DR. J. G. EMERSON,

DENTIST.

☞Ex-Demonstrator of University of Maryland.

ROCKWELL BUILDING,

Chestertown, - - Maryland.

C. P. GILPIN, DENTIST,
Chestertown Md.,
MAIN STREET, OPPOSITE THE OLD STAND.

OFFICE HOURS:—8.30 to 12 A. M.; 1 to 4 P.M.

☞Teeth extracted by local anesthetics and comparatively without pain.
Having enlarged my office and added many new conveniences, I am able to offer my patients much greater comfort while under treatment than in the past. Nov. 29-tf.

DR. CHARLES RICHARD TWILLEY,
Graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery,

taving enlarged and otherwise added to the conveniences of my office on Main street, I am prepared to perform operations in advanced Dentistry in the most approved style.

☞EXTRACTING TEETH WITHOUT PAIN.

To prevent needless delays, patients may, in person or by mail, make engagements for any hour or date desired, if not already engaged.

☞I will be at Rock Hall, every Thursday and may be found at the residence of Mrs. Abe Casey. All persons desiring first-class work are invited to call.

DR. CHARLES RICHARD TWILLEY,
Office 115 Main street, with Dr. J. T. Twilley.

CLARENCE W. PERKINS,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Room 2, Glenn Building, 12 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md., will attend the regular terms of the Circuit Court for Kent county.
All business intrusted to his care will receive careful and prompt attention.

LEWIN W. WICKES,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Chestertown, - - - Maryland.

WILLIAM W. BECK,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Chestertown, Maryland.
Office with M. deK. Smith on Court Street.

G. W. ROEDER & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
S. E. Cor. Charles and Camden Sts.,
BALTIMORE, MD.

Grain, Fruits, Vegetables, Live Stock, Poultry, Eggs, Hides, Wool, Furs, Feathers, Tallow, Bees-wax, Oysters, Fish, Crabs, &c. Returns sent daily.
REFERENCES.—Traders National Bank, Bradstreet's and Dunn's Mercantile Agencies, and the Business Community.

Stewart Fruit Company,
WHOLESALE
FRUIT, PRODUCE AND GRAIN
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
118 E. Pratt Street, Baltimore.
Reference, Merchants' National Bank.

FRANK WRIGHT & Co·
FRUIT AND PRODUCE
Commission Merchants,
304 SOUTH CHARLES STREET,
Baltimore, Md.

Having removed to No. 304 South Charles St., in the centre of the jobbing trade, and having ample room on the first floor to handle Produce of every description, we respectfully solicit a continuance of past favors, and from shippers generally a trial, we guarantee top market prices and prompt returns.
Yours respectfully,
FRANK WRIGHT & CO.

Jas. W. Stevens. R. Nelson Stevens.
STEVENS BROS.,
Members Chamber of Commerce,
Grain, Fruit and Produce
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
206 S. CHARLES STREET,
BALTIMORE, MD.
REFERENCE-Merchants National Bank

HAS. B. LONEY. GEO. B. PROBERT
COMEGYS BROWN
—WITH—
LONEY & CO.,
Successors to Wright & Loney.
FLOUR, GRAIN & COUNTRY PRODUCE
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 215 S. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.
☞REFERENCES.—Drovers and Mechanics National Bank, cor. Eutaw and Fayette, Sts.

Established 1877.
J. E. HENDRICKSON & CO.,
Live Stock
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
30th & Market, Philadelphia.
We handle Live Stock, and have all facilities for this line of trade. We solicit the patronage of shippers, and guarantee to make prompt returns. Give us a trial and be convinced.
Jan. 16, 1896.

WILLIAM P. IRELAND,
FRUIT, PRODUCE AND LIVE STOCK
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
No. 121 Callowhill Street,
PHILADELPHIA

Important to Farmers!

I HAVE OPENED MY NEW
Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shop
ON CROSS STREET,
opposite the Armstrong Hotel, and am now prepared to do all kinds of work in my line. After a practical experience of 18 years in
Horseshoeing and all Branches of Blacksmith Work,
I am confident of being able to give entire satisfaction. I have made the structure of the horse's foot a study of years. No hot shoes applied to horses' feet. All work done with neatness and despatch, and at the most moderate rates.
EL WOOD WHALEY,
Nov. 21, 1895. Chestertown, Md.

FRANK D. WATKINS & Co.
409 E. PRATT ST.
BALTIMORE.
DOORS
SASH
BLINDS
AND ALL BUILDERS
SUPPLIES
GOOD — CHEAP

OPIUM and Whiskey Habits cured at home without pain. Book of particulars sent FREE.
Atlanta, Ga. Office 104 N. Fryor St. R. M. WOOLLEY, M.D.

The Chestertown Transcript.

$1.00 PER ANNUM—IN ADVANCE. · CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND, MARCH 31, 1898. VOL. XXXVII—NO. 47.

An Up-to-Date Fertilizer Concern!

TRADE MARK

The above is the title given us by this paper in their issue of January 6th, 1898, and we believe the title is justly deserved, for we certainly are striving to be progressive in every particular branch of our business, and as an evidence of that we sold last year nearly 1000 tons more than we ever sold, and as soon as our fall trade was over we laid in decidedly the largest stock for Spring we had ever had, every dollar's worth of which was paid for before the beginning of the new year, and as materials have advanced in the meantime, we are therefore in a position to sell you at rock bottom prices what you will require this spring.

FOR OATS,

ARE YOU going to sow any? if so, we have a Special Goods for the purpose at $16.00 per ton. Try it.

FOR POTATOES AND TRUCK.

We have shipped already thousands of dollars worth to the truckers of New Jersey. Never were our goods so much in demand by the Jersey truckers as this year, and many of our Kent and Q. A. truckers have been in and spoken for more. Mr. J. Lewin Crew was in a few weeks ago and brought ten potatoes which weighed 10¾ lbs. which had been grown with our $24.00 Potato Manure.

FOR YOUR PEACH TREES.

Use our Fruit Grower. Mr. R. D. Hynson's tenants have been in to order again, and say where they used it last spring on their orchards, they could see to the very tree not only in the size of fruit but in the growth of new wood for this year's crop. If you contemplate using, place your order early as supply is limited.

FOR YOUR TOMATOES.

Use only Peerless. It has the best reputation for Tomatoes of any goods sold in the State of Maryland, and deservedly so from the fact it is in the first place an Animal Bone Fertilizer, contains 1000 lbs. to the ton. Is ammoniated with the animal matter on the animal Bone, fine ground fish and little nitrate and the potash is derived from high grade sulphate and muriate; not one lb. of kainit used in its manufacture. One patron writes he would have it if he had to pay $50.00 per ton for it, as he got four tons more off an acre where it went than another that cost $3.00 more per ton. Another received from the cannery man $17.00 per acre more from an acre where Peerless was used. The difference more than three times paid for the Phosphate. Another thing, we have never known Tomatoes to blight where it was used. This goods is the happiest combination for that crop that ever was compounded.

FOR CORN,

We have a dandy. The way to get 45c. for your Corn is to use this Corn Phosphate. For instance, if you can grow forty bushels per acre without it, at 30c. per bushel; by growing sixty bushels with it don't you get 45c. for your Corn? We have received already orders for nearly 500 tons.

If you will only inform us what crop you desire to grow, we can furnish you the stuff to grow it with and save you money in the purchase of same. Please, therefore, correspond with or see us in person before placing your contracts.

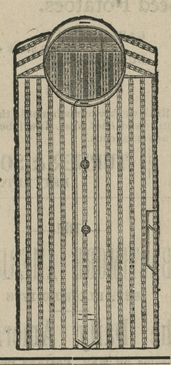
Very truly yours,

T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
march 10, 1898. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

SEE
Moody's & Lusby's Line
—OF—
WHITE SHIRTS,

at 75 cents, good as any, and better than the majority of 90 cent ones. They come plain closed-bosom, plaited open front and back, and pique fronts.

ALSO
Beautiful Line of
Colored Shirts



from 38c. to $1.00.

Beautiful Spring Patterns.

HATS

in profusion—any style and price you can desire,

Kid Gloves & Neckwear

Just received 100 dozen Half-Hose, and long as they last will be sold 2 pair for 25c. for the Imported Black, and 50c. per dozen for the Mixed.

Don't fail to examine the line of 2100-Linen 4-ply Collars and Cuffs. After long and repeated efforts we have obtained contract from many manufacturers to sell Collars 10c. (all styles), 2 pair Cuffs for 25c. (cotton goods are dear at any price). These we guarantee to be 4-ply 2100-Linen and good as any 2 for 25c. Collar or 20c. Cuff in the market. Come early and get your supply from this lot. New line Neckwear beginning to arrive. Balance of Winter Suits and Overcoats at any price.

Respectfully,
MOODY & LUSBY,
Directly opposite Court House. Square Dealing Clothiers.

B B

R. BERGEN
HAS JUST RECEIVED A
SPRING LINE OF PERCALES,

White Goods, Hamburgs in Nainsook and Cambric. Also Laces at Very Low Prices.

We Have Taken the Advantage of the low Prie of Cotton and Laid in a Very Heavy Stock of both

BLEACHED AND BROWN MUSLINS

and Offer Them at Prices Lower Than Ever Before. Now is Your Chance to Buy.

We Still Have a Good Assortment of

Dress Goods

That I will sell at greatly reduced prices in order to make room for our SPRING STOCK, which will excel that of any past Season. We make mourning goods a specialty.

R. BERGEN,
Leading merchant of Kent County.

B B

STILL POND
Carriage and Implement Bazaar!

Low Prices Make Active Business.

DO YOU BELIEVE I CAN SAVE YOU MONEY? If you doubt it, come and see my goods and compare prices—goods that you know all about, too, not something "as good" or "about the same," but genuine goods well known.

I Want to Call Your Attention to Fertilizers!

I manufacture these goods in Baltimore, and have the latest improved facilities for the making of first-class goods. My Special Tomato Fertilizer is a good, honest Fertilizer, and the price is right. "High Grade Truckers" in 100-lb. sacks—just the thing for your gardens and lawns. Other brands, as well as MATERIALS. These goods kept in stock at warehouse at Hepbron's Station. In my large warerooms in Still Pond you will find a Large and Varied Stock of

Farm Implements and Machinery,
BOTH LARGE AND SMALL,

the largest stock in the county. I do not confine myself to the product of any one house, therefore, am in a position to give you a larger choice, as well as low prices. Farm Wagons, 1 horse and 2 horse; Plows, four kinds of Disc Harrows, three kinds of Corn Planters, also extra runners; Peg-tooth Harrows, 4 kinds; Sulky Spring-tooth Harrow, Cultivators, Farm Rollers, Steel Stock Troughs, Farm Bells, Grindstones, Wheelbarrows, Single-row Fertilizer Distributor, Corn Shellers, Grass Seeders, Water Barrel and Truck, Double and Single Trees, Fence Wire, Neck Yokes, Wagon Jacks, Iron Roofing, Plow Castings, Genuine Oliver, Syracuse and Roland; Pure Northern-Grown Seed Potatoes, Carriage Poles, Extra Shafts, Gum Aprons, all kinds of Mowers and Binders, Sections, Knives and Guards, at prices that will astonish you. HALLOCK'S WEEDER, see this implement.

The Finest Line of Carriages in the County.

It is unnecessary to say anything more about this item. If you want a carriage, and do not see my stock and get my prices before buying, you will be the loser. I can save you money on Binder Twine, Cultivator Steels and Lawn Mowers. Come and examine my stock, and don't forget I handle the justly celebrated Deering Binders and Mowers.

Thanking you for past patronage, and soliciting a continuance of the same, I am, yours truly,

ISAAC ROBINSON,
March 24, 1898, STILL POND, MD.

DR. FAHRNEY'S TEETHING SYRUP.
THE BABY'S COMFORT, THE MOTHER'S FRIEND.
Once tried, always used. Will cure Colic in 10 minutes; cures curd or sour stomach, relieves all forms of indigestion, can be given to babies 1 day old. Will prevent Cholera Infantum and keep the baby in good, healthy condition through the period of teething. An over dose does no harm; nothing injurious in it. 25 cts. at druggists.
Made only by DRS. D. FAHRNEY & SON, HAGERSTOWN, Md.
Trial bottle sent free if you mention this paper.

HOME DYEING MAYPOLE ·SOAP·
A Pleasure at Last.

WASHES AND DYES AT ONE OPERATION
.. ANY COLOR.
The Cleanest, Fastest Dye for Soiled or Faded Shirt Waists, Blouses, Ribbons, Curtains, Underlinen, etc., whether Silk, Satin, Cotton or Wool.
No Muss. No Trouble.
Sold in All Colors by Grocers and Druggists, or mailed free for 15 cents;
Address, THE MAYPOLE SOAP DEPOT, 127 Duane Street, New York.

FARMERS AND LAND OWNERS
Why not Look to Your Interest

In the Improvement of your lands, while grain is a good price and the indications have an upward tendency. Does it pay to let your land sour and degenerate for want of a stimulant? We answer no. The question arises how are we to get the best results from our crops and at the same time raise the standard of our land? We answer by the use of lime. Well, what Lime do you think will give the best results? We think

The Celebrated Kerr's Wrightsville Lime,

which has stood the test for many years by our oldest and most prosperous land owners. We can furnish you with other limes as you may wish, all of which will be delivered to any station on the Balto. & Del. Bay R. R. at short notice on reasonable terms. Last but not least is the well known

Standard Lime and Stone Company's Lime,

which has been the greatest selling Lime on the market; this Lime runs 97 per cent. of pure Carbonate of Lime. We can deliver this Lime by water to any point on the Chesapeake Bay or tributaries on reasonable notice, We would be pleased to have you call on or write us before placing your orders.

COAL AND WOOD.

Building and White Wash Lime, Cements, Baled Hay, Roofing Felt and Terra Cotta Piping, all of which will be sold at city price. Hoping you may favor us with your orders and we will promise to try and please you. Thanking you for past favors, I remain, yours for business,

J. D. BACCHUS,
March 3, 1898. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

FERD. H. PAAR,
MAKER OF
Gents' Fine Footwear,
No. 104 N. Howard Street,
BALTIMORE, MD.

Put Your Finger on Your Pulse

You feel the blood rushing along.
But what kind of blood? That is the question.
Is it pure blood or impure blood?
If the blood is impure then you are weak and languid; your appetite is poor and your digestion is weak. You cannot sleep well and the morning finds you unprepared for the work of the day. Your cheeks are pale and your complexion is sallow. You are troubled with pimples, boils, or some eruption of the skin. Why not purify your blood?

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

will do it. Take it a few days and then put your finger on your pulse again. You can feel the difference. It is stronger and your circulation better. Send for our book on Impure Blood.
If you are bilious, take Ayer's Pills. They greatly aid the Sarsaparilla, They cure constipation also.
Write to our Doctors.
Write them freely all the particulars in your case. You will receive a prompt reply, without cost.
Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

CHARLES L. LEACH. H. E. WARNER.
LEACH & WARNER,
Successors to William Amos Scott,
FINE
MERCHANT TAILORS AND
IMPORTERS,
328 N. EUTAW STREET,
(Corner Mulberry Street,)
Baltimore, - - - Maryland.

A large and varied stock of the finest Imported and Domestic goods constantly on hand from which to select. Goods, fit and make guaranteed.

Latest Novelties in Men's Wear.

Especial attention will be paid to our patrons from the country, and all orders or communications by mail promptly answered.

A call for the purpose of examining our goods solicited.

Resp.,
LEACH & WARNER,
Merchant Tailors & Importers
328 N. Eutaw Street,
(Cor. Mulberry.) Baltimore, Md.

PEACH TREES!

Good, Cheap and all that could be asked for an orchard are found at

Little Grove Nurseries.

SHADE TREES.

If you want them to live and do well, get them here. Past experience proves this, and you have a nice lot to select from.
☞Norway Maples a specialty.
R. G. NICHOLSON,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 28th day of August, 1897, I personally examined the Nursery Stock of LITTLE GROVE NURSERIES (the R. G. Nicholson Nursery), Chestertown, Kent county, Md., grown for the Fall of 1897 and Spring of 1898, and found no indications of the presence of the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellows, Rosette or other dangerously injurious insects or plant diseases that might be transferred upon Nursery Stock. WILLIS G. JOHNSON,
State Entomologist.
College Park, Md., Aug. 30, 1897. s3-tf

Graphophone Concerts.

Edison's Latest and Best
Talking Machine.

You can enjoy at your home Vocal Solos and Quartetts by the World's Greatest Singers, Band and Orchestra Selections by the Marine Band, Sousa's Band and other famous musical organizations, Eloquent speeches, sermons, humorous stump speeches, banjo solos, etc., etc.
AGENT FOR GRAPHOPHONES.
The undersigned will be glad to arrange concerts for Church, School and Parlor Entertainments.
☞Terms Reasonable. Address,
GEORGE B. TWILLEY,
j6-3m. Chestertown, Md.

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems of Truth Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

As Christianity gives to man the greatest of all ideas, so she is the greatest of all educators.—Dr. C. W. Gullette, Methodist, Cincinnati.

A Reservoir of Blessings.

A devoted and sincere Christian life is a reservoir of unmeasured blessings to its parched and barren surroundings. —Rev. C. Lee Gaul, Methodist, Philadelphia.

Repose of Character.

Real superiority does not come from the class to which we belong, but from ourselves. That which most truly makes one a gentleman is repose of character. —Rev. Dr. Frank Crane, Methodist, Chicago.

The Real Hero.

We have heroes and heroes, but the only real hero is the unassuming, modest man whose acts, whether for patriotism, science, philanthropy or religion, are not selfish, but are for the common good of all mankind.—Rev. Dr. M. S. Levy, Rabbi, San Francisco.

Sowing and Reaping.

There is an important truth that we must bear in mind. Ignorance of the kind of seed sown has nothing to do with the harvest. Whether we sow in ignorance or in full knowledge of what we are doing and of what the result will be, we must reap just the same.—Rev. Stauffer, Methodist, Buffalo.

Proof of Immortality.

The very fact that we fail on earth to reach our ideal is presumptive proof of our immortality and a future in which to grow—not a future of probation—and our growth in the Christian life here will be marked by a growth in Christian character.—Rev. Dr. W. T. George, Presbyterian, Kansas City.

Keeping Secrets.

Keep natural and confided secrets. Be unwilling to receive them when there is no obligation to do so, for secrets are like redhot plowshares. To keep secrets under the cross fire of questions and curiosities which harass the world is not easy.—Father F. M. Keilty, Catholic, St. Louis.

The Sabbath Day.

A tendency has developed to make the Sabbath simply a day for physical relaxation. This is all wrong. Sunday is the day that connects the minor ends of life with the supreme. For this, if for no other reason, the Sabbath should be kept standing out distinct from all other days.—Professor Felix Adler, Ethical Culture Society, New York.

Man of Public Spirit.

Now, the man that is influenced by disinterested love, by the unselfish spirit, has at the very roots of his living the noble principle of an enlightened benevolence. He is a thorough well wisher to his fellows, and so endeavors to discharge every social and relative duty. In a word, he is a man of public spirit. —Rev. W W. Boyd, Baptist, St. Louis.

The Queenly Young Woman.

The queenly young woman appreciates the worth of true womanhood to society. Many a principle of righteousness that has borne fruit in some humanitarian enterprise or reform legislation was first instilled into the life of the child by a womanly mother, who had room enough in her heart to take the world into her affections.—Rev. Dr. Gumbert, Baptist, Boston.

The Profession of Faith.

No public profession of faith, no baptism, no church membership, is essential to good character, but I believe a man injures his character by not publicly professing his faith if he has it. Baptism is simply a method of professing faith. I do not see that it has any particular effect on character. Some of the best characters I have ever known were Quakers, and not baptized.—Dr. Lyman Abbott, Congregationalist, New York.

The Church and Society.

God forbid that any one should say that Jesus was the best man that ever lived. I pity the man or woman who has not known souls as pure and beautiful as Jesus of Nazareth. There have been hundreds and thousands, and perhaps millions, that have been pure and good like him, but who have not been called upon to manifest so greatly their worth or to minister in so wide a field. —Rev. William B. Geoghegan, Unitarian, Berkeley, Cal.

Spiritual Contentment.

The contented, happy spirit is that which keeps in harmony with God. The man who never loses his hold upon God will never be wholly overcome or borne down by the sorest trials and reverses of this life. One reason of this is that the man whose nature is in this state of true harmony with the heavenly and divine can never be really selfish. He has the God life infused into him. He loves humanity. He learns more and more to live for others.—Rev. Dr. Felix R. Hill, Methodist, Kansas City.

When the World Will Be Free.

The world will be free whenever every individual recognizes the mutual debt between himself and the world of simple justice. The world owes no man a living, it owes no man a competence, it owes no man wealth, it owes no man life, liberty nor the chance to pursue happiness. It owes man more than the sum of all of them, it owes man only justice. And the civilization or the government that willfully or blindly ignores that solemn obligation plots its destruction. A man owes the world just what the world owes him, justice. Governments, societies, organized reformers nor schools can ever settle or adjust these conditions between individuals by the inculcation of the moral principle alone. They can do that by making every man awake to the sense of his relation to man as a brother, not as a grasper, as a helper, not as an oppressor. When that time comes, when justice is universal law, the universal ideal, when justice throbs at the heart of civilization through its religions and through its laws the world will be free. —Rev. Dr. J. E. Roberts, Church of This World, Kansas City.

Impulse of Honoring Mothers.

Put honor on the mother, and the social circle catches the impulse of it, and men will be more manly and women will be more womanly in all their mutual intercourse, and things gross will become more offensive and things choice more attractive and potential in the life.—Rev. Dr. F. A. Noble, Congregationalist, Chicago.

God's Rule of Continuity.

If people wanted to enter the days to come with Christ, they must exemplify the divine law of continuity. The future was always the outgrowth of the past. Each tomorrow was fragrant of today, and each today of yesterday. The flower could not be segregated from the root. This was God's rule of continuity.—Dr. George E. Martin, Presbyterian, St. Louis.

Don't think that your liver needs treating if you are bilious. It's your stomach. That is, your stomach is really what causes the biliousness. It has put your liver out of order.

See what's the matter with your stomach. Sick stomach poisons liver and then there's trouble. Shaker Digestive Cordial is no secret. Formula's on every bottle. But its the simple honest way its made, the honest Shaker herbs and other ingredients of which it's composed, that makes it so efficacious.

Any real case of indigestion and biliousness can be cured with a few bottles of Shaker Digestive Cordial. Try it.

Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to $1.00 per bottle.

A SPRING TOILETTE OF PEARL-GRAY AND RED CLOTH, WITH BRAID DECORATION.

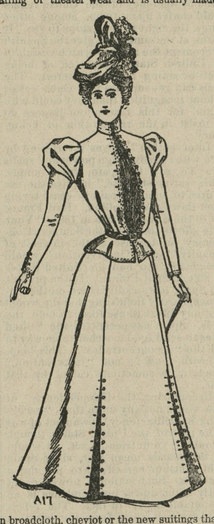
The Spring fashions are ushered in with glowing colors and novel and brilliant effects. Red is a popular shade for misses and is generally used for the small accessories, such as the vest, cuffs, etc. The skirt with Spanish

flounce promises to be much *en evidence* and invites more or less decoration in the way of flat bands, ribbon garniture or insertion. The basque with blouse front shown in the sketch may be buttoned to the throat or worn open, as preferred. The modes are taken from the current number of *The Delineator*. The waist is lengthened below the belt by a peplum and short puffs are formed at the top of the sleeves. A fancy belt surrounds the waist. The waist and skirt may match or contrast. A toilette copied from this was of brown serge, with red cloth for the vest, collar and belt. On cloth, cheviot and serge braid will form a pleasing decoration.

Specially prepared for us by The Butterick Publishing Co. (Limited).

NEW IDEAS FOR A CLOTH PROMENADE TOILETTE.

Every woman of refinement delights in a stylish tailor toilette, because in it she is attired for most occasions where becoming dress is required. The tailor suit is especially appropriate for church, street, calling or theater wear and is usually made



in broadcloth, cheviot or the new suitings that come in fancy mixtures that are bright and pretty. A new idea for a becoming basque is pictured in the sketch, the mode being taken from the last number of *The Delineator*. The basque may be buttoned to the throat or worn open over a full vest; it droops becomingly over the belt and is lengthened by a peplum. Shapely sleeves arranged to form a puff at the top complete the basque which may be worn with silk or cloth skirts. The five-gored skirt shows the side-front seams left open for a short distance and outlined with buttons and mock button-holes, a velvet facing being revealed between the openings.

Specially prepared for us by The Butterick Publishing Co. (Limited).

A STYLISH TOILETTE OF CHALLIS AND SILK, WITH RIBBON DECORATION.

Considerable fulness is permissible in the newest waists and the style is becoming to undeveloped figures. Fancy collars and shapely sleeves complete these waists, which may be worn with a skirt to match or with one

that contrasts. The modes associated in the toilette are taken from the current number of *The Delineator*. The special feature of the waist is the fancy collar; the fulness in front pouches slightly over the belt and the sleeves correspond with the latest demands of fashion. A Spanish flounce distinguishes the five-gored skirt, which is made more dressy by the ribbon decoration. This will be a good mode for the numerous novelty dress goods and may also be copied in organdy, dimity, lawn, dotted Swiss, etc.

Specially prepared for us by The Butterick Publishing Co. (Limited).

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, Coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at M. A. Toulson's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

FARM AND GARDEN

ITEMS IN ONION CULTURE.

Popular Varieties For Market—Yield Per Acre—The Transplanting System.

"What are best varieties of market onions and their ordinary yield per acre? Do you recommend the transplanting system referred to in bulletin 39, 'Onion Culture,' of the United States department of agriculture?" These queries from Macon county, Ills., are answered by Country Gentleman as follows:

The most popular varieties of onions for market are: White—Southport White Globe; red—Large Red Wethersfield; yellow—Yellow Globe Danvers. There are others, but the above are considered the most profitable. Yellow onions being greatest in demand, the Globe Danvers variety, owing to its uniform shape, bright color and excellent quality, is universally accepted as the standard. It will keep better than any other kind, and even if accidentally frozen in storage, if more covering is added and it is left alone until thoroughly thawed, it will come out little the worse for its experience. The writer has grown no other variety for market for 15 years. Much of the success of the crop depends upon the quality and freshness of the seed sown. It is better to pay $1 a pound more for a selected strain of a reliable seedhouse than to be fooled by cheap seed. Northern grown seed is preferable to Californian.

In the yield of onions per acre there is a very wide range, from 200 to 1,000 bushels, and these numbers are not quite the extremes either, for occasionally a crop of 1,200 bushels is heard of, and it is by no means uncommon to see crops of less than 200 bushels. But a man who can average 500 to 600 may consider himself a successful onion grower, while 400 to 500 is a very fair crop. The width of the rows, the quality and quantity (varying from four to six pounds per acre) of seed sown, the adaptability of the soil and the extent to which it is fertilized, the attention given to cleanliness and cultivation—these are the factors governing the size of the crop.

The transplanting system has many advocates, principally among the younger growers; the older hands seem content with their success by the usual method. The chief advantage appears to be that the crop can be secured early, at a time when prices are likely to be good. On the other hand, there is much extra labor attached to the transplanting plan, though if the land is prepared beforehand and kept stirred with the harrow or other implement so as to destroy all sprouting weed seeds much less weeding will be required after the plants are once set. It is said also that the yield is larger and the bulbs are more uniform in size, but against this must be charged the expense of sowing in cold frame or hotbed (if very early onions are desired), the trimming of roots and tops before setting and the transplanting itself, the last a job of some magnitude when done on a large scale. The varieties named above are well adapted to transplanting, but the Prize Taker, on account of its large size, is the favorite for the purpose. Its keeping properties, however, are distrusted by many. Under favorable conditions and with the best treatment transplanted onions can be harvested Aug. 1 or very soon after.

Rhubarb For Early Market.

"The simplest and cheapest way to force rhubarb without the use of glass is to place a few barrels over the plants in early spring. In some localities the mere protection from the wind and cold afforded by a box or tub will bring in the pieplant a week or two earlier. The heat produced by the fermentation of fresh manure, stable litter, forest leaves or other convenient material will still further hasten the product. Sometimes a few pieces of wood are set close together under the bottom rim of the barrel to serve as a lid and to allow the escape of steam which might injure the young shoots. If it is worth your while to study the daily changes, you might use a box with a movable cover. I have never heard of any other method of forcing rhubarb plants in a small way where they stand." Thus writes a contributor to Rural New Yorker. He adds:

"On a large scale some modification of the same principle must be used, such as that suggested for asparagus. The cultivation of the two crops is the same in all essentials. The forcing of either crop under glass involves an entirely different principle—viz, the hurrying out of all the vitality stored up in the roots, the exhausted clumps being thrown away. The forcing of plants where they stand involves the principle that plants forced in the field must be allowed every advantage to recuperate. These are the only two methods. Other so called methods are merely variations in practice adapted to local conditions."

Care of House Plants.

Indoor plants want a great deal of attention during the winter months. Fires, gas and even lamps in the room all contribute a certain amount of dust, which settles on the palm leaves, etc., and both impairs their beauty and is harmful to the plant. All thick leaves should be carefully dusted and washed with a soft moist cloth or brush. The more delicate foliage should be syringed two or three times a week, but the jet of the apparatus used must not be too violent in its action. The earth in the pots, too, is liable to cake and harden in spite of regular watering, this being again due to the artificial heat to which it is exposed. The remedy is very simple and merely consists in breaking up the earth all round the stem of the plant with an old blunt knife, carefully avoiding bruising the stem, of course.

Dover, N. H., Oct. 31, 1896.
MESSRS. ELY BROS.:—The Balm reached me safely and in so short a time the effect is surprising. My son says the *first* application gave decided relief. I have a shelf filled with "*Catarrh Cures*." To-morrow the stove shall receive them and Ely's Cream Balm will reign supreme. Respectfully, MRS. FRANKLIN FREEMAN.
Cream Balm is kept by all druggists. Full size 50c. Trial size 10 cents. We mail it. ELY BROS., 56 Warren St., N. Y. City.

The Perfect Law of Liberty.

A man attains to the perfect law of liberty when his impulses coincide with his convictions. The law of his conscience has become the impulse of his life. Duty is no longer a task he must do, nor even a conviction he must obey. It is something to which his heart itself instinctively responds. He needs no rules and no restraint, for the spirit within him is a surer guide than any rules that can be imposed.—Rev. Richard Cordley, Congregationalist, Lawrence, Kan.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best and Most Popular.

Messrs. Rickards & Co., of Marydel, Md., have been handling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for many years. They say they sell more of it and that it gives better satisfaction than any similar preparation they ever handled. For sale by M. A. Toulson, Druggist.

©Maryland State Archives, msa_sc6000_28_1-0049