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Special Notices in Local column, 20 cents a line for each insertion.

To Travelers.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Saturday, April 7th, 1877, the Steamer HIGHLAND LIGHT, Captain E. T. Leon ard, will leave pier 3, Light street foot of Camden, every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock P. M. for EASTON, Double Mills, Oxford, Clem's Point, Wallack's, Cambridge, Chancellor's Point, Tabbs 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 8 o'clock P. M., arriving in Baltimore early next morning.

On and after Tuesday, June 12th, the Steamer SAMUEL 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 20	"
Ridgely	8 25	"	Clayton	11 20	"
Greensborough	8 45	"	Kenton	11 35	"
Goldsborough	9 00	"	Slaughters	11 50	"
Henderson	9 15	"	Marydel	12 06	P.M.
Marydel	9 35	"	Henderson	12 15	"
Slaughters	9 40	"	Goldsborough	12 30	"
Kenton	9 56	"	Greensborough	12 40	"
			Ridgely	1 05	"
ARRIVE AT			Hillsborough	1 20	"
Clayton	10 10	"	Cordova	1 35	"
Wilmington	12 10	P. M.	Woodland	1 45	"
Philadelphia	1 45	"	ARRIVE AT		
Baltimore	3 35	"	Easton	2 00	"
New York	5 10	"			

All freights must be at the various stations at least half an hour (30 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. M. 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 liet 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.

Baltim re, 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 GEORGIANNA 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.

dec26,77

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

M. M. Higgins.

LUMBER! LUMBER!!

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.

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Kingston to Dividing Creek.

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Commission Merchants,

dec25,77-3m 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,

oct M. A. STEWART.

FREE GIFT COUPON.

CUT THIS OUT

We take this means to introduce our beautiful new style Cleographs, 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.

dec11-6m

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.,

419 Washington st., Boston, Mass.

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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 Lilliesoo black ground. J. LATHAM & CO., 419 Washington street, Boston, Mass., Headquarters for Chromos, Engravings and Art works.

A FORTUNE

dec11-6m

MILLINERY

I HAVE taken 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,

sept5 E. V. HIGGINS.

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Bill Heads,
Note Heads, &c., &c.

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Shooting Gallery

AND

New Confectionery

AND

RESTAURANT.

THE subscriber would most respectfully announce to the public that he has fitted up a Confectionery with Restaurant attached, adjoining the Paragon House on Front street, where Fresh Candies [of all descriptions], Cakes, Fruits &c., may at all times be found, and in connection with the Confectionery, a large stock of the finest Cigars and Tobacco, as well as numerous Fancy Articles may always be seen, to an inspection of which he invites his many friends. In the rear of his confectionery he has fitted up his Restaurant, which is always supplied with the far-famed Chesapeake Oysters, served in all styles; also choice Steak, &c. Meals served at all hours. He has also started a New Enterprise in the rear of his Restaurant a Shooting Gallery—where those who are fond of the sport may enjoy themselves to the fullest extent. The public's obedient servant,

feb12-6m G. W. HADDAWAY.

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 quantities 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.

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 a ways guaranteed to be as low as the lowest. Please call and examine my stock and prices efore purchasing

sep25 JAS. H. LINTHICUM.

To The Front!

—:o:—

Frank H. Smith,

DEALER IN FIRST-CLASS

FAMILY & FANCY GROCERIES.

PROVISIONS AND NOTIONS.

QUEENSWARE, WILLOW-WARE, CONFECTIONERY &C. &C.

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THE CHOICEST BRANDS OF

Cigars and Tobacco.

Boots and Shoes,

At prices that defy Competition.

Remember my Motto is:—The Best of Goods at Lowest Prices.

Roses, Roses, By Mail.

10 Beautiful Ever-Blooming Roses, post paid to any address, for $1, purchaser's selection. All the best varieties. The best inducements offered to purchasers of Greenhouse and Bedding Plant in the U. S for Spring of 1878. All plants warranted to reach the purchaser in good condition. Catalogues Free, send for one before purchasing elsewhere. Address

W. H. BRENNEMAN,

feb26-5t Harrisburg, Pa.

Alderney Cattle for Sale.

I HAVE 4 Alderney Milch Cows, with calf, and 1 Alderney bull for sale; all thoroughbred.

F. G. WRIGHT.

Easton, Md., Feb. 5th, 1878-3t

STOVES promptly repaired and made nearly as good as new. All kind of Stove work promptly attended to. T. O. Nicols.

Mince Meat.

I have a nice article of Mince Meat.

John M. Mason.

Herring.

A fine lot of herring for sale by the barrel.

Jacob Williams.

POTTERY.—Ladies are hereby informed that I have just received an assortment of Pottery for decoration. Call and select it while I have assortment.

E. V. Higgins.

Under Daily Record, Cakes, Pies, &c.

Feb26, 1878 John M. Mason.

KELLER'S

ROMAN

LINIMENT.

Claim to have the

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Bonds,
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Magistrate's Blanks,
Official Blanks,
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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. If 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,
Bones, 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, Ness and Children's Boots and Shoes. Will sell cheap.

Fire Place Stoves—

The Finest and Golden Gem promptly furnished and put up.

T. O. Nicols.

Select Poetry.

THE SNOW—NOT "THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW."

Lightly and merrily,
Swiftly and steadily,
Down comes the snow shower all the day long.
Bright eyes have looked for it,
Young hearts sigh for it;
Now it is welcomed with laughter and song.

Earnestly watching it;
Eagerly catching it,
Fair little faces and hands reach forth;
Child and youth can be
In the white mystery,
Radiant visions of frolic and mirth.

Traversing fields of space,
Running a joyous race,
Beautiful flake after flake fluttering down;
Each one a perfect flower,
Nurtured in starry bower,
Each like a gem from an angel's bright crown.

Whiter and whiter still
Grows every roof and sill
Whiter the domes late so grim and brown.
Strange is the spectacle,
Changed as by miracle,
Into a fairy-land seems all the town.

Lo! upon the leafless trees,
Waved by wintry breeze,
Phantoms of summer's dead garlands appear,
Twining and clinging there,
Placidly smiling here,
Waking soft dreams of a season more dear.

Now, at the twilight hour
Ceases the snowy shower,
Listen! already the tuneful bells chime!
Soon will the rich and gay
Speed on their merry way,
Thankful and glad for the carnival time.

But as the night came down
Cold over all the town,
Many a heart sinks with terror and woe;
Many a heavy sigh,
Many a tearful eye,
Greets the chill prospect of darkness and snow.

Ye who in happy homes
Smile when the snow shower comes,
Think of the sad ones who weep at its fall,
Think, think how pitiful,
An object so beautiful,
Should, like the spectre, the needy appal.

Pray for these heedless ones;
Give to these suffering ones;
Dry the sad tear-drops that freeze as they flow.
Mercy and charity
Smooth life's disparity;
Warm poor hearts chilled by winter and snow.

Select Story.

ALICE'S VOCATION.

IT was a large elegant room. The pale flame of the lamp on the centre table which was the only light, was hardly sufficient to more than dimly define the carvings of the massive furniture. At the table were two girls, one busily engaged in writing, and the other standing with her hand on her sister's shoulder, watching the rapid pen.

A little way from the light was a delicate, fragile looking lady reclining in an invalid chair, while at her feet quietly played two golden-haired children.

"Mamma, dear, it is finished. See if it will answer."

The pen stopped, and pushing her hair back from her finely shaped forehead, Alice began:

"A young lady wishes to obtain a position as companion to an elderly lady or an invalid. She is well educated and refined, and would be willing and obliging in any way in her power."

"Oh, Allie," broke in her sister, "How queer it seems—just a month ago you were 'Miss Justin, of Beechwood,' and now—'willing and obliging.'" (with a bitter emphasis on the words).

"Josie!" the soft voice had a tone of rebuke, as Alice glanced toward her mother's chair. Mrs. Justin's face was hidden by one thin white hand, and through the slight fingers the tears were stealing.

In a moment both girls were by her side, Josie impulsively flinging her arms around her neck, while Alice gentle drew down the hand, and kissed away the falling tears.

A month ago things had been very different for the Justin's. An indulgent father had supplied them with every luxury, and the great halls at Beechwood had echoed voices of youthful gayety. But the 'grim destroyer' had come and stricken down in his prime the indulgent father, and the widow who for sometime had been in delicate health had found herself and her children left, not wealthy, as every one supposed, but absolutely not knowing where next to turn for the necessities of life.

Mr. Justin, like too many others, had lived, spending freely and carelessly as he went along, and not looking out for the future, and when his affairs were settled and all his debts paid, there was nothing left. At first Mrs. Justin was stunned, but she had risen to the emergency. She rented a small cottage, and there with the help of energetic Josie, was to keep boarders, and thus support herself and children. It was a bitter blow for her to consent to the carrying out of Alice's plan of going as a companion; but "necessity knows no law," and so the advertisement which we have read came to be written.

As Alice alighted from the cars after her journey to the home of Miss Grey, who had answered her advertisement, a gentleman approached her, and in a pleasant voice asked her if she were "Miss Justin." On her assenting, he motioned to the driver of a luxurious coupe near by, and assisting her to enter, lifted his hat courteously and walked away.

Alice found her employer to be an old, withered up lady, with the blackest, honestest pair of eyes that could be set in a human head.

As she entered the room, the old lady rose and took her hand, saying in short, abrupt sentences:

"So this is to be my companion. You look young, child. Alice Justin, I think you wrote was your name? Well—I will call you Alice."

And so Alice became an inmate of the quiet house. Her duties were light, and she found a great deal of time to write loving letters to the dear ones at home.

Before long she met the gentleman whose face had been the first she saw on her arrival. He was Miss Grey's lawyer and often spent a great deal of time in the old lady's library, writing at her dictation, while she knit and her companion read. Youth is always attracted to youth, and Roland Hall was young, and when his writing was done he would chat animately with the old lady, who evidently thought him perfection, and liked nothing better than to draw him out, and show off to advantage his fluent conversational powers.

So it was that as time passed, Alice grew to look forward with delight to the young lawyer's visits. Her life was monotonous, but she had grown to love the eccentric old lady who was so stern and bitter to the outside world, but so tender and kind to her.

One day, as they were sitting in the library, Roland with them, the bell rang, and in a moment the door flew open, and in rushed a radiant vision.

It was a beautiful girl, tall and exquisitely formed. The golden curls, flowing from beneath a jaunty cap, glittered down over an elegant cloak, which, falling carelessly from her shoulders, showed the snowy fur lining. She sprang to Miss Grey's side, and clasping her arms around her neck, literally deluged her with kisses.

"Here I am, my dear Miss Grey, back again! How glad I am to see you. Mama has given me permission to spend a whole week with you. Isn't that grand?"

Then turning as I greeting Roland, she smiled up into his face, as she held out her little gloved hand. Just then the quiet figure in the simple dark dress, by Miss Grey's side, attracted her notice.

"And what quiet little body is this?" Alice grimaced at the rather contemptuous tone of the address, and raising her dark eyes, calmly surveyed the saucy beauty.

"Julia, let me make you acquainted with Miss Justin, Miss Justin—Miss Luttrell."

The girls bowed, but a hostile look shot from the wide open orbs as Julia Luttrell mentally said:

"Odd, pleasable as regards looks; but with dangerous eyes. I suppose she has been flashing them at Roland before now."

She threw off her wraps, and soon was in the midst of a lively, interesting account of the travels from which she had just returned.

As Alice watched the rose tint come and go on the dainty cheek, and the mischievous dimples now disclose and now hide themselves, as the red lips curved away from the tiny pearl shaped teeth in the charming smiles Miss Luttrell was very lavish of, she thought to herself, with a very dull pain at her heart.

"No man living could resist such fascinations."

Roland seemed to know his fair entertainer very well, and Alice soon found herself and Miss Grey only spectators, as the two jested and laughed together.

Alice's was a proud nature. She was one of the kind who guard their love as a queen guards her most precious jewel, but that love once bestowed, neither time nor eternity could enable it to falter or change, and she had known for sometime that her heart had found its master. She had felt, too, that Roland Hall cherished for herself something warmer than mere friendship, although no words had been spoken.

Roland had to come very often that week, and Julia Luttrell made herself more bewitching each time.

One day, when the girls were alone together, Julia suddenly said:

"Well, Miss Justin, how do you like Mr. Hall?"

Alice colored at the unexpected question, and replied, evasively, that of course she thought him a very nice young man.

"Oh! how glad I am! every one admires him so."

Something very significant in the speaker's tone caused Alice to raise her dark eyes questioningly to her companion's face.

Julia blushed and laughed, and answered the look by holding up her shapely hand. On its forefinger gleamed a large solitaire!

Poor Alice! she bore her agony bravely until all alone, and then, in her outburst of passionate anguish, she realized the depth of her love for one who she knew belonged to another, and whom she must tear from her heart.

The next day Julia left for her own home, and things went along quietly again. Miss Grey's sharp eyes noticed the change in her young companion, and shewdly suspected the cause.

One day she asked Roland to come up to her room as she wished to talk to him a little while.

Roland Hall was the son of an old schoolmate and when years before he had been left an orphan, Miss Grey had taken him to her lonely home, and he had grown up to look upon her with the affection a son yields to a dearly beloved mother.

"Roland," the old lady began, when they were alone, "you know how much I have thought of Julia—how, years ago, while she was yet a little, winning girl, I set my heart upon you two marrying when you grew up?"

A dark flush rose to the young man's cheek as he assented to her words.

"Well, Roland," she continued, "I have noticed for some time back, or thought I noticed, that these plans conceived in my romantic old brain were only air-castles, after all. I have thought I saw an expression dawning in your eyes, my boy, when they looked upon another dear girl, very different to that with which they ever looked upon Julia, and I was glad, for as Julia has matured, I miss her in those noble, womanly qualities I would like to see in my dear Roland's wife, yet if Julia is your choice, I will never say another word." Roland Started to his feet, and clasped the old lady's hand, in a voice trembling with suppressed emotion, exclaimed:

"My dear friend—my more than mother—you have seen right. I do love your gentle companion—who could know her but to love her? But I knew your plans for Julia and myself, and I feared to give you pain. But—" here he paused suddenly.

"But, what, Roland?"

"I do not think Alice loves me. I thought at one time I could win her sweet affections; but of late she is changed. She avoids me."

The keen eyes softened as they rested on the young man's ingenius features, and Miss Grey softly said:

"Ask her, Roland. 'Faint heart never won fair lady,' and never deserves to, either."

And so it was that when Alice stole away one afternoon to her favorite nook—a little vine-wreathed arbor in the garden—Roland found her there.

As he entered, Alice rose to go; but his firm clasp detained her, while in ardent, impetuous words, he flooded her heart with the tide of knowing her secret love need be a secret no longer. Timidly Alice raised her glorious eyes—her only beauty—and read his face. Then she falteringly whispered, "Julia."

"Julia! And what of her? Ah!" (as a light broke in upon him) "did you think I loved her—loved her when I knew you, my darling? Why we were never more than friends—never!" And then the small figure was gathered close, and the young lips met in that never-to-be-forgotten first kiss of love.

The next letter Alice received from home contained news which made her feel sad. Beechwood, their dear old home, had been sold.

Allie, "wrote Josie, "we do not know who is the purchaser; but whoever it is, he is having it fitted up in princely style." Then, with favorable reports of the mother's health, and many questions about the "new Brother," the letter closed.

Of course Alice had to go home to make her preparations for her marriage, which Roland wished to be very soon. Miss Grey said she was too old to attempt to come to the wedding. As Alice bade her good bye the old lady held her to her heart for a moment, and then kissing the sweet face to which she had been the means of bringing so happy a look, placed her in her betrothed husband's care for the homeward journey.

It did not take many days to convince the mother that her child had chosen wisely and well, and Josie and the little brothers gave him a place in their hearts right away.

So no cloud, "even as large as a man's hand," obscured the sun of Alice's happiness, as she stood by Roland's side and promised to "love, honor and obey."

The wedding tour was a long one. After many delicious days, spent first in one beautiful spot and then in another, they bent their steps homeward.

It had been decided that they were first to spend some time at Alice's own home. So when the depot carriage did not stop at the cottage door, but drove on into the grounds of her old home, Beechwood, and there under the great carved stone porch stood her mother, sisters, brothers and Miss Grey, what wonder was it that Alice became so dazed that her husband had to lift her in his strong arms and carry her into the midst of the eager group before she realized or understood anything?

That evening, when they were all assembled in the dear familiar library, now shine with light, which, though, and brought out every luxurious detail, Alice was told a wonderful story.

Miss Grey was her mother's own aunt. Years before, the old lady, then not old, but just recovering from grief at the loss of her betrothed husband, had taken her dead sister's infant daughter under her roof, and into her heart, as later she had taken Roland. The infant grew up into a lovely woman, became attached to a gentleman whom Miss Grey did not like. The young couple had been forbidden to meet, but taking matters in her own hands, had stolen

"This girl, Alice, was your mother. I have an unforgiving nature, my dear," Miss Grey continued, "and when I found what she had done, I vowed I would never see or forgive her. But child, God's ways are mysterious; when I read your advertisement and recognized your name—Alice Justin your mother's name, I felt given it to her myself—all the old love for your mother came back to my heart, and I sent for you. And so my precious Alice, you have been the means of bringing back to me my youthful heart, for I have never been really happy since your mother and I parted."

By this time Mrs. Justin's arms were around the old lady's neck, and they were sobbing together from very happiness.

Beechwood had been purchased by Miss Grey for Roland, to whom after his engagement with Alice she had told all the above story.

Miss Grey did not go back to her lonely home; and Beechwood again rings with the music of youthful voices. Mrs. Justin's health is steadily improving, and Josie queens it right royally as "Miss Justin," of Beechwood.

Roland and Alice vie with each other in smoothing their dear old friend's declining years, and it is a pretty sight to see the look of peace and content which lights up the withered face, as her eyes looks upon their wedded happiness.

Useful Receipts.

BAKED BEAN.

Beat up six eggs, one tablespoonful of flour, six of sweet milk; melt your butter in the frying pan—when hot, turn the whole in, with beans, and bake in a hot oven.

BUNS.

One teacup of butter, one cup of sugar, one egg, one bowl of milk or water, one-third cup of yeast. Mix stiff with a sponge over night, make out on pans in the morning; raise the second time.

FRIED OYSTERS.

Select the largest and finest oysters. Have ready a skillet of boiling lard. Dip your oysters, one at a time, in beaten yolk of egg, then in grated bread-crumbs, lastly in sifted meal, and then drop into the lard. Turn, and allow them to become only slightly browned. Drain upon a sieve, and send to table hot.

CABBAGE SALAD.

Shave a hard, white cabbage into small strips; take the yolks of three well-beaten eggs, a cup and a half of good cider vinegar, two teaspoonfuls of thick cream, one teaspoonful of mustard mixed in a little boiling water; salt and pepper to suit the taste. Mix all but the eggs together, and let it boil; then stir in the eggs rapidly; turn the cabbage into the mixture, and stir well.

STUFFING FOR TURKEY OR CHICKEN.

Take some bread crumbs and turn on just hot water enough to moisten them; put in a piece of butter, not melted, the size of a hen's egg, and add a spoonful of pulverized sage, a teaspoonful of ground pepper and a teaspoonful of salt. There may be some of the bread crumbs that need to be chopped, then mix thoroughly and stuff your bird.

MACARONI SOUP.

Into a pan of fast boiling water throw four ounces of macaroni, add one ounce of butter, and an onion stuck with a few cloves. When the macaroni has swelled to its full size and become tender, drain it, and put it into two quarts of clear gravy soup; let it simmer for seven or eight minutes, and it will be ready for the table. Serve grated Parmesan cheese with it.

FORCE MEAT FOR CALF'S HEAD OR SOUP.

Half a pound of lean bacon, half a pound of fresh beef suet cut fine, a few sweet herbs shredded, a little mace, pepper and salt, the yolks of two eggs well beaten, and a slice of veal; all these ingredients to be chopped and blended together. Make them up into little balls with your hand, and fry. They garnish a dish handsomely, and are appetizing.

SCOTCH SHORT BREAD.

Two pounds of flour, one pound of butter, one quarter of a pound of loaf sugar, half an ounce of caraway seeds, one ounce of sweet almonds, a few strips of citron or candied orange peel. Make a smooth paste, divide into six parts about one inch thick; put each in separate paper, p