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JOB-PRINTING.
SUCH AS
HANDBILLS,
CARDS,
CIRCULARS,
BLANKS,
&c., &c.,
Executed with neatness and dispatch, and at reasonable prices.

"Swan Point" AT TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting in Equity, the undersigned as Trustee, will offer at PUBLIC SALE, on

TUESDAY,
The TWELFTH day of November, 1872
AT TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.,
at the Voshell House in Chestertown, all that part of the

SWAN POINT ESTATE
now held by Mr. Daniel Diehl, which

Contains 569 ACRES,
MORE OR LESS,
And a WOOD LOT in the Swamp of about THIRTY ACRES.

This estate lies on the Chesapeake Bay, in the Fifth Election district of Kent co., Maryland. It is bounded on the North by the lands of Mr. Wm. H. Hamilton, on the East by Tavern Creek, on the South by the lands of Mr. Webb and on the West by the Bay. In an air line it is not over 25 miles from the city of Baltimore and not more than 1½ miles from the Western terminus of the Kent R. R. at Deep Landing. It is preeminently distinguished for its magnificent water view, its fine Ducking Points, Fishing Grounds, and inexhaustible Oyster Beds.

Of the 569 acres, at least 500 are arable, the residue is in Wood and Marsh. The latter being firm, affords a fine early pasture.

The soil is a fine loam, with a red clay sub soil. It is very fertile and highly productive, and is divided into six fields and three lots, all well enclosed.

THE IMPROVEMENTS are TWO-STORY
Brick and Frame Dwelling,
and all necessary Out-Buildings, which are in a fair state of repair.

A THRIFTY PEACH ORCHARD OF 5,000 TREES,
about 4 years old, and an APPLE ORCHARD of 250 trees, in good condition, about 12 years old. The fruit of both of the Orchards is of the best selection from the most approved varieties.

TERMS OF SALE:—These are the terms of sale prescribed by the Decree:—$12,000 of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale or after its final ratification, at the option of the Trustee; the residue or balance in two equal annual instalments from the day of sale. The credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security approved by the Trustee, bearing interest from the day of sale. But the Trustee is authorised to state, that the latter payments may be extended in order to effect an advantageous sale.

RICHARD HYNSON.
Chestertown, Sept. 28, 1872—4s.

"Colchester" AT TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Chancery, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at public sale, on

TUESDAY, the 12th November, 1872
AT THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.,
At the Voshell House, in Chestertown, all that

FARM OR PLANTATION,
situated in the First Election District of Kent County, Maryland, called

COLCHESTER
now held by Mr. Franklin Dyre, containing

417¼ ACRES, more or less,
NEARLY ALL ARABLE.

This property is most favorably located on Sassafras River; within one mile of the flourishing village of George Town, and its outbounds lie within a few hundred yards of Galena, which is a growing village, having now several fine Churches, good Schools, a Post Office, and quite a number of stores.

From the Wharves at George Town there is a daily communication with the cities of Baltimore and Philadelphia by Steamboats; and being only a few miles from Lambson's Station on the Kent county Railroad, it has the advantage of a daily communication by rail with those cities, and also the city of New York.

The soil is naturally very fertile and has been improved from its MARL BEDS, which are rich and amply sufficient for keeping the estate in the highest state of improvement.

It is well adapted to all cereals, grasses and fruits. A few years since it was justly considered one of the most profitable grazing farms in this section of the State, and now has no rival as a grain and fruit estate.

It is well and substantially enclosed, the greater part of the fencing being post and rail.

The IMPROVEMENTS are a
Commodious Frame Dwelling,
and the usual Out-Buildings, all in good order, than which there are none better in the county.

Splendid Peach and Apple Orchards,
Thrifty and in bearing.

Any person desiring a residence in the most fertile and healthy section of this county, and remunerative returns from his investments, should not fail to examine this estate and attend the sale.

THE TERMS OF SALE, as prescribed by the Decree are as follows:—$13,000 cash on the day of sale, or on the final ratification thereof, at the Trustee's option. The residue in one and two years from the day of sale; and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with sureties approved by the Trustee, bearing legal interest from that day.

RICHARD HYNSON, Trustee.
Chestertown, Sept 28, 1872—4s.

German Salts! Potash! Kainit!

By special arrangement with importers we are prepared to offer this

VALUABLE FERTILIZER

to the Peach Growers and Farmers generally of Kent. PRICE $30 PER TON of 2,000 lbs., in Bags, at Wan House in Baltimore.

RASIN & CO.,
sep21-12t. No. 73 South St.

COAL! COAL!

FREE FROM SLATE AND DIRT. Quality and Weight guaranteed, and shipped direct from mines by the CAR LOAD to any station on the Kent County or Queen Anne's Railroad, at a very low price, if application is made to G. M. D. CANN, or

G. W. BUSH,
oc12-1m. Wilmington, Delaware.

KENT COUNTY, Sct:

I hereby certify that on this 24th day of Oct., 1872, personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Kent county, John F. Copper, farmer of Kent county, and made oath in due form of law, that he has taken up as an estray trespassing upon his enclosures, ONE SMALL RED COW, no ear marks, supposed to be about three years old.

Given under my hand.

C. A. A. STANLEY, J. P.

NOTICE.—The owner or owners of the above described property are hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take it away. JOHN F. COPPER,
Oct. 26, 1872—3t. Worton.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, the undersigned as Trustee will expose to public sale to the highest bidder, on

SATURDAY,
The TWENTY-THIRD day of November, 1872
At the hotel of Alexander Maxwell, in the town of Millington, at 12 o'clock, M.,

All That Vacant Lot of Ground,
Lying on the Main street, in Millington, adjoining the lands of Mr. Matthew V. Boyer, William Price and Robt. M. Smyth, fronting twenty feet and running back one hundred feet.

ALSO,

A HOUSE and Lot of Land
In Sand Town, in Queen Anne's county, lying on the Main Street, and occupied by Mr. Richard Highman, adjoining the property of John Duling, Lambden's heirs, and a lot at the back of it owned by John Bottomy.

These lands were owned by T. J. Britton, Esq., and sold under Decree.

A grave-yard in the garden on the Queen Anne's property, is reserved from the sale, with free ingress and egress—it is not to be enlarged but to retain its present dimensions.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the Decree, are:—For the Millington property cash on the day of sale, or in sixty days, at the option of the Trustee. For the Queen Anne's property, one-third in cash or in sixty days, at the option of the Trustee, and the balance in two equal instalments, in six and nine months from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the Bond of the purchaser.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.
Chestertown, Oct. 26, 1872—4s.

PUBLIC SALE OF A NICE LITTLE FARM of 57 ACRES.

Will be sold at PUBLIC SALE, on
SATURDAY, November 16th, 1872,
at 2 o'clock, P. M., at Kennedyville, Kent Co.,

That Farm or Plantation,
situated in the Second Election District of Kent county, Maryland, adjoining the village of Locust Grove, and now occupied by Wm Matthews. The land is all arable, and is most favorably located on the public road running from Locust Grove to Chestertown, and is convenient to Churches, Schools, &c.. It is also within two miles of the Kent county Railroad and the Sassafras river.

The soil is naturally very fertile and has been improved with lime and other fertilizers. It would make an excellent Fruit, Truck or Berry Farm, and being near the river and Railroad would have daily communication with the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

THE IMPROVEMENTS
Consist of a Frame Dwelling House, and the necessary Out-buildings.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE:—One-third cash and the balance in one and two years.—Possession given on the 1st of January, 1874, but the purchaser will be entitled to the rents for next year.

THOMAS J. SHALLCROSS,
Agent for S. & J. Matthews.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct'r. oc26-4s.

RAIL ROAD NOTICE.

THE undersigned corporators of the

"BAY EXTENSION COMPANY,"

in Kent county, incorporated under the Act of Assembly of Maryland, to construct a Railroad to commence at the present terminus of the Kent County Railroad, near Belair, and to be extended to the waters of the Chesapeake Bay, or one of its tributaries, at some point between the lands of Wm. P. Francis on the said Bay and the lands of A. P. Sharp at Rock Hall, on the said Bay, hereby give notice that on

Wednesday, the 20th of Nov., 1872,

at 11 o'clock, A. M., they will open books for receiving subscriptions to the capital stock of the said company at the Law Office of GEORGE VICKERS, in Chestertown, and will keep them open till 2 o'clock, P. M., on the same day.

The shares of stock will be Fifty Dollars each—five dollars on each share to be paid at the time of subscribing, and the residue to be paid in such instalments and at such times and places, and to such persons as may be required by the Board of Directors of the said Company when elected. The Capital stock is $125,000.

This is an important work in which the citizens of Kent county are specially interested, and they are requested to subscribe liberally for stock.

GEORGE VICKERS,
ABEL J. REES,
JOSEPH T. RICHARDS,
ALPHEUS P. SHARP,
J. H. T. JACKSON.
Chestertown, Oct. 19, 1872—5t.

Cabinet Making and Undertaking.

THE undersigned, having established the UNDERTAKING and CABINET MAKING BUSINESS at KENNEDYVILLE, respectfully informs the citizens of Kent county that he is prepared to furnish

Coffins, Caskets and Metalic Cases,
of all styles, and to attend Funerals in any part of the County.

FURNITURE REPAIRED with neatness and dispatch. Gun Nipples put in Guns. All kinds of Tin-Ware mended. After the 1st of January next, will be prepared to repair Farming Utensils. My son, T. BENTON SUTTON, will attend to and conduct the business.

All work guaranteed.
oc26-3t. JACOB SUTTON.

FOR RENT or SALE

A STORE HOUSE
in the town of Millington—a good stand for business of any kind. Apply to G. W. WEST or Dr. E. J. POWER, Millington, Kent co., Md.
Oct. 19, 1872—4t.

FOR RENT.

For the year 1873,
THREE HOUSES in Chestertown, two on Queen Street and one on High Street.
Apply to WM. VANNORT,
oc19-3t. Chestertown.

FOR RENT.

For the balance of the present year, the Two-Story Brick DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, opposite Mr. John T. Dodd's, now occupied by the subscriber. For terms apply to J. H. PLUMMER or J. B. WINGATE.
Oct, 15, 1872—3t.

FOR RENT,

For the year 1873,
A Large Wagon and COACH SHOP and SIX DWELLING HOUSES, at Kennedyville. For terms, &c., apply to Mr. Jacob Highly.
Sept. 14, 1872—4t.* JOHN KENNEDY.

FOR SALE,

A lot of Shoulder and Side BACON; also, several barrels of Pure Cider VINEGAR, of my own manufacture.
sep28-4t. JOHN L. BOWERS.

STRAYED from my farm, "Hermitage," in Worton, about the 5th inst., a Calico-spotted MARE, formerly owned by Dr. Gutcher, Wm. Wallis, Geo. Biddle, and others. Any information of her will be thankfully received and a suitable reward paid if returned. WM. VANNORT.
Oct. 19, 1872—3t.

LOST, on or about September 29th, on the road between Chestertown and Chesterville, a Black Stella SHAWL, with flowered border. The finder will please leave it at Mr. Thos. Meridith's, Chesterville, or at Mr. N. G. Westcott's in Chestertown. oc19-3t.

MISS H. C. WRIGHT,

Successor to MRS. C. R. FIDDIS.

MRS. FIDDIS respectfully informs the public that the Millinery business recently conducted by her will hereafter be carried on by Miss H. C. Wright, to whom she has sold out. Miss Wright has just returned from Baltimore with a COMPLETE AND BEAUTIFUL STOCK OF

Millinery and Fancy Goods

and Mrs. Fiddis hopes that the generous patronage which she has heretofore enjoyed, will now be transferred to Miss Wright.
Oct. 12, 1872—3t.

TO THE LADIES.

MASSEY & HUDSON,

HAVING completed their new Greenhouses, will be pleased to see their Lady friends

At RIVERBANK.

They offer a fine collection of Plants for

Winter Flowers.

These will make your homes bright and cheerful after the

Frost King

has destroyed the beauties out doors. They have
CARNATIONS,
ROSES,
BOUVARDIAS,
PLUMBAGOES,
LIBONIAS,
BEGONIAS,
&c., &c.

All of which are fine for Window Gardening.

Come and look at them whenever you are in town. sep28 3t.

COLIN F. STAM. LOUIS K. STAM

C. F. STAM & BRO.,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,
DEALERS IN
DRUGS, CHEMICALS
PERFUMERY,
AND FANCY TOILET ARTICLES.

Surgical Instruments
TRUSSES, ABDOMINAL SUPPORTERS, And SHOULDER BRACES.

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Dye Stuffs,

School Books, Stationery, &c.

Physicians Prescriptions carefully prepared at all hours.

TRUSSES A SPECIALTY.

A FIT GUARANTEED IN ALL CASES! Trusses furnished at city prices, for cash.

C. F. STAM & BRO.

STATIONERY.

French and American Tinted Note Paper Billet, Packet, Fools-Cap, Legal-Cap, Record-Cap and Bill-Cap Paper,
For sale by C. F. STAM & BRO.

C. F. STAM & BRO.,

Have just received a large and well selected

Stock of BOOKS,

Embracing treaties on "The Trotting Horse of America," by Hiram Woodruff; "The Horse in the Field and Stable," by McClure and Harvey; "Farm Draining," "Gardening for Profit," "Grapes and Wine," "Pear Culture," by Quinn; "WHAT I KNOW OF FARMING," BY HORACE GREELEY,

"The Practical Poultry Keeper," "Beecher's Receipt Book," Books of Song and Poetry, Romances and Novels by popular authors.

Do not fail to call and examine our stock. Remember, we take pleasure in displaying our Goods. C. F. STAM & BRO.
Aug. 24, 1872.

THE 'WEED'

"F. F."—Family Favorite,

Sewing Machine!

LOCK STITCH! STRAIGHT NEEDLE

The Most Simple, Elegant, Economical and Desirable of any in use.

"THE WEED" was awarded the HIGHEST PREMIUM for family purposes, in an exciting contest with EIGHTY-TWO others, and is the Best Finished Instrument of the kind in the whole Exhibition.—[Report Paris Exposition, Gallignani's Messenger, (French) June, 1867.]

ALSO, THE

"M. F."—Manufacturer's Favorite,

Having a space of nearly twenty inches under the arm—a positive feed on three sides of the needle. Without Cam, Cog Wheels, Compound Cranks, Wire Springs or Revolving Shafts.

SILENT! RAPID! POWERFUL

These Machines are in use by many families in Chestertown and Kent county, and are universally preferred over all others by Ladies who have used different kinds. Every family should have one

Send for Circulars and Samples.

HINES & BURCHINAL,
AGENTS,
d3-tf. Adjoining the Bank, Chestertown

200,000 Conover's Colossal Asparagus.

WE offer splendid roots of the above variety of Asparagus. Parties intending to plant should not fail to examine them.

Price—$1 per 100; $6 per 1,000. Special terms for large lots.

sep28-3t. MASSEY & HUDSON.

NOTICE.

I HAVE a plenty of water, and am making nice FLOUR and MEAL; 40 lbs. Flour to the bushel of wheat. My friends and the public are invited to try me. I keep Flour Meal and Chop on hand and for sale at the store in town. WM. BACCHUS.

For Rent for the ensuing year, the DWELLING HOUSE with the Out-Buildings and land, on the East side of the road leading from J. W. Corey's to the Mill. Also, a Tenant House and Lot on the South side of the Pond. Apply to WM. BACCHUS.
Sept. 28, 1872—tf.

NOTICE TO SPORTSMEN.—Persons wishing to shoot Wild Ducks can have the privilege to gun on Hail Point, Hail Creek, Point Narrows, Black Duck Cove, Ship Yard Point, with or without Decoys, by paying ONE DOLLAR A DAY. Bring your own Decoys. Board reasonable.

oc19-3t* S. G. MEREDITH.

CAUTION.—All persons, and especially E. P. Janvier, are hereby cautioned against harboring JOHN WRIGHT, a colored Boy aged about 11 years, indentured to me by the Orphans' Court for Kent county, and who left my employ on or about the 7th of July last. I will prosecute to the full extent of the law all who disregard this notice.
Oct. 21, 1872—3t. GEO. S. DIEHL.

Caution to Gunners.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned, in Broad Neck, for the purpose of gunning or otherwise, after this date, and against taking wood from said farm. The law will be enforced against all who disregard this notice.
Oct. 26, 1872-3t. HENRY J. GRAY.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the farm occupied by the undersigned, near Kennedyville, with dog or gun after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
oc19-3t* J. T. PROCTOR.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against fox-hunting, gunning, or otherwise trespassing upon the farm near Crumpton, now occupied by the undersigned. The law will be enforced against all who violate this notice. JOHN BRYAN.
Oct. 19, 1872—3t*

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing with dog, gun or otherwise, on the farm occupied by the undersigned, and owned by G. W. T. Perkins, Esq. The law will be enforced in every case.
oc19-3t* WM. T. MILLER.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the premises occupied by the undersigned, near Belair, with dog, gun or otherwise, under the penalty of the law.
oc19-3t* BENJ. F. JOINER.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby warned not to gun or hunt, or fox-hunt on my property known as "Drayton," and not to trespass on said property on any pretext with dog or gun. EDWIN P. JANVIER.
Drayton, Oct. 17, 1872—4t.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing on the farms occupied by the undersigned, near Hanesville, with dog or gun, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
ABRAHAM HURLOCK,
Oct. 26-3t. WM. T. SKIRVEN.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against gunning or otherwise trespassing upon the farms occupied by the undersigned, near Locust Grove, after the date of this notice. The law will be enforced against all who disregard this notice.
SAMUEL A. MERRITT,
Oct. 26—3t. JOSEPH CORNELIUS.

CAUTION TO GUNNERS.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the farms occupied by the undersigned, in Still Pond, with dog, gun or in any other manner. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
MARY A. E. HEPBRON,
oc19-3t* JAS. R. STAVELY.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forewarned from trespassing upon the grounds of the undersigned, near Galena, with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date, as the law will be enforced against all who disregard this notice. R. W. COCHRAN,
oc19-3t. W. A. COCHRAN.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby warned not to gun or hunt, or trespass with boat and decoys on the shores or lands of or occupied by the undersigned, under the penalty of the law.
J. J. WEBB,
JOHN SCOTTEN,
oc26-3t. F. H. HARPER.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby warned against fox-hunting, gunning, or otherwise trespassing upon the lands owned or occupied by the undersigned, after this date. The law will be enforced against all who violate this notice.
THOMAS H. STEPHENS,
GEORGE R. BECK,
WILLIAM T. ANDERSON.
Oct. 26, 1872—3t.*

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby warned against trespassing on the premises of the undersigned, in Shrewsbury Neck, with dog or gun, or for the purpose of hunting or gathering chesnuts. The law will be enforced against all who violate this notice.
J. C. POWELL,
GEO. W. BOULDEN,
oc19-3t* WILLIAM JANVIER.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby forewarned against trespassing upon the property of the subscribers, near Locust Grove, with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
T. J. SHALLCROSS,
W. O. SHALLCROSS,
JAMES W. HURTT,
Oct. 19-3t. R. COMLEY.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against fox-hunting, gunning, or otherwise trespassing upon the premises of the undersigned, near the I. U., after this date. The law will be enforced against all who violate this notice.
RICHARD L. RASIN,
CHAS E. JONES,
SAMUEL F. COOPER,
Oct. 26—3t* HARRISON E. COOPER.

CAUTION.—All persons are cautioned against Gunning or in any manner trespassing upon the farms occupied by the undersigned after this date. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
FREDUS VANSANT,
EDWARD LANE,
IRA VANSANT,
HENRY H. CLARK,
JAMES TATE,
oc19—3t* JOHN N. VANSANT.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby warned not to trespass upon the property occupied by the undersigned, with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be enforced against all trespassers.
WM. S. THOMPSON,
JOS. H. HOSSINGER,
MISS EMELINE BIDDLE,
SAULSBURY SPARKLIN,
ROBERT H. LOUD.
Oct. 26, 1872—3t*

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby warned not to trespass upon the premises occupied by the undersigned, after this date, with dog, gun or otherwise. The law will be enforced against all offenders.
JAMES A. TOULSON,
CHARLES H. JEWELL,
JOHN A. MILLER,
WM. HEPBRON,
JOHN T. GALE,
Oct. 19-3t. JAS. A. ROSEBERRY.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby warned not to trespass upon the premises occupied by the undersigned, in Queen Anne's county, with dog, gun, or otherwise, after this date. All who disregard this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
J. S. COSDEN,
SAMUEL ROLPH,
GEO. W. SMITH,
JAMES F. HALL,
ROBERT J. CATLIN,
THOS. H. HENDRIX,
THOS. J. TUCKER,
JOEL R. CLEMENTS,
CHAS. WHITMAN,
oc19-4t. JOHN H. EVANS.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.—All persons are hereby forbidden from trespassing with dog or gun, or for any other purpose, on the lands owned or occupied by the subscribers.
NOBLE PENNINGTON,
JERVIS SPENCER,
N. W. COMEGYS,
B. J. McCAULEY,
HENRY JONES,
JOHN MORGAN,
PIERCE BOWERS,
GEO. W. SPENCER,
SAMUEL TODD,
RICHARD TEMPLEMAN,
D. J. NOWLAND,
CHARLES ENGLAND,
THOS. PENNINGTON,
Oct. 19-3t. MORRIS T. DAVIS.

A Loafer's Soliloquy.

Seth Grimes and I were classmates once,
And I was rich and he was poor;
I had—alas, it was my bane—
The wealth a father laid in store.

Seth toiled at morn, at noon and night,
Until his hands were hard and brown,
To pay his board and tailor's bills,
While I was lounging round the town.

But mostly in the dry goods store,
To see the pretty girls come in,
Or smoke with my jolly peers,
Who were the fools of auld lang syne.

The village belles looked proud and fierce
If Seth made e'en the least advance;
And none from Inez down to Poll,
Would be his partner at the dance.

But I have drank with sparkling port,
Waltzed with the fairest of the fair;
And high-born Inez's proud papa
Once asked what my intentions were.

Thus stood Seth Grimes and I, at school;
And yet, on exhibition day,
Although the ladies praised me much,
He somehow bore the prize away.

In brief, through long and weary nights
He stored his mind with knowledge rare,
And I—learned how to guzzle wine,
And how to pick a good cigar.

Some three and thirty years have passed
Since we on life's great sea set sail;
And lo, the beam is sadly turned
In fortune's strange, uneven scale.

My vaunted wealth has taken wings
And flown away to parts unknown;
Indeed—with sorrow be it said—
I'm on the poor list of the town.

While Seth, who toiled to pay his way,
Until his hands were hard and brown,
Is now receiving his reward
As a Senator at Washington.

THE SCOLD'S BRIDLE.

A RELIC OF BARBARISM—AN INGENIOUS INSTRUMENT OF TORTURE.

To the Museum Department of the Public Library of Kentucky there came yesterday an instrument of torture which reflects as [illegible] disgrace on mankind as the rack, th[illegible], or an[illegible] terrible ma[illegible]vented for its [illegible] or scold's bridle, of the kind used years ago in England and Scotland for the punishment of females who were adjudged to have made too free use of the tongue. It was dug from the ground in our sister State of Tennessee, where, beneath the walls of an uninhabited building, it had lain time out of mind. It bears the rust of years, and no doubt came to this country with the earliest settlers. Possibly some lord of creation, who had a scolding wife in the world, brought with him to the new his vixatrix and instrument of controlling her.

It consists of an iron band to pass under the chin and over the top part of the head, with a sharp, chisel-shaped projection extending two inches inwardly, to be inserted into the mouth. It was held in its place by another iron band extending round the back part of the head and fastened with a padlock. When the instrument was thus put on the scold her tongue had to recede to the back part of her mouth and there remain quiet, or to be cut to pieces by the sharp edge of the iron put there for that purpose. To scold or even talk in this fix was impossible, and the woman thus bridled had to keep silence.

When Blackstone wrote his Commentaries it was the law of England that a scolding woman was a nuisance, and she could be indicted and punished by what was known as the ducking-stool. This was a kind of chair to which the scold was fastened and in which she was then plunged into the water as often as it was thought her offences deserved.

Dr. Platt, who wrote a history of Staffordshire, grew eloquent in his description of the brank and in giving it preference over the ducking-stool. He said the ducking-stool might give the woman cold and thus injure her health, and in addition thereto she could use her tongue during the intervals between one ducking and another. The brank was open to none of these objections, in the learned doctor's opinion, but was just the thing for the work to be done.

In shape the brank is not unlike the bridle or halter used for mules in this country. The striking difference is in the brank being entirely of iron, while the bridle of the mule is of leather, except the bit. The English or Scotch scold must have been a terrible animal to have required a bridle entirely of iron, when it is known here that we can handle mules with leathern halters.

We should like to have seen the Englishman or Scotchman, or whoever he was, that brought this instrument to our country. If he was a married man, and this machine was used for his wife, he must have cut a queer figure with his Xantippe and her bridle on board the vessel that bore the precious pair to the New World. If he was an unmarried man, and brought over the brank with the expectation of its necessity among American women, it is to be hoped that he learned better before himself and instrument went beneath the ground.

But there the instrument, the terrible brank, is in the museum of the Public Library, where all may see it who wish. The strong-minded women ought especially to go and see it, and thus arm themselves with a new argument against the trampled-down rights of women. Surely the man who invented such an instrument ought to have been made to wear it the balance of his days; and it is strange to us of this age and country how men could ever be demons enough to torture women in this way, even if those women had voluble tongues and said a thousand and one naughty things none of which ought to have been said.—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

AFRAID OF THE LIGHT.—An ordinance for the regulation of the liquor traffic in the town of Sterling, Illinois, provides that if the windows or doors of drinking saloons shall be obscured by means of screens, paint or other devices to conceal what is going on within, the proprietors shall be liable to a fine of from five to twenty dollars. If the same rule could be applied to gambling houses and all places of improper resort it would be a great preventive of vice and crime—There is nothing like light to overcome darkness; and if all that is going on in resorts of evil could be uncovered to the public view one important step would be taken toward reformation and prevention. On this, as on every subject, *gives us light!*

—Jerrold says to "fan treason into full blaze always fan with a petticoat."

Two men can lay granite as fast as 600 can quarry it.

[From the Delaware Gazette.]

ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

TWENTY YEARS IN WAITING—A RARE INSTANCE OF CONSTANCY AND DEVOTION.

Years ago, in Kent county, Maryland, resided a prosperous farmer, who numbered among his family a bright little girl of three or four summers and a lad about six years older, the latter of whom he had taken to raise. Between this youthful pair a childish intimacy sprang up, which advancing years served to strengthen and increase until they reached the years of manhood and womanhood, when their troth was plighted, and the day of their union joyously looked forward to by two happy hearts.

In 1848, when the California gold fever was spreading like wildfire over the entire East, our hero, among others, was seized with the malady, and, despite his home connections and the fond entreaties of his almost bride, decided to bid adieu to home and friends for a few years, and seek his fortune in this great El Dorado of the far West. No amount of persuasion could induce him to abandon the project, and hastily making preparations, he bade adieu to the weeping maiden, assured her of his undying devotion and eternal constancy, and departed on his long, perilous journey.

Four years passed by without any tidings of the absent one, and the conclusion was finally reached that he had fallen a victim to the many perils that then beset that region, and he was mourned for as one dead. During this interval the farmer had moved to Wilmington and established himself in business there. Among the circle of acquaintances which the family drew around them, was a young man of good connections and industrious habits, who soon became enamored of our heroine, and proposed for her hand in marriage. Though her heart was still faithful to her lost lover, she entertained feelings of the utmost respect for this latter suitor, and yielding to the solicitations of parents and friends, she decided to accept him, and the day for the marriage was appointed.

Almost on the eve of the wedding day, when all preparations had been completed, and without a word of previous warning, the first lover appeared on the scene, rejoicing that he had safely reached home to claim his bride. His grief and astonishment on learning the state of affairs can better be imagined than described. But, with a nobility of mind and character that is seldom met with, he acknowledged to the maiden, who would gladly have returned to her heart's allegiance, that such a state of affairs was produced by his unlover like negligence in not acquainting her of his continued existence, and bravely stifling his inclinations, he obeyed the stern behests of duty and returned to his Western home.

The marriage ceremony was peformed, and since then years of wedded happiness have been enjoyed by the then disconsolate maiden, who, although her heart was another's, possessed the love of a loyal heart, and in the comfort of her home and family found solace for her youthful grief. Children have been born to her, until now the comely maiden is a staid matron [illegible] blooming daughters, the counterpart of the mother's former self. About [illegible] ago her husband died, thus [illegible] her link in the chain of [illegible] stances which we are [illegible]mbers, Jas H [illegible]

During all this time [illegible] remained in California [illegible] he succeeded in amassing quite a [illegible] fortune. Occasionally, but very rarely, he would communicate by rail with his Eastern friends. A short time ago, in correspondence with his brother in this city, in reference to some business affairs, he casually inquired for his former love, as to whether her marital relations were of a happy character. Back went the answer, "she has been a widow for two years."

Three weeks ago a stranger arrived in this city, and stopped at the Washington House. Inquiring for a City Directory, he eagerly scanned its pages, until his eye alighted upon the name for which he was searching, when he immediately seized his hat and started for the place of residence designated. What the emotions of our hero—for it is needless for us to say that the stranger was none other than he—must have been as he stood upon the steps of the residence and rang the bell, it is hard to imagine. After twenty years of patient, constant devotion, he once more appeared among the scenes of his youthful days, to stand again in the presence of the object of his life's affections, and sue for the happiness which cruel fate had so long denied him. The door was opened by the widow herself, who, however, failed to recognize, in the bronzed and bearded stranger who stood before her, the one upon whom the affections of her youth had been lavishly bestowed.—But when he addressed her, the well remembered voice, from which the musical cadence of youth had not yet departed, caused memory to flash rapidly back thro' all the long years which had elapsed, and the recognition was instantaneous and complete.

But little more remains to be told.—Yesterday morning our now happy and contented hero, accompanied by his equally joyous bride and her four children, started for his Western home. Here we leave him, with the sincere hope that a constancy and devotion so rare will be rewarded by its full mete of wifely devotion and domestic happiness.

In conclusion, and to show that this sketch is no "flight of fancy," we republish the following marriage notice, taken from yesterday's *Gazette*, feeling sure that all who recognize the chief characters of our sketch will join with us in wishing them all the happiness imaginable:

BOWERS—KIRKMAN.—In Philadelphia, October 15, by Rev. Mr. Mason, Mr. Samuel Bowers, of Forbes Town, Butte county, California, to Mrs. Mary E. Kirkman, of Wilmington, Delaware. [Kent News copy.]

—There is a slight differnce between ice and ice-cream for sanitary purposes. A man died at Hartford, Conn., the other day of dysentery and ice-cream combined. The doctor had said that the patient could have as much ice as he wanted, and his intelligent attendants allowed him to eat three generous plates of ice-cream, and that finished him.

—A Little Bargain.—Pet: "Mamma, I want to make a leetle bargain with you." Mamma: "What is it, my dear?" Pet: "If you'll give me a paper of sugar-plums every day, I won't tell anybody that you take your hair out of a drawer."

A SOCIAL ROMANCE.

A COACHMAN DRIVES INTO THE AFFECTIONS OF HIS EMPLOYER'S DAUGHTER AND MARRIES HER.

The Chicago *Post* furnishes these cruel particulars of a case of true love:

The social romance of the marriage of Miss Ella Hancock, daughter of John L. Hancock, the well-known packer, to her father's coachman, Thomas Lynden, a native of England, has assumed shape before Judge Gary, in the Supreme Court, in the form of a report from the Mastar, H. B. Magruder. The case is one of the most singular on record. The girl is, at the present time, not more than fifteen years old, and is quite a child in appearance and manner. Lynden is about thirty-five years of age, quite bald, with no particular prepossession of aspect or manner to render him dangerous as a Lothario. He hired as a coachman to Mr. Hancock last May, and drove out Miss Ella, in common with numerous members of the family, on several occasions. Sometimes he drove her out alone, and during these lonely drives the bald-headed Saxon contrived to win the confidence of the unsuspecting child. He led her, it is alleged, to believe that he was a person of consequence—a Prince in disguise, or something that way—and, on one occasion, while driving along Wabash avenue Miss Ella saw a beautiful house, and, according to her statement, exclaimed, "Oh, how I'd love to live in a house like that!" The obliging Thomas said, "All right, you shall have that house when we are married." And so, according to the allegation, Ella was captured by the promise of a big house on the avenue, and consented to become Mrs. Thomas Lynden, after the fashion preserved in certain old country ballads, when maidens fair and young bestowed themselves, for love and nonsense, on their father's serving men, who, however, were always fellows of wondrous fine physique, and furnished with long, ambrosial curls.

So the gentle and bald-headed Thomas proposed to get a license from the County Clerk, and in order to have no difficulty in the matter swore, as is alleged by Ella Hancock, that the girl was over eighteen years of age. The license was procured, and the parties duly married by Rev. C. H. Fowler, a Methodist minister of this city. After the ceremony, as is further alleged, Ella returned to the bosom of her family, and never cohabited with or acknowledged the enterprising Lynden as her husband.

The girl further avers she was unaware that the matrimonial ceremony placed her, in any way, under the control of Lynden, but about eight days after the event, feeling alarmed, told her sister, Mrs. Skinner, about the matter. Mrs. Skinner told Mr. Skinner, and the latter told Mr. Hancock, who had an animated interview with Thomas, and gave him a piece of his mind, at the same time discharging him from his service.

The girl, according to her own affidavit, and those of her father, sister, man-servant, maid-servants, was never influenced to demand an annulment of the marriage, but was led thereto by a perfect indifference to the smooth-pated person who, in so strange a way, and with the promise of a pretty house, induced her to change her name.

All her friends were greatly shocked, but, as they aver, they did not influence the girl to seek annulment of the marriage, as being illegal, on the ground of a false affidavit for the procuration of the license. However that may be, the girl utterly refused to live with Lynden, and, as she swears, voluntarily entered into legal proceedings to set aside the marriage.

The Court in the first place refused on technical grounds to set the marriage aside, but gave the complainant leave to amend the bill in the shape of a petition for divorce. The papers are being prepared to-day, and when the affidavits are filed the counsel will be ready to proceed and the decision of the Court will be given.

Lynden has by his attorneys entered an appearance and filed an affidavit, in which he denies the statements made by his father-in-law, and declares that the girl Ella is coerced in the action she has taken. He intends, it is asserted, to sue out a writ of *habeas corpus* to have the girl brought into Court and examined in person.

A STATE RULED BY WOMEN.—A writer in the *Galaxy* says that among the Holland possessions there is a remarkable little State, which in its constitution and in the original customs of its inhabitants surpasses the boldest dreams of our American emancipation and would-be voting women. On the island of Java, he tells us, between the cities of Batavia and Samarang, lies the little Kingdom of Bantam. Although tributary to Holland, it is an independent State, politically without importance, yet happy, rich, and since time immemorial governed and defended by women. The Sovereign is indeed a man, but all the rest of the Government belongs to the fair sex. The King is entirely dependent upon his State Council, composed of three women. The highest authorities, all State officers, Court functionaries, military commanders and soldiers are, without exception, of the female sex. The men are agriculturists and merchants. The body-guard of the King is formed of the female *elite*. These amazons ride in the masculine style, wearing sharp steel points inst