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Job Printing of every description executed with neatness and dispatch.

Election of Trustees FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL HOUSES.

CHAPTER 4, Section 1, of the Public School Law, is as follows:

"For the purpose of electing two Trustees of the School House District, and deciding such other questions as may arise, an election by ballot shall be held in every such district on the first Saturday of the month of May, at 3 P. M., in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and on the first Saturday in May in every year thereafter, at which every registered voter having a legal residence therein shall be entitled to vote. And the School Commissioners for the several counties shall give at least ten days public notice of such elections by advertisements in the newspapers of the county or Baltimore city. If no election shall be had on the day aforesaid, then the Board of County School Commissioners shall appoint said Trustees."

In accordance with the above section of the Public School Law for the State of Maryland, notice is hereby given that an ELECTION will be held in the several School Districts of Kent County, on the

FIRST SATURDAY of MAY NEXT,
AT THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.,
FOR TWO TRUSTEES TO SERVE UNTIL THE FIRST OF MAY, 1870.

As there appears to be no appointment of Judges of Election in the School Law, the election may be held in accordance with Article 35, Section 6, of Volume 1 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, which is as follows:

"If neither of the judges so appointed shall attend as aforesaid for the space of one hour after the time herein prescribed for opening the election, it shall be lawful for the justices of the peace for the said county then present at the place of election, or the majority of them, or for one justice of the peace in the event of but one being present, or if no justice of the peace be present, for the voters then present, or a majority of them, to choose by ballot three persons to be judges of said election, who for that election shall be vested with the same powers and authority as if they had been appointed by the County Commissioners."

By order, W. F. MASSEY,
Secretary Board School Commissioners
ap17-3t. Kent County.

NOTICE.

AS the County Commissioners have passed an order directing suits to be brought against Collectors of the tax, who on the first of May shall fail to meet the County Railroad Bonds, THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE to the Tax-Payers in my District that unless the taxes for which they are in arrears shall be paid on or before the

FIRST DAY OF MAY NEXT,

I will be compelled to proceed without favor to collect the same by distraint.

Nothing but the annoyance which will be given my bondsmen by a suit against them would induce me to such an extreme course. I hope the tax-payers, seeing my situation will relieve me from such a necessity.

JACOB SUTTON,
ap17-3t* Coll'r 2nd District, Kent Co.

A Useful Machine.

ONE THAT EVERY FARMER SHOULD HAVE!

THE undersigned having purchased the County Rights for Kent and Cecil, of

MOHR'S PATENT
POST AND RAIL MACHINE,

offer it to Farmers and others at a very low price. This Machine will bore holes in any size post and clean them out; point rails ready for fencing; saw fire-wood, or do anything in the shape of Sawing or ripping. It will do as much work in a day as ten men, and will recommend itself to all who use it.

The Machine is on exhibition at the shop of John T. Dodd & Son, Chestertown, where persons are invited to call and examine it.

JOHN N. DODD,
ISAAC CORDRAY.

N. B.—The Right for Cecil county will be sold on reasonable terms.

Address, JOHN N. DODD,
mh20-3m. Chestertown, Md.

A VALUABLE FARM On Chester River, AT PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at Private Sale their FARM lying in Kent county, Md., containing about

350 ACRES,

nearly all arable and under good fencing. It is about five miles from Chestertown, lying directly on Chester River, convenient to Churches, Schools, Mills, &c.

The Improvements

are a FRAME DWELLING with Kitchen attached, Barn, Granary, and other Out-Buildings, all in good order. Also, two Tenant Houses.

A Fine Apple Orchard and about 300 Peach Trees in bearing.

TERMS OF SALE:—One-sixth cash; one-sixth in twelve and one-sixth in eighteen months and the residue in four years—the purchaser to give bond with approved security for the credit payments, with interest from day of sale. For further particulars consult R. HYNSON, Esq., our Attorney. FORD & BARKMAN.
Nov. 21, 1868—tf.

BURNS & SLOAN,

132 Light Street Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.,
OFFER FOR SALE A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF WELL-SEASONED

Building Lumber

LATHS AND SHINGLES,
FENCING AND PALES,
ASH, OAK & WALNUT,
AT LOWEST PRICES.
ALSO, DOORS, SASH & BLINDS.
May 16, 1868—y.

NOTICE.

On and after Monday, January 4th, 1869, my son, COLIN STAM, will have an interest in my business. The title of the firm will be JOHN L. STAM & SON.

All persons indebted to me are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts either by note or cash, as it is important to me that my old accounts should be settled to pay my own indebtedness. My son, COLIN, is authorized to settle up my old business.

j9-tf. JOHN L. STAM.

EDWIN CROUCH, JR.,

MILLINGTON, MD.,

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF Schuylkill Lime,
Delivered at any landing on Sassafras or Chester Rivers. mh6-tf.

MILLING & SAWING.

The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public that he is carrying on his Mills, and asks a share of patronage.

m20-tf W. BACCHUS.

UP TOWN CHEAP DRY GOODS STORE!

I HAVE now open and offer at the Lowest market rates, a general assortment of

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS,

An Elegant Assortment of

Ladies Dress Goods,

Beautiful Style of Prints,
Spring Delaines, Ladies' Cloaking Cloth, White Marseilles, Plaid and Striped Muslin, Plaid and striped Nainsook, White Spreads, Bleached and unbl'd Muslin, Hosiery, Hoop Skirts,
Cassimer for Men and Boys' wear, Domestic, Shirting Stripe, Ticking, Floor Oil Cloth and Matting, Ladies' Gaiters, Ladies' and Children's Shoes.

☞ No trouble to show goods. Call and examine. MRS. S. E. BARRETT.
March 27, 1869—4m.

BOOTS, SHOES, Gaiters.

A NEW STOCK

JUST OPENED AT

COLLINS' BOOT & SHOE STORE.

JOHN W. COLLINS has just returned from the city with a new and fine assortment of BOOTS, SHOES, &c., which cannot fail to please purchasers. He calls especial attention to his goods for

Ladies and Children's Wear,

AND GENTS' FINE WORK.

Side-lace, Front-lace, Button and Congress GAITERS for Ladies, Misses and Children. Gents' fine Calf-skin Sewed Boots and Gaiters, English Walking Shoes, Slippers, &c.

Coarse Boots and Shoes of all kinds.

Also, a large assortment of

Children's Shoes,

of every description, to which the attention of parents is invited. Call and see.

LOOK HERE.

ALONZO MING,

HAS taken the store room formerly occupied as an Apothecary by Mr. John L. Stam, and has opened a store for the purchase and sale of all kinds of

PRODUCE and GROCERIES,

and has now in store and for sale

FLOUR AND MEAL, POTATOES, BUTTER, EGGS, POULTRY,

Cabbage, Parsnips, Turnips, Onions, Dried Apples, Sweet Cider, Cider Vinegar, Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Molasses, Rice, Mackeral, Herring, Tobacco, Snuff, Coal Oil, Pepper, Mustard, Allspice, Pickels by the dozen, &c.

WANTED

ALL KINDS OF COUNTRY PRODUCE for trade or cash. RAGS, FUR and HIDES wanted, for which the highest market prices will be paid. Call and see me

jan23-y. ALONZO MING.

Tobacco, Segars,

AND CONFECTIONERY.

RICHARD B. RUSSELL respectfully calls the attention of all who love good Segars and Tobacco, to his fine assortment now on hand.

SEGARS of all kinds,

OF MY OWN MANUFACTURE,

by the box or single one, kept on hand. Those who can appreciate good Cigars are invited to give us a call. Storekeepers will be supplied at city prices.

TOBACCO, of superior brands, always on hand. Also, a good assortment of SMOKING TOBACCO, SNUFF and PIPES.

We have also in store a variety of CONFECTIONERY, which will be sold at low prices.

We return our thanks for the liberal patronage extended to us in the past, and hope by untiring efforts to please, to secure continued favor and patronage.

☞ GIVE ME A CALL. Store opposite the M. E. Church.

jan23. RICHARD B. RUSSELL.

STEAM GRIST MILL!

THE subscribers would respectfully inform the public that the STEAM GRIST MILL, at Chestertown wharf, is now in full operation and prepared to grind

WHEAT, CORN, &c.,

at the same rates of toll charged by country Mills. Our Mill being new, we are prepared to do good work and give a good turn-out.

FLOUR, MEAL, &c., kept on hand at the Mill, and for sale by the barrel, bushel, or small quantity. MILL FEED of all kinds for sale.

H. M. STEWART & BRO.

Carpentering.

The subscribers are also prepared to do Carpentering of all kinds. Being practical STAIR BUILDERS, our particular attention will be given to that branch of business.

Having attached to the MILL, SAWING AND PLANING MACHINES, we are prepared to do all kinds of work in this line as cheap as it can be done in the city.

Nov. 7. H. M. STUART & BRO.

OPPOSED TO FIGHTING!

YOU CAN FIND AT

John Bordley's Store

All kinds of articles for Family use, such as GROCERIES of all descriptions; the best of TOBACCO AND SEGARS, and Ladies forget not the best Garrett's SNUFF from the city of Philadelphia, always on hand. As for Farmers, they know where to get the best and cheapest WHISKEY in Chestertown for Harvest; and do not forget Old Family Nectar.

FLOUR of all grades, by the barrel or pound. Sugar cured HAMS, and all kinds of BACON, LARD, and all articles appertaining to the Grocery trade.

Paints and White Lead

of all grades, OILS, &c.—Lewis' Lead, Loane's Lead, Linseed Oil, Turpentine, Copal Varnish, Japan Varnish, Train Oil, Machine Oil, Lard Oil, and the oil of Wry. Colors—Prussian Blue, Crome Green, Crome Yellow, Burnt Umber, Raw Umber, Red Paint, Venitian Red, Lamp Black, Putty, Sand Paper, Paint Brushes of all kinds, Varnish Brushes, Sash Tools of all sizes. ☞ PAINT UP YOUR HOUSES and save money.

PATENT MEDICINES.—Drake's Plantation Bitters, Morning Star Bitters, Scheidem Snapps and many others too tedious to name.

my30y. JOHN BORDLEY.

MEDICAL CARD.

After nearly ten years practice in Kent Co., Delaware, the subscriber has located in Kennedyville, where he intends continuing the practice of Medicine, and offers his professional services to the citizens of the village and vicinity.

☞ Medicine furnished if preferred.

feb20-3m* WALTER MELVIN.

SPRING GOODS.

STOCK VERY COMPLETE TO MEET PRESENT WANTS OF BUYERS.

STAPLE & FANCY DRY GOODS,

Purchased during the most favorable turns of the market.

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

IN FINE BLACK CLOTH and Light Fabric Cassimere of bright Spring color.

Our present stock of SHOES and HATS is in quantity and variety fully as large as during any former Season, and most of it in FRESH GOODS of very recent purchase.

LIGHT and HEAVY GROCERIES bought for cash, just received.

Thomas S. Wickes.

April 17.

PLOW CASTINGS superior to anything we have ever had in stock before, on hand in large quantities.

GARDEN SEEDS, warranted fresh, for sale by THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, April 17, 1869.

LATEST ARRIVAL!

L. S. FOWLER,

WOULD respectfully announce that he has just received and opened his

First Spring Purchase,

comprising Heavy and fine Brown Muslins, bro. Drills, Osnaburgs and Stripes for heavy shirtings, Cotton Bucks, "Wamsutta," "Fruit of the Lawn," "James' Steam Mills," and a variety of the lower grades of Bleached Muslins, Bleached and col'd Corset Jeans, col'd Cambrics, Wiggans, Denims, Blue Drills and Jeans, SPRING PRINTS, Shirting Prints, Purple do., Late Style Delaines, col'd and black and white Ginghams, Irish Linens, Linen Cambrics, Shirt Fronts, Hosiery, Gloves, Hdk'fs, Suspenders, Knitting Cotton, and an assortment of Notions generally. Among his stock of SHOES are a nice line of Ladies' City Made and Eastern glove Kid, Calf, Morocco and Goat high cut Balmorals; Women's Medium and Coarse Boots for service; Misses, Children's and Infants' Morocco, Goat and Fancy Boots and Balmorals, with and without heels. Men's, Boys' and Youth's Coarse, Medium and fine Brogans and Balmorals, and a fine article of Men's Plough Shoes.

Groceries.—Rio and Laguayra Coffee, Black, Japanese and Imperial Teas, comm. and good brown and white Sugars, Crackers, Spices, Tobacco, Cigars and Snuff, Soaps, Putty, Glass, Tumblers, Goblets, Lamps, Lamp Chimneys and Wicks, Butter Dishes, &c.

A small stock of Tinware on hand will be closed out very cheap.

ROPES, Twines, Traces, lines, brooms, tubs, buckets, Plow Castings of Galena and Balt. manuf., Nails by keg or lb., Builders' Hardware, Chain Traces at less than ruling prices: Shovels, Forks, Spades, Hoes, Bridles, Collars, Whips, &c. Garden Seeds and Beans. Wall, horse, shoe and scrub Brushes, Carriage Canvass, Green Oil Cloth for Window Blinds, Table Oil Cloths, and a general assortment of all kinds of Goods most generally in demand.

☞ Purchasers may rely upon getting goods from us at the lowest possible cash figures, as our terms are Cash, or its equivalent in merchantable Produce. Cash paid for Lard, Bacon, Butter, Eggs, Rags, Feathers, &c., by

L. S. FOWLER.
Chestertown, March 27, 1869.

The Last Sensation!

JAS. W. IVENS,

HAS OPENED the Store lately occupied by Mr. Wm W. Parks, corner of High St., UP TOWN, where you can get

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, AND LIQUOR,

AT THE LOWEST PRICES for Cash or Country Produce. Our stock consists in part of JAPAN AND OTHER TEAS,
COFFE, SUGAR, TOBACCO,
CIGARS, FIGS, ORANGES,
SPICES, Worcestershire SAUCE
and a variety of othes goods.

A Large Stock of LIQUORS,

Consisting of RYE WHISKEY, of several grades; FINE KENTUCKY BOURBON WHISKEY; extra fine APPLE BRANDY and COGNAC BRANDY.

Many of these goods have been bought at auction for cash, considerably below cost, and will be sold at a small profit, as I am determined to give the public every advantage of my experience in buying goods in the New York Philadelphia and Baltimore markets.

Tavern Keepers will find it to their advantage to call and buy our Liquors. We will sell from one gallon to a barrel at lower prices than they can purchase elsewhere.

mh27. JAMES W. IVENS.

NOTICE.

I AM BUYING WOOL for Mallalieu & Bro., and paying the highest price for the same in GOODS or CASH, optional with seller.

I am also prepared to repair Coal Oil Lamps, add the many different improvements.

Coal Oil and Lamps

for sale at Low Figures. My stock of

GOODS and NOTIONS

are as usual well selected, and sold at SMALL PROFITS for the cash, or on short time to punctual customers.

☞ My bills up to the first of January last, are all made out, and the money is very hard to get in place of the bills. I hope "times" will soon get better, and money will be more plentiful. Give me a call and help me out.

Respectfully, ENOCH N. ROLAND,
mh27-3m. Bell Air.

Kent Co. Rail Road.

COPY OF AN ORDER

Passed by the Board of Directors of the Kent County Rail Road, on the first day of April, 1869.

ORDERED, That the Stockholders who are delinquent in the payment of the THIRD INSTALMENT, have the time of payment extended to the

Second Monday of May next,

and upon payment of the same and previous instalments, shall be reinstated.

And that a copy of this order be inserted in the Kent News and Chestertown Transcript until the next election for Directors.

True copy, Test:
C. TYLDEN WESTCOTT,
ap3-6t. Secretary.

IF you want the HIGHEST CASH PRICE for all kinds of Country Produce and Fur, go to SAPPINGTON'S, opposite Geo. E. Lambert's Coach Factory. mh6

SPRING MILLINERY!

I HAVE just received my stock of ELEGANT AND CHOICE

MILLINERY,

embracing all PARISIAN NOVELTIES for the Spring and Summer of 1869. Also, all the small wares suitable for Ladies, comprising everything that is new. I have a choice assortment of KID GLOVES, first quality, to which I especially invite the attention of the Ladies. My stock will be found unusually attractive, and I engage to give entire satisfaction to my customers in styles, quality and price.

C. R. FIDDIS.

TO THOSE INDEBTED.

I would respectfully say that, being very much in need of funds for the successful prosecution of my business, those in arrears will confer a favor by promptly paying up.

ap24-tf. C. R. FIDDIS.

SPRING MILLINERY!

Mrs. Clara Rawleigh

INFORMS her numerous friends and the Ladies generally of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, that she has just returned from the city with

SPRING MILLINERY

AND

THE SPRING FASHIONS.

BONNETS of all descriptions made to order, including the latest novelties.

A general assortment of Milliners' Goods on hand, and orders promptly attended to.

The Ladies are invited to call at her store on Queen Street, near High. ap24-3t.

MILLINERY AND FANCY STORE!

NEW SPRING GOODS Just Received

MISSES A. E. MIDDLETON AND M. J. WYATT,

Respectfully inform their friends and the Ladies generally, that they have formed a Copartnership for the purpose of conducting a general MILLINERY BUSINESS, and have taken the Store Room on High Street, in Chestertown, recently occupied by Miss Anna Earle, where they will keep on hand a general assortment of Seasonable MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS, consisting of

Bonnets, Hats, Ribbons, Laces,

OF THE NEWEST STYLES,

which will be sold at the LOWEST PRICES.

They have just returned from the city with a handsome assortment of Spring Goods, to which the attention of Ladies is invited

A. E. MIDDLETON,
ap17-tf. M. J. WYATT.

NEW MILLINERY

Mrs. L. J. Davis,

HAVING returned from the city, invites the Ladies to call and examine her very large and well selected stock of

SPRING MILLINERY,

embracing all the styles in season, and which cannot fail to please. Also, a very large and beautiful stock of FANCY GOODS, such as Dress Trimmings, Laces, Hosiery, Handkere'fs, Embroideries, Collars, Buttons, Crape, and all kinds of Veils, Gloves, &c.; all of which will be sold at low prices. Call and see my goods before purchasing.

Agent at Chestertown for HULSE BROTHERS. Steam Dyers and Scourers. DRESSES DYED ANY COLOR, and warranted to give satisfaction. LAURA J. DAVIS.
April 17, 1869—3t.

NEW MILLINERY

Mrs. S. A. Usilton,

HAS just returned from the city, and is now opening a large and beautiful stock of

NEW SPRING MILLINERY

embracing all the latest styles, and a large variety of FANCY GOODS, TRIMMINGS, LACES, HANDKERCHIEFS, EMBROIDERIES, CRAPE, VEILS, GLOVES, &c. Her assortment of goods in this line is unsurpassed in this market, and purchasers will find it to their interest to give her a call before making their purchases elsewhere.

She has taken great pains in selecting her stock, and is satisfied that she can please her customers, both in the quality and price of her goods. STAMPING done at short notice.

April 17, 1869—3t.

SPRING GOODS.

Something New and Beautiful

NOW OPENING AT THE

PEOPLE'S POPULAR STORE.

Especial attention is called to our Beautiful BLACK ALPACAS, unsurpassed in this State; bring your cheap goods and compare, which will ensure us sales. Bleached Sheetings, bleached and brown Muslins, Chintzes, new styles Prints, Tickings, Cambrics and Fancy Goods.

We are waiting for some of our friends to settle their last year's accounts. Credit in the city is unknown. Respectfully,

m13-tf WM. A. VICKERS.

To My Friends and the Public.

FEARING that I may not be able to undergo the arduous duties of my profession, I have this day associated with me Dr. J. A. PERKINS. From my knowledge of Dr. Perkins, I without hesitation recommend him to my patients. If any one should object to the services of either, they will so state when sending, that anything unpleasant may be avoided. The one preferred will give all or most attention. Consultations will be held without the consultation fee. Our charges will correspond with those who practise around us. We herewith offer our services and pledge our best efforts to discharge our duty.

T. H. WHALAND.

N. B.—I shall proceed to settle my old books, by legal process, upon all accounts remaining unsettled for more than two years.

Jan. 23, 1869—tf. T. H. W.

NOTICE.

The Second Annual Session of the Parochial School of Chester Parish, for Boys and Girls, will begin on Thursday, October 1st, at 9 o'clock, A. M. No pains will be spared to make the instruction given in the school thorough and systematic. For terms, &c., apply to the REV. MR. GOODWIN,
sep12-tf. Queen Street.

TUBS, Buckets, Churns, Wash Boards, Butter Prints, wood Spoons, Paddles, Bowls, Potato Mashers, Measures, Clothes Pins, Plow and Wagon Hames, horse, scrub, dusting and white-wash Brushes, Wisps, Paint Brushes, Bushel Baskets, Clothes Baskets, Safes, Lamps and Chimneys, Gev. Stu. Lamps, &c.

April 17. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

LAND LIME,

BUILDING LIME and HAIR,
For sale by LEVI FIDDIS, JR.,
ap10-3m. Chestertown.

Is It Anybody's Business?

Is it anybody's business
If a gentleman should choose
To wait upon a lady,
If the lady don't refuse?
Or, to speak a little plainer,
That the meaning all may know
Is it anybody's business
If a lady has a beau?

Is it anybody's business
When that gentleman does call,
Or, when he leaves the lady,
Or, if he leaves at all?
Or is it necessary
That the curtain should be drawn,
To save from further trouble
The outside lookers on?

Is it anybody's business
But the lady's, if her beau
Rides out with other ladies
And doesn't let her know?
Is it anybody's business
But the gentleman's, if she
Should accept another escort,
Where he doesn't chance to be?

Is a person on the sidewalk,
Whether great or whether small,
Is it anybody's business
Where that person means to call?
Or, if you see a person
As he's calling anywhere,
Is it anybody's business
What his business may be there?

The substance of our query,
Simply stated would be this;
Is it *anybody's business*
What *another's business is?*
If it is, or if it isn't,
We would really like to know,
For we're certain, if it isn't,
There are some who make it so.

The Finger Ring.

The selection of fingers for the ring is esteemed by many as a matter of no little importance. In fact, it forms a course of study. The index, or first finger next the thumb, is the most majestic; it is that which the Hebrews call the finger of God, and is universally the indicative sign. It figures in advertising columns; on sign posts it is delineated issuing from a clenched fist, to point out the road to follow; and the lover places it on his lips to command silence and circumspection. The gods of antiquity wore the ring of authority as their imposing phalanx, an evidence of their omnipotence. This example is still imitated by the pope, cardinals, and bishops. The second finger from the thumb is the drum major of the hand, and, like children of a commanding height, it seems as if its body had grown at the expense of its mind. The favorite and popular finger has been at all times the third from the thumb, and the origin of this is so curious that it will bear repetition. It is maintained that an artery leads thence directly to the heart, and it is by right of these relations that marriage rings are placed on it. Old apothecaries used to mix their prescriptions in presence of their customers with this privileged finger, to indicate that no hurtful substance was present. The thumb had its day of glory, when it was ordered to open the touchpan, or take the cartridge by the aid of the first finger. Formerly, soldiers and physicians wore their rings upon the thumb. It was thought that this ring, which was usually very large, contained suitable cordials to disinfect a sick room or re-animate a wounded soldier.

KIND WORDS CAN NEVER DIE.—What truth, sweetness, force and beauty are combined in this little sentence. O, how the heart longs for kind words! They fall like refreshing dews upon the crushed spirit, causing hope to revive within the bosom. Kind words are as refreshing to the heart as food is to the body.—How eager the ear catches the gentle tone of kindness, and the lip repeats over and over until it becomes indelibly impressed upon memory. Who can define the throbbings of the heart, as its cords are touched by the mellow tones of kindness? It is oft far too deep for utterance, and tears alone can tell of the emotions within.—Would that we had the genius and intellect to impress upon our readers the force and power of kindness upon the human heart. True, we are but creatures of impulse, too apt to be governed by the passions of the moment, and speak without thought that which might deeply wound even those we love most dear—causing us hours of deepest regret. Kind words are passports to happiness—Heaven's choice blessings. They lighten the weight of care, smooth the path of age, and soften the pillow of the afflicted. Let us scatter them feely through every household, and they will dispel gloom and sadness, and bring the halo of gladness to rest upon every brow.—MRS. J. A. STUBBS.

WANTED AN EASY PLACE.—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher some time since received a letter from a young man, who recommended himself very highly as being honest and closed with the request:

"Get me an easy situation, that honesty may be rewarded." To which Mr. Beecher replied:

Don't be an editor if you would be 'easy.' Do not try the law. Avoid school-keeping. Keep out of the pulpit. Let alone all ships, stores, shops, and merchandise. Abhor politics. Keep away from lawyers. Don't practice medicine. Be not a farmer nor a mechanic; neither a soldier nor a sailor. Don't think. Don't study. Don't work.—None of these are easy.

Oh my honest friend you are in a very hard world! I know of but one real 'easy' place in it. That is the grave.

OLD Billy W——was dying. He was an ignorant man, and a very wicked one. Dr. D——, an excellent physician and a very pious man, was attending him. The old fellow asked for bread. The doctor approached the bedside, and in a very solemn tone remarked, "My dear fellow, man cannot live by bread alone." "No," said the old fellow, slightly reviving, "he's bleeged to have a few wegetables." The subject was dropped.

SIFTED WHEAT.—Gotthold one day looked on while a farmer's wheat was being threshed, and observed that the men not only stoutly beat it, but trod it with their feet; and finally by various experiments, separated the good grain from the chaff, dust and other impurities.

"How comes it," he asked, "that whatever is of a useful nature, and intended to be profitable to the world must suffer much and be subject to every kind of ill-treatment; but that man, who himself does with other things as he lists, is unwilling to suffer, or to permit God to deal as he lists with him? Wheat, which is the noblest of all products of the earth, is here threshed, trod upon, swept to-and-fro, tossed in the air, sifted, shaken and shoveled, and afterwaads ground, re-sifted and baked, and so arrives at last upon the tables of princes and kings. What then, do I mean in being displeased with God, because he does not strew my path with rose-leaves or translate me to heaven in an easy-chair? By what other process could the wheat be cleansed? And how could I be sanctified or saved, were I to remain a stranger to the cross and to affliction?"

LIGHTING STREETS BY ELECTRICITY.—A Mr. Wheeler proposes a plan for lighting the streets of New York by electricity. His method is similar to that in operation in the dome of the Capitol and the halls of Congress at Washington—He claims that the whole expense of laying the wires, erecting the batteries, and lighting the city, will be saved and paid for in a few years, at the present cost of simply lighting the lamps. He estimates that, in 20 years, the saving to the city will be $1,000,000. By the proposed arrangement, if any lamp should be extinguished accidentally, it will immediately relight itself. In addition to the proposed electrical lighting the wires (he says) can be used for telegraphic purposes, and a complete system of telegraphic communication with every part of the city can be arranged. The subject was refered to a committee of aldermen.

A BREACH of promise case is on trial in New York, where a wishbone furnishes the only evidence of the "promise" of a gentleman to marry a lady, for breach of which she sues him for $5000. The lady plaintiff testifies that one night, at her mother's house, the defendant found a dry wishbone, and proposed that they should pull it. The bone broke, each holding a piece, and the central part fell upon the floor. This, the plaintiff holds, was interpreted by the defendant as a sign that they should marry soon. He explains by saying that he remarked. 'It seems we are to be married at the same time; wouldn't you like it? The plaintiff answered, modestly, "I'll bet I would!"—This is a warning for unwilling bachelors to keep shy of wishbones, or to pull them without after comment.

NEW YORK thieves have in training a number of dogs for summer operations.—They are taught by repeated endeavors to rush into a room and seize from a counter a parcel and quickly bring it to his master. Their counter is made so as to resemble those in banks, and the parcel is covered with yellow paper and made to look like the packages of bank notes that are exchanged from one bank to another. The design is to take or send by a confederate one of these dogs to the door of a bank or broker's office, where a parcel or package of bank notes is seen to be lying on the counter, and send him in. The trained animal darts in and seizes the valuables in his mouth and rushes out to the place where he expects to find his master.

A LINK BETWEEN HUSBANDS AND WIVES.—Blessed be the little children who make up so unconsciously our life disappointments. How many couples, mutually unable to bear each other's faults, or to forbear the cause of irritating find solace for their pain in these golden links which still continue to unite them. On that they are one. There they can really repose. Those fragile props keep them from quite sinking disheartened by life's roadside. How often has a little hand drawn amicably together two else-unwilling ones, and made them see how bright and blessed earth may become in pronouncing that little word "forgive."

AN ignorant fellow, who was about to get married, resolved to make himself perfect in the response of the marriage service; but by mistake he committed the office of baptism for those of riper years; so when the clergyman asked him in church, "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" the bridegroom answered in a solemn tone, "I renounce them all." The astonished minister said, "I think you are a fool;" to which he replied, "All this I steadfastly believe."

GEOGRAPHICAL ENIGMA.—I am composed of 22 letters.

My 10, 12, 13, 1, is a river in Africa.
My 4, 18, 13, 5, 12, 16, 4, is a Continent.
My 14, 12, 18, 4, is a city in Peru.
My 18, 1, 22, 22, 12, 10, 4, is a Strait.
My 22, 1, 12, 10, 19, is a river in France.
My 13, 17, 10, 2, 17, 10, is a large City.
My 4, 10, 9, 18, is a country in Asia
My 18, 4, 12, 10, 1, is one of the United States.
My whole is the name of a little boy.

COLERIDGE remarks very pertinently somewhere, that wherever you find a sentence musically worded, of true rhythm and melody in the words, there is something deep and good in the meaning too. For body and soul, word and idea, go strangely together here, as everywhere.

A LITTLE girl attending a party was asked by her mother how she enjoyed herself. "Oh," said she, "I am full of happiness; I couldn't be no happier unless I could grow."

SPEAKING of youngsters, Cory O'Lanus gives us a few interesting fragments respecting that interesting parcel of humanity, boys:

Some things may be said in favor of boys; some traders would hardly live without them.

The glass-put-in-man wouldn't have much to do, and putty would decline, if there were no boys to break windows.

There would be no customers for cast-iron peaches and green apples, which come on early in the season, but for the boys, and the doctors wouldn't have so much to do curing cases of cholera morbus arising therefrom.

Boys can be made useful when they a mind to, and can sell newspapers, black boots, hold horses, and do chores.

In printing offices boys are known as devils; printers have a plain way of speaking.

Boys individually are better than boys collectively.

If there was only one boy in the world I think he would be a good boy. It generally takes at least two boys to get up any mischief.

Have one boy in a store and you can make him useful. Hire a second boy, and their time will be chiefly devoted to chasing one another over the counter, and firing brush and directory at each other's head.

A boy begins to be a nuisance about the time he is eight years old. How soon he grows out of it depends on circumstances. Some never do.

It is a question whether boys lead an enjoyable existence. They have a great deal of fun at other people's expense, but they have most always got grievances.

They would like to have their way a little more, and a pretty way it would be, too.

Give a boy his choice of an occupation in life, and the chances are that he would prefer to be a Robinson Crusoe, on a desert island, or captain of a band of robbers, such as he has read about, and seriously thinks of going into one or the other of these desirable occupations when he gets to be a man.

He has a great respect for the stage driver and the captain of a canal-boat—there is an air of command in these positions that quite takes his ideas.

His idea of being a man is having a plenty of money to spend, doing what you please, and being able to smoke or chew tobacco witnout getting sick over it.

A HEAVY BLOW.—A Pennsylvania Colonel, a very particular friend of ours, is very fond of telling stories, of which he is invariably the hero. The only fault about some of them is that they are highly colored, in short, he always "draws ye long bow."

"I was once in Harrisburg," says the Colonel, "on official business. During my stay a horse-race came off near the capitol, and as I am rather partial to horse-racing, I went to see it. Just as the horses were about starting, some fellow insulted me by jostling me rather roughly. Now, you know I don't often fight, but when I strike, why, then I *do* strike. So I up fist, and hit him a blow that sent him against the fence, into the field, carrying with him nine sections of posts and rails. The fellow laid a short time, then rising himself into a sitting posture, he looked wildly around him.—"Gentlemen," said he, "has this storm done much damage? Did the lightning strike any body but me?"

WHEN Abraham Lincoln was a lawyer in Illinois, he and the Judge once got to bantering one another about trading horses and it was agreed that the next morning at 9 o'clock, they should make a trade, the horses to be unseen until that hour, and no backing out, under a forfeit of $25.—At the hour appointed, the Judge came up, leading the sorriest looking specimen of a horse ever seen in those parts. In a few minutes, Mr. Lincoln was seen approaching with a wooden saw horse on his shoulder. Great were the shouts and laughter of the crowd, and both were greatly increased, when Mr. Lincoln, on surveying the Judge's animal, set down his saw horse, and exclaimed. "Well, Judge, this is the first time I ever got the worst of it in a horse trade."

A DUBUQUE tobacco merchant having been bored a long time by dead heads, quietly removed the jar of fine-cut to another place, the other day, and in lieu thereof introduced one of the same size partly filled with molasses. As usual, says the Herald, the tobacco chewers came around. They edged up to the counter in usual routine, reached over and soused their fists into the molasses, whereupon they sneaked out, wiping their hands on their coat tails and breeches legs, all the while keeping "mum," but kept a terrible thinking. Those acquainted with the plot were watching the manœuvering from a distance, and not until a dozen or more of the "chewers" got sweetened did the joke leak out.

A PHYSICIAN going down State street with a friend of his, said to him:

"Let us avoid that pretty little woman you see there on the left; she knows me and casts on me a look of indignation. I attended her husband—"

"Ah! I understand: you have had the misfortune to dispatch him."

"On the contrary," replied the Doctor, "I saved him."

"I WISH I was a ghost, blamed if I don't," said Fitzgibbons, as he was soliloquizing in the cold. "They goes wherever they pleases toll free; they don't owe nobody nothin, and that is a comfort. Who ever heard toll of a man who had a bill against a ghost? Nobody. They never buy hats and witalls, nor has to saw no wood, nor run no errands as I do."

A WESTERN SPEECH.—"My competitor has told you of his services he rendered his country in the late war. Let me tell you that I, too, acted an humble part in that memorable contest. When the tocsin of war summoned the chivalry of the west to rally to the defence of the national honor, I, fellow citizens, animated by that patriotic spirit which glows in every American's bosom, hired a substitute for that war, and the bones of that man now lie bleaching on the banks of the Raisin!"

"MY dear," said a gentleman to a young lady whom he thought to be married, "do you intend to make a fool of me?" "No," replied the lady, "nature has saved me the trouble."