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BECK & WALKER,
FERTILIZER MANUFACTURERS.
OFFER TO THE FARMERS OF KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTI ES

FERTILIZERS OF ALL KINDS!

WE WOULD CALL ATTENTION TO OUR SPECIAL BRANDS FOR THE
—Spring Crop of 1893—
Corn, Oats, Asparagus, Potatoes,
TOMATOES and GENERAL TRUCK.

All of these goods were used by a number of our prominent farmers last year, and in all cases gave satisfactory results. We would be glad to refer intending purchasers of Fertilizers to the parties who used them. All of our brands of goods are prepared under the personal supervision of MR. P. B. HOLLIS, who is well known in this community as an experienced agricultural chemist.

BUSINESS OFFICE in the KENT NEWS BUILDING, where we shall be pleased to see our friends and the public.
CHESTERTOWN, March 18, 1893.

THE CELEBRATED CLEVELAND BAY STALLION
PRIDE OF ENGLAND
Registered No. 161, Imported, Stands Alternate Weeks at Elkton and Chestertown.

PRIDE OF ENGLAND, 161, is a Beautiful Blood Bay Color, stands 17 hands high and weighs 1300 pounds. He is registered in the Ontario Coach and Roadster Horse Breeders' Association of St. Thomas, Canada, as No. 161. He is a descendant of the best producing families on both sides for speed, beauty endurance and general utility. Tracing from Mark Twain, Moonstone and Old Clear Grit [859] as producers of speed, and through Rattler and Hornpipe to thoroughbred and imported coach horses, through Fox Hunter, Pride of England [161] sired by Mark Twain, he by Moonshine, by Old Clear Grit [859], he by Lapadist, he by Touchstone, the English race horse. Mark Twain's dam, Big Nell, by Foster's St. Lawrence, he by Old St. Lawrence. Mark Twain is sire of Nelly Baker with a four-year-old record of 2.32 with six week's handling. She gave a trial mile on Woodbine Track, Toronto, 2.21¾, and a half mile in 1.08. Moonstone's dam by Bradley's thoroughbred, he by oliver's thoroughbred Moonstone is sire of Nettie C., record 2 23, and several others that show their ability to trot close to 2.30. Old Clear Grit [859] was one of the greatest Canadian sires, Sire of Amber, record 2.23, made in Australia, and the fastest record for two, three and ten miles in Europe; Flora F., 2.24½; Bay William, 2.26¼; Little Billy, 2.28¾; Billy M., pacer, 2.19¾, Fuller, 2.13¾; St. Patrick, 2.30¼, and a large number that trot under 2.40.

PRIDE OF ENGLAND [161], dame Fanny [54] by McQueen's Rattler, he by Wilson's Rattler, he by Wilson's Rattler, he by Biggart's Rattler, he by Sir Henry, he by the Garrett horse, he by Leonidas Imported Thoroughbred. Biggart's Rattler sire of Joe Brown, 2.23, also sire of Warner's Rattler, sire of Mary Davis, 2.26¼. Pride of England [161], grand dam by Hornpipe, he by Imported Thoroughbred, great grand by Fox Hunter, he by imported coach horse.

It will be seen that Pride of England is gilt-edged on both sides. Breeders cannot possibly err in breeding their brood mares to this noble stallion, as the intensity of his breeding is in itself a certainty that his stock will partake largely of the characteristics of their sire.

TERMS OF BREEDING:—$25, one-half during the season and the other half when the mare proves in foal. For more than one mare special terms.

LAUDANUM, by YOUNG SMUGGLER.

Record 2.50, without training, at Poplar Grove Track last 4th of July. His owner went twice to the driver and told him to let him go. The judges on the third heat were going to take the driver out of the sulky, but the driver promised to lake the next heat, which he did, which gave him his present record.

TERMS OF BREEDING:—$15 the season, payable at time of service; no limit.

JAMES A. RUSSELL, Agent,
March 4, 1893. CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND

For Early Applications This Spring

We offer the Following Brands of Fertilizers:

FOR GRASS:
As a top dressing for Grass our Phosphate has no equal, but it should be applied in February or March if possible. Mr. John Price, Massey's, Md., had ten acres that had been pastured so close was afraid it was killed, but an application of 200 pounds of our Phosphate to the acre made as much again Hay as the part on which he put none; says he never saw such a marked difference in anything in his life.

FOR OATS:
Use our Special Oat Fertilizer, which has stood the test now for years. One patron claims to have grown sixty-one and one-half bushels per acre with it.

FOR ASPARAGUS:
We have an article that has given more satisfaction as a feeder for this plant than $30 goods. We will sell to you at $16 per ton. Send for one of our regular Asparagus circulars giving you full information concerning it.

FOR POTATOES:
Our Special "Potato Manure" has been used for years in competition with Mapes,' Yarnell's and Baugh's, in fact, all the high grade goods on the market.

For General Truck:
We make a Special Truck Phosphate that contains all the required elements of plant food. One fair and impartial trial, will convince the most skeptical as to its merits.

Then as Another:
Don't forget your PEACH TREES by failing to give them an application of FRUIT GROWER. Some of our patrons like Mr. G. W. Davis, William Hurlock and others, continue to use it year after year whether they have fruit or not; when they do hit it pays COMPOUND INTEREST. This year you are likely to have a hit, our advice is, therefore, to give your orchards a dressing, by applying broadcast, 250 pounds to the acre, and plowing in as early as the ground will permit.

T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
Manufacturers of Standard Fertilizers, Chestertown, Md.

N. B.—In a few weeks we will give you pointers in this space concerning Corn, Tomatoes, &c. Feb. 11, 1893.

THIS IS THE SEASON
—FOR—
HEAVY FOOT WEAR!

Now is the time to get the best, and get it cheap from our grand new stock of popular goods, new styles, seasonable attractions and complete assortment of

Boots, Shoes, Slippers, Rubbers, Overshoes.

A clean fresh stock of desirable goods at fairest figures. We show the latest novelties; keep strictly first-class goods and make the lowest prices, quality considered.

Patronize a safe, sure and reliable house, and you will get the worth of your money always.

The stove, table and chair will be given away January 1st, '93. Each pair of shoes one guess.

Stop in and have your measure taken for a nice pair of hand made shoes. Get you up any style you want. Fit guaranteed.

T. G. WROTH,
1892. The One-Price Shoeman, Under Stam's Hall.

SANBORN 3045,
(Record 2.26 1-2.)
—AND—
EDGAR DUDLEY, 7940,
(Four-year-old Record 2.29 1-4.)

will make the season, coming March 15th, 1893, at home and at Mr. GEORGE A. HAZEL'S, near Sudlersville, Queen Anne's County, Md.

For particulars, terms, &c., apply to
ALDAY CLEMENTS,
m11-4t. Crumpton, Md

GROVER S.
HIGH BRED and FAST STALLION
BY YOUNG SMUGGLER,
will make a season, beginning March 15th, and ending June 15th.
TERMS:—$15 Season and $30 to Insure.
Those wishing service will apply early as the number of Mares is limited.
For further information address
W. B. STEPHENS,
m4-4t. Hanesville, Kent Co., Md.

Legal Notices,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

SAMUEL G. MEREDITH,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 12th day of September, 1893, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 7th day of March 1893.
JAMES E. BLACKISTON,
March 11, 1893—4t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

HENRY GRAVES,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 12th day of September, 1893, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 7th day of March, 1893.
WILLIAM GRAVES,
March 11, 1893—4t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

THOMAS R. QUIMBY,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 29th day of August, 1893, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 28th day of Feb., 1893.
THOMAS M. BRITTON,
March 4, 1893—4t. Administrator.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Hope H. Barroll, Assignee,
versus
Alfred White and wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent Co., in Equity. Number 1012.

ORDERED, this 9th day of March, 1893, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by HOPE H. BARROLL, assignee, under the power contained in a mortgage from Alfred White and wife to Thomas A. Strong, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 9th day of May next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county once in each of three successive weeks before the 9th day of April next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $150.00.
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
True copy, Test—
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
March 11, 1893—4t.

HO! FOR
The Spring of '93

WE HAVE MADE EXTENSIVE PREPARATIONS!

Want to Accommodate Everybody!

Now We are Ready for the Trade!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

WE HAVE PRESENTS IN ABUNDANCE
From OUR DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT,
OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT,
Ladies', Misses and Children's WRAP DEPARTMENT,
FUR DEPARTMENT,
CARPET AND OIL CLOTH DEPARTMENT,
QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE AND LAMP DEPARTMENT,
RUG AND HASSOCK DEPARTMENT.

You can select a useful present. Our HANDKERCHIEF DISPLAY IS SIMPLY ENORMOUS: Best Silk and Linen from 3c. a piece up. Umbrellas, Blankets, Fur Robes, Fur Rugs, Fur Gloves, Cheap Towels, Napkins, etc. Cheap! Cheaper! Than Ever!
Come one! Come all! We greet you!

R. F. PARKS.
Dec. 17, 1892.

Wedding Presents!
WHAT IS MORE APPROPRIATE?
—THAN—
ARTICLES OF FURNITURE?

Call and see my Stock. New goods constantly coming.
PERCY T. MCFEELY,
j21. Chestertown.

TELL your storekeeper if he has not the HIGH STANDARD to get it for you. d3-tf

HATS AND CAPS—new styles, low prices.
J. H. SIMPERS.

WHITE BLANKETS—$1.00 per pair, up.
J. H. SIMPERS.

—LAST—
NOTICE AND WARNING!
—TO—
Delinquent Tax-Payers.

ALL TAX-PAYERS who have postponed, neglected or failed to pay their taxes for the year 1892, will take notice that on April First ALL UNPAID TAX BILLS MUST BE PLACED IN THE
HANDS OF THE SHERIFF
and the language of the law is that the Sheriff shall FORTHWITH proceed to collect the same by legal process.

YOU ARE HEREBY WARNED and advised to take advantage of the last favorable opportunity and make settlement, full and complete, with the County Treasurer DURING MARCH.

On April 1st
It will be necessary to settle with the Sheriff of the county, and thus be subjected to additional costs, charges and trouble.
Respectfully,
CLARENCE S. HURLOCK,
m4-4t. COUNTY TREASURER.

They've Got to Go
HARD TIMES, HIGH PRICES and BIG PROFITS Can't Exist in This Town,
Because we have got the Goods and Make the Price that Saves the People's Money. Have you seen our
—NEW—
SPRING STOCK?
it is a wonderfully complete assortment of high—class goods in—
Dry Goods, Groceries,
CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES,
HATS, CAPS, FURNISHING GOODS, NOTIONS, &c.

H. S. COOK,
March 11, 1893. MILLINGTON, MD.

SPRING OF 1893
IS CLOSE AT HAND, BUT WE ARE ALREADY HERE, AND THAT TO STAY. FOR 1893 WE OFFER:

1—The STAR CLOVER SEEDER (Wheelbarrow) said to be *the best*.
2—The COMING PLOW—*The Imperial*—sold on trial. None better.
3—The DRADER'S SPADING HARROW. Ask Mr. John E. Morris what it can do?
4—The HAMILTON DISK HARROW—a grand good machine.
5—LAND PULVERIZING ROLLER—A new machine here. Come and see it.
6—*Gee Whiz!* We are right in it on the BARLOW CORN PLANTER, with new style of Check Rower and *Fox's* Feed Fertilizer Attachment.
Just Here—All Farmers who bought BARLOW CHECK ROWERS last season *will get new fixtures.*
7—Next comes—The IRON AGE RIDING CULTIVATOR. The best on earth.
8—Wood and Steel LAND ROLLERS—High and Low Drivers—Well built and cheap.
9—The Wise and Keystone FARM WAGONS, with Sideboards and End Stalls.
10—SPRING-TOOTH LEVER and SMOOTHING LEVER HARROWS. The best in the world.
11—WALKING CULTIVATORS and COMBINATION 14-TEETH CULTIVATORS and HARROWS, and
12—*Talk About Steel Wire Woven Fence*—Well just wait a little while till we show up, then you will do the talking and we will get your cash.
Also for sale, Carriages, Buggies, Milk Wagons and Dearborns, Come and see us.

JOSEPH GUEST,
Cross Street, near Jos. Gilpin's Hotel.
WM. A. ELLIOTT, SALESMAN. fe18-tf.

CLEAN YOUR CLOTHING
—WITH—
Vandegrift's Eradicator

The following testimonials speak for themselves:

CHESTERTOWN, MD., Feb. 27, 1893.
MR. JOHN S. VANDEGRIFT:
Sir—Mrs. Smith has been using your Eradicator for a year and pronounces it the best article of its kind she has ever used, and unhesitatingly recommends it.
Very truly yours, MARION DEK. SMITH.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., Feb. 27, 1893.
MR. JOHN S VANDEGRIFT:
Dear Sir—I too have been using it in my family, and find it, as does Mr. Smith, superior to anything of the sort we have ever used.
Very truly yours, HOPE H. BARROLL.

CHESTERTONWN, MD., May 23, 1892.
MR. J. S. VANDEGRIFT:
Dear Sir—The piece of fabric given to you with grease spots on it, are thoroughly removed, and I think it is the only thing I have ever seen to effectually accomplish the work, and it gives me pleasure to add my testimony to its worth.
Resp'y, MISS KATE WHEATLEY, MILLINER.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., May 23, 1892.
MR. J. S. VANDEGRIFT:
Dear Sir—A good "Eradicator" is badly needed by everybody. The one prepared by you is, I believe, the best on the market, and will effectually and permanently remove all stains on the clothing. I take great pleasure in recommending it to the public, feeling assured that it will save many dollars' worth of clothing in the course of a year.
Very truly yours, C. F. STAM, DRUGGIST.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., July 19, 1892.
MR. JOHN S. VANDEGRIFT:
Dear Sir—I have seen some effects from your Eradicator and I believe it is the best thing of the kind I have ever tried.
Resp'y, M. A. TOULSON, DRUGGIST.

LARGE COLLECTION
OF VERY DESIRABLE GOODS IN FINE
JEWELRY-:-WATCHES-:-DIAMONDS
CLOCKS, BRONZES, &c.
LOWEST PRICES!
J. S. MACDONALD,
Nos. 6 and 8 N. Charles St., Balto., Md.
Will remove next door, corner Baltimore and Charles street, about June 15th.

1893. 1893.
SPRING WORK!
HAS COMMENCED AND THE
South Bend Chilled Plow
AND CASTINGS
are in great demand, also Fence Wire, and Whitewash Brushes. Get our Prices before buying, which we guarantee to be as LOW as the LOWEST.

Remember our stock is complete with Building Hardware, Gate Hinges, Bolts, Plows, and Castings for the South Bend and Remington Plows, Rope and Chain Traces, Single Trees, Plow Lines, Back Bands, Hames, Shovels, forks, Spades, Hoes, Rakes, Grindstones and Fixtures, Rock Salt, Horse Yokes, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Roofing and Spouting
done at short notice and Satisfaction Guaranteed in Work and Prices.

Assorted Bolts cheap by the hundred. A large assortment of Table and Pocket Cutlery always on hand.

J. LLOYD McFEELY & CO.'S
HARDWARE STORE, ADJ. OLD BANK.
March 18, 1893.

NEW GOODS!
Low Prices
HAMBURG EDGES, TORCHON LACE,
DRESS GINGHAMS and PERCALES of the best.
WHITE GOODS, of the best styles,
Call and see our line of
NEW DRESS GOODS,
Silks and Velvet Trimmings.
Don't forget to ask to see our line of
Shoes and Slippers.
the DOUGLASS SHOE, best put up for the money.
Mattings as Low as 10c.
The BEST TOBACCO you ever looked at for 25c. Also GRAVELEY and R. J. R. Brands. All Winter Goods at cost.
WESTCOTT & DODD.

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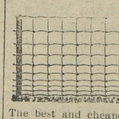

The best and cheapest Farm, Field and General Purpose Fence on Earth. Over 30 miles sold in Queen Anne's county in two months. It is now being extensively used in Druid Hill Park, Baltimore, and is highly recommended. C. H. Latrobe, Esq.: Will last a lifetime, and only 3 posts to the one hundred feet.

ITS ADVANTAGES:
Being a SELF-REGULATING it is always ready for business, slacks up for 30° below as cheerfully as it takes a new grip for 90° in the shade, gently, but firmly, persuades a runaway team to reconsider its action. An unruly bull is as safe as a canary in a cage; it saith unto the festive hog, "thus far shalt thou go." The fierce wind and drifting snow pass by and it heeds them not. There is no terror in the locomotive spark. The trespasser is not led into temptation, and the rail stealer's "occupation is gone." The hired man and the lagging tramp, alike scorn its proffered shade. Like the model housewife, when well-supported, it is always neat and tidy. ITS ONE FAULT is the continual tugging at the end posts. The requisite strain of several tons needs thorough bracing and anchoring of these posts. But forewarned is forearmed.

COMPARATIVE COSTS.
Remember the first cost does not always determine the cheapness of an article. One dollar's worth of barbed wire has been known to save a man from paying taxes on a thousand dollars worth of horsefleh. An inefficient fence often seem to fail when just needed most. A short lived fence, or one that needs constant care, will be dear at half the price of ours. While there are some good wire fences on the market besides the Coiled Spring, they are entirely lacking in elasticity which we consider the most important feature of our fence. We therefore compare ours with post and board fence. This is the favorite of all breeders of fine stock who have not yet become acquainted with the merits of our fence. We asked one hundred users of our fence to give an estimate of its value compared with this style. Three out of a hundred place ours on a par with the board, while ninety-seven rated it from twenty-five to several hundred per cent. better; in most cases our fence can be furnished complete at 25 per cent. less than one made of boards and posts.

J. K. ALDRIDGE & CO., Ag'ts.,
CHESTERTOWN, MD. fd-tf.

FOR THE SPRING OF 1893.
GARDEN SEEDS!
FRESH,
GENUINE,
RELIABLE.
LARGE STOCK! LOW PRICES!
COLIN F. STAM, Druggist,
m4-tf. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Wanted to Purchase Immediately!
LIVE, FAT HOGS,
Calves and Cattle,
Also, Muskrat, Mink, Rabbit Opossum, Coon, Fox, Sheep and all kinds of FURS and SKINS.
HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR ALL.
BUTCHER THOMPSON,
d10-4m. Opposite Voshell House.

THE MILLINGTON MILLS.
Having recently purchased the MILLINGTON MILLS and put them in thorough repair by putting in the latest improved machinery, I now solicit the custom of all housekespers wishing good bread, FLOUR, MEAL and other MILL FEED for sale.
j14-tf. E. W. SPEAR.

FOR THE LADIES.

The Kent News Reporter's Budget About the Fashions for Spring.

As the days lengthen and nature begins to put on her spring garb womankind also commence to tire of the old clothes and turn her attention to something new. We read and hear much of the extravagance of women in their dress, but we will take the responsibility of stating that in Kent county the ladies are as neatly, stylishly and economically dressed as in any other county in the State.

"La Tosca" will be among the leading shapes worn this spring. It is the style of hat worn by Sarah Bernhardt. Old poke bonnets are coming in style but there are very few persons who can wear them. One can scarcely tell the difference between bonnet and toque so closely do they resemble. Chips of fine straw hold the lead at present and shapes are large. The latter is a very sensible addition to the hats where persons live in the country or towns but ladies don't wear the big brimmed hats to entertainments. For by doing so you may prevent the *man* behind you from seeing the performers. "The latest thing out," said a fashionable lady to us yesterday, "is big straw with old cold-scuttle crown."

The trimmings will be specially elaborate and in a very few words everything that can be placed on a hat will be done. Green will prevail where it will suit the complexion or make up of person, but magenta and green will be generally worn. Magenta is a new color, a sort of purplish red. Brunettes should by all means wear magenta. Laces, chantillies in small patterns, guipure lace will be worn and flowers will be used in profusion. Lilacs, violets and roses will be the leading flowers. Ribbons and pearl trimmings will be also in demand. Pale shades of green lace and not deep green will be worn.

Two-toned is the name of a straw that will likely take well this season because of its neatness and style. It takes its name from being of two colors.

The new spring suitings show great favor to polka dot and pin point patterns. Organdies will be largely worn. Plaids will be very popular this season, not only Scotch plaid, but fancy plaids in rich combinations will prevail. Corded and plain serges with diagonal stripes and changeable popleins are the newest in spring goods and the trimmings will consist of changeable silks, cotelle and faille; also fancy braids. Greens, tan and drabs are leading shades in dress goods.

"Crinoline or not," is the question? One of our leading milliners says all will be swathed in hoop skirts of voluminous dimensions, while another lady is equally positive that this fashion will not prevail to any great extent. This is a question that time will settle. In the meantime it is an established fact that skirts are growing more and more voluminous every day. The newest styles show the bell or umbrella shape.

Women Ushers.

Every day a new field of occupation for women is developing, and the latest to present itself is that of "ushering" at the theatres. Though the custom is a new one in this country it has been for years in practice on the other side of the water, where the black robed white capped attendants are a very common but always pleasing sight.

Niblo's Theatre in New York has introduced the new service here, and according to the newspaper reports every one seems very much pleased with the change. The uniform of the office is a neat, well-fitting gown, with a white cap, the same as worn in England. A Scotch lassie who has served for years in one of the largest theaters in Edinburg, holds the position of head usher and is doing her best to instruct the girls under her charge as to the most approved methods of "ushering."

Why shouldn't women make as desirable ushers as men? There in nothing in the duties that especially need a masculine mind to master, and these neat looking attendants will certainly prove more pleasing to the eye than the ordinary individual in a hired dress suit or one bought at second hand, who usually does us the honor to get us into the wrong seat. So long as they adhere strictly to American principles and do not charge for the programmes, we say let the women have a chance in this field that has been monopolized by men for so long a time.

How Deaf Mutes Dance.

"I never felt so lonesome in my life," said a gentleman recently, "as when I chanced to be thrown one day with a picnic party of deaf mutes. They could understand each other, laughed and carried on and had a good time generally, while I sat like a mummy, apart, looking on, but unable to participate in any of the fun.

"One thing that surprised me greatly," he continued, "was to see them indulge in dancing. I had always supposed that it was absolutely essential to hear the rhythm of the music in order to keep time of a waltz or a polka. To be sure they had an orchestra on the dancing barge, and for a time I regarded that as peculiar, for few if any of the party could hear the strains.

"After a little though I solved the mystery. The mutes could not hear the music, but they felt it, which was just as effectual. To be sure of the matter I spoke to the leader of the orchestra and he assured me that my surmise was correct, and that when he was employed by the party it was expressly stipulated that he should bring his biggest bass drum and bass viols. The deep tones were more vibratory than the others and the mutes kept excellent waltz time by felling the vibration of the the wood flooring upon which they danced." *New York Herald.*

People You Like.

The man who pronounces your dinner absolutely faultless.

The individual who always laughs vociferously at your puns.

The acquaintance who regrets that he has not your exquisite artistic taste.

The photographer who says you are really one of the finest subjects he ever had.

The tailor who says it is a pleasure to make a suit for a man with a figure like yours.

The lady whom you overhear whisper to a friend that you are the cleverest man she knows.

The visitor who remarks that your boy is the handsomest little fellow he ever saw and that he bears a striking resembalnce to you.

Paving With Rubber Blocks.

Some new ideas have lately attracted attention in the matter of pavements. Among these is the paving of a bridge by a German engineer with india rubber, the result having been so satisfactory as to induce its application on a much larger scale, a point in its favor being that it is more durable than asphalt and not slippery.

In London a section of roadway under the gate leading to the departure platform of the St. Pancras terminus has for some time past been paved with this material, with the effect of deadening the sound made when being passed over on wheels, besides the comfortable elasticity afforded to foot passengers.

A LITTLE GIRL applied at a grocery store at Marshall, Mo., several days ago, for a can of incandescent milk.

A VENTILATED car door made up of perforated plates in the form of panels has been patented.

EMBRYO OYSTERS.

The Invention of a Baltimorean for Feeding and Rearing Them.

Mr. Edward Walton, Sr., 2005 Oak street, has patented an apparatus for breeding, rearing, fattening and salting oysters under hygienic conditions. The model of the invention, on which he is now working, is made of wood and galvanized iron, but the machines when made for practical use will be constructed of brick, stone and iron. The model is about five feet long, and consists of one trough leading into a reservoir, and another leading out from a second reservoir.

An end of one trough is to be built into the mouth of an inlet or in a stream facing the incoming tide. The entrance to the trough is covered with a sieve. The water is to flow through the sieve along the trough and then is to fall to the bottom of the two reservoirs, each of which contains a massive framework of iron-barred shelves.

On the shelves are to be placed oyster shells, old leather, coal or other objects for the embryo oysters to catch upon. By means of a derrick and windlass the frames are to be lifted out, the embryos removed from the objects on which they have caught and planted when desired.

Mr. Walton experimented with a rough wooden apparatus last season in South river, and said he could dip a jar into the reservoir at any time and catch millions of swimming embryo oysters. A point which Mr. Walton claims he has made is in constructing an apparatus which will let the water out from the bottom instead of the top, as he says the embryos float on or near the surface of the water, and it is only when the shell begins to form that the oyster sinks to the bottom. The embryo, he says, is less than one five-hundredth part of an inch in thickness and is too diminutive to be caught in seines. If the seines were made fine enough to catch the embryos, Mr. Walton declares, the embryos would soon die for want of a current of water. The catch must be kept clean to be successful. Apparatus made after Mr. Walton's model, 100 feet long, 16 feet wide and 16 feet deep, filled with collectors of coal, shells and leather, four inches apart, would furnish, the inventor claims, a collecting surface sufficient to hold over three billions of young oysters. By collecting the young oysters every 24 or 48 hours, according to the catch during the spawning season, he declares, one hundred and fifty billions of oysters could be saved.

By placing the apparatus in the inlet leading to a pond and filling the reservoir with oysters, it is claimed, this enormous catch could be deposited in the pond until ready to be replanted. A pond properly constructed, Mr. Walton says, would protect the young oysters from submarine enemies. The bottom of the pond could be covered with oyster shells when the oysters are spawning. Attached to the apparatus is an "agitator," which stirs any mud which may fall to the bottom and carries it off as waste.

The apparatus, it is asserted, can be used in winter to put oysters in condition. In the storage reservoirs can be stored the oysters in poor condition. Salting and feeding apparatus is attached and Mr. Walton says he took the poorest kind of oysters and in a few days by his process they were fat and solid. The inventor says he will continue his experiment, although he is convinced he has attained his object.

Be a Woman.

Oft I've heard a gentle mother,
As the twilight hours began,
Plead with a son, of duty,
Urging him to be a man;
But unto her blue-eyed daughter,
Though with love's words quite as ready,
Points she out this other duty—
"Strive my dear, to be a lady."

What's a lady? Is it something
Made of hoops, and silks, and airs,
Used to decorate the parlor,
Like the fancy mats and chairs?
Is it one that wastes on novels
Every feeling that is human?
If 'tis this to be a lady,
'Tis not this to be a woman.

Mother, then, unto your daughter,
Speak of something higher far
Than to be mere fashion's lady—
Woman is the brightest star.
If you in your strong affection,
Urge your son to be a true man,
Urge your daughter no less strongly,
To arise and be a woman.

Yes, a woman! Brightest model
Of that high and perfect beauty,
Where the mind, and soul, and body,
Blend to work out life's great duty.
Be a woman! Naught is higher
On the gilded list of fame;
On the catalogue of virtue
There's no brighter, holier name.

Be a woman! On to duty!
Raise the world from all that's low;
Place high in the social heaven
Virtue's fair and radiant bow;
Lend thy influence to each effort,
That shall raise our nature human;
Be not fashion's gilded lady—
Be a brave, whole-souled, true woman.

An Orphan's Keepsake.

The contents of school-boys' desks are sometimes very amusing, says a Western writer. The master at a boarding-school had to superintend the opening of some forty or fifty desks, in connection with a theft of the foot ball funds. A pipe, a pistol, and other contraband articles were found in some desks. In one a tooth-powder box full of ants; in another, silk-worms and lettuce leaves. A burst of laughter arose when, from another was produced a small leather purse, containing not the stolen money but a young lady's glove.

"When I came, in my eager search, to the desk of nearly the smallest boy in the room," says the master, "a small parcel fell from the owner's hand. A queer whitey-brown paper parcel it was, bound round with string in the most intricate convolutions and series of knots. Of course I had to examine that parcel. As I put out my hand for it, the boy hesitated. The other fellows exchanged glances, as much as to say that we had run the fox to earth at last. Even older and wiser heads thought the same. There stood the frightened, anxious little boy, his blue eyes filled with tears, his fair face all marred with terror, and his soft, wavy, flaxen hair, that gentle hands had doubtless smoothed this many a day at home, all tangled now.

"'Please don't open it sir,' pleaded the child, for such he was; 'pray, don't open it before the boys.'

"Had I followed my own inclination, I should have given back the parcel unopened. But that could not be. With my pen-knife I cut through the string, undid the many wraps of paper, and disclosed to view a small pill-box, which might have contained the missing money. I opened the box. There were no ants this time, no money either; nestled in a bed of wool, was a dainty locket, and with it a small scrap of paper, on which was written, 'For my dear Percy, with his mother's love.' The locket enclosed a piece of a loving mother's hair, and the little boy was an orphan only a few weeks."—*Christian Herald.*

School Averages.

The following pupils of the Golt school made an average of 75:

Sixth grade—Mortimer Smith, 88; Chas. Boyles, 82. Fourth grade—Leon Stien, 92; Willie Smith, 88; J. Barrett Wood, 80. Third grade—Thomas Wharton, 93; John Ennis, 90; Delbert Knox, 89; Lulu Little, 83; Harry Whitlock, 81. Second grade—Roscoe Wharton, 90; Sallie Ennis, 80.

The pupils of Fairlee school made the following good averages:

Mahlon Lee, 89¾; Charles H. Skirven, 87¼; Laura D. Lee, 77½; Blanche Smyth, 75; Wilmer Dill, 77; Oliver Payne, 78 9-10; Hope Greenwood, 77¾; John Nicholson, 75 9-10; Harry Skirven, 76¾; Frank Skirven, 78; Claude Blackiston, 82¼; John Hudson, 85½; Sam Fowler, 86½.

"WHY do you sign your name J. John B. B. B. Bronson?" asked Hawkins.

"Because it's my name," said Bronson. "I was christened by a minister who stuttered."

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Slandering Secret Societies.

Excitement runs high among the fraternity men of this place because the most flagrant falsehood that has recently appeared in the *Christian Cynosure*, of Chicago, to the effect that Pythianism and Odd Fellowship have each lost about thirty or more members by withdrawals from the lodges, caused, it is said, from the fact that secret societies are detrimental to the church and home. It appears that this information has been furnished the above paper by some party in this section, who it is no one knows, but it is a lie from beginning to end, and it is hoped that the author will be located. No such sentiment has ever been entertained by any member of either lodge, so far as is known at this time. There have been but three members lost to the Knights of Pythias and they were suspended for non-payment of dues. The I. O. O. F. lodge has not lost a single member since its organization.

There is in the city of Boston an organization of ladies, whose object seems to be to wipe out all secret societies, they believing such societies strike at the happiness of the home and hurts in the matter of church attendance, and they find the *Christian Cynosure* and the *National Home Guard* always ready to publish anything eminating from them against secret societies.

On January 4th, 1891, the Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., of St. Louis, delivered an address before the congregation, the subject being "Secret Societies, are They Right or Wrong?" the doctor taking the ground that they were wrong and a curse. Perpetual warfare was then declared by these ladies and a number of religious sects against secret societies. We have no objection to any church, or set of individuals proclaiming eternal war against secret bodies, but we think they should know whereof they speak. We fail to see how any church can condemn secret benevolent societies, unless it be through ignorance. The lodge can never supplant the church, but they have a work to do that the church cannot do.

Pythianism and Odd Fellowship, high as are their aims, self-sacrificing and pure as are their motives and labors, and great as is the good they have already accomplished and are destined still to accomplish, is not religion, nor do they profess it to be. The sacred prerogatives of the church they do not touch, nor do they aspire to touch. While they seek to relieve suffering, to protect the widows and orphans, to inspire in men higher and nobler action toward his fellow men, they leave to the church the work of drying up the source of suffering, poverty and want. Handmaids of religion they rest all their endeavors upon the enduring rock, holy writ, against which the gates of hell shall no prevail. Co-laborers with the church, they extend the right hand of fellowship in every good word and work.

Amid the deluge of the waters that swept from the earth a race fit no longer to dwell upon it, as those waters began to assuage, first above the surging crest arose one lone mountain peak, around it the frail bark landed at the command of Jehovah, and freighted with a world's destiny, hovered in vain for a resting place. The summit of that mountain was too pointed, the storm swept fiercely on, lashing that frail vessel with its angry billows until it shivered in every timber. Those waters still receding soon far below another peak appeared, like the first, it too was pointed. The vessel could not rest upon it, but hovering around it as their only hope, at length the receding waters left it securely resting between the two, for both sprang from a common base. It took both peaks of Ararat to save the ark.

Thus side by side stand the church, Pythianism and Odd Fellowship, each springing from a common base, the bible. Does the church stand higher? Wears she a brighter crown? Is she decked with a more sparkling diadem? Grant it. Just below and near by stands the K. P. and I. O. O. F. ready to do their parts, and between the three receiving the world of falling humanity, bear it above the surging billows of vice and crime, of wretchedness and want, now deluging it and returning it washed of its defilement, to the bosom of its father and its God. When this shall be accomplished, and from the upper sky shall come in loud acclaim the welcome plaudit, "Well done, then, and not till then, shall the great mission of Pythianism and Odd Fellowship be accomplished. As long as good results secret societies will have a right to live and will prevail. But the church first and the lodge second, to which we can all say amen.

ORIGIN OF O. K.

A Countrymen's Way of Spelling All Correct—The Story.

In the year 1839 the Boston and providence Railroad was extended to Stonington, Ct., and from that point a daily line of steamboats ran to New York, and also from New York to Stronington, and in connection with the railroad, made a popular line between Boston and New York. A Mr. Wm. F. Harndon, who had been a careful and trusty conductor on the Boston and Providence Railroad for many years, was appointed to run through between New York and Boston, to aid in caring for passengers and their effects, Mr. Harndon, being well-known, was daily entrusted with numerous articles and packages to carry each way, and as the business was increasing he conceived the idea of establishing an express line between New York and Boston for the safe handling and conveyance of packages and valuables. As a resul, early in 1840 Harndon's Express Company was duly established, being the first of the kind in this country. Not long after Mr. Alva Adams organized the Adams Express Company to run from Boston through New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore to Washington, and after Mr. Harndon's death Mr. Adams consolidated the Harndon company with his. Mr. Harndon's office in Boston was on Court street. One day a young man from the country asked Mr. H. for a situation. After asking several questions, which were satisfactory answered, he hired him to sweep the office and assist in receiving and shipping express matter. The country boy kept his eyes open, and