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Job-Printing.—HAND-BILLS, BLANKS, CIRCULARS, &c.—We have an extensive assortment of new and beautiful JOB TYPE, and are prepared to execute every description of Job Printing, at short notice on very reasonable terms.

SPRING MILLINERY.

MRS. SARAH PEARCE

HAS just returned from the city with a handsome assortment of SPRING MILLINERY, embracing the latest styles and patterns of BONNETS, RIBBONS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, and everything in the Millinery line. The ladies are respectfully invited to examine her goods and prices.

Thankful for past patronage, she respectfully requests a continuance of the same.

Store next house below the residence of Mr. John T. Dodd. [apr16-2m.]

DENTISTRY.

DR. J. T. TWILLEY'S Office and residence having been destroyed by fire, he may be found at his residence, up town, in the house recently occupied by Mr. Wm. Maxwell, where he will be pleased to see all those requiring anything in the line of his profession. m21tf.

J. J. PEARCE,

FASHIONABLE TAILOR,

SHOP AT MY RESIDENCE BELOW MR. J. T. DODD'S.

PHILADELPHIA FASHIONS received every season. CUTTING done at short notice. Thankful for past favors, he respectfully solicits a continuance of public patronage.

Chestertown, jan17y.

FARMERS

LOOK TO YOUR INTEREST.

THE subscriber has just received from the city an assortment of

SADDLES, CARRIAGE HARNESS,

Cart Harness, Bridles, Collars,

HALTERS, Carriage Reins, Hitch Reins, &c., which he will sell *twenty five per cent. Cheaper* than can be bought in Chestertown. He also has on hand and constantly receiving

Furniture of all Descriptions,

which he can sell as low as can be bought in the city. He still continues to carry on the UNDERTAKING BUSINESS in all its branches, and is prepared to send Corpse to any part of the country.

☞He will give 8½ cents cash for good Beef Hides, 4½ cents for good clean Rags, and the highest cash price for TURKEYS, CHICKENS, and EGGS.

CHARLES STANLEY.

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PREPARE FOR HARVEST.

THE "KIRBY REAPER."

THE undersigned having been appointed agent for the sale of the above Machine in the lower part of Kent county, takes this method of informing the Farmers of that part of the county, that he is prepared to furnish them at Manufacturer's prices, with a COMBINED REAPER AND MOWER, that cannot be excelled in the country, just such a machine as every Farmer needs at this time, when labor is so scarce.

It Reaps, It Mows, It Rakes!

A perfect Reaper, a perfect Mower, a perfect Self-Raker, and a perfect hand raker.

All Machines sold by him will be put in running order, and the following warranty given if required:

WARRANTY—That they are well built, of good material, and capable of cutting with one span of horses an acre of grass or grain per hour. The purchaser to have the privilege of cutting two acres of grass or grain as a trial of the Machine. If it should not work well he shall give notice to the agent, and allow him time to send a person to put it in order; if it cannot then be made to work satisfactorily it will be taken back and considered no sale.

Early orders solicited.

GEORGE H. THOMPSON, Agent
Near Edesville.

The CLIPPER MOWER, the Cheapest and best single Mower in the world. apr2 3m

Sassafras River and Baltimore Steam Navigation Company.

INSTALLMENT NOTICE.

The Stockholders of the Sassafras River and Baltimore Navigation Company are notified that their fourth and last payment on their subscription to Stock of said Company will be due and payable on

TUESDAY, the 7th of June, 1864,

and they are hereby notified to meet punctually at Chestertown, as above, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

D. C. BLACKISTON, Treas'r.
A. J. REES, Secretary. [my7-5t.]

JOHN H. BURCHINAL

HAS just arrived from the city, and is opening TO-DAY, a

NEW STOCK OF GOODS,

mbracing a large variety. Call and examine.

Chestertown, May 21, 1864.

Plants and Vegetables.

HAVING employed an experienced gardener, I am now prepared to furnish the public with all kinds of PLANTS and VEGETABLES in season.

R. S. EMORY,
ap23—3m. Near Chestertown.

NOTICE TO FARMERS.

Pennington's Improved Reaper

WE call the attention of the farmers of Kent and the adjoining counties to the fact that PENNINGTON & ELLIOTT having established a MACHINE SHOP AND FOUNDRY

At Galena, Kent county, Md.,

are manufacturing for the harvest of 1864,

Pennington's Improved Reaper.

This machine is very durable, runs light, has a central draft, and cuts with Sickle Knives a swath 6 feet 6 inches. It has a KEEL, and when required a MOWER can be attached—it is then a COMPLETE MOWER AND REAPER.

We refer to the following certificates from well known gentlemen of Kent and Cecil:

NEAR CHESTERVILLE, Kent Co., Md., April 30th, 1864.

Messrs. Pennington & Elliott:—Gentlemen—The Pennington Improved Reaper which I purchased of you was used at my last harvest with entire satisfaction. It cut cleaner, I think, than any Reaper I have ever used, runs light, and is easily managed. I cut 160 acres without a single breakage, which is to me sufficient evidence of the high character and durability of the machine. I have no hesitation in recommending it to farmers. Respectfully, yours,

C. W. SPRY.

This certifies that I have used the Pennington Improved Reaper, manufactured in Galena, by *Pennington & Elliott,* and am glad to say that it gave entire satisfaction, and recommend it to others.

THOS. C. KENNARD,
Still Pond, Kent Co., Md., April 19, 1864.

This is to certify that I have used the kind of Reaper manufactured by Pennington & Elliott, at Galena, Kent Co., for several years, both as a Reaper and Mower, and that it has rendered entire satisfaction. It is centre draft, and I believe one-third lighter on horses than any Reaper I have ever used. I have been dealing with Messrs. Pennington & Elliott for several years, and have received entire satisfaction from them in every respect.

WILLIAM KNIGHT,
Near Cecilton, Cecil Co., Apr. 13, 1864.

This is to certify that I have used Pennington & Elliott's Reaper for a number of years, with great satisfaction, and purchased it after inspecting many others. I can recommend it in good faith.

C. H. B. MASSEY,
Masseys X Roads, Kent Co., Apr. 23, 1864.

This is to certify that I have used the Reaper manufactured by Messrs. Pennington & Elliott, of Galena, Kent Co., Md., and consider it one of the best machines of the kind I have ever used. I have had a number of business transactions with them, which have always proved perfectly satisfactory.

JAS. W. VEAZEY,
Near Cecilton, Md., April 13, 1864.

This is to certify that I have used the *Pennington Reaper,* (one of the first put up,) and that I have had more satisfaction with it than any Reaper I have ever used for the same number of years. It has since been strengthened where it was required. I believe the Reaper now put up by Messrs. Pennington & Elliott, at Galena, one of the best in use.

D. C. BLACKISTON.
April 25th, 1864.

GALENA, Kent Co., Apr. 26, 1864.

I hereby certify that I purchased and used the Pennington Improved Reaper, manufactured by *Pennington & Elliott,* at this place, during last harvest, cutting more than one hundred acres of grain, in the best manner, and good time, without a single breakage, and with perfect satisfaction. It cut clean, fast and run light, and is, I think, very durable. It will cut with a good team and driver, 25 acres per day, cutting as it does, a swath of 6 feet or 6½ feet wide. It give me pleasure to recommend it.

J. M. ARMSTRONG.

I certify that I bought one of Messrs. Pennington & Elliott's Reapers for my last harvest, and used it for cutting my Wheat and Oats with entire satisfaction. It runs light, and cuts the grain better than any Reaper I ever used, and I take pleasure in recommending it as the best Reaper in use. I have done business with Mr. Elliott of that firm, for a number of yerrs, and have always found him perfectly satisfactory and reliable.

RICHARD C. JOHNSON,
Near Millington, April 25, 1864.

Galena, May 7, 1864—3m.

Labour Saving Machines!

REAPING and MOWING for 1864.

THE KIRBY Comb'd Mower & Reaper,

And KIRBY CLIPPER MOWER,

Highly improved for 1864, with hand rake and self-rake. Farmers wishing BEST MACHINE should order the KIRBY COMBINED at once. Machines and Parts for Repairs in store and for sale by me. The undersigned has been appointed agent at Chestertown for the sale of the above Machines. Persons desirous of obtaining a good Machine would do well to order early, as the demand for the above Machines will probably be greater than the manufacturers' can supply.

CHARLES STANLEY, Agent.

Chestertown, apr9tf.

United States Ten-Forty Loan.

First National Bank of Baltimore.

DESIGNATED DEPOSITARY AND FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Baltimore having been designated as Financial Agent and Depositary of the United States in the City of Baltimore, is now prepared to receive subscriptions on account of United States Bonds authorized by the act of March 3d, 1864, bearing date March 1st, 1864, redeemable at the pleasure of the Government after ten years, and payable forty years from date, bearing interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable in Gold *annually* on Bonds not over one hundred dollars, and *semi-annually* on all other Bonds.

Subscribers may have the option of Registered or Coupon Bonds, as they may prefer.

The accrued interest from the 1st of March to date of subscription will be payable in coin; or in United States notes or the notes of National Banks—adding fifty per cent. premium until further notice; or interest may commence from date of subscription.

Coupon Bonds are now nearly ready for delivery, and Registered Bonds are expected on or before the 30th April next.

Subscriptions and remittances will be received at the FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALTIMORE.

ap16-3m. J. S. NORRIS, Cashier.

IRON Tea and Table Spoons, Basting Spoons, Egg Whips, Flesh Forks, Wire Vegetable Ladles, Dust Pans and Molasses Cups, for sale at the Stove and Tin Store by

May 14, 1864. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

DOWN BY THE RAPIDAN.

How, like a dream of childhood, the sweet May day goes by!
A golden brightness gilds the air, a rose-flush paints the sky;
And the Southern winds come bearing in their freights of rare perfume,
From the far-off country valleys, where the Spring-flowers are in bloom.

We sit beneath our windows, and wateh the evening sun,
And count the silver rain drops descending one by one;
The very town seems silenced in a soft, delicious calm,
How different is the scene to-night down by the Rapidan!

Down by the rushing Rapidan, hark! how the muskets crack!
The battle smoke rolls up so thick, the very heavens are black.
No blossom-scented winds are there, no drops of silver rain;
The air is thick with sulphurous heat and filled with moans of pain.

Oh! let us not forget them, our brave, unselfish boys,
Who have given up their loved ones, their happy household joys,
And stand to-night in rank and file, determined to a man,
To triumph over treason, down by the Rapidan!

And let our hearts be hopeful; our faith unwavering, strong;
Right must be all victorious when battling with the *Wrong.*
Let us bear up our heroes' hands! Pray, every soul that can,
"God bless our boys who fight to-night down by the Rapidan!"

—*Wash. Chronicle.*

LIFE---WHAT IS IT?

A dangerous voyage, young friends. The mariner's life is a hard one. Many a winter's storm and summer's sun beats upon his head. How many an unseen rock lies in his path. How many the spars and planks that remind him of dreadful disasters. And sometimes after a toilsome voyage, he finds he is shipwrecked, almost in sight of the desired haven. Is it not thus with you, dear friends, in passing through life? yes, you will find your body at best a frail bark, and yours perhaps a tempestuous voyage. Many the numbers that have been wrecked in passing from time to eternity, and left miserable and without hope on the coast of dread despair. Will you not see to it then, ere you start out in full sail, and make all necessary preparations for such a voyage? We know the sailor would not venture to sea, without first consulting his Chart, on which are marked every dangerous mark. We know he makes himself familiar with every safe harbor, every sure retreat—he would not start without a compass. He would not go without an anchor, nor without life boats. Why this preparation, these precautions? Because he knows the consequences of such neglect. Again when out at sea, if warned by the pilot of "breakers ahead" would he not in a moment change his course; and steer in that which his wisdom and repeated experience point out to him? Surely he would. If such care can be taken in the above instance, how much greater the necessity of some preparation in the voyage of life. The Bible, dear friends, is the Chart God has given you; in this voyage, you will see the Church open for you to enter; this is a safe harbor for you, and which will prove to you a beacon light amid the darkness and gloom that surround you. Faith will be to you a compass truer than the north star to the mariner. Hope as your anchor, no storm can drive it from its moorings. Take Jesus as your pilot, for he has passed through many a storm, and conducted multitudes to the haven of peace. Yes, at His bidding the waves are still. Salvation as your life boat, for along this voyage you will find many ship-wrecked souls who started out without proper preparations and depended on their own efforts. Do not be discouraged, but take warning from their shortcomings, redouble your own diligence, follow the Pilot in all his commands, keep the Chart of life ever before you, and the mercy seat always in view, then you will be safe, safe forever. In the Master's time, you will arrive at the port of peace, and be welcome to the heavenly harbor.

PROVERBS.

He who abandons his poor kindred, God forsake him.

He who resolves suddenly, repents at leisure.

He who rises late loses his prayers, and provides not well for his house.

He who amends his faults, puts himself under God's protection.

He who loves well, sees things at a distance.

He who hath servants, hath enemies that he cannot well be without.

He who sins like a fool, like a fool must perish.

He is always safe, who knows himself.

He hath a great opinion of himself who makes no comparisons with others.

He only is rich enough, who hath all that he desires.

He who hath much, wants still more, and then more.

He is the happy man, not whom other men thinks happy, but who thinks himself to be so.

He never can speak well, who knows not when to hold his peace.

He is the better man, who comes nearest the best.

He only is the great learned man, who knows enough to make him live well.

GARIBALDI speaks fourteen different languages.

OLD ABE'S LAST.—The latest illustrative story by Old Abe is thus related by a New York correspondent:

A gentleman just returned from Washington, relates the following incident that transpired at the White House the other day. Some gentlemen were present from the West, excited and troubled about the commissions or omissions of the Administration. The President heard them patiently, and then replied: "Gentlemen, suppose all the property you were worth was in gold, and you had put it into the hands of Blondin to carry across the Niagara river on a rope; would you shake the cable, or keep shouting out to him—Blondin, stand up a little straighter—Blondin, stoop a little more—go a little faster—lean a little more to the North—lean a little more to the South? No, you would hold your breath as well as your tongue, and keep your hands off until he was safe over. The Government are carrying an immense weight. Untold treasures are in their hands. They are doing the very best they can. Don't badger them. Keep silence, and we'll get you safe across." This simple illustration answered the complaints of half an hour, and not only silenced but charmed the audience.

WATERING PLANTS.—Watering plants is usually badly done. Water poured upon the surface, enough, perhaps, to wet down an inch or two. The water washes the fine earth into the chincks and interstices, and there the plant stands with dry or only moist soil below, but with a baked mass on the surface which shuts out air, warmth, and the moisture that would be derived from its free circulation. One of two methods should be adopted. Remove the surface earth and pour on water enough to reach the wet subsoil, and when the water has soaked in, replace the dry surface soil, to be moistened from below; or, make a hole as near the plant as you can without disturbing the roots, and fill this with water two or three times, and afterwards fill it with the dry earth first removed. At all events, when you water at all, water freely, and with the foot or a hoe throw a little dry earth over the surface as the water settles away. A few plants thus cared for will yield more than three times the number carelessly treated.—*Rural Annual.*

INDUSTRY.—Man must have occupation, or be miserable. Toil is the price of sleep and appetite, of health and enjoyment.—The very necessity which overcomes our natural sloth, is a blessing. The whole world does not contain a briar or thorn which divine mercy could have spared.—We are happier with the sterility which we can overcome by industry, than we could have been with spontaneous plenty and unbounded profusion. The body and the mind are improved by the toil that fatigues them.—The toil is a thousand times rewarded by the pleasure which it bestows. Its enjoyments are peculiar. No wealth can purchase them, no indolence can taste them. They flow only from the exertions which they repay.

SUCCESS IN LIFE.—Keep the law of duty now ever before you; let it be your never-failing pillar of light. Be brave, and on the square with your conscience to the last. Your success in life may not be equal to your hopes or your deserts; it is not in man to insure success. The best and wisest of us may fail in the struggle; but we may have our consolation even then. To gain the world's applause, and snatch its fleeting spoils, is not man's sole and proper business here. Immortality smiles forth on the scene, and beckons him ever onward in the race for those eternal honors which the world can neither give nor take away—the prize which all may strive for, and no one strive in vain.—*Dr Markham.*

GOOD RULES FOR ALL.—Profane swearing is abominable. Vulgar language is disgusting. Inquisitiveness is offensive. Tattling is mean. Telling lies is contemptible. Slandering is devilish. Drunkenness is disgraceful, and laziness shameful. Avoid all the above vices and aim at usefulness. This is the road by which to become respectable. Walk in it.—Never be ashamed of honest labor. Pride is a hateful curse—a hateful vice. Never act the hypocrite. Keep good company. Speak the truth at all times. Never be discouraged but persevere, and mountains will become mole hills.

IT is a curious fact, that while some birds refuse to sing when the cage is darkened, others have softer and sweeter notes of song. And so it is in human existence. When the soul of one comes under the "shadow of a great affliction," it has no longer the voice of melody. The resources and the heart of joy are gone. But another sits in shadow, and sends up to God the purest tones of music, and loftiest strains of praise from a chastened spirit. It was thus with David, whose harpings are never so heavenly as when they rise from the "depths" of his sorrow.

A CULPEPER farmer, on whose farm the opposing pickets were stationed, remarked to a Union officer: "I haint took no sides in this rebellion, but I'll be dog gorned if both sides haint took me!"

MANY have withstood the frowns of the world, but its smiles and caresses have hugged them to death.

THE FEELING IN RICHMOND.

The following is taken from the *Southern Churchman,* published in Richmond, and the organ of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States:

The present time in the history of the war we do not think can well be over estimated. It seems by common consent, both among us and our enemies, to be regarded as a crisis. Of course, all may be mistaken; but it does appear as if we had reached that point in the struggle when a great victory, one side or the other, will do much towards ending the war. *If Gen. Lee meets with disaster, and Johnson is overcome, we may reach the conclusion that longer strife, on our part, is useless and vain.*

The battles may be virtually drawn battles—no such success granted to either side as that either will be able to accomplish anything great. This will only prolong the war; and, with the resources of the United States, must prove disadvantageous to us. Or the victory may be with the enemy, and they may be able to press us to the wall. Or the victory may be ours, and we may be able to drive the enemy in shame and confusion. Now, all and either of these contingencies depend upon God. God may give the victory to either side, or to neither, just as He pleases. Let us not forget, just as He pleases.

ONE of the multitude of young men in the army who have advertised for "an agreeable female correspondent to while a way the ennui of camp life," received a reply some time since from a New Bedford lady. The correspondence proved very agreeable to both parties, and in due time they entered into a marriage engagement. At length the soldier obtained a furlough, and immediately went to be united to the object of his affections. He called at her address, and to his horror discovered that the fair one was of cream colored complexion, with kinky hair!

NEW METHODIST BISHOPS.—The General Conference of the M. E. Church, now in session at Philadelphia, on Saturday last elected three additional Bishops, namely: Rev. Dr. D. W. Clark, of the New York Conference, and for some time past editor of the Ladies' Repository; Rev. E. Thompson, D. D., of the Ohio Conference, now editor of the Christian Advocate and Journal; and Rev. Calvin Kingsley, D. D., of the Erie Conference, and at present editor of the Western Christian Advocate.

LEGACY TO GEN. BUTLER OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS.—The will of John Butler, brother of Gen. Butler, has been offered for probate in the surrogate's office in this city. He leaves an estate valued at two millions of dollars, of which one-half is bequeathed to the Major General. It is understood, that there are several New Orleans claimants who intend to file petitions as creditors.—*N. Y. Ex.*

THE NEW CENTS IN CIRCULATION.—The new cents recently authorized to be issued have already appeared. They are made almost entirely of copper. The circumference of the new coin is the same as that of the nickel cents, but they are thinner and much lighter. It is hoped that their comparative cheapness will prevent hoarding. These cents are of neat appearance and will be found even more convenient for use than the nickel coin.—*N. Y. Post.*

IN the battle of Gettysburg, the color sergeant of the 16th Vermont fell, mortally wounded. At once a dozen men rushed up to seize the colors and bear them forward. The poor wounded sergeant grasped the staff with both his clenched hands; his eyes were already dimmed with death; he could not see who it was that tried to wrest his charge from him.

"Are you friends or enemies?" he cried out.

"We are friends," was the reply, "give us the colors."

"Then friends," said he, "I am mortally wounded; let me hold the flag till I die!"—and so saying, he fell back—dead.

A POOR WEAK WOMAN.—Miss Susan Nipper, who lives in a small tenement, a lone woman, was quite flustrated the other morning by an early call from a bachelor neighbor.

"What did you come here after?" inquired Miss Nipper.

"I came here to borrow matches," he meekly replied.

"Matches! That's a likely story!—Why don't you make a match? I know what you come for," cried the exasperated old virgin, as she backed the bachelor into a corner. "You came here to hug and kiss me almost to death! But you shan't without you are the strongest, and the Lord knows you are!"

SOMETHING TO BE THANKFUL FOR.—The minister's hat was passed around in a certain congregation for the purpose of taking up a collection. After it had made the circuit of the church it was handed to the minister, who by-the-way had exchanged pulpits with the regular preacher, and he found not a penny in it. He inverted the hat over the pulpit cushion and shook it, that its emptiness might be known, then raising his eyes toward the ceiling, he exclaimed with great ferver, "I thank God that I got back my hat from this congregation."

NEGRO EQUALITY.

Wilson, Sumner and other negro jacobins have been for months past striving for negro equality, and passed a bill in the Senate placing the negro upon an equality with the white soldier, by giving the darky the same pay, rations, &c., as the white man, thus making them equal.

When this bill got in the House of Representatives, Winter Davis voted for it, as also did Creswell. This step naturally leads to others, and they are thus deliberately on the record in favor of negro equality.

We are not surprised at Winter Davis. He has long since identified himself with the ultra abolitionists, lost all regard for political decency and honor, if indeed he ever possessed either of these qualities, and is now looking for the Vice Presidency, to reach which point he would halt at nothing. Creswell, as in duty bound, merely follows his benefactor, to whom he owes his place at the loss of whatever political character he may have heretofore had. Davis, however, cannot reach the Vice Presidency! The same detestation that is felt for him in Maryland, has followed him to Washington, and wherever else he is known, and there is no danger that such a curse will be inflicted upon the country.

We trust the present year will close the war by a restoration of the Union. When that occurs, the *American,* Winter Davis, Creswell, Bond, Hoffman, and all such political fanatics, are bound to fall to their proper level, followed by the scorn and contempt of all truly loyal and patriotic men. Their days of grace are short!

THE total number of Generals in the regular army since the commencement of the war is twenty-nine: one Lieutenant General, six Major Generals, twenty-two Brigadier Generals, and eighteen of all grades now in the service, namely: one Lieutenant General, three Major Generals, fourteen Brigadiers.

In the volunteer force one hundred and thirty-three have been appointed Major Generals, including the promotion of ninety-one Brigadier Generals, and four hundred and seventy-seven have been appointed Brigadier Generals, of whom two hundred and fifty-seven are now acting as such. There are seventy Major Generals at this time in the service.

LIBERAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—The Board of Directors of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company, at a meeting held on Wednesday last, contributed $3,000 to the Pennsylvania Department, and $2,000 to the Delaware Department of the Great Central Fair, in aid of the United States Sanitary Commission.—They had heretofore given $2,000 to Maryland, making their total contribution to this patriotic and humane object reach the handsome sum of $7,000.—*Phila. American.*

"DISMISS THAT HOG."—Judge Dooly, of Georgia, was remarkable for his wit, as well as for other talents. At one place where he attended court he was not pleased with his entertainment at the tavern. On the first of his arrival a hog—under the name of pig—had been cooked whole and laid on the table. It was brought the next day, and the next, and treated with the same respect, and it was on the table on the day on which the court adjourned. As the party finished dinner Judge Dooly rose from the table, and in a solemn manner thus addressed the clerk:—

"Mr. Clerk, dismiss that hog upon his recognisance until the first day of the next court. He has attended so faithfully during the present term that I don't think it will be necessary to take any security."

A SAILOR was called upon the stand as a witness. "Well, sir," said the lawyer, "do you know the plaintiff and defendant?" "I don't know the drift of them words," answered the sailor. "What! not know the meaning of plaintiff and defendant?" continued the lawyer; "a pretty fellow you to come here as a witness. Can you tell me where on board ship it is that this man struck the other man?" "Abaft the binnacle," said the sailor. "Abaft the binnacle," said the lawyer; "what do you mean by that?" "A pretty fellow," responded the sailor, to come here as a lawyer, and don't know what abaft the binnacle means.

THE FOLLOWING is taken from the report of the proceedings of the Connecticut Legislature: "Bill to tax geese and bachelors taken up. Mr. Harrison was opposed to the provision taxing bachelors. There was a tax already laid upon a goose, and any man who lived twenty-five years without being married could be taxed under that section." The bill was postponed.

KILKENNY CATS.—In the third day's fight of the recent engagements in Virginia, Gen. Grant turned to Gen. Meade and said: "Well, Meade, if they are going to make a Kilkenny cat affair of this, all I have to say is, our cat has got the longest tail."

THE following letter was received by a gentleman of Poughkeepsie through the Sanitary Fair post office in that place:

"Sanitsbars P. Offis.—"Dear Sur: Enklosed plese find Ten dollars—if you kan. Very respektably yurs, JOSH BILLINGS." The $10 had not been seen at last accounts.

AN exchange says—There is something inexpressibly sweet about little girls. The Louisville Journal adds, "And it grows on 'em as they get bigger."