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Reference:—"KENT NEWS." n24-tf.

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WM. H. CACY,
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TO THE TRADE!

TRADE MARK

WE HAVE MUCH
pleasure in calling the attention of the intelligent farmer to our unprecedented facilities for supplying the trade this fall. Never did the *agriculturalist* need more for his money than he does now, and realizing this fact we watched the market carefully and bought our stock lower

THAN EVER BEFORE
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IMPERIAL COMPOUND FERTILIZER

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from crude stock of our own selection and for mechanical condition and quality are unsurpassed, our goods are nothing new, and our efforts in the seasons that have passed to give the farmer a strictly honest and reliable fertilizer, have been rewarded by the knowledge of universal satisfaction and a permanent trade.

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patrons for past favors we now promise to continue to exercise the same skillfull care in the manufacture of our own celebrated brands that we always have, and to keep them up to their present high standard of quality and mechanical condition.

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I will offer all broken lots from 20 to 75 per cent. lower than price asked by Mr. Goslee so as to make room for stock. We have just received a full line of H. Fayter's goods, among which is the CELEBRATED RIVETED SHOE, formerly sold by Mr. Goslee. Boy's $2.65, Men's $3. Also his hand-made shoes. Measures to order. We keep a SHOE STORE exclusively.

NEW GOODS, NOW ARRIVING,
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THOS. G. WROTH,
May 10, 1890. UNDER STAM'S HALL.

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Premeditated Resolution!

AN IRREVOKABLE DECISION!

I HAVE too many Goods; we are getting too little money cash; cash is a mighty lever; I am going to make a clearing sale; the knife is ground sharp; cutting is being done; Down, Down Go Prices.

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Give me a call before selling.

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July 12, 1890. E. T. COMEGYS.

Taxes in First District.

NOTICE is hereby given to the tax-payers of the First District that the books for the present year are in my hands, the bills are made out, and the TAXES ARE NOW DUE. Prompt settlements will save interest, cost and much worry to all concerned.

For the conveniences of tax-payers I will be in Millington on Saturdays; Galena on Tuesdays, and Sassafras on Wednesdays. WM. H. FORD,
Aug. 17, 1890—tf. COLLECTOR.

GEO. B. WESTCOTT. CHAS. L. LODD.
WESTCOTT & DODD,
(Successors to N. G. WESTCOTT.)
WE HAVE ADDED TO OUR LARGE STOCK THE LATEST STYLES IN
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CHALLIES IN ALL STYLES,
OUTING CLOTHS, DRAPERIES,
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CHILDREN'S, MISSES', LADIES',
YOUTH'S and MEN'S SHOES.
Also, a Full Line of Groceries.
We solicit the patronage of the old customers of the house and of our friends and the public generally.
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CLOTHING,
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Imported Goods at $6.00. $7.00, $7.50 and $8.00, real gems.

Hats of Lates Style and in Greatest Variety.

Furnishing Goods of all Styles, Prices, and Qualities.

Tech, Four in Hand, Windsor Scarfs, Summer Underwear in Balbriggan all wool, &c., Hosiery, Gloves, &c., at Popular Prices.

6 Shirts to Order at $6.75.
9 Shirts to Order at $8.22.
FIT GUARANTEED.
PRICES MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

Also Proprietors of Globe Steam Laundry.
May 17-3m.

NEW LOT of OUTING CLOTH, Dress Ginghams and Challie's, just received
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NEWEST STYLES of STRAW HATS for Men and Boys at prices to suit the times.
m31. J. H. SIMPERS.

WHICH WILL IT BE?

Which is the fairest, a rose or a lily?
Which is the sweetest, a peach or a pear?
Merry's coquetish, and charming is Milly;
Dora is gentle and fair. [her,
Sweet as a flower was her face when I kissed
(Love is the romance and glory of life,)
Milly, my playmate, I love "like a sister,"
But Dora I choose for my wife.

That is right, young man, marry the girl you love, by all means, if she will have you. Should her health become delicate and her beauty fade after marriage, remember that this is usually due to functional disturbances, weaknesses, irregularities, or painful disorders peculiar to her sex, in the cure of which Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is **guaranteed** to give satisfaction, or money refunded. See the printed certificate of guarantee on bottle-wrapper.

For overworked, "worn-out," "run-down," debilitated teachers, milliners, dressmakers, seamstresses, "shop-girls," housekeepers, nursing mothers, and feeble women generally, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest earthly boon, being unequaled as an appetizing cordial and restorative tonic, or strength-giver.

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Sacrifice Clothing Sale
Ever Seen in Chestertown is
Now in Progress at the
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THOMAS S. BORDLEY,
And Will Continue Until Every
Spring and Summer Garment
in the House is Sold.

FIRST:
We offer 300 MEN'S ALL-WOOL SUITS, sizes 34 to 42, Fresh, Clean, Perfect-Fitting Suits, in Cutaways and Sacks, Serges, Diagonals, Corkscrews, Plaid and Check Cassimeres, Plain and Fancy, for
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SECOND:
We offer 250 YOUTH'S SUITS, all wool, sizes from 13 to 18 years of Age, in all shades and designs, for
ONLY $4.90.
Many of them worth $7.00, $8.00, $9.00 and as high as $10. Take your choice for $4.90.

THIRD:
Nearly 400 CHILDREN'S SUITS, of all designs and shapes, Belted and Pleated, Plain and Fancy, Beautiful Effects, All-Wool, Perfect in Cut and Fit, for
ONLY $2.90.
The material alone in many of these suits is worth far more than the suit complete will cost you. All our $2.00, $2.50 and $3.00 Childrens' Suits Reduced to **$1.50.**

FOURTH:
We will give you your choice of 500 pairs of ALL-WOOL, ENGLISH FITTING TROWSERS, for
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Many of these Pants are made from Fine Imported Silk-Mixed Worsteds and Cassimeres, and bought to sell for $6.00, $7.00 and $8.00. You can take your choice of the entire store for **$3.90.**

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A Magnificent Line of GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS, consisting of Outing Shirts, fine silk stripe, reduced from
$5.00 to $3.50
per pair. Spendid Gauze Shirts reduced to 25 cents. English and Finest Domestic Silk Neckwear, in Puff and Tecke and Four-in-Hand, all 25 cents.

This is unquestionably the Greatest Bargain Clothing Sale ever offered to the public, and the hard times and scarcity of money induce me to adopt this course rather than carry the goods over till another season. The sooner you call the greater will be your bargain.

THOS. S. BORDLEY,
Aug. 2, 1890. BORDLEY'S CORNER.

Coal and Wood.
ORDERS IN ANY QUANTITIES LEFT AT **D. A. BACCHUS' GROCERY STORE,** OR AT
J. D. BACCHUS' YARD
will receive prompt attention at Prices Guaranteed to be as LOW AS THE LOWEST.

Building and Whitewash Lime, Cement and Plastering Hair,
AT CITY PRICES.

Anthracite and Bituminous Coal
Delivered at any station on the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad at Low Figures.
Come and see us before buying.
m17. **J. D. BACCHUS.**

CALL and examine our celebrated RIVETED SHOE in Congress, Lace and Button, all sizes.
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MATTING at Lowest Prices.
J. H. SIMPERS.

WHITE BLANKETS from $1 per pair up.
J. H. SIMPERS.

A TALE OF A BUNCO.

How the United Mustang Co. was Broken Up.

"There's persons in this world too ornery to live if they wuzn't afeared the undertaker'd make something off'n their funeral," said Coyote Bill, as he backed up to the stove in the Gold Bar saloon and carefully parted his long coat-tails.

"Did you ever hear of the United Bronco Company?"

"Pigeon-toed Pete got a hold of a bronco somehow that he couldn't ride any more'n ye could a cyclone. Pete tried it fer three days and come out with most of himself in slings. He wuzn't no slouch with a bronco, neither. Then some o' the boys tried it and we had to send to Sundance for extra doctors to help take keer of 'em.

"When Peter was able to be out again he says, says he: "Boys we'll organize a stock company to sell that bronco to tenderfeet. See?" We did see, an' we took right hold. It was a howling success an' in less'n ten days United Bronco wuz quoted at 160 and not to be had at that.

"The way we worked it was like this: Whenever a tenderfoot would stop off that looked as if he didn't know too much bout hosses, an' most of 'em didn't, an' begun to inquire fur a hoss, Pete 'ud fetch out his bronco. Pete never failed to sell him fur a good, round price, cash down. Then the fun'd begin.

"When the tenderfoot would climb into the saddle there'd be a little seance lastin' about forty seconds. Then we'd pick up Mister Tenderfoot an' carry him over to the Eureky Hotel, where we had a regular hospital fixed up. If he died, why course the company fell heir to the bronco and any other little trinkets he happened to have about him. In case he lived why he wuz only too glad to let Peter take the bronco back again to get rid of him, and by the time he wuz able to travel the doctor and hotel-keeper, who wuz members of the company, had all his money, so it wuz a dead cinch, either way. Oh, I tell ye, it wuz the greatest scheme ye ever heered on!

"One day a smooth-lookin' feller, dressed fer all the world like a parson, got down off'n the Sundance stage. 'Forenight he wuz solid with every man in camp. He had scads o' money and seemed jist achin' to git rid of it. He wuz continually making the silliest bets and always lost. One day he went Faro Sam $500 he couldn't turn jack from the bottom in three trials. Sam turned it first time. However, the parson allus managed to win his bets all back inside of twenty-four hours at poker, and maybe a little extra.

"When he'd been in Minnie Gulch 'bout a week Pete sold the bronco agin. Jist es the feller wuz a-goin' to climb onto his new hoss the parson came out an' axed what the crowd wuz standin' round fer. One o' the boys winked and says, says he: 'Keep still, parson, an' ye'll see some fun. The man don't wear hair that can ride that bronco.'

"'Pshaw," says the parson, 'anybody kin ride a hoss. I'll bet $100 the man walks him right off.'

"Fifteen seconds later the new purchaser wuz ready fer the doctor and as the parson paid over the money he began cussin' fer the fust time we'd ever heerd him over his foolish bets.

"Well, in a day er two along come one o' the greenest-lookin' lunk-heads I ever see in all my born days. Didn't look's if he knowed enough to pound sand. One o' the boys had to jerk him out o' the road to keep the stage from runnin' over him. Then greeny went an' bought a drink an' showed a big wad of bills when he paid fer it. Then he come up to me chucklin' like an idiot and told me he wanted to go over to the diggin's at Rockerville and axed if I knowed where he could buy a hoss. I called up Pete an' Pete soon sold him the company bronco. The crowd went out to see the fun, as usual. Greeny led his hoss up to a stump and jist ez he was ready to fall over into the saddle parson came out and hollered out fer him to wait a minnit.

"'Now, gentlemen,' says the parson, is, there any of you wants to bet me that stranger can't ride that hoss past the hotel the first trial?'

"Then we all fell over one another to cover his money.

"Then the parson says, in his sweetest tones, says he: 'Mister, us gentlemen has made a little bet on your ability to ride that hoss up past the hotel without gittin' throwed. Will ye oblige us by trvin' it?'"

"That miserable whelp of a greeny had took the chance, while our backs was all turned a-makin' our bets, to soak that bronco's tail with kerosene. Then, when the parson finished speakin', he turned and chuckled in that idiotic fashion o' his after makin' one or two false moves, rolled over into the saddle. As he fell he surged backward like, as if he was nearly fallin' off backwards and tickled the bronco's tail with the end of his cigar that he'd sucked till it wuz nearly in a blaze. That tail flashed like powder. Such an astonished bronco as that one was ye never saw. He looked around just once and then, givin' an onearthly squal, started off towards Sundance as fast as he could go, with greeny on his back. My, how he flew! Fallin' down a well was nowhere.

"The parson pocketed his stakes and that wuz the last we ever seed of him. Oh, but if that wasn't a sick crowd.

"That outrageous swindle wuz a death blow to Minnie Gulch. The United Bronco Company went up the flume, and they haint never been any enterprise er public spirit about the place sence. All that keeps the boys alive now is the hope of some day runnin' acrost them two owdacious villains."—*Chicago Times.*

Gathered Treasures.

Time is the old justice that examines offenders.

The secret of thrift is knowledge.

The path of duty leads to the castle of happiness.

Life should be measured by deeds, not words.

Whatever you dislike in others, take care to correct in yourself.

Never retort a short or angry word. It is the second word that makes the quarrel.

Reason and faith may walk together, provided that reason gives faith the upper hand.

Did we take root downward, we should bear more fruit upward.

Be careful and scrupulous in filling up the common daily outline of life.

The man who fears God shall be taught by God in God's own way.

Some one has said of a fine and honorable age that it was the childhood of immortality.

Do not wait for extraordinay opportunities for good actions, but makes use of common situations.

It is faith's work to claim and challenge loving kindness out of the roughest strokes of God.

Tears bring forth the richness of our natures, as the rain sweetens the smelling briar.

It is not until we have passed through the furnace that we are made to know how much dross there is in our composition.

For a brief few days the orchards are white with blossoms. They soon turn to fruit, or else float away, useless and wasted, upon the idle breeze. So will it be with present feelings. They must be deepened into decision or be entirely dissipated by delay.

IT MAY be a surprise to many to learn that statistics prove the sea to be safer to live on than land. The death rate of sailors in the British merchant marine is under 12 per thousand. The loss of life by shipwreck is about a quarter of this; in fact there are more lives lost among miners from accident than among sailors, and many more among railroad employes.

WHEN you kick a cow, just pause and think that you are kicking dollars out of your pocket. This is the mercenary view, leaving out humaneness.

They Were After Bargains.

One is bad enough, two are worse, but three women in counsel over the merits of a bath towel are enough to make a poor, worn out clerk wish he might depart from earth by the electricity method.

"It seems like quite a good one for the money, doesn't it?" says the intending purchaser.

"Well, I don't know," says the other, holding the towel up at full length and eyeing it critically. "I got one quite as good for 37½ cents at White's."

"You did?"

"Yes, but it was eight or nine weeks ago, and I don't s'pose they've any more like it."

"I may be mistaken, but I've an idea it would shrink," says number three, taking the towel from number two and wrapping a coner of it over her finger. "See, it's a little thin."

"Well, I wouldn't mind if it did shrink a little, because—oh, look at this one! Isn't it lovely?"

"Beautiful! How much is it?"

"A dollar and a half."

"Mercy! I'd never pay that for a bath towel."

"Nor I."

"These colors would fade."

"Of course they would."

"Do you know I like good plain crash as well as anything for towels."

"I don't know, but—see these towels for fifteen cents. I paid twenty-five cents for some last week not a bit better."

"Let's see; they are full length? Yes. They are cheap. I've a good notion to—but I guess I won't. I have so many towels now."

"They're a bargain if one only really needed them."

"How do you like towels used as tidies?"

"Horrid."

"I think so, too."

"So do I—oh, let me tell you. I saw a woman on the street one day with an apron made out of a red and white towel!"

"Mercy! Looked like fury, didn't it?"

"How was it made?"

"Oh, one end was simply gathered to a band and—there, the towel was just like this one—she'd taken it so and gathered it in so, and—really it didn't look so bad, after all."

"Do you suppose the colors would run in this border?"

"Well, I hardly know. I had one very much like it once, and the colors in it run dread fully the first time I washed it."

"Then I'll not take this, for I—why, if it isn't 4 o'clock, and—"

"I must go."

"So must I—no, I'll not take the towel today."

Grandmother's Valentine.

Bessie Day was up in the attic of her grandmother's house in the country. Mrs. Day was looking among some boxes for bits of velvet for the sofa cushion that Bessie was making, and her bright eyed little grand-daughter was busy with her in the search. Presently Bessie opened a box that stood in a corner of the attic.

"O grandmamma," she exclaimed, "this one is full of pictures!"

"Let me see," said the old lady. She came and looked into the box; then she sighed a little, though her smile was sweet as she said:

"They are the pictures your grandpapa gave me when we were children together. I think his first valentine to me is there. You may look if you like."

Bessie sat down on the floor beside the box, and took out the pictures one by one till she came to the very last.

"There it is," said Grandmamma Day, with a lovely pink tinge in her cheeks.

It was a faded, childish drawing of a little boy and girl. The boy was offering the little girl a four leafed clover, and she was standing shyly looking down at her clasped hands.

"Isn't it funny?" laughed Bessie.

"Does it seem so to you, my dear?" said her grandmamma, taking the picture and looking at it with much tenderness.

Bessie's laugh died away, and her own eyes filled as she saw the tears standing in the old lady's eyes. Her grandfather had died before she was born and this was her first realization of the love and grief that were still alive in his wife's heart. She jumped up and threw her arms around her grandmamma's neck and kissed her.

"It's so sweet," she said, "to think that dear little boy is gradpapa, and that little girl is you!"

Grandmama Day wiped her eyes.

"Its the first thing he ever gave me, and it's his own drawing," she said. "I think I'll take my valentine down to my own room. It's sixty years, Bessie. Come now dearie, we'll find your velvet scraps."

The Secret of a Long Life.

You sometimes see a woman whose old age is exquisite and the perfect bloom of her youth. She seems condensed sweetness and grace. You wonder how this has come about; you wonder how it is her life has been a long and happy one. Here are some of the reasons:

She knows how to forget disagreeable things.

She understood the air of enjoyment.

She kept her nerves well in hand, and inflicted them on no one.

She believed in the goodness of her own daughters and in that of her neighbor.

She cultivated a good digestion.

She mastered the art of saying pleasant words.

She retained her illusions, and did not believe that all the world was wicked and unkind.

She relieved the miserable and sympathized with the sorrowful.

She retained an even disposition, and made the best of everything.

She did whatever came to her cheerfully and well.

She never forgot that kind words and a smile cost nothing, but are priceless treasures to the discouraged.

She did unto others as she would be done by, and now that old age has come to her and there is a halo of white hair about her head, she is loved and considered.

This is the secret of a long life and a happy one.

Do You Need a Change?

A well-known medical authority is so strong an advocate of change that he says: "Change your climate if you can; if you cannot do that, change your house; failing your house, change your room, and if not your room then rearrange your furniture." If possible every family should go away once a year for a month's stay under different surroundings; if this is not possible, changes of a week at a time will probably save you a doctor's bill if you have become "run down" in health.

Make as many expeditions as you can during the summer; go once a week if possible and you will find them more efficacious to build up the strength than any tonic that can be administered. If possible get different food for the family at such times than they are daily accustomed to, even if it is not as delicate. A change of food will often stimulate a jaded appetite. When children or grown people begin to lose appetite and seem listless, better than a spring tonic for the blood is a visit at a distance, where there is a complete change of scene and food.

ONE of Edison's chiefs lives in Newark in a house which is fairly hung on wires. As one approaches the front gate it swings open and shuts automatically. The visitor's foot on the step of the porch rings a bell in the kitchen and also in the master's study. By touching a button he opens the front door before the stranger has time to knock. An electric music box plays during dinner. When the guest retires to his bedroom the folding bed unfolds by electricity. When he puts out the gas a strange, mocking display of skeletons, gravestones, owls and other hideous phantasmagoria dances about on the wall at his feet, reappearing and disppearing in a ghostly electrical glare. This last device of electricity must be as soothing to a nervous person as were the rapid transformation of the ogre-magician in "Puss in Boots."

THERE was a terrific explosion of natural gas near Waldron, Ind., Monday, by which ten acres of ground were shaken up. Great fissures were torn in the river-bed, and a graveyard was so badly shaken up that the skeletons of the dead could be seen in the fractures of the earth.

THAT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT.—In the celebrated McKinley bill where do the farmers come? Mr. Blaine says they are frozen out.—*Atlanta Constitution.*

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