well as please the older people of the county; but he made the very proper and weighty objection to the name proposed, that the term Republican was then used by both the political parties, and might in the future become just as inappropriate for a Democratic paper, as the term Whig was at that time. We who live in these latter days appreciate the incongruity of calling a Democratic paper Republican. But Mr. Sherwood succeeded in satisfying the wishes of the old readers of Mr. Smith's paper, and in securing the very liberal donative of Mr. Smith's sister, by calling his paper *The Easton Star*—a name which no changes of party nomenclature can render inappropriate, yet one which perpetuates an honored name in Talbot journalism.

The first number of the *Easton Star*, which unfortunately is lost, appeared on Tuesday, the 20th of April, 1841. It was in a form much reduced in size and some what changed in appearance from that of the Whig; but in tone and sentiment, of course, it was but