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A CARD.

PROF. EDW. G. LEHMANN, of Baltimore, proposes to open CLASSES IN DANCING at Galena and Chestertown during the months of June and July. His school in Baltimore is very favorably known and patronized by the most fashionable refined classes of society there. The mode of tuition will be most modern and fashionable, and calculated to impart to the pupils grace and easiness in deportment and motion, and knowledge of the usages of refined society. To secure success and facilitate the formation of classes, Mr. Lehmann invites subscription to the same, for which purpose lists, stating days of tuition and terms can be found at Georgetown by W. T. Betton, Esq.; at Galena by T. H. Horsey, Esq.; Chestertown, at the office of the Transcript.

May 21, 1870—tf.

NEW STOCK
—OF—
BOOTS, SHOES AND GAITERS,
For Ladies, Gentlemen and Children,
JUST OPENED BY
JOHN W. COLLINS.

☞ CALL AND SEE MY STOCK. They are of the best quality and cannot fail to give satisfaction. April 16.

A CARD.

FINDING the general notices to settle thro' the County papers overlooked or disregarded, and a determination to give those indebted to me another opportunity to make amicable settlement, I hereby authorize JOSEPH A. CATLIN, Esq., assisted by C. W. WHALAND, (my son,) to close my book accounts, notes, &c. They must be closed at once to the 21st day of January, 1869, when I associated with Dr. Perkins. My duty demands it. Any arrangement made with either or both of these persons will be satisfactory—errors excepted.

apr23-tf. T. H. WHALAND.

☞ REMOVAL! ☜
NEW MILLINERY

MISSES MIDDLETON & WYATT, have removed to the Store room, adjoining the residence of Wm. S. Lassell, Esq., opposite the M. E. Church, and have just returned from the city with a full assortment of

New Spring Millinery,

embracing all the latest styles of BONNETS, HATS, &c. Also, a large assortment of FANCY GOODS of all kinds usually kept in this line. The Ladies are invited to call.

Persons indebted to us will please settle, as we are in need of money to carry on our business. apr23.

CABINET MAKING
AND
UNDERTAKING.
H. T. ROBERTS

DESIRES to inform the citizens of Crumpton and the surrounding country that he has in Store a general assortment of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, which he will dispose of for cash or on a short credit to punctual customers.

UNDERTAKING.

I will make Walnut Coffins at $3 per foot, and extra for Trimmings according to quality. All other kinds of Coffins in like proportion.

I have a good Hearse, and am always prepared to attend funerals, or send Corpses to any destination.

m21y. H. T. ROBERTS.

LIVERY! LIVERY! LIVERY!

Horses & Carriages
FOR HIRE.

I am prepared to furnish all who want to hire HORSES and CARRIAGES, with good, safe and quick animals, and with substantial easy Carriages, on liberal terms.

Parties sent to any part of the county.

A good, safe turnout, can always be obtained by applying to

SAMUEL L. RAWLEIGH,
my7-3m. Queen Street.

Livery and Exchange Stables.
HORSES
Mules and Carriages
FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

☞ I am prepared to supply Farmers and others with good FARM AND DRIVING HORSES on liberal terms. Five head of Horses and one Pair of Mules now on hand for sale or exchange. Also, a number of CARRIAGES.

Those in want of anything in my line will find it to their interest to call and see me

JOHN K. WILLIS,
feb12-6m. 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.

Professional Notice.

DR. J. H. PRICE

HAVING located at the Trappe, offers his professional services to the surrounding community. Refers to a practice of four years at Hooversville, Anne Arundel co., Md.

Jan. 8, 1870—6m.

NOTICE.

The subscriber, on account of ill health, has been compelled to relinquish the manufacture of Boots and Shoes, but will continue to buy all kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCE at market price for cash. HIDES wanted, for which the best prices will be paid.

I have on hand a lot of Boots and Shoes of my own manufacture, which I will sell very low for cash. C. H. KENTON,
my7tf. Chestertown.

TAX-PAYERS

Will please bear in mind that I need money to meet the demands against me, which are due and payable on the first day of January. I will continue to be at the usual places, and at the Trappe on Monday afternoons and Belair on Thursday afternoons.

A. B. WHEATLEY,
Dec. 18—tf. Coll. 5th Dist.

THE celebrated HOSTETTER'S BITTERS, advertised in this paper, are for sale by J. W. IVENS, Chestertown.

HANNA'S DIAMOND WINDOW POLISH, for sale at the Tin, Stove and Hardware Store of J. K. ALDRIDGE.

NEW GOODS!
Up Town Cheap Dry Goods Store

MY DRESS GOODS are ALL NEW, BOUGHT IN NEW YORK.

Best Makes of PRINTS,
WHITE GOODS,
Stripe and Plaid Muslins,
Marseilles, Irish Linens,
Brown Linens,
White Quilts,
Shirt Fronts,
Bleached and unbl'd Muslins,
CASSIMERES for Men and Boys' wear,
Spring Shawls and Black Shawls,
Silk Sun-shades and Parasols,
Men's and Ladies' Hose,
Ladies' Gaiters,
LADIES BALMORAL SHOES,
6-4 MATTING, RAG CARPET,
OIL CLOTH,
☞ GOBLETS VERY CHEAP. ☜
CALL AND SEE.
MRS. S. E. BARRETT.
April 16, 1870—4m.

New Spring Goods!
NEW PRICES IN GALENA.
THOMAS H. HORSEY,

HAVING just returned from the Cities with a new and well selected

Stock of Goods,

we are now enabled to offer EXTRA INDUCEMENTS to the buying public.

Ladies' and Misses Regular made HOSIERY. Custom made BUTTON SHOES & GAITERS.

Dress Goods, White Goods,
Corsets, Notions & Trimmings
WE MAKE A SPECIALTY.

Having a first-class FASHIONABLE TAILOR from New York in our Town, we can have Gentlemen's Suits made to order, in the Latest Style, from Goods of our own selection. A good fit and satisfaction guaranteed, or no sale.

A Full Stock of all kinds of Goods

kept in a First Class Store, which will be sold at prices based on recent decline in gold, for CASH OR COUNTRY PRODUCE, and to short time buyers.

☞ PLEASE CALL AND EXAMINE
No trouble to show goods.
THOMAS H. HORSEY.
Galena, May 14, 1870.

TO FARMERS!
THE HIGHEST PRICES
PAID FOR GRAIN,
DELIVERED AT ANY STATION
ON THE
Kent County Railroad
ON THE ORDER OF
ELIHU JEFFERSON, New Castle, Del.

GRAIN BOUGHT EXCLUSIVELY ON COMMISSION, and satisfaction guaranteed.

Orders solicited for RAMBO'S and WHITE'S LIME. Also, for WHANN'S and BAUGH'S PHOSPAATE, PLASTER, &c.

Orders by mail promptly attended to.

THE MELLISH PEACH BASKET
Will be furnished for 15 cents.

All other PEACH BASKETS that Farmers require, at the usual rates.

A. T. STOOPS,
apr30y. Massey's, Kent Co., Md.

GENTLEMEN'S
CITY-MADE
SEWED CALF-SKIN BOOTS,
A Superior Article.

Gents' Sewed and Pegged BALMORALS and Superior PLOW SHOES.

Ladies' BUTTONED GAITERS, and Misses and Children's Shoes, in variety of sizes, all fresh Goods and offered at fair prices.

May 7. THOMAS S. WICKES.

WHITE GOODS.

The attention of Ladies is called to our present Full Stock of WHITE GOODS, bought under the new gold rates, some of the Styles very rich, and also to BLACK and MODE COLORED ALPACAS, now offered at reasonable figures.

BLEACHED MUSLINS of the best makes, and a large line of HANDKERCHIEFS, and Ladies and Misses HOSIERY.

May 7. THOMAS S. WICKES.

OUR STOCK OF
Plow Castings
is being kept constantly full, and our stock of FARM HARDWARE generally, will be found adequate to the calls of the season.

Also, GARDEN SEEDS, fresh from Landreth's. Seed Peas, Beans, &c., &c.

THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, May 7, 1870.

TO DEALERS in BASKETS, Peach Growers, and all using or selling Baskets, I wish to call the attention to a NEW ARTICLE, made on a new principle—the lightest, cheapest and best Baskets in the market. Call or send for a sample. Baskets of any size or weight made to order. Address

C. B. ROGERS,
133 Market St., Philadelphia,
Agent for the Manufacturers.

BERRY BASKETS and CRATES of the most approved patterns. my28-4t.

WOOL WANTED.
WOOL WANTED
By T. W. ELIASON & SON.
May 28, 1870.

AT JAMES W IVENS'
CHEAP UP TOWN STORE,

You can get Powder, Shot and Caps; Figs and French Candy; Hams, Shoulders & Middlings; a few cases of choice Champagne Wine; also cases of Port and Sherry; choice Bourbon Whiskey, French Brandy, Gin, &c.; Tobacco and Cigars of choice quality, and many other goods, which will be offered very cheap. n13

OXEN.
ONE GOOD YOKE OF OXEN
FOR SALE.
N. BARNARD,
ap16tf. Still Pond, Kent co., Md.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS of this county will be visited and examined in the order given below.

Commissioners, parents and guardians, and the friends of education, are cordially invited to attend. It is highly desirable that all who are sceptical of the good results of a system of Public Free Schools should be present and judge for themselves of the progress of the pupils and the condition of the schools. Most of all do Teachers need the hearty co-operation of parents; and while not shrinking from honest criticism, will feel grateful for a word of friendly encouragement.

School No.	6, 4th Election District,			May	27th.
"	6, 2d	"	"	"	30th.
"	2, 2d	"	"	"	31st.
"	1, 2d	"	"	June	1st.
"	8, 1st	"	"	"	2d.
"	1, 1st	"	"	"	3d.
"	2, 1st	"	"	"	6th.
"	7, 1st	"	9 A.M.	"	7th.
"	8, 1st	"	2 P.M.	"	8th.
"	4, 1st	"	"	"	9th.
"	7, 1st	"	"	"	10th.
"	6, 1st	"	"	"	13th.
"	3, 2d	"	"	"	14th.
"	4, 2d	"	"	"	15th.
"	5, 2d	"	9 A.M.	"	16th.
"	7, 2d	"	2 P.M.	"	16th.
"	1, 3d	"	"	"	17th.
"	8, 3d	"	9 A.M.	"	20th.
"	3, 3d	"	2 P.M.	"	20th.
"	2, 3d	"	"	"	21st.
"	5, 3d	"	"	"	22d
"	4, 3d	"	"	"	23d.
"	7, 4th	"	"	"	24th.
"	2, 4th	"	9 A.M.	"	27th.
"	1, 4th	"	2 P.M.	"	27th.
"	3, 4 and 5, 4th		"	"	29th.

The Teachers of the respective schools are requested to give notice of the time of Examination of their schools, and invite parents and others to attend.

By order of the Board,
HOWARD MEEKS,
m21-3t Secretary and Examiner.

Reapers and Mowers.
PRICES REDUCED!

THE undersigned is selling

WOODS'
Celebrated Reapers and Mowers

for the approaching harvest at the following

REDUCED PRICES:

5 ft. 6 in. Reaper	$155
5 ft. 6 in. Reaper and Mower Combined	195
6 ft. Reaper	165
6 ft. Reaper and Mower Combined	205
4 ft. Mowers	115
4 ft. 3 in. Mowers	120
4 ft. 6 in. Mowers	140

Also, agent for the EXCELSIOR DROPPER. This Machine is said to be the best in market.

CHARLES ESTES,
my14-7t. Chestertown Foundry.

FARMERS
GET THE BEST!

HAVING accepted an Agency for the sale of Improved Farming Implements, Portable Steam Engines, &c., I offer to the Farmers of Kent and Queen Anne's at the lowest terms:

The Reliable SWEEPSTAKES THRESHER, new to this County.

The BUCKEYE COMBINED REAPER and MOWER, or either separately.

FRICK'S PORTABLE STEAM ENGINE. This Engine has never been used in this County, but I have seen it working in Baltimore county, and believe it to be the best engine for the purpose now in use.

STEEL TOOTH WHEEL RAKES, and other modern improved Farming Implements and appliances, all WARRANTED of the Latest and Best makes. Address

HENRY BRAMBLE,
my14-3m. Chestertown.

THE CHAMPION.

JOHN BELL & BROTHER,
BUCK NECK WHARF,
SOLE AGENTS FOR KENT COUNTY FOR THE
Champion Reaper and Mower.

WE invite the attention of Farmers to the Improved "Self-Raking Attachment" upon the Champion No. 2 Reaper and Mower, which took the FIRST PREMIUM at the Maryland State Fair in 1869.

This Machine stands pre-eminently at the head of all Harvesting Machines, and many valuable improvements have been added for the coming season. They are first class in every respect, unequalled and unexcelled.

A Two-Wheeled Jointed-Bar SELF RAKE, two perfect machines combined in one.

ALSO, THE

Improved Champion No. 3 Mower,
The Great National Mowing Machine.
The Lightest Draft and Most Perfect Mower in the World.

THE DROPPING ATTACHMENT

Is furnished as a single attachment to the No. 2 Mower, or in connection with a Hand Rake or Self-Raker. This Dropper is the strongest, simplest and most desirable arrangement for gaveling the grain ever made, and in construction and operation is different in very many respects to any other dropping attachment in use. We also call attention to

The Etna Mower and Reaper,

which is a Light Draft, and easy cutting Machine, either in Grass or Grain.

Also, on hand the

Geiser Thresher and Separator
Md. Farmer Steel Tooth Horse Rake,
The Celebrated Double and Triple Screen
DIXIE GRAIN FAN,
Ploughs, Harrows, Cultivators, &c.

☞ For Catalogues, containing description of Machinery, prices and terms, apply at BUCK NECK WHARF, or address

JOHN BELL & BROTHER,
my14-2m. Hanesville, Kent Co., Md.

CUTTING & FITTING.

MRS. R. R. KENTON respectfully informs the Ladies that she is prepared to do all kinds of CUTTING AND FITTING on reasonable terms. Orders left at the store (next door to B. H. Gardner's) will receive prompt attention.

May 21, 1870—3t.

BARNARD WHARF COMPANY.

There will be a meeting of the Stockholders of the Barnard Wharf Company, held at said Company's Wharf, on MONDAY, June 6th, 1870, to elect by ballot THREE DIRECTORS to serve for the ensuing year.

By order, H. T. JUMP, President.
May 7, 1870—5t.

FOR SALE—a large lot of STONE and EARTHENWARE,
May 14 WM. F. BAKER.

A VALUABLE
FRUIT FARM
AT PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned will dispose of his VALUABLE FRUIT FARM at the "Voshell House," in Chestertown, on

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th, 1870,
At Three o'clock, P. M.

This Farm lies directly on Chester River, about two miles above Chestertown, in Queen Anne's county, Maryland, adjoining the lands of Messrs. Urie, Kibler, Rolph and others, and

Contains 146 Acres
AND 28 PERCHES,
KNOWN AS "ROYSTON."

There is a PEACH ORCHARD of 4300 Trees in full bearing. Also 3600 Peach Trees, three years old, all of choice varieties and in a thrifty condition. There is a Young Apple Orchard of 150 Trees, and an old Orchard of 50 Trees, all in a thrifty condition. A general assortment of Small Fruit, such as Morellow, Black and Sugar Heart Cherries, and Gooseberries.

The Peach Crop, which is very promising, will be sold with the Farm.

TERMS OF SALE:

Three thousand dollars cash, or in thirty days; fifteen hundred dollars on the 1st Jan., 1871, and the balance in two years.

For further information inquire of the undersigned on the farm, or address the same at Chestertown, Md.

my14-ts. EUGENE DIEHL.

Land in Virginia
AT TRUSTEE'S SALE.

THE undersigned, as Trustee, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on

WEDNESDAY, June 15th, 1870,

the LAND in the lower part of Middlesex Co., Virginia, which belonged to the late Samuel H. Hurley, formerly of Kent county, Md.

This Tract Contains 200 Acres,

with good Improvements and fine Apple and Peach Orchards. It is situated on the Rappahannock River, with a contemplated Railroad running in front of the land.

Persons wishing to examine the premises can take the Rappahannock line of Steamers which leave Spear's wharf, Baltimore, every Tuesday and Friday, at 4 o'clock, P. M., and land at North End, a short distance from the place.

Persons desiring further information may enquire of J. L. Crew or J. W. Crew, of Kent county, or address D. HURLEY, at his post office, Sandy Bottom, Va.

Terms made known at sale.

my7ts. R. L. MONTAGUE, Trustee.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

THE undersigned, by virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county sitting in Equity, will expose to public sale

ON MONDAY,
THE SIXTH DAY OF JUNE, 1870,

at the Voshell House in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, the following VALUABLE REAL ESTATE of which the late Samuel E. Baker died seized:

No. 1,
THE HOME FARM,

of the said S. E. Baker, situated about four miles from Chestertown, and containing

290 Acres of Land,
MORE OR LESS.

The Improvements consist of a TWO-STORY FRAME

DWELLING,

and all necessary OUT-BUILDINGS. The Farm is divided into six fields, and has about 2,000 Peach Trees in good bearing.

No. 2.
"THE PIPPIN FARM,"

adjoins the lands of Josias Ringgold and others, and contains

160 Acres of Land,

More or Less. The Farm is divided into four fields and has a comfortable Frame Dwelling and Out-Buildings in good condition.

The soil of both Farms is good.

TERMS:—One-fifth of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, or in sixty days thereafter, at the option of the Trustee, and the balance in three equal instalments, in six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next, and to be secured by the bonds of the purchasers, with security to be approved by the Trustee. Possession will be given on the 1st January next.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.
May 14, 1870—ts.

HOUSE AND LAND FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers at private sale his HOUSE AND LAND at Smithville. The House is a two-story Frame, with three rooms and Kitchen below and four rooms above. There are about

Eight Acres of Land,

divided into three Lots, under good fencing. One lot in Peach Trees in full bearing.

For particulars enquire of the undersigned, or at the Kent News office.

apr30-tf. SAMUEL L. USILTON.

Dwelling House on High St.,
FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, or for rent for the present year, the DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, occupied the past year 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.

jan8-tf. J. W. HINES.

GEO. E. WEBB,
Commission Merchant in all kinds of
PRODUCE,
21 Del. Avenue Market, Philadelphia.

☞ CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.
Send for Weekly Price List.

REFERENCES:—Dixon, Sharpless & Co., Hickman & Cottingham, Philadelphia. J. Townsend, Camden, N. J. my28-3m.

DR. J. J. VANDERFORD,
DENTIST,
No. 91 Saratoga Street, Baltimore.

Special attention paid to Children's Teeth.

REFERENCES:—Hon. H. G. S. Key, Hon. B. G. Harris, Jos. H. Key, Esq., Dr. F. C. Neale, St. Mary's county, Md. Hon. B. T. Biggs, Rev. John Patton, D. D.; Rev. John Collins McCabe, D. D., New Castle county, Del. Hon. Hiram McCullough, Rev. Henry Mathews, Cecil county, Md. George Earle, Esq., Assist. Postmaster General. my28-6m.

The Parting Hour.

There's something in the "parting hour,"
Will chill the warmest heart—
Yet kindred, comrades, lovers, friends,
Are fated all to part;
But this I've seen—and many a pang
Has pressed it on my mind—
The one who goes is happier
Than those he leaves behind.

No matter what the journey be,
Adventurous, dangerous, far,
To the wild deep or bleak frontier,
To solitude or war—
Still something cheers the heart that *dares*
In all of human kind,
And they who go are happier
Than those they leave behind.

The bride goes to the bridegroom's home
With doubtings and with tears,
But does not Hope her rainbow spread
Across her cloudy fears?
Alas! the mother who remains,
What comfort can she find,
But this, the gone is happier
Than one she leaves behind.

God wills it so—and so it is;
The pilgrims on their way,
Though weak and worn more cheerful are
Than all the rest who stay.
And when, at last, poor man subdued,
Lies down to rest resigned,
May he not still be happier far
Than those he leaves behind?

SELFISHNESS.—Live for some purpose in the world. Always act your part well. Fill up the measure of duty to others.—Conduct yourselves so that you shall be missed with sorrow when you are gone. Multitudes of our species are living in such a selfish manner that they are not likely to be remembered after their disappearance. They leave behind them scarcely any trace of their existence, and are forgotten almost as though they had never been. They are, while they live, like some pebble lying unobserved among a million on the shore; and when they die, they are like that same pebble thrown into the sea, which just ruffles the surface, sinks, and is forgotten, without being missed from the shore. They are neither regretted by the rich, wanted by the poor, nor celebrated by the learned. Who has been the better for their life? Who has been the worse for their death? Whose tears have they dried up? Whose wants supplied? Whose misery have they healed? Who would unbar the gate of life to readmit them to existence? or what face would greet them back again to our world with a smile? Wretched, unproductive mode of existence! Selfishness is its own curse; it is a starving vice.—The man who does no good gets none.—He is like the heath in the desert, neither yielding fruit nor seeing when good cometh, a stunted, dwarfish, miserable shrub.

FARMING COMPARED WITH OTHER PROFESSIONS.—Governor Chamberlain, in making some suggestions to the Legislature of Maine, in his annual address, relative to the importance of farming, which he represents as the "great branch of our industries," adds: "Farming is rather a hard way to get rich, but it is a good way to be independent. And I think, as a general thing, farmers are far happier than any other class of men who work as hard, whether with hands or brains."—This sentiment will find an echo in the breast of nearly every business man in other pursuits. During the past year how many merchants or manufacturers can show that they stand as well in their business relations as they did the year before? and what vast numbers, in marking down their prices, find shrinkage in values far greater than all their profits for the year, whilst the capital has been dipped into for the supply of family wants—to pay for rents, equipages, and to keep up the appearance of healthy business? On the other hand, the farmer, if he has not laid in much money—and a large number of grain growers, in consequence of the low price occasioned by the heavy crop made last year of wheat (their principal money crop,) have not—yet, if he was out of debt before, need not be otherwise than in a comfortable condition, for he has been enabled to raise a sufficiency for his own support, if he is at all provident in his habits. And then from what a load of mental agonies has he been exempted in comparison with other professions!

ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS.—A letter from Crawfordsville, Ga., the home of Hon. Alexander H. Stephens, says:

"I spent the day recently with Mr. Stephens, at his residence here, (Liberty Hall.) This is an unassuming country house—a white frame building, erected with an eye to comfort and convenience, which end its proprietor has most successfully attained. It is the cosiest, coolest, most inviting bachelor's retreat I ever visited—opening upon a grassy lawn, unusual in this State, and shaded by a number of pretty oaks, locusts, &c. I found Mr. Stephens looking very pale and emaciated, reclining in his invalid chair, and intently discussing some law points in a murder case with a legal friend. Though extremely feeble, when interested or excited he would sit up erect, his remarkable eye would sparkle with its old fire, and he would address his hearers in an animated and always convincing strain. It is his custom, when the weather is fine, to sit in his easy chair on the verandah, and, as he converses, wheels himself slowly back and forth by a convenient arrangement, which costs him but little effort, and, as he says, exercises and strengthens his arms and chest. When the sun gets low he calls for his crutches and hobbles slowly over the lawn and through his well-kept garden, in which he seems much interested. Having but a partial use of his legs, Mr. Stephens walks with difficulty on his crutches. He says his hip is dislocated, and he thinks he will never be able to lay his crutches aside."

NEVER deceive those whom you wish to be your friends.

THE BLACK DEMOSTHENES.

Part of the speech delivered at Carrolton, Miss., in May, 1869, by Henry Boyed, colored, on the subject of the adoption or rejection of the scalawag Constitution, disfranchising twenty thousand of the most intelligent white citizens of the State, which Constitution was voted down by the colored vote in June 1869.

MY COLORED FRIENDS:

I appear to-day in your interest alone. The white man is able to take care of himself; and as you can all see, I have not one drop of white blood in my veins, (laughter.) I am a regular, old fashioned, plain corn-field nigger, and have not the capacity to instruct white people as to their duties, even if I had the will. I was a slave from my birth—I always endeavored to serve my master faithfully according to that letter of the Bible which reads: "Servants, be obedient unto your masters, for this right." And I can lay my hand upon my heart to-day and say before God, that I entertain no ill-will toward any white man on earth, and least of all toward my old master and his sons, whom I loved as my own brothers, and with whom I played in boyhood. In all our neighborhood romps, frolics, and fights (for boys will fight,) they stood at my back, as I did at theirs whenever it came to the pinch, and, thank God, I will do so yet. I will stand by them so long as they stand by me, whether the impression comes from the Yankees or from whatever else it may. Whenever it comes to my making choice between white men, I shall prefer those of my own section to all the carpet-baggers in the world. There ain't very much difference between white men and Yankees, and whenever you find it at all you'll find it in the white man's favor. White folks are all cut pretty much out of the same cloth, and both sections have made their love for the niggers subserve their own interest, as all men are selfish by nature and can't help it, and I can't blame them.

When the late war broke out, I am free to acknowledge, I was mighty glad of it. I somehow felt that my freedom was going to come out of it some way or other, and, and as I am perhaps as selfish as a white man "I tell you I didn't do—" I didn't cry much at the prospect. Well, when the first company left my country for "old Virginny" to fight the Yankees, I enlisted with the balance of them, and went along as first cook and head waiter for one of my young masters. I had a pretty good time, too, for while the white folks were out fighting and marching, and suffering and dying, I was laying back with the meat and bread wagons. I felt, for once in my life, it was a pretty good thing to be a nigger after all—for the white man wouldn't let me fight alongside of him, and after I heard the first shell go off, God knows I wasn't very anxious to do it neither. I knew if I had been along on the Yankee side, I wouldn't have had such easy times, for as selfish as the Yankee is, he never objected to getting somebody to do his fighting for him whenever he could.—Not he. Some folks say he was willing enough to let the South do it all during the Mexican war.

I used to be right smartly amused hearing the white folks talk. My young master came in one night after a battle, and says he, "Henry, we've just had a big six hours' fight. We whipped the d—d Yankees like smoke and drove 'em thirty-six miles. Thinks I to myself, "Humph! pretty good driving—all in six hours, too!" But a heap of people think the nigger a fool.

Well, I sorter thought, maybe, the Yankees were really fighting to free the niggers. But they didn't keep the wool over my eyes long. I watched 'em mighty close. One day the news came into the camp that Mr. Lincoln had done issued his proclamation, saying that if Mr. Davis would lay down his arms and come back into the Union and go to paying tariff again the Southern people might have their niggers! Thinks I, humph! Mighty poor chance to get any freedom from you, Mr. Lincoln. I tell you what I felt mighty bad for a long time. I had the blues so bad I was almost black. I think in two weeks I fell off twenty pounds. I was so 'fraid Mr. Davis was going to do it I couldn't sleep. But by-and-by the good word came that Mr. Davis said "he'd be d—d if he'd do any such thing; I ain't fighting for niggers—let the niggers go; I'm after my own freedom first before anything else in the world." I tell you my heart jumped right up in my mouth. Thinks I, bully for Jeff Davis! He's my man! Ah, my friends, if the Yankees had been in Mr. Davis' place you'd been in a cotton patch to-day, with the whip after you, instead of setting up here in this court-room hearing me speak. But don't you see the difference between a Southern and the Northern man? The Northern man never missed the chance of taking care of the dimes first.

And now the carpet-baggers come here and tell us they are our friends, and the Southern people our enemies; they tell us they set us free. Oh, yes, they've done it all, no doubt. They set us free about like Ben Butler set the spoons free. They done it all to help the Yankees and injure the Southern man; they can't fool this nigger. I know who brought the negro to this country in the first place; the Northern man brought us here, and, when they began to lose money on the nigger they put the nigger in their pocket—sold him down South, and then, to keep the South in the Union to make her pay taxes, they turn around and set the nigger, and the mules and spoons free; and they wouldn't have set anything free (excepting the spoons) if they could have got the South back into the Union without it.

They promised him the "forty acres and the mule." I know five niggers this starved plum to death waiting for that mule and that forty acres, I'd like to know where the carpet-bagger got his forty acres! You all remember the devil took the Lord up into a high mountain, and promised if he'd fall down and serve him he'd give him the whole world, and the old scoundrel knew all the time he didn't own a foot of land on the continent.

The carpet-baggers ask me to cast my vote to keep the white folks down. Now all I ever wanted was to get on a level with the white man. I never wanted to get above him. They say a nigger is better than a white man in Cincinnati.—Well, that may be the truth—in Cincinnati. But it ain't true here. It is my interest to stand by the Southern men, and its my wish, too. Whatever law is made to affect the white man's plantation also affects my little cotton-patch in the same way. The three-cent tax on cotton hurts me worse than it does the white man. But it puts money in the Yankee's pockets.

They want to disfranchise the white man, and make the nigger put them into office. Would they have passed a law allowing niggers to vote if they hadn't thought the niggers would vote the Republican ticket? Never, never, never. Who believes otherwise? Not this nigger, certain. The Yankee brought the nigger here from Africa for selfish purposes, and now they want to vote him for selfish purposes.

PICKING THE EARS.—Dr. Hall says "picking the ears" is a most mischievous practice. In attempting to do this with hard substances, an unlucky motion has many a time pierced the drum; nothing sharper nor harder than the end of the little finger, with the nail pared, ought to be introduced into the ear, unless by a physician.

Persons are often seen endeavoring to remove the "wax" of the ear with the head of a pin; this ought never to be done; first, because it only endangers the rupture of the ear by being pushed too far in, but if not so far, it may grate against the drum, excite inflammation and an ulcer which will finally eat all the parts away, especially of a scrofulous constitution; second, hard substances have often slipped in and caused the necessity of painful operations to fish or cut out; third, the wax is manufactured by nature to guard the entrance from dust, insects, and unmodified cold air, and when it has subserved its purpose it becomes dry, scaly, light, and in this condition is easily pushed outside by new formation of wax within.

Occasionally wax may harden and may interfere with the hearing; but when this is the case, it is the part of wisdom to consult a physician and let him decide what is the remedy; if one cannot be had, the only safe plan is to let fall into the ear three or four drops of tepid water, night and morning; the saliva is better still, for it is softer and more penetrating, but glycerine is far preferable to either; it is one of the blandest fluids in nature, and very rapidly penetrates the hardened wax, cools the parts, and restores them to a healthful condition. If in a week there is not a decided improvement in the hearing, medical advice ought to be had at once, as, next to the eye, the ear is the most delicate organ of the body.

TITE BOOTS.—I would jis like tew kno who the man wuz who fust invented tite boots. Enny man who kan wear a pair ov tite boots, and be humble, and penitent, and not indulge in profane literature, will make a good husband. He will do more than that; he will do to divide up into several fust klass husbands, and be made to answer for a whole naborhood. Oh! for the buty of Venus to make a bigg foot look hansum without a tite boot on it.—Oh! for the payshunce ov Job, the Apostle, to nuss a tite boot and bless it, and even pra for one a size smaller and more pinchful. I hav bin led to the above assortment ov "Oh's" from having in my posseshun at this moment, a pair ov number nine boots with a pair ov number eleven feet in them. I supposed I had lived long enuff not to be phooled agin in this way, but I hav found out that an ounce of vanity weighs more than a pound of reason, espeshily when a man mistakes a bigg foot for a small one. I hav promised mi two feet, at least a dozen times during my checkurd life, that thay never should be strangled again, but I find them to day az full of pane az the stummick ake, from a sudden attak ov tite boots.—But this iz solemnly the last pair ov tite boots I will ever wear; I will hereafter wear boots az bigg az mi feet, if I have to go barefoot to do it. I am too old and too respectable to be a fool any more.—Methusela iz the only man that I kan kall to mind now who could have afforded to have worn tite boots, and enjoyed them; he had a great deal of waste time to be miserable in, but life now days iz too short, and too full of aktual bizziness to phool away enny ov it on tite boots.—*Josh Billings.*

A DISTINCTION WITHOUT A DIFFERENCE.—An instance of distinction without a difference was offered by the Irishman who, having legs of different sizes, ordered boots to be made accordingly. His directions were obeyed; but, as he tried the smaller boot on the larger leg he exclaimed, indignantly: "Confound the fellow! I ordered him to make one *larger* than the other, and, instead of that, he has made one *smaller* than the other."

"MAMMA," said a little fellow, whose mother had forbidden him to draw horses and ships on the mahogany sideboard with a sharp nail, "Mamma, this a'n't a nice house. At Sam Rickett's we can cut the sofa and pull out the hair, and ride the shovel and tongs over the carpet; but here we can't have any fun at all."

A WESTERN coroner's jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death from exposure. "What do you mean by that?" asked a relative of the dead man, "there are two bullet holes in his skull." "Just so," replied the coroner, "he died from exposure to bullets."

Epitaph on a Penurious Man.

At rest beneath this slab of stone,
Lies stingy Jimmy Wyett,
He died one morning just at ten,
And saved a dinner by it.

A WESTERN farmer wants a divorce on the ground that his wife can't split half the amount of wood she boasted she could before the marriage.