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BLUE-GRASS GIRLS.

When They Are on Horseback Every Kentuckian Is Proud of Them.

I was in Frankfort the other day and saw a sight that was enough to cure any ordinary case of sore eyes and to make the blood of a Kentuckian dance through his veins like champagne and his eyes sparkle like the "moonstone." It takes a combination to produce this effect on a "native born," and the blending in this case was most harmonious—a lissome young miss, as graceful as a sapling maple, mounted on a blooded bay thoroughbred, with limbs as keen and swift as the "black tail" of the boundless prairies of the West. She came down one of the shady avenues of elms and water maples, that are called streets at Kentucky's capital, at a clipping pace, and, halting suddenly before an old-time mansion, dismounted and ran laughing in, leaving her horse modestly to wait for his little mistress to return. I watched the pink face, golden hair and handsome riding habit until they disappeared within the wide-open door, and then turned my attention to the horse. His bridle was as delicate as a silken cord and on his back was a flat, Englishman's saddle with one small stirrup. As I stood looking, the young girl came bounding out the gate and mounted, evidently pleased at the harmless admiration of a stranger.

"How do you manage to stick on that saddle?" I asked.

"Oh, it's the easiest thing in the world," she said. "Father is uneasy sometimes, but I always liked a man's saddle best," and bounding lightly to the horse's back, in another moment she was out of sight.

"That's one of the Kentucky girls we like to read about," thought I; and as I turned away I had a feeling akin to sorrow when I remembered how the graceful, healthful habit of horseback riding was falling into disuse among the Kentucky girls of the present day.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Lost Tribe of Israel.

Scattered over the breezy downs of the Nilgherries, in little villages of wicker houses that look at a little distance like nothing in the world so much as a colony of beehives, lives a comunity of 600 or 700 people, who are variously believed to be the descendants of one of the lost tribes of Israel, the aborigines of southern India and a community of Manichasens.

They believe in a strange trinity and a hell, a dismal stream of leeches, and this they must cross by means of a single thread. The soul burdened with sin is too heavy for this slender support, and the sinner falls into the stream, but the thread sustains easily the souls of the good.

The funeral of a Toda, for that is the name of the singular tribe, is as odd in its way as its religious belief. His body is wrapped in a new cloth, and his toes tied together with red thread; grain, sugar, tobacco and money are wrapped in his funeral toga to provide him for his journey across the Styx and the dark plain beyond.

Two buffaloes are slain beside the corpse, and the dead man's hands are placed upon their horns; a piece of his skull, his hair and his finger nails are removed to be used later at the great celebration of the death of all those who, during the 12 months, have "taken the leap over the great precipice into the bottomless abyss."

When these tokens are removed, clarified butter is smeared on the fragrant wood of the funeral pyre and the body is burned to ashes and the ashes scattered to the four winds.—Bombay Times.

The Musical Girl.

The St. Louis Journal advises young men to choose a wife by the music she plays and the way she plays it. If she manifests a predilection for Strauss, she is frivolous; for Beethoven, she is impariti; for Liszt, she is too ambitious; for Verdi, she is sentimental; for Offenbach, she is giddy; for Gounod, she is lakadisical; for Gottschalk, she is superficial; for Mozart, she is prudish; for Flotow, she is common-place; for Wagner, she is idiotic. The girl who hammers away at "Maiden's Prayer," "Anvil Chorus" and "Silvery Waves" may be depended upon as a good cook and healthful; and if she includes the "Battle of Prague" and the "White Cockade" in her repertory, you ought to know that she has been religiously and strictly nurtured. But, last of all, pin thou thy faith upon the calico dress of the girl who can play "Home, Sweet Home."

Calculation of Atmospheric Weight.

Somebody has made the calculation that, taking the quantities roughly and in round numbers, the atmosphere weighs about a ton to every square foot of the earth's surface, 25,000,000 tons per square mile, or 5,000,000,000,000,000 tons on the total of 200,000,000 square miles; and its energy is that due to the motion of this inconceivable mass, at velocities varying all the way from the slightest zephyr to the hurricane and the cyclone, rushing over the prairie or along the surface of the sea at more than 100 miles an hour. Again, according to this authority, a cubic mile of air, weighing about 10,000,000,000 pounds, develops, at the rate of motion of the cyclone, some 4,000,000,000,000 "foot tons" of energy, and, if all were employed at such rate for the performance of work, useful or destructive, this number of "foot pounds" would be equivalent to more than 2,000,000,000,000,000 horse power.

Sugar Maples.

It is suggested that abandoned hill farms would pay for planting as maple sugar orchards. The trees grow quickly, are long-lived, even when tapped every year for sugar making, and make valuable lumber for furniture. When fields are allowed to grow up as they please much of the growth will be of a worthless character, such as alders, witch hazel, osiers, laurels, poplars and oepperidge. A farm thickly covered with maple trees would always be valuable, because maple sugar and syrup, owing to their peculiarly delicious flavor, will always be in good demand at an excellent price. There would be no outlay for fertilizers, fences, agricultural implements or seeds. A farmer past middle age planted a rocky field and ravine with maples and lived to enjoy the fruit of his labors. If this old gentleman's example were more generally followed and the waste land planted to maples it would improve the appearance of the farms and add to the income of the owners. The sugar camps of Ohio are generally believed to be the most valuable part of the farms.

To obey God is liberty.—Seneca.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific RAILWAY.

THE popularity of the "GREAT ROCK ISLAND ROUTE" as a Colorado line has compelled the management to increase its present splendid service by the addition of a train that is

ONLY ONE NIGHT OUT,

Chicago to Denver, Colorado Springs or Pueblo. It is known as the "Rocky Mountain Limited," and leaves Chicago daily at 10.45 a. m., arriving at Denver in the afternoon of the next day, earlier than any of its competitors. It is

A LIMITED TRAIN,

and, best of all, no extra charge is made over the usual ticket rate; its running time speedy, and equipment will consist of but one baggage car, one chair car, two sleeping cars and a dining car.

Tourists *en route* for Pueblo and Colorado Springs can by this train go direct in sleeper from Chicago without change. Travelers will note the fact that this train leaves Chicago after the arrival of all fast trains over trunk lines from the east. The train is vestibuled. Its equipment has been built especially for it. The cars are lighted by gas and heated by steam from the locomotive.

The popularity of the "*Rock Island*"

DINING CAR SERVICE

is another guarantee that this train will secure patronage, and all passengers *en route* have this luxury through to destination over the "*Great Rock Island*." No money is spared to make its service what our patrons always say—"the best."

The traveling public are advised that our "Big 5" will continue to run as usual, leaving Chicago at 10 p. m. daily, and arrive at Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo the second morning, being but one day out; and our No. 11 will leave at 6 p. m. daily, and *via* Kansas City will reach Denver at same hour as the "Big 5."

Tourists should remember that this is the direct line to Manitou and other important summer resorts, and by taking the

"GREAT ROCK ISLAND"

time is saved and through sleeping cars secured.

The Colorado service of the "*Rock Island*" is now made perfect by this new Limited Train and the "Big 5," and gives to travelers two flyers daily each way.

JOHN SEBASTIAN,
General Ticket and Passenger Agent,
Chicago, Ill.

E. ST. JOHN,
General Manager,
Chicago, Ill.

[April 8—10t

TRESPASS NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby warned not to trespass on the property of the Union Mining Company, known as the "Hansel Farm," by taking therefrom stone, wood, sand, etc., or depositing thereon garbage of any kind.

All trespassers of any kind or degree will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

HARMON BROWN,
Superintendent.

May 13

John G. Dennison,
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

ALL business entrusted to his care will be promptly attended to.

Pension Claims a Specialty.

Office on South Water street, opposite the English Lutheran Church. [March 25

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FREE!

SEND for one of our Illustrated Sporting Goods Catalogues. *FREE!* Base Ball, Foot Ball, Tennis Hammocks, Games, Croquet, Indian Clubs, Dumb Bells, Sweaters, Boxing Gloves, Books, Stationery and Newspapers. JNO. A. FULTON & CO.,
Bookstore opposite postoffice,
April 15 Cumberland, Md.

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TO sell our choice and hardy **Nursery Stock.** Many special varieties to offer both in fruits and ornamentals, and controlled only by us. We pay commission or salary, give exclusive territory and pay weekly. Write us at once and secure choice of territory. MAY BROTHERS,
Nurserymen,
July 15—tNov 25 Rochester, N. Y.

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MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES,

WANTING

Memorial Work

BEFORE

DECORATION DAY,

SHOULD place their orders AT ONCE with

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Feb 4

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CUMBERLAND

Brewing Company,

BREWERS and BOTTLERS
—OF THE FAMOUS—
Reingold, Erlanger,
—AND—
Export Bottle

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CUMBERLAND, MD.

March 4

OUR STORE

Is not the child of chance, but the ripened fruit of

TRUTH, INDUSTRY AND ACCOMMODATION!

Truth—in the fulfilment of our obligations!

Industry—in our tireless effort to please!

Accommodation—in our endeavor to do all for our customers they cannot do for themselves!

We announce a continuance of our great sales in

Dry Goods,
Dress Goods
—AND—
Milinery,

and that we are better than ever prepared to promise delightful surprises in each department.

We will enter into no detail, preferring that each reader of this announcement shall come and see for him and herself that we are now as heretofore,

First in Style!
Best in Quality!
Lowest in Price!

Under these circumstances the seed of dull trade cannot germinate in our garden, for popularity is the flower that blooms there in profusion, as rich as those which adorn our

LADIES' DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED HATS!

With the axe at the root of high prices, with the dross refined and none but the pure gold of uttermost perfection in all our lines, is it any wonder that our store is the Mecca of fashion-hunting pilgrims? Is it any surprise that all who properly appreciate solid goods and minimum prices should flock to our establishment as did the people of old to the glittering market-places of the Orient?

One suggestion, however, to those who are delaying—remember, it is just as sensible and important to be on time as to be in style. Come at once and see our new goods.

B. STERN & CO.,
FROSTBURG, MD.

April 23

DIME NOVELS.

Some of Them Written by Men Afterwards Famous as Men of Letters.

Edward S. Ellis, who now has a solid reputation as an author of juvenile literature which no parent need hesitate to place in the hands of his child, began his career by publishing a "dime novel," for which he received $75.

William O. Stoddard, who now contributes to St. Nicholas as well as some of the high-grade magazines for maturer minds, wrote many of the old De Witt novels, which sold for a dime.

It was only about two or three years ago that a New York six-cent weekly story paper published a serial with the name of Maurice Thompson attached as author. The story's locale was Texas, and it was of a highly sensational and thrilling order, pistols and bowie-knives playing important roles in every instalment, while the daring and astounding deeds of the noble hero were only equalled by the bloodthirsty depravity of the sinister villain. Mr. Thompson did not see the story until his attention was called to it by an astounded friend, who could not believe it possible the author of "Byways and Bird Nests" and "A Banker of Bankersville" could be the progenitor of anything so "vicious" as the story paper serial.

At first Mr. Thompson himself denied all knowledge of the story, but he finally confessed it was written many years before and sold to the proprietors of the paper, who had kept it until the unfortunate writer of the wild and woolly romance had made a reputation in a higher field! Most surprising of all was that the author had quite forgotten the story and did not even recognize it at first when he saw it in print—so he says.

"Oliver Optic" and Horatio Alger, jr., have both written for cheap publications, the former producing at least one serial for a well-known "dime novel" publishing house of New York, the story being entitled "The Pink of the Pacific," a good, old-fashioned pirate yarn.

The late Bartley Campbell was for many years previous to the success of his play "My Partner," a writer for the publishers of cheap literature, some of his stories having a slightly erotic tinge.

Edgar Fawcett, it is authoritatively stated, wrote under a nom de plume many serials for a Philadelphia six-cent weekly, and it is even gossiped that he has sold even detective stories of the "Old Sleuth" order, which afterwards appeared in cheap library form.

Mrs. Ann S. Stephens wrote the first "dime novel" ever published, which was issued by Beadle & Adams, the William street, New York, firm, who also numbered among their woman writers of that kind of fiction Mrs. M. V. Victor and Mrs. Mary A. Denison.

No greater mistake can be made than to believe the authors of so-called blood and thunder literature are wild-eyed little men who jump and turn pale at sight of their own shadow, and who never get further West than Hoboken. One writer of "dime novels" began his career by fighting a duel at college, in which he believed he had killed his opponent by running him through the body—which was happily wrong—and who has since led a most adventurous life, winning by sheer valor the rank of Colonel in the Confederate army. He has just returned from an adventurous and hazardous trip into New Mexico and Arizona with Buffalo Bill as a companion and comrade. His name is Prentiss Ingraham, and he has a beautiful home in the suburbs of Washington, the place being paid for from the revenue obtained by "dime novel" writing.

Still another writer of "dime novels" was Major Sam S. Hall, better known as "Buckskin Sam," one of the old original Texas Rangers, and a companion of Fighting Ben Thompson, than whom no man except Sam Houston ever obtained a wider reputation in the Lone Star State. Hall ran away from an Eastern home as a lad, and had many wild adventures in the West, finally returning to Delaware, where he spent the last years of his life. He died four or five years ago. His MSS. required a great deal of editing, but they had the genuine flavor of the West about them, and were therefore quickly sold.

In some of the cheapest houses of New York city these stories are ground off by the yard. The rapidity with which some writers can turn off short paragraph detective stories is little short of marvelous. The day after Jay Gould's death the editors of a five-cent library sent for a young man, who is also a newspaper reporter, to come in and get the outline and title of a story about the great financier, which they wished issued immediately. The young man came. Five days later the story went to press, and on the sixth day it was on the newsstands.

"How in the world could this fellow turn off 75,000 words in that space of time?" was asked.

The editor smiled, as he replied: "He did that, together with an instalment for our paper, besides keeping up his newspaper work."

This writing by the yard is one of the things which galls a conscientious author, and he sometimes rebels against his work. The rebellion usually lasts about fifteen minutes, and then he rips off four yards more before sunset. He makes from $1,000 to $4,000 a year, and that is more than he can get sawing wood.

Power in a Pound of Coal.

A curious and interesting calculation has been made by Prof. Rogers, of Washington, D. C., on the "dynamic" power of coal. According to his deductions a pound of good steam coal has within it dynamic power equivalent to the work of one man for a period of ten hours. Three tons of similar coal represents a man's labor for a period of several years. One square mile of a seam of coal having a depth of only four feet represents power equal to that expended by one million men ten hours each day for twenty years!

Such calculations as those made by Mr. Rogers may serve to remind us how very wasteful our methods of burning fuels must be, in spite of all that has been done in the fuel-saving line by the inventors and economists.

The Eye of a Rattler.

I have always had my doubts about some of the alleged charming powers of the reptiles, but to one who is familiar with the eyes of the rattlesnakes it does not seem unreasonable that they have such power. If you will examine the eyes of one when he is cold in death you will perceive that it has an extremely malignant and terrible expression. When he is alive and excited I know of nothing in all nature of so dreadful appearance as the eye of a rattlesnake. It is enough to strike with terror more than birds and little animals. I have on several occasions examined the eye of a rattlesnake closely with strong glasses and feel with all force what I state, and I will tell you that there are few men on the face of the earth who can look an angered rattlesnake through a good glass—bringing him apparently within a foot or two of the eye—and stand it more than a moment.

The time to stick to business is when everybody is trying to get out.

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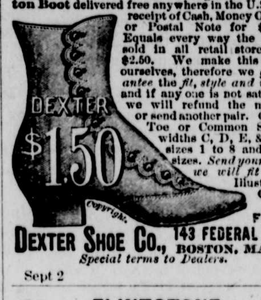

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Special terms to Dealers.

Sept 2

FLINTSTONE

CANNED GOODS

Pack of 1893.

I INVITE the attention of the public to the superior quality of my "FLINTSTONE" brand of Canned Fruits and Vegetables, to be found on the shelves of all firstclass grocery stores in the county. My pack is as follows:

Cooking Tomatoes—Choice, fully ripe and superior flavor.

Extra Tomatoes—Finest whole Tomatoes, ready for slicing.

Dessert Apples—Selected varieties, packed in full syrup and ready to serve as dessert fruit.

Pie Peaches—Extra mountain Peaches, fine flavor, all full cans; nearly one-third more Peaches in can than Baltimore packed pie peaches.

Corn—Selected variety of Sugar Corn, packed when young and tender with utmost neatness and care.

My goods are sold to all merchants at moderate prices and will give full satisfaction in every particular.

Notice—All the corn packed at my Flintstone Canning House this season has on the label a *facsimile* of my signature, thus:

B. L. Turner

Any can which does not bear my signature was not packed this season. [Jan 16]

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—DEALER IN—
STAPLE AND FANCY
GROCERIES.

Flour, Feed and Provisions.

Queensware, Woodware, Tinware.

Canned and Fresh
Oysters
A SPECIALTY.

Main Street, - - FROSTBURG, MD.

March 29

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Everything Seasonable and Fresh

Cuisine Unexcelled.

ELEGANT DINING ROOM for LADIES and GENTLEMEN on street floor. A pleasant home and place of refreshment for visitors stopping between trains.

C. Reichenbach,
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Nov 21 Frostburg, Md.

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IF YOU DO YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

Gold Medal Flour,

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Made of Hard Northern Spring Wheat, which makes the Strongest and Best Flour in the world.

☞ *Sold by all grocers.*

Oct 31

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A Rare Chance!

FURNITURE
At Cost!

OWING to the calamity which recently befel my store building, destroying the roof and third story, and not being able to get a place to remove my stock to keep it out of the weather, I am compelled to dispose of same at almost any price in order to save it from ruin by rain or snow, either of which is likely to occur at any time at this season of the year.

The stock comprises Walnut, Oak and Poplar Bed Room Suits; at least 25 Parlor Suits of the latest styles and upholstered in all kinds of Plushes, Brocatels, Tapestries, etc., ranging in price from $25 to $125; also a very fine lot of Upholstered and Rattan Easy Chairs, especially selected for the holiday trade, and a fine lot of Lounges, Bed Lounges, Side-Boards, Hall Racks, Wardrobes, Extension Tables, all kinds of Mattresses, Springs, and, in fact, everything pertaining to a first class Furniture store. Some of this Furniture has been slightly damaged, but the bulk is yet undamaged, and that which has been damaged in any way will be sold exceedingly low. This is an opportunity to get

GOOD FURNITURE
CHEAP

which no one in need of same can afford to miss.

Trusting that my friends and the public in general will avail themselves of this chance to get cheap Furniture, and at the same time assist me in a time of need, I am,

Respectfully,

C. F. NICKEL.

Nov 28

Have You a House
THAT IS NOT INSURED?

IF so, you want to place a policy on it today or to-morrow before you dine.

You want the risk taken, too, by a standard company, such as D. P. MILLER, of Cumberland, represents. Any policy is good until a fire occurs, but then it is you want a pledge of indemnity worth its face in gold.

Rates not quite as low as wildcat figures, but the lowest consistent with certain and perfect iddemnity in event of loss. Apply to

J. B. ODER,

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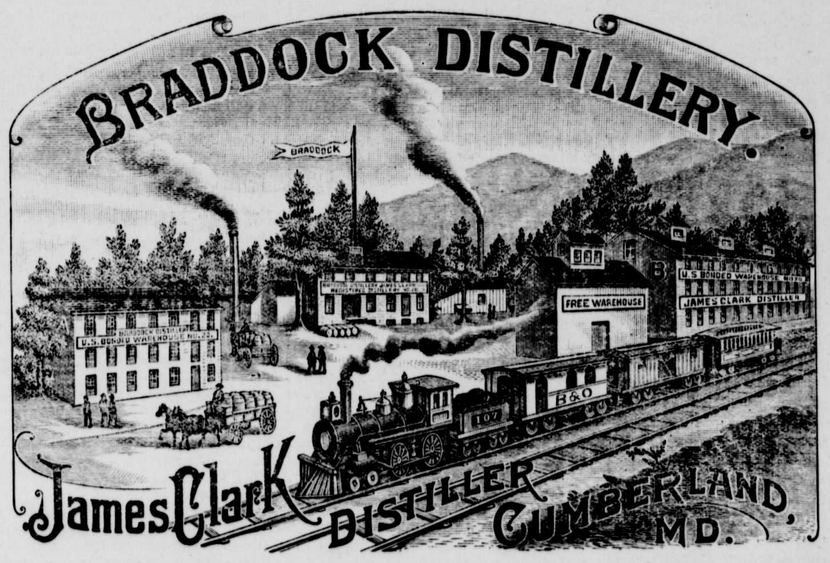
IN THE UNDERTAKING DEPARTMENT our facilities are unsurpassed. We are prepared to conduct BURIALS in a most satisfactory manner. All MODERN UNDERTAKING appliances. Competent management guaranteed. Metallic, Cedar, Walnut and Oak CASKETS and COFFINS, and a full line of BURIAL GOODS always on hand, and in quality second to none. Throughout this and all departments of our business we aim to be prompt, considerate, thorough and reliable.

Prices Reasonable.

☞ OPEN DAY AND NIGHT. Telegraphic orders promptly attended to.

Ravenscraft's Opera House Building,
MAIN STREET, - - - FROSTBURG, MD.

Feb 20



To all those desiring a pure and unadulterated Whiskey for the Holidays, or for Medicinal Purposes, or as a Beverage, we take pleasure in recommending our

"BRADDOCK" PURE RYE WHISKEY,

DISTILLED FROM THE VERY CHOICEST

MOUNTAIN RYE AND SPRING WATER.

These goods are distilled under our own personal supervision, and we have, therefore, no hesitation in guaranteeing all our "Braddock."

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in Western Maryland, and are fully equipped to supply the wants of our customers.

GIVE * THE * "BRADDOCK" * A * TRIAL.

THE BEST ALL-RYE WHISKEY MADE.

☞ Special and prompt attention given to all orders. Correspondence solicited. Read what Revenue Agents who have charge of our Distillery have to say regarding the purity of our goods:

OFFICE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, CUMBERLAND, MD., Aug 16, 1888.

I hereby certify that during the time I was deputy collector internal revenue for District of Maryland James Clark, in the manufacture of his Braddock Pure Rye Whiskey, according to the record from government books, used only rye and barley malt.

WEBSTER BRUCE.

OFFICE BRADDOCK DISTILLERY, CUMBERLAND, MD.

Having been under assignment as United States storekeeper and guager at the Braddock distillery of James Clark, I hereby certify that in the manufacture of his Braddock Pure Barley Malt Whisky only barley malt is used.

JOHN H. YOUNG.

OFFICE BRADDOCK DISTILLERY, CUMBERLAND, MD.

Having been under assignment as United States storekeeper and guager at the Braddock distillery of James Clark while in operation I hereby certify that in the manufacture of the Braddock Pure Rye Whisky only rye and barley malt are used.

J. P. WILLARD.

JAMES CLARK AND CO.,
Distillers Braddock Pure Rye,

55 Baltimore Street, - - - - - - - CUMBERLAND, MD.

Price List of Braddock is as follows:

We sell our Braddock Pure Rye at $2, $2.50, $3 and $4 per gallon, according to age. In ordering, always send money by Postal Note or Money Order. At offices where Postal Notes cannot be obtained and money is enclosed, 2-cent stamps can be sent for Jugs as follows: 1-gallon Jugs, 15 cents; 2-gallon Jugs, 20 cents; 3-gallon Jugs, 45 cents; 5-gallon Kegs, $1. When you desire goods packed in boxes, add 10 cents for box and packing; otherwise, goods will be shipped without boxing. ☞ *It is unlawful to ship Whiskey C. O. D.; consequently the money must always accompany your orders.*

Oct 29 JAMES CLARK & CO.