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1869. FALL AND 1869.

WINTER DRY GOODS.

EDWIN HALL & CO.

28 South Second Street,

Invite the attention of purchasers on visiting Philadelphia to their large and elegant stock of

DRY GOODS,

Consisting in part of

BLACK and COLORED SILKS.
FRENCH and IRISH POPLINS.
PLAIN and CORDED POPLINS.
Medium and low priced Dress GOODS.
DRESS GOODS of the latest styles constantly receiving.

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IN GREAT VARIETY.

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Silk CLOAK VELVETS.
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Piano and TABLE COVERS.
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N. B.—We deal in good Goods and endeavor to sell at such prices that will give satisfaction.

The Chestnut and Market St. cars will convey you to within a few doors of the store.

EDWIN HALL & CO,
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Chestnut and Twelfth Streets,

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BAILEY & CO.,

JEWELERS.

GRAND OPENING

FOR THE

FALL AND CHRISTMAS TRADE

OF A

Magnificent Stock

OF ALL THE

NOVELTIES

IN

WATCHES,
JEWELRY,
SILVER-WARE,
FANCY GOODS, &c.

BRIDAL GOODS

A SPECIALITY.

BAILEY & CO. have the handsomest store in the world, and will at all times be pleased to receive and show visitors through their establishment.

BAILEY & CO.,

NEW MARBLE STORE,

Chestnut and 12th Streets,

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STOVES, STOVES,

FOR

PARLOR, HALL and OFFICE,

The Latest and Best Patterns, and

COOK STOVES

of the most celebrated manufacture now in store and for sale at CITY PRICES.

Also, a large and new assortment of

Builders' Hardware,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

FOR SALE AT THE LOWEST PRICES.

J. K. ALDRIDGE,
oc15. Chestertown.

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, 1869—y.

WILLIAM H. EAGLE & O.,

MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN

TIMBER & LUMBER,

Williamsport, Pa., and

Chesapeake City, Md.

Dealers and Builders will find, at the

Chesapeake City Steam Saw Mill

WHITE PINE, OAK AND HEMLOCK

BUILDING LUMBER,

of every size and quality:

Flooring Boards,
Fencing Boards,
Plastering Lath,
Pails,
Weatherboarding,
Shingles,
Shingling Lath,
Joist
And Scantling.

Vessels drawing nine feet of water can load at our wharf. feb3y.

A CHEAP LOT OF Black and colored ALPACAS, are offered for the inspection of the public. by
Nov. 6. L. S. FOWLER.

DESTITUTION AMONG THE COLORED PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.—Reports of the proceedings of the State Labor Convention, held at Columbia, South Carolina, have been received at the Freedmen's Bureau, from which it appears that the statements of delegates from the several counties depict a condition of affairs among the colored people bordering on starvation.—The following synopsis of the verbal report of the delegate from the Laurens district is a fair sample of the whole:

He declares that the people in his county were breathing, not living. Unless something is done they cannot live. He had tried to give his family a living by working on a third. He had worked as long as he could see, and began again at sun up; at Christmas he had nothing. He had tried fifty dollars a year, and fifty cents a day—always with the same result. If the Legislature does not keep us we shall be driven down into the ground.

Before the adjournment a memorial to the State Legislature was adopted, asking for protection and the passage of laws giving the laborer a preferred lien upon the crops; for the appointment of contract commissioners in each county, who shall be charged with the duty of examining and attesting all contracts between planters and laborers, and act as advisory counsel of the laborers upon all questions that may arise under contracts; that laborers' suits shall have precedence on the court calendars, and be heard at the first term after they are brought; giving them fair representation on juries; directing sheriffs to divide lands sold under execution into tracts of fifty acres each, so as to give opportunity to small capitalists to make purchases; making planters' due-bills to laborers transferable and a lien upon the crops, and nine hours a legal day's work.

A MULE AS IS A MULE.—A friend of ours has one of the most remarkable mules we have ever heard of. This creature, though like in form and general appearance all others of his genus, yet he seems to partake somewhat of the nature of the Scotch terrier. It is said, and those who know the author would not dare question his veracity, that this mule has a habit of catching mice and rats. Sly as a cat he will watch for the vermin [illegible]

WM. A. VICKERS'

PEOPLE'S POPULAR STORE.

Chestertown, Oct. 9.

NEW

Cheap Cash Store!

IN GALENA!

THOMAS H. HORSEY.

"Come one! come all! this rock shall fly
From its firm base as soon as I."
Fitz James spoke thus to Rhoderic Dhu,
And so kind friends will say to you

THAT WE INTEND TO SELL

Goods as Cheap as they can be bought in Kent!

We now offer to the public at LOW RATES for CASH or Country Produce, a general assortment of GOODS just purchased from NEW YORK and PHILADELPHIA.

OUR STOCK OF DRY GOODS

IS HARD TO BEAT.

Always on hand a full supply of

Family Groceries and Choice Liquors

A well selected stock of

BOOTS & SHOES,
HATS AND CAPS,
HOSIERY AND GLOVES,
Builders' and Housekeeping HARDWARE,
QUEENS, STONE and CEDAR WARE

a full stock in this line to suit all tastes.

Ladies' Dress Goods,

WHITE GOODS, Notions and Trimmings, we make a speciality.

Mallalieu's Kerseys and Cassimeres very cheap.
Turner's Celebrated AXES just received.

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS.

Give us a call and we'll suit you all.
oc30tf. THOS. H. HORSEY.

NEW FALL GOODS!

T. W. ELIASON & SON.

WE invite the attention of buyers to our Large and varied assortment of

NEW GOODS!

bought at the Lowest nett cash prices, and for sale at prices that we are confident will give satisfaction. Our stock embraces in part

Kerseys, Cassimeres

for Men and Boys' wear.

FLANNELS of all Qualities,

from the best ALL WOOL SHAKER to the lower grades.

All Wool and Swiss White BLANKETS
Heavy and good Colored Blankets,
BLACK ALPACAS

from the lower grades to very fine goods of best make.

Colored Alpacas and other DRESS GOODS, CALICOES, GINGHAMS, ARMUNES, &c.
Extra Heavy and Medium Light CANTON FLANNELS.
Gents' all wool Undershirts, Ladies' fine Vest, HOSIERY of all descriptions,
Fine Fur and Wool HATS of the latest styles.
Ladies' Misses and Chil. Bal. Boots & Shoes.
Groceries, Flour, Salt, &c.

T. W. ELIASON & SON.
Oct. 9, 1869.

NEW JEWLERY,

Silverware, Watches,

CLOCKS, NOTIONS, &c., NOW OPEN AT

E. T. WILLIS'

THESE goods have been purchased of honorable wholesale dealers and manufacturers, at the lowest cash prices, and *will* be sold at reasonable figures. The styles will be the latest and most fashionable designs. It is useless to enumerate articles; all that is asked is to call and examine for yourselves Any article not found in the stock on hand, can be procured in a few days, from a find Gold Watch down to any article, however small, usually kept in a similar establishment. The determination is to do strictly a legitimate business, *always* representing in their true character goods offered for sale.

Attention may be called, however, to a fine assortment of FINGER RINGS, 18k., suitable for engagement, wedding or other purposes; BREAST PINS, Ear Rings, Sleeve Buttons, &c. TABLE CUTLERY.—Joseph Rodgers & Sons' celebrated manufacture.

REPAIRING of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry done in workmanlike manner.

E. T. WILLIS.

PURCHASERS looking for Cheap and Serviceable *PANTS STUFF FOR WINTER WEAR,* should not fail to call at L. S. FOWLER'S, and examine his stock of Jeans, Sheeps Grey's Kerseys and Cassimeres, which he offers at low prices for the times. Nov. 6.

A LARGE LOT of COLORED BLANKETS from Auction, for sale cheap by
Nov. 6. L. S. FOWLER.

CLOTHING & CONFECTIONERY.

JAMES H. SMITH

(adjoining T. W. Eliason & Son,) respectfully informs the public that he has now in store an assortment of

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

AND FURNISHING GOODS.

He has also now in store, and will keep constantly on hand a supply of

CONFECTIONERY.

Such as Candy, Figs, Rasins, Prunes, Tamorinds, Dates, Brandy Peaches, French Mustard, Brandy Cherries, &c. Preserves, Jellies, Worcestershire Sauce, Canned Pine Apples, Canned Strawberries, Chow-Chow, Cucumber Pickles, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Walnuts, Almonds, Palm Nuts, Filberts, Pea Nuts, &c., all of which will be sold at the lowest rates. Also, Lamps and Chimneys. apr25.

Dwelling House on High St.,

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers at private sale the DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, now occupied by Mr. E. T. Willis. The house is very eligibly located near the river, and in a very desirable neighborhood. There is a fine Garden, and a Pump of good drinking water in the yard.

The terms will be made accommodating.
oc30-tf. J. W. HINES.

NOTICE

To Parents and Guardians.

BALTIMORE FEMALE COLLEGE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Orphans' Court of Kent county will, on

TUESDAY, December 14th, 1869,

proceed to designate or elect one pupil from Kent county, to be sent to the BALTIMORE FEMALE COLLEGE, under the law passed by the Legislature of Maryland, and who will be "admitted to all the instructions given in the College, and to the privileges of the normal class, with all necessary books, without any charge whatever."

Parents and others disposed to avail themselves of this notice, are requested to make written applications, stating name and age of the young lady applying.

Written testimonials of moral character and intellectual capacity will be required.

The Court will also expect some guarantee that the pupil will remain at the Institution sufficiently long to complete the usual course of study.

All applications to be filed with the Register of Wills on or before the day above named.

By order of the Orphans' Court,
E. CROUCH,
Register of Wills for Kent county.
Nov. 13, 1869—5t.

Ratification Notice.

SAMUEL HURLOCK

vs.

Jos. G. Edwards and Maria M. Edwards.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County,
November 6th, 1869.

IT is hereby ordered that the sale made and reported by D. JAMES BLACKISTON, Trustee for the sale of the real estate mentioned and described in the above entitled case, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 14th day of January 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 14th day of December next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $2,000 00. JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.

True copy—Test:
n13-4t. JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.

SPLENDID COOK STOVES!

ELEGANT PARLOR STOVES!
Small and Large HALL STOVES.

STOVES suited to the wants of everybody, for Wood or Coal, kept in great variety at the OLD ESTABLISHED

Baltimore Stove House

ALSO,

FURNACES for Churches and Dwellings,
RANGES for Hotels and Families,
Agricultural Caldrons and Furnaces
and Furnaces and Caldrons for Brick Setting,
all for sale Cheap for Cash, by

BIBB & CO.,
39 & 41 Light St., Baltimore, Md.

Besides Manufacturing the above, remember that we are Patentees and sole Manufacturers of the

Great Baltimore Fire Place Heaters,

for warming Parlors and Chambers *economically* by *one fire.* Schools and Clergymen supplied at reduced rates. Don't forget BALTIMORE STOVE HOUSE.

o16-3m. BIBB & CO., Baltimore.

LADIES' FANCY FURS!

JOHN FAREIRA,
718 Arch Street,

Middle of the Block, between 7th and 8th St., South Side, PHILADELPHIA,
Importer, Manufacturer and Dealer in all kinds and quality of
FANCY FURS for LADIES and CHILDREN.

Having enlarged, remodeled and improved my old and favorably known FUR EMPORIUM and having imported a very large and splendid assortment of all the different kinds of Furs from first hands, in Europe, and have had them made up by the most skillful workmen, I respectfully invite my friends of Kent and adjacent Counties, to call and examine my very large and beautiful assortment of Fancy Furs for Ladies and Children. I am determined to sell at as low prices as any other respectable House in this city. All Furs Warranted. No misrepresentations to effect sales.

JOHN FAREIRA,
s18-4m. 718 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

Fall and Winter Fashions.

MRS. M. A. BINDER has just arrived from Paris and London with the latest designs, personally selected from the greatest novelties; also, the most elegant Trimmings to be secured in Paris.

LACES, RIBBONS, VELVETS, BRIDAL VEILS, FLOWERS, FINE JEWELRY, and trimmed Paper Patterns, Dress and Cloak Making. Exclusive agent for Mrs. M. Work' celebrated system for cutting Ladies' Dresses Sacques, Basques, &c.

N. W. Corner of Eleventh and Chestnut Sts.,
sep18-6m. Philadelphia.

T. W. ELIASON & SON

Invite the attention of buyers To a Large Assortment of

MEN'S HEAVY BOOTS,

made to their order, and just received direct from the manufacturers Sept. 25.

ANOTHER lot of those tough, strong, Rattan CORN BASKETS; also Slip and willow Baskets, and Market Baskets, for sale by
Nov. 6. L. S. FOWLER.

LARGE

PUBLIC SALE.

I WILL sell at public sale at my residence on the "Tolchester Farm," on the Bay Side in Kent county, on

Monday, December 6th, 1869,

MY ENTIRE STOCK and FARMING IMPLEMENTS, consisting of

Ten Horses,

all of good quality,

SIX COLTS, coming 3 years old.

and ONE COLT coming two years old.

I have bred the Colts with great care, and can recommend them as of superior quality.

14 MILCH COWS,

1 FINE BULL,

1 YOKE OF OXEN, well broken;

40 head of Sheep,

THREE BROOD SOWS

with Pigs four weeks old; 6 SHOATS.

2 Threshers and Cleaners, one nearly new,
1 Ten-horse Power, 1 Wheat Drill,
1 two-horse Dearbon nearly new,
1 Horse Cart, 1 Sulkey,
1 Heavy Wagon,
Large lot of Plows, Harrows, Cultivators,
Large lot of Plow Gears, Shovels,
Forks, Hoes, &c., &c., &c.

Sale positive on the day named, and to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under cash; over that amount six months credit with note and approved security. Purchaser to pay for stamps. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.

JOSEPH VENABLE.
J. W. CARROLL, Auct. n27ts.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue Farming, will offer at Public Sale, on the farm of Col. Edward Wilkins, in Quaker Neck, two miles from Chestertown, on

THURSDAY, Dec. 9th,

his ENTIRE STOCK and FARMING IMPLEMENTS, consisting of

TEN HEAD OF GOOD WORKING

AND DRIVING HORSES,

One Fine Brood Mare,

with foal by Roan Chief;
1 PAIR MATCH HORSES, good travellers;
2 COLTS, three years old, good size;
1 COLT, two years old, extra stock;
1 COLT, six months old.

6 FATTENING HOGS, in the Pen,

EIGHT FINE SHOATS,

good size and good stock;

THREE MILCH COWS.

1 Farm Wagon and Harness, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Hoes, Shovels, Forks, three fine Sleighs and Bells, 1 sett Double Harness for Carriage, a lot of good Blades,
Potatoes by the bushel, lot of offal Corn, Plow Gears, Bridles, Collars, double & single Trees, 1 good Cook Stove, one Parlor Stove, 1 Sofa, 1 Sideboard, Bed and Bedstead, 2 Kitchen Tables, and many other articles.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums of and under $20 cash; all over that amount a credit of 9 months with note and approved security. Purchasers to pay for stamps.

SAMUEL DEPUTY.
J. W. CARROLL, Auctioneer. n27ts.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned, will offer at Public Sale at Bakerville, in Quaker Neck, on *WEDNESDAY, the 8th of Dec.,* 1869, the following property:

4 HEAD OF HORSES,

ONE YOKE OF

WELL BROKE OXEN.

2 Young Cattle, 1 Ox-Cart,

CULTIVATORS, HARROWS, PLOUGHS, &c.

Also, a variety of

Household and Kitchen Furniture.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.
Terms made known at sale.

FRANCIS BAKER,
THOMAS TOULSON,
n20—ts SAMUEL DERRY.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale, at the residence of J. B. Land, near Grey's In Creek,

On Saturday, Dec. 11th, 1869,

his entire Stock and Farming Implements, consisting of

4 HEAD of GOOD

HORSES,

AND THREE FINE COLTS,

3 Milch Cows,

AND TWO CALVES,

1 YOKE of SUPERIOR OXEN,

1 WAGON and Harness, 1 Ox Cart,
1 Rockaway Carriage and Harness,
1 Wheat Drill, 1 Corn Sheller,
Grain Fan, Grain Cradles,
Ploughs, Harrows, and Cultivators, &c.
4,000 bls. Corn Blades and 4 Tons Hay.
Also, a variety of

Household & Kitchen Furniture,

consisting of 1 Good Cook Stove, 1 ten-plate Stove, Chairs, Tables, Bedsteads, &c.

Sale to begin at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS:—All purchases of $20 and under, cash. All over that amount a credit of Nine Months, with negotiable note payable at Kent National Bank. Purchasers to pay for Stamps.

JOSEPH B. LAND,
JOHN V. CROSBY.
J. W. CARROLL, Auc'r. n27-ts.

CARRIAGE WHIPS of all kinds and lengths, of the best quality. The goods warranted as represented; an assortment equal to a City establishment, just received at the "People's Store." WM. A. VICKERS.

TAKE THE PAPERS.

BY N. P. WILLIS.

Why don't you take the papers?
They're the life of our delight;
Except about election time,
And then I read for spite.

Subscribe! you cannot lose a cent;
Why should you be afraid?
For cash thus paid is money lent
At interest four-fold paid.

Go, then, and take the papers,
And pay to-day, nor pay delay,
And on my word it is inferred,
You'll live until you're gray.

And old and quiet neighbor
While dying with a cough,
Desired to hear the latest news
While he was going off.

I took the paper and I read
Of some new pills in force;
He bought a box—and is he dead?
No—hearty as a horse.

I knew two men as much alike
As e'er you saw two stumps,
And no phrenologist could find
A difference in their bumps.

One takes the paper and his life
Is happier than a king's,
His children all can read and write,
And talk of men and things.

The other took no paper, and
While strolling through the wood,
A tree fell down and broke his crown,
And killed him;—"very good."

Had he been reading of the news,
At home, like neighbor Jim,
I'll bet a cent that accident
Would not have happened him.

Why don't you take the papers?
Nor from the printer sneak,
Because you borrow from his boy
A paper every week.

For he who takes the papers,
And pays his bills when due:
Can live in peace with God and man,
And with the printer too.

MR. PEABODY'S HOUSES IN LONDON.—The London *News*, in noticing the workingment houses erected in London through the munificence of the late Mr. Peabody, says:

The first block of buildings erected by Mr. Peabody's money was opened in 1864 in Spitalfields, and since then other blocks have been built in Chelsea, Bermondsey, Islington, and Shadwell. They are not intended for habitual paupers, but, like Miss Burdett Coutt's dwellings, are designed for working men and their families, especially for those who have been crowded out of their old houses by the recent metropolitan alterations. "These buildings" said a well informed writer a short time ago, "occupy 176,931 square feet, and at present there are six hundred and thirty persons enjoying the benefit of comfortable houses at a cost ranging from two shillings and sixpence to five shillings per week, according to the class of the apartments; five shillings giving three good rooms in a house drained, ventilated, with water supplies, and dust regularly removed, with bath and laundries, wringing machines and drying rooms, with gass free of cost. Every kitchen is provided with cupboards, an oven and a boiler; and the families being selected upon the principle of excluding all persons of known immoral conduct and intemperate habits, parents are able to enjoy the sight of their children's sports, no longer in the pent up alleys and dangerous streets, but in ample and airy spaces which form the play grounds." The tenants of these buildings are, but with few exceptions, remarkable for their decent and orderly conduct.

THE "HOME" AT CHARLESTON.—In Charleston, S. C., the "Home" established for the benefit of the mothers, widows and daughters of Confederate soldiers has provided one hundred and twelve persons with pleasant rooms at a nominal cost.—The school numbers twenty-five pupils—children of the inmates. A home has also been afforded for a limited number of young women, orphans and daughters of impoverished Confederate soldiers, the necessary expenses of their board furnished, and the advantages of education secured to them in some of the schools of the city. The young women themselves pay the expenses of tuition. The rooms are provided by the Home.

IT is strange that laboring men do not think more of the vast usefulness of their toils, and take a benevolent pleasure in them on this account. One would think that a carpenter or mason, on passing a house which he had reared, would say to himself, "This work of mine is giving comfort and enjoyment every day and every hour to a family; and will continue to be a kindly shelter, a domestic gathering-place, an abode of affection, for a century or more after I sleep in the dust;" and ought not a generous satisfaction to spring up at the thought?—*Channing.*

A MAN is first judged by his dress; afterward, by what he turns out to be.—There is the story of the celebrated painter and poet, Buchin, who, walking out one day in very shabby clothes, became more an object of derision than regard.—He was mortified, and went home and arraying himself in his very best, again walked out, to receive on every hand obsequious attention. His mortification turned to anger, and going home he threw his gold laced coat on the floor, and exclaimed: "Art thou Buchin or am I?"

HIRAM WOODRUFF says in his book on trotting horses, that a pull on both reins will not bring up a horse when he has broken from a trot. A firm, quick pull should be given on one rein, letting the other give a little, as much as you want the horse's head thrown out of line.

A PROFESSIONAL beggar boy, some ten years of age, ignorant of the art of reading, bought a card to be placed on his breast, and appeared in the public streets as a '*poor widow and eight small children.*'

Fanny Fern on Masculine Beauty.

Well, in the first place, there must be enough of him, or, failing in that—but come to think of it, he mustn't fail in that, because there can be no beauty without health, or at least to my way of thinking. In the second place, he must have a beard—whiskers as the gods please, but a beard I insist upon, else one might as well look at a girl. Let his voice have the dash of the Niagara, with the music of a baby's laugh in it. Let his smiles be like breaking forth of sunshine on a spring morning. As to his figure, it should be strong enough to contend with a man, light enough to tremble in the presence of the woman he loves. Of course, if he is a well made man, it follows that he must be graceful on the principle that perfect machinery moves harmoniously, therefore you and himself and the milk pitcher are safe neighbors at the table. This style of handsome man would no more think of carrying a cane than he would use a parasol to keep the sun out of his eyes. He can wear gloves or warm his hands in his breast pockets, as he pleases. He can even commit the suicidal beauty act of turning his outside coat collar up over his eyes on a stormy day, with perfect impunity; the tailor didn't make him, and as to his hatter, if he depends on this handsome man's patronage of the "latest spring style," I fear he'd die of hope deferred; and yet, by Apollo! what a bow he makes, and what an impressive adieu he can make with his hand. For all this he is not conceited, for he hath brains!

But your conventional "handsome man" of the barber's window, wax-figure head-pattern; with a pet lock in the middle of his forehead, an apple-sized head, and a raspberry moustache, with six hairs in it, paint-pot on his cheek, and a little pet of a "goatee" on his chin, with pretty blinking little studs in his shirt bosom; and a neck-tie that looks as if he would faint were it tumbled—I'd as lief look at a poodle. I always feel a desire to dip it up with a pair of sugar-tongs, drop it gently into a bowl of cream, and strew pink rose leaves over the little remains.

Finally, my readers, when Soul magnetizes Soul, the question of beauty is a dead letter. Whom one loves is handsome, the world's arbitrary rules notwithstanding; therefore, when you say "what can the handsome Mr. B. see to admire in that stick of a Miss J.?" or "what can that pretty Miss B. see to like in that homely Mr. C.?" you talk simple nonsense as you generally do on such subjects. Still the parson gets his fees and the census goes on all the same.

A Queer Wedding.

Rev. D., a Methodist minister stationed at Meadsville some years ago, one evening received a note stating that a couple living in the suburbs of the city desired to be united in the bonds of matrimony, and requested his services at nine o'clock the next morning. At the proper time he went to the house designated and entered. He inquired of a young lady who was busy washing dishes, if there was a couple there wishing to be married. "I am the lady," said she, blushing. "John will be in in a moment." The minister was surprised to see no preparations, and stepped to the door to view the surroundings. Two men were hard at work grinding scythes in the yard, and another, who proved to be "John," was tending a cow and calf in the barn yard. The young lady came to the door pretty soon, and shouted "John, John, hurry up, the preacher's here!"—John leaped the fence and rushed to the house, the girl wiped her hands on her apron, and after joining hands, said they were ready. The minister proceeded, and had just got through questioning the man when the old lady rushed into the room, shouting, "John, John, you did'nt turn the cow away from the calf!" John let go his sweetheart's hand instantly, and rushed to the barn yard, put the old cow through the bars, and then returned to the house, again took up his position, when the balance of the ceremony was gone through with. The minister went on his way. John went to the hay field and the lady resumed her dish washing.—*Forrest (Pa.) Republican.*

JOHN WESLEY, the founder of Methodism, when one day riding through the country, was saluted by a fellow who was lying in a ditch.

"Hello! Father Wesley, I'm glad to see you. How do you do?"

"I don't know," said Mr. W., reigning up his horse. "Who are you?"

"Don't you know me? Why, sir, you are the very man who converted me."

"I reckon I am," said Mr. W., putting spurs to his horse, "at least one thing is evident—the Lord had nothing to do with it."

MOTHERLY.—The San Francisco *News Letter* gives the following in reply to a correspondent: "YOUNG MOTHER—Your little poem upon "Baby" is a gem, and we regret that we have not space for so exquisite a tit-bit. If you have a fault it is the trifling one, common to all young writers, of sacrificing melody to hard sense. The third stanzas is a striking instance—

Doxery doodle-um dinkle-um dum,
Tum to its mozzery mozzery mum;
Tizzery izzery boozery boo,
No baby so sweet and so pitty as oo.

JOSH BILLINGS defines a "thurrer bred biziness man" as "wun that knows enuff about steelin' so't there kant ennybody steel from him, and enuff about law so't he can do his own steelin' legally."

WHILE a mother was brooding over her poverty, her little son said,—"Mamma, I think God hears when we scrape the bottom of the barrel."

THE generous heart should scorn a pleasure which gives others pain.

CHINESE NUPTIALS IN CALIFORNIA.—A "marriage in high life" took place the other day in Chinatown, to which the upper ten of that locality were invited.—Ah Tau, the groom, is an old resident of San Francisco, but Soi Keou is a recent importation. Ah Tau has had two wives who treated him badly—one deserting him and the other squandering his money. His last bride he purchased for $500, of her venerable mother, who intends to return to her native land and live in ease and comfort all the rest of her days on the proceeds of her fortunate traffic.—Warned by the infelicities of his former marriages, Ah Tau resolved this time to be bound by a double knot, and accordingly the services of a justice of the peace were called into requisition. After being united according to the American law the happy pair proceeded to the Joss House, on Dupoint street, and there, before the idols, the Chinese marriage was celebrated. After burning a number of sacred sticks before the shrine, the groom offered the bride meat, fruit, and vegetables, to siguify that she was dependent on him for support, and that he bound himself to maintain her. The guardian beasts who stand in effigy by the shrine were then appeased by presents of the meat and this concluded the ceremony.—A wedding breakfast, consisting of Chinese dishes and several cases of champagne, followed and the bride presented the guests with several packages of tea, done up in many colored papers. Music and fire-crackers concluded the festivities.—*San Francisco Bulletin.*

A METHODIST DOG.—The following curious dog story is vouched for by a paper in Montreal:

"A gentleman owns a dog that has some remarkable instincts. On week-days he has all the passions and propensities of other dogs, but on the Sabbath his peculiarities and sectarian sentiments come out. He knows when this day comes.—He is not the same dog as on other days. He indulges in no pastimes, encourages no company, and seems to say, in actions louder than words: 'Six days we may play and do all our sport.' The family are Presbyterians; the dog is a Methodist. On Sunday morning he attends the family to the Presbyterian house of worship, and then holds on his solitary and unbroken way until he comes to his own church, which is a little further on. He has a particular place up stairs where he sits. No belle or madam of fashion, who sweeps up the aisle of a popular church, and finds a plebeian in her pew, can give a more decided expression of displeasure than this dog if he finds any one in his seat. He seems to attend to the service, and give dogmatical heed to the word spoken. An example to many professing Christians, he may be seen on his way to church in foul weather as in fair; not a half-day hearer either, while his denominational preferences are as well known as are those of any in the city."—*Evangelist.*

THE PENSION OFFICE REPORT, now ready for publication, announces that on June 30th the number of army pensioners on the rolls was 185,125, and the military pensions paid amounted to $27,892,868. The naval roll embraced 2,838 pensioners, and the aggregate of naval pensions amounted to $430,016. The total amount paid for pensions of all classes and expenses of disbursement reached the sum of $28,422,884, an excess of $4,411,902 over 1868. There are 62,101 claims for pensions yet to be acted on. Danl. F. Bakeman, the only soldier of the revolutionary army on the rolls who had been pensioned by act of Congress, died on April 5th. There are 887 revolutionary widows still on the pension list. There were issued from the bounty land division 1,650 land warrants, covering 260,040 acres.

DR. MCCLURE informs the *Practical Farmer* that he has never known the following prescription to fail of curing colic in horses: Aromatic spirits of ammonia, half an ounce; laudanum, one and a half ounces; mix with one pint of water and administer. If not relieved, repeat the dose.

WASHINGTON seldom indulged in a joke or sarcasm, but when he did he made a decided hit. During the debate on the establishment of the Federal Army, a member of Congress offered a resolution limiting it to three thousand men; to which Washington suggested an amendment, providing no enemy should ever invade the country with more than three thousand men. The laughter which ensued smothered the resolution.

"PARSON," said a baffled, swindling horse jockey, "I had rather hear you preach than see you interfere in bargains between man and man."

"Well," said the parson, "if you had been where you ought to have been last Sunday, you would have heard me."

"Where was that?" said the jockey.

"In the State Prison," returned the clergyman.

TIT FOR TAT.—Two Irishmen were in prison; the one for stealing a cow, the other for stealing a watch.

"Hallo, Mike, what o'clock is it?" said the cow-stealer to the other.

"And sure, Pat, I haven't any timepiece handy, but I think it is most milking time."

SOME one relates the story of a man who was too lazy to say his prayers. He wrote out his devotions on foolscap, however, and tied them to the foot of his couch. Before retiring he would hold them up to heaven and exclaim, "Them's my sentiments," and jump into bed.

A PERPLEXED Jew who had made a garment for a youth, and found himself unable to dispose of the surplus fulness which appeared when trying it on the young candidate, declared vociferously that "de coat is goot. It is no fault of de coat. De poy is too slim."

A SOLDIER was going off the field too hastily, when the provost-guard cried:—"Halt!" "Can't." "Wounded?" "No." "What's the matter?" "I am scared, and want to go to the rear to—rally."

EIGHTEEN ladies are announced as public lecturers for the coming winter—the number who will give private lectures is not stated.

A JUDGE in one of the Western States has decided that a fence, to be lawful, must be horse high, bull strong and pig tight.