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Founded 1782.
THE NEXT SESSION will begin
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Instruction in the usual branches of a College course, with special studies for those who not desire a full course. There is also a preparatory class.
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MERRITT, GASSAWAY & CO
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For the sale of GRAIN, FLOUR AND COUNTRY PRODUCE,
No. 8 SPEAR'S WHF,
y. *BALTIMORE, MD.*

B. F. PARLETT & CO.,
92 Lombard st., near South, BALTIMORE,
Wholesale Dealers in
MANUFACTURED AND LEAF
TOBACCO.
Imported HAVANA and GERMAN CIGARS,
And Manufacturers of fine Havana, Principe and other Cigars.
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For the sale of all kinds of
Country Produce, Grain, Peaches, Apples, Canned Goods, Vegetables, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, Fish, &c.,
Corner of Light and Camden Streets,
y BALTIMORE.

R. H. CLEMENTS & CO.,
Produce Commission Merchants,
Office No. 96 Light St. Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.
Having had several years' experience in the sale of Peaches and other Fruits, we would respectfully solicit a share of the fruit shipped from Kent & Queen Anne's counties, believing by strict attention to business and prompt returns that we can give general satisfaction to all who may favor us with consignments.
je30-3m. R. H. C. & CO.

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Commission Merchants,
For the sale of GRAIN, LIVE STOCK, and Country Produce generally,
No. 92 LIGHT ST. WHARF, BALTIMORE
Orders for Groceries, Seeds, Fertilizers, Farm Implements, and other merchandise, will be promptly filled.
Consignments respectfully solicited.

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And General Produce Dealers,
2 SOUTH ST., Corn Exchange Building,
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ALONZO P. CREW. JAS. W. JEROME.
CREW & JEROME,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
92 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE.
Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered. y

Soluble Sea Island Guano,

RICH IN

AMMONIA, SOLUBLE PHOSPHORIC ACID, POTASH,

MAGNESIA, SODA, &c.

Nearly Two Hundred Tons used in Kent county last year, and surpassed all other Fertilizers.

It is the Greatest Wheat Producer Known.

MANUFACTURED BY
R. W. L. RASIN & CO., Baltimore, Md.

For Sale by THOMAS DeC. RUTH, JR.,
Aug. 4, 1877—6t. **CHESTERTOWN, MD.**

TO WHEAT
AND
Peach Growers!

HAVING completed arrangements for disposing of WHEAT DIRECT TO EUROPEAN DEALERS, enables me to give you the profit which the middleman has heretofore been making.
☞ *Don't fail to come and see us when you are ready to sell.*

Complete Arrangements

HAVE BEEN MADE FOR SHIPPING PEACHES, &c., to Philadelphia, New York and Boston without breaking bulk. As the crop will be light, we believe the Fruit will net more in the above Markets. Will have competent men to take charge of the Fruit at Chestertown, Worton, Lynch's, Flatland & Nicholson's.

FOR SALE:
PEACH BASKETS AND CRATES
At Panic Prices—*Defying Competition.*

LIME AND COAL.

Wholesale Dealer in *Schuylkill, Chester Valley, Wrightsville and Baltimore SHELL LIME*; also, *Lehigh, Schuylkill and Bituminous COAL*, delivered at any Station on the Kent Co. Railroad, Queen Anne's and Kent County Railroad, Maryland and Delaware Railroad and Delaware Railroad.

OFFICE with Hubbard Bros., manufacturers of Hubbard's Standard Bone Super-Phosphate, Chestertown.
B. F. FLEMING.
June 16, 1877—tf.

1877. 1877.
D. P. DORITY & CO.,
Commission Merchants in
Fruit and Produce,
112 SOUTH MARKET ST.,
BOSTON, MASS.

WE wish to call the attention of Fruit Growers on the line of the Kent Co. Smyrna & Del. Bay R. R., to the fact that an "All Rail Express Fruit Line" will be run this season to Boston.

Fruit Growers who shipped to our Market regularly every day last year, were well satisfied with the results of their shipments.

Fruit shipped by this Line will be landed in Boston early on morning of second day after shipment.

We advise all shippers to commence early and ship a part of their fruit, each day during the season, to our Market.

We feel confident that the net returns of those who ship us regularly will exceed those of any other Market.

Through rates will be given from all shipping points.

Empties will be speedily returned. Report of sales made daily. Account of Sales and check for proceeds sent semi-weekly. Send invoice with each shipment. Don't ship on Friday. Saturday's shipments on sale Monday morning. Cards and stencils furnished.

Be particular when shipping to this Market, and send nothing but good fruit that will carry well, as it is useless to ship soft fruit so far.

Through freight on shipment will be paid by us in Boston.

Will have agents at the several Stations to take charge of the fruit.

We solicit your consignments.

WE REFER TO
Metropolitan National Bank, Boston; S. S. Long & Bro., 82 Dey St., New York; N. D. Hare & Co., 299 Washington Street, New York; Chas. K. Ide, Master Transportation P. W. & B. R. R.; Bank of Smyrna, Smyrna, Del.
B. F. FLEMING, Agent,
jy21-10t. Chestertown, Md.

S. B. FOARD,
Grain Commission Merchant
CHESTERTOWN.
Store, Main st., nearly opp. Voshell House.
Choice Brands of Flour, Pratt's Astral Oil, Hardware, &c.
Early Rose Seed Potatoes.
The highest cash price paid for Grain.
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Nature's True Discovery!

IS FOUND,
AND ASTOUNDS THE WHOLE UNIVERSE.
J. F. LEARY'S
COMPOUND
SYRUP of WILD CHERRY & TAR,
Combined with other valuable Bark and Gums obtained from Germany, will comply and radically cure Croup, Coughs, Colds, and also Weak Lungs, and absolutely prevent its development in all cases of predisposition of Weak lungs, Chronic Bronchitis, General Debility, Nervous Prostration, Dyspepsia or Indigestion, Loss of Vigor and Appetite, and all diseases arising from Poverty of the Blood, LEARY'S COMPOUND is a Specific, being unequalled as a Vitalizing Tonic, and Brain, Nerve, Lung and Blood Food.
☞ For Sale by all Merchants and Druggists everywhere, and if they have not got it get them to get it and take no other, not until you have used it.
PRICE only 35 cents.
CANBY, GILPIN & CO.,
July 21, 1877—y. Baltimore, Md.

TABLE CUTLERY
And POCKET KNIVES,
At S. B. FOARD'S
m12tf. Up Town Hard ware Store.

W. E. C. BELL. LOUIS K. STAM
BELL & STAM,
PRODUE
Commission Merchants,
97 Park Place,
NEW YORK.
☞ FRUIT a specialty. jy21-4m.

To Peach Growers!

PEACH GROWERS convenient to Chestertown, Wilkins', Quaker Neck or Rolph's Wharves, can have their
Culling Fruit Dried
by delivering it at the above wharves, and giving me notice of same, so that I can get the Steamer Chester to stop and get it. My terms are one-half—I paying freight to Crumpton.
J. C. SLAUGHTER,
aug11-tf. Crumpton, Md.

LOOK!

HAVING just completed a *Ware House at Kennedyville Station*, for the purpose of keeping a LARGE STOCK of
J. H. MARVIL'S
BERRY CRATES and BASKETS,
ALSO,
PEACH BASKETS
And BOXES
constantly on hand, I am now prepared to show stock and take orders at wholesale or retail, and deliver them at any Station on the Railroad at short notice.
☞ *Cash paid for GRAIN*—Wheat a speciality. Please give me a call. Communications promptly answered.
Address C. W. WARREN, Agent,
je2-3m. Kennedyville, Md.

SPECIAL
TO
PEACH SHIPPERS.

L. K. STAM, formerly of Chestertown, having associated himself with W. E. C. BELL, of New York, (also a native of Kent county,) under the firm name of
BELL & STAM,
respectfully announce to the public that they are prepared to sell
FRUIT,
And all kinds COUNTRY PRODUCE
Markets quoted daily by telegraph.
Shippers advised by letter.
Account sales and check sent weekly.
☞ Will receive Fruit at all stations on the line of the Kent Co., Smyrna & Del. Bay R. R. Will have competent men at Stations and on the train to take charge of the fruit. The freight will be paid in New York. For further particulars apply to B. F. FLEMING, Agent, Chestertown.
BELL & STAM,
ag4-2m. 97 Park Place, N.Y.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber has made arrangements to PURCHASE GRAIN for both Phila. and Balt. markets, and is prepared to pay the highest market prices, cash on delivery. Persons wishing to sell will do well by calling at my office on Water St., Chestertown, Md.
ag4-tf. THOS. DEC. RUTH, Sr.

A CARD.

Having had three years experience in the Sale of Fruit in Baltimore, I hereby announce to my friends and the public that I will again be on hand and will use my best efforts to obtain good prices and make prompt returns.
BARTUS TREW,
jy21-9t. 114 Light St. Wharf, Balto.

BARGAINS IN
PEACH BASKETS!
T. W. ELIASON, JR.
June 30, 1877—tf.

PEACH BOXES
For Sale at Buck Neck Wharf,
By SHUSTER & SONS.
June 30, 1877—2m*

ICE-CREAM!

THE undersigned is supplying the Best ICE-CREAM to Picnics, Festivals and Excursions.
All over Five Gallons $1.25 per Gallon. CASH on Delivery.
WILLIAM PERKINS,
"Rising Sun Saloon,"
June 9—tf. Chestertown, Md.

JOHN W. PALMER,
CONVEYANCER
And SOLICITOR of CLAIMS
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
Office with Register of Wills.
Special attention given to all business entrusted to him. Sep. 9-y.

SURVEYING.

THE undersigned offers his services as LAND SURVEYOR to the citizens of Kent. Orders left with C. H. Baker, Esq., Chestertown will be promptly attended to.
Or address
COMEGYS BROWN,
mar24-6m. Chestertown.

NEW GOODS are being daily received ☞ By T. W. ELIASON, JR. ☜ And his prices will always be found to be as low as the lowest. mar10.

Trustee's Sale.

UNDER a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting in Equity, the undersigned as trustee, will offer at public sale on
TUESDAY,
The Eighteenth day of September, 1877,
At 11 o'clock, A. M.,
At the Voshell House in Chestertown,
THE FARM
NOW OWNED AND OCCUPIED BY MR. JERVIS SPENCER.

This estate is most eligibly located in the Second Election District of Kent county, Md., on the public road from Galena to Black's Cross Roads, within a short distance of Black's Station on the Kent County Railroad, and not far from landings on Sassafras and Chester rivers, and is convenient to Churches, Schools, Mills, &c. It contains

284 ACRES,

of which 244 are arable, and the residue is a detached Wood Lot. Its divisions into fields and lots for purposes of cultivation and pasture, is very convenient and under good post and rail fences. The whole outside enclosure is well grown and thrifty Hedges.

The soil is naturally of the very best quality and has been well improved. Its central location and its easy and frequent communication with our larger cities, make this one of the most desirable estates in this county.

The Improvements
ARE A
COMMODIOUS
FRAME DWELLING,
With its surroundings handsomely improved with Evergreens and Flowers, and the usual OUT-BUILDINGS, all in good order.

A Peach Orchard,
and a good selection of PEARS, APPLES AND GRAPES.

THE TERMS OF SALE

prescribed by the Decree are as follows: $8,000 cash on the day of sale, or on the final ratification thereof, at the option of the Trustee; the residue or balance in equal instalments of one and two years from the day of sale, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with approved sureties, bearing interest from day of sale.
R. HYNSON, TRUSTEE.
Aug. 25, 1877—ts.

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 Eighteenth day of September, 1877,
At Twelve o'clock, M.,
At the Voshell House in Chestertown, Md.,
THAT
Desirable Tract of Land,
called the "Bramble" or "Glascoe Farm," situated on the South side of the public road leading from Chestertown to Kennedyville, and about two miles from the latter place,
Containing 114 Acres,
MORE OR LESS.

It adjoins the Weer farm, recently sold to Mrs. Redmile, and is nearly all arable land. A fine stream of water runs thro' it. The soil is red clay of good heart, and productive.

There is a substantial
Brick Dwelling House,
with Brick Kitchen attached, and ordinary Out-Buildings on the premises.

TERMS OF SALE.

The terms of sale prescribed by the Decree are $2500 cash on the day of sale, and the balance of the purchase money in two equal instalments, bearing interest from the day of sale, in six and twelve months from that day, and to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser, with surety to be approved by the Trustee.
RICHARD HYNSON,
Aug. 25, 1877—ts. TRUSTEE.

SELLING OFF!

S. MERRITT & CO.,
Having decided to discontinue business under the present named firm,
ARE NOW CLOSING OUT THEIR LARGE STOCK of CLOTHING
Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, &c., at greatly reduced prices *for the Cash.*
☞ GREAT BARGAINS can be had by calling early.
S. MERRITT & CO.

☞ **All persons indebted to** us on account or otherwise, are required to settle on or before Oct. 1st, 1877, as we must close up our business at once.
S. MERRITT & CO.
Aug. 18, 1877—tf.

LUMBER, LUMBER.

Dutch Siding, Dressed.
Clean Cypress Weather Boarding.
White Pine Siding.
Dressed 4-4 Stock Picks,
" 4-4 " Selects,
" 6-4 Picks,
" 6-4 Selects,
" 8-4 Picks
Bridge Plank, Virginia Pine Plank,
Virginia Pine 4-4 Boards, Scantling, &c.,
Virginia Pine Clean Flooring,
Shingles, Pickets, &c.
☞ Parties having large lots to buy will find by calling on me that they can do better with me than they can in Baltimore.
T. W. ELIASON, Jr.
March 17, 1877.

WHITE-WASH BRUSHES,
Lime and Hair,
ap7 at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.
HATS—Spring styles for Men and boys at J. H. SIMPERS & BRO'S.

ELANORA OF MONTROSE.

Elanora is as lovely
As the fairest, sweetest flower,
That e'er grew in glade or meadow,
Or was nursed in garden bower.

She is tall and she is stately,
As a queen she moves along
With a train of fond admirers,
And her words are music's song.

Not a lilly is more graceful
On a lake, when bending down,
Not a rose hath purer blushes
On a mountain's glittering crown.

Not a violet robed in purple,
Hidden 'neath the heart leaves green,
Can compare with Elanora,
Who of every heart is queen.

Dearest girl, I now am willing
All on earth I have to pawn,
That no flaw is in the picture
I in love and truth have drawn.

When the golden gates of morning
Back against the ether flew,
Thou, enrobed in rainbow colors,
Brought me lillies steeped in dew.

And I thought a youthful angel
Through the open gates had come,
Bearing gifts of inspiration
To adorn the humblest home.

For each love deed is celestial,
Every good act and desire
Float invisibly from Heaven
To be caught by earthly lyre.

MATILDA CANBY.

Wilmington, Delaware.

Affection in Bird Life.

The fidelity and affectionate intimacy of married bird-life appears most conspicuously in pairs of the grosbeak family and in small parrots. Here is perfect harmony of will and deed. The two sweethearts appear unwilling to leave one another's company for a moment all their life; they do everything together—eating drinking, bathing, and dressing of feathers, sleeping and waking. Various degrees of affection and harmony are discernible on close observation. Among the small grosbeaks, pairs of which sit together, the intimate relation is never disturbed; even over the feeding-cup there is no quarreling. They stand highest in this respect among birds. Love tokens are exchanged by pressing of beaks together—a veritable kissing, accompanied by loving gestures. They are also more sociable, and even at nesting time more peaceable, than other birds. In the case of other grosbeaks, when the male bird sits by the female in the nest, there are various demonstrations of affection, but also slight occasional disputes, especially about feeding time. Next in order come the small parrots, which also appear almost inseparable. The male bird feeds his companion with seeds from the crop. This goes on regularly during the hatching and until the young are somewhat grown. During all this time the hen bird, which broods alone, never leaves the nest but for a few minutes, and the cock shows such affectionate care that the whole day he seems to do nothing but to take food and give it again. Yet even this loving union is marred from time to time, even during the hatching time, with quarrels that even come to blows. Again, the male bird of a pair of chaffinches only occasionally sits on the eggs or young, but he watches the nest very carefully, singing to his mate the while, accompanies the hen in fight, and helps her in feeding the young.—*Chambers' Journal.*

NEVER FORGET ANYTHING.

A successful business man told me there were two things he learned when he was eighteen, which were ever afterwards of great use to him, namely, "never to lose anything, and never forget anything." An old lawyer sent me with an important paper, with certain instructions what to do with it.

"But," inquired the young man, "suppose I lose it; what shall I do then?"

The answer was with the utmost emphasis, "you must not lose it!"

"I don't mean to," said the young man, "but suppose I should happen to?"

"But I say you must not happen to; I shall make no provisions for any such occurrence; you must not lose it!"

This put a new train of thoughts into the young man's mind, and he found that if he was determined to do a thing he could do it. He made such a provision against every contingency that he never lost anything. He found this equally true about forgetting. If a certain matter of importance was to be remembered, he pinned it down on his mind, fastened it there and made it stay. He used to say: "When a man tells me that he forgot to do something, I tell him he might as well have said, 'I did not care enough about your business to take the trouble to think of it again.' I once had an intelligent young man in my employment, who deemed it a sufficient excuse for neglecting an important task to say, 'I forgot it.'" I told him that would not answer. If he was sufficiently interested, he would be careful to remember. It was because he did not care enough that he forgot. I drilled him with this truth. He worked for me three years, and during the last of the three he was utterly changed in this respect. He did not forget anything. His forgetting, he found, was a lazy and careless habit of the mind, which he cured.

USEFUL INFORMATION.—One thousand lathes will cover seventy yards of surface, and eleven lbs of nails will put them on.

A cord of stone, three bushels of lime, and a cubic yard of sand, will lay one hundred cubic feet of wall.

Eight bushels of good lime, sixteen bushels of sand, and one bushel of hair, will make enough good mortar to plaster one hundred square yards.

One thousand shingles, laid four inches to the weather, will cover one hundred square feet of surface, and five lbs of shingle nails will fasten them on.

One-fifth more siding and flooring is needed than the number of square feet of surface to be covered, because of the lap in the siding and matching of the floor.

Five courses of brick will lay one foot in height on a chimney; six bricks in a course will make a flue four inches wide and twelve inches long, and eight bricks in a course will make a flue eight inches wide and sixteen inches long.

Webster and the Quakers.

A GOOD STORY TOLD BY THE VETERAN GENERAL JAS. SHIELDS, OF MISSOURI.

While I was in the Senate (said Gen. Shields) I saw much of Webster both in and out of the Capitol. He met me one day and said: "Shields, I find I have got into difficulty with some of my constituents, some Quakers, who are dissatisfied with my advocacy of a certain measure, and they have sent a large delegation down here from Massachusetts to make a protest. I have promised to meet them this evening, and I would like to have you there."

"Why, what can I do?"

"Your native blarney, Shields—it may help me out of the trouble."

"I laughed at the idea of blarney effecting anything where Daniel Webster's eloquence could not convince, and I made that objection, but he insisted, and I promised to be on hand. Evening came, and I joined Mr. Webster at his rooms. Presently the delegation arrived and were seated, a dozen or twenty of the most solemn men I have ever seen, all rigidly costumed in Quaker dress. Without wasting any time the chairman arose and addressed Mr. Webster in a set speech. He commented severely upon the course of the Senator as to the measure in question, setting forth the bad effect which it might have on their sect, expressing great sorrow and surprise that Mr. Webster had been found supporting such a bill, and concluded with a vigorous protest in writing, which bore many signatures. Webster listened attentively with unchanged countenance, and when the spokesman had resumed his seat he rose and replied. He spoke half an hour, and before he concluded he grew as eloquent as he was often heard.

"His defense was simply that he deemed the measure one demanded by the interests of the whole country, although it might not be specially adapted to the wants and interests of any sect, and after clearly setting this forth he made such an appeal to the delegation to remember that they were Americans as well as Quakers, that I was fairly electrified. The effect produced by his words on the delegation was astonishing. When he began they were all seated; after he had spoken ten minutes one after another rose to their feet, until they were all standing; then they commenced to move toward him, and they had soon surrounded him in a body. Before he finished I saw the chairman take out his petition and tear it to pieces; and when he had finished some of them were shedding tears, and all were grasping Webster's hands as fast as they could get them. 'Friend Webster,' cried the spokesman, 'thee is right and we are wrong; we owe thee an apology; we will say no more about it; thee knows thy duty better than we.'

"The next day I met Mr. Webster, and with a countenance of perfect gravity he said: 'Well, Shields —— now didn't we blarney those fellows nicely.'"

A PLUMP YOUNG WOMAN.—Miss Fullabit was very indignant last evening. This young lady, whose graces of mind and admirable qualities of heart are the admiration of her friends, suffers from the misfortune of being fat. She is exceedingly fat, but by constant mental exercise has made herself believe that she isn't. If you want to rouse Miss Fullabit to anger mention Banting. It incenses her likewise to find a stranger gazing at her on the street, for she realizes that the stranger is deluding himself that she is of great size and an abnormal curiosity. She detests people with hallucinations. She likewise detests the horse whose duty it is to help haul street cars up the Jackson street hill from Dupont to Stockton, and whose pleasure and solace it is to trot down again and wait for the next car, that he may display his intelligence by ostentatiously backing into position without orders. Last evening, after dark, Miss Fullabit climbed the hill with much fatigue, and paused for breath on the corner of Dupont. Deceived by the darkness, no doubt, the intelligent animal above noted, at once and with great animation, backed up to Miss Fullabit, under the impression that she was a street car. This is a fact, and Miss Fullabit has had her faith in her slenderness slightly shaken.—*San Francisco Mail.*

WHY SALLIE WENT HOME.—The following correspondence explains itself:

Mount Desert, July—, 1877.

Dear John:—Lots of pretty girls here. *Do* come down. SALLY.

Boston, July—, 1877.

Dear Sally:—Lots of pretty girls *here*, too. Can't get away from *business*. JOHN.

Sally came back home to Boston the next day.

TO PREVENT MOTHS.—If a small piece of paper or linen, moistened with turpentine, be placed in wardrobes or draws, two or three times a year, it will effectually prevent any damage from moths. When furs are packed away in the Spring, they should be beaten well with a rattan, in order to dislodge any eggs of the moth; afterward brush thoroughly and sew up carefully in a linen pillow case; over all pin newspapers, leaving no crevice where an insect could insinuate itself. It would be well to paste the edges of the paper together. If well done, you need not fear for the most valuable furs.

GENERAL MAHONE, unsuccessful candidate for the democratic nomination as governor of Virginia, was wounded during the war. He weighs a little over 100 pounds, and his wife was much distressed when she heard of his misfortune. Friends assured her it was only a flesh wound. "I know better," said the wife. "If Billy Mahone has been struck anywhere on his body by a bullet, it has broken a bone."

A QUESTION OF PREFERENCE ONLY.—The venerable Cameron says it is not the offices that the Pennsylvania republicans are unhappy about. The Springfield *Republican* assents to the proposition, and believes that it is a historical fact that they prefer contracts.

A delicate complexion is best compared to a blooming rose; but when the countenance is disfigured with Blotches and Pimples, like weeds in a rose-bed, the sufferer should promptly use Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture, which quickly and effectually eradicates such unsightly evidences of impure blood.

Importance of Ventilation.

Many persons complain of always getting up tired in the morning. This is very often due to defective ventilation of the bed-room, or from using an undue amount of bedclothes and bedding. Feather beds are too soft and yielding, and partially envelop the sleeper, thus producing profuse perspirations. The habit of lying too much under blanket is also very pernicious, by reasons of carbonic acids exhaled by the sleeper being respired. Again, it is a common error to suppose that, by simply opening a window a little at the top, a room can be ventilated. People forget that for proper ventilation there must be an inlet and an outlet for the air. In bed-rooms there is often neither, and if there is a fire-place it is generally closed up. Again, it is a mistake to suppose that foul air goes to the top of the room. Certainly the heated air goes to the top, but the chief impurity, the carbonic acid, falls to the bottom. There is nothing so efficacious in removing the lower strata of air as the ordinary fireplace, especially if there is a fire burning. The usual defect in ventilation is the want of a proper inlet for the air. If the window be open, the cold air, being heavier, pours down into the room, causing draughts; if the door be open, or ajar, the same thing occurs. The perfection of ventilation may be obtatined in any room with a fireplace, by simply providing proper inlets for the air. By means of upright tubes the heavier external atmosphere ascends vertically through the tubes, like the jets of a fountain, displacing the warmer and lighter atmosphere of the room, which finds its exit up the chimney. The tubes should communicate with the outer air on a level with the floor, and should be carried vertically upward in the room for about four or five feet. A constant supply of fresh air is thus insured without the slightest liability to draught, as the current goes directly upward until it strikes the ceiling. It is then diffused downward, mixed with the heated air of the ceiling. The same principle can be carried out in any room with a sash-window, by cutting out two or three holes an inch wide and three inches long in the wood-work of the upper sash where it joins the lower one. The columns of air ascend directly upward, just inside the window, and mix with the heated air in the upper part of the room. If this system were universally carried out, we should hear less of rheumatism and chills caught by sitting in draughts.

A Neat Little Romance.

We heard a very pretty little incident the other day which we cannot help relating. A young lady from the South, it seems, was wooed and won by a youthful physician living in California. When the engagement was made the doctor was rich, having been very successful in San Francisco. It had not existed six months, however, when, by an unfortunate investment, he lost his entire "heap." This event came upon him, it should be added, just as he was about to claim his bride. What does he do? Why, like an honorable, and chivalrous young fellow, as he is, he sits down and writes the young lady every particular of the unhappy turn which had took place in his fortunes, assuring her that if the fact produced any change in her feelings toward him, she is released from every promise she has made him. And what does the dear good girl do? Why, she takes a lump of pure gold which her lover had sent her in his prosperity, as a keepsake, and having it manufactured into a ring, forwarded it to him, with the following Bible inscription engraved in distinct characters on the outside: "Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee, for whither thou goest will I go, and whither thou lodgest will I lodge; thy people will by my people, and thy God my God, where thou diest will I die; and there will I be buried; the Lord do so to me, and more also if aught but death part me and thee." The lover idolized his sweetheart more than ever when he received this precious evidence of her devotion to him, both in storm and sunshine. We may add, that fortune soon again smiled upon the young physician, and that he subsequently returned to the South to wed the sweet girl he loved, and who loved him with such undying affection. Reader, this is all true. Young ladies who read the Bible as closely as the heroine of this incident seems to have done, are sure to make good sweet-hearts, and better wives.—*Pittsburg Commercial.*

THE Emperor Nicholas, father of the present Emperor of Russia, was a man of very quick temper, and on one occasion was stung by an absurd contretemps into a tremendous outburst of passion on Easter morning. On that day it is the custom for the Czar to go forth from his palace, and, embracing the first man he meets, who is almost invariably the sentinel at the palace gate, he exclaims: "Christ is risen!" to which the reply is: "He is risen indeed!" uttered with great manifestations of joy. So, on this particular morning forth sailed the Czar, kissed the sentinel on both cheeks, according to custom, and uttered the invariable exclamation, "Christ is risen!" "*So it is said*," answered the soldier, in a thoroughly stolid way. The man was a Mohammedan from one of the Tartar provinces of the Empire. The wrath of the Czar was unbounded, and since that day the orthodoxy of the sentinel who is to guard the palace on Easter Sunday is always very carefully ascertained beforehand.

WHERE THERE WAS NO STRIKE.—The Searcy (Ark.) railroad system consists of four miles of wooden rails laid on a natural roadbed. The equipment is one car; the working force is one man; the motive power is one mule, and the fare from the outside world to Searcy is $1. There was no strike on the Searcy railroad.—*Chicago Times, August* 8.

PROBABLY the oldest maid in the world is Rebecca Anderson, of Seneca Falls, New York, aged one hundred and twelve years. She is so old that it is over twenty-five years since a census-taker has had the pluck to ask her how old she was.

IT is proposed in Indiana to change the marriage service so as it will read: "Who dare take this woman?" And the bridegroom shall answer: "I dare."—*St. Louis Times.*

Speech of Col. Holliday.

At Winchester, Va., upon the receipt of the news of the nomination of Colonel F. W. M. Holliday for Governor of Virginia by the conservative convention almost the entire population, including the Winchester Light Infantry and the Frederick Holliday Artillery, turned out and tendered the nominee a serenade. In response Col. Holliday delivered a brief speech, in which, after returning thanks, and paying a compliment to his late competitors, he said:

"But, my friends, while my nomination gives you so much pleasure, I feel that mine is overshadowed at this time with the sense of my responsibilities. Ambition, with its attendants, pride and arrogance, 'have no business here at such an hour.' When I look back over the long line of illustrious men, beginning with Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson, whom, if elected, I will succeed; when I think of the transcendent memories of my State, known wherever the English language is spoken or read, and rivaling that of any nation that lives in history; when I recall the stories of her triumphs when peace reigned, and of her victories on the field of arms; when I think of her in the days of her prosperity, when refinement and purity prevailed in all her borders, and the taint of dishonor came not nigh her escutcheon, and reflect that it falls to my lot, now in this hour of trial, to speak and act in her name and behalf, and uphold her ancient standard, I forget all personal considerations, and self is swallowed up in the sense of her vast responsibility. I pray that, should the people confirm the action of the convention, and I put on the robes of office, self may never more appear till they are laid aside.

"If you are gratified at my elevation, I cannot express to you my gratification at your choice. Here I was born and reared; here all my life has been spent, and here I hope to be buried. You know me better than all the world beside, and you took me with wonderful unanimity and presented me to the people of the State as your choice for Governor. If it is an honor to be chosen by one of the grandest conventions that ever assembled, I regard it as no less an honor to be presented for that choice by such a people as inhabit this valley. But when I leave this quiet town to act as the chief magistrate of this commonwealth I shall know no section. Whilst we love our beautiful valley, we love, too, the State of which she is a part, and we have always contributed our treasure, our labor and our blood to maintain her prosperity and honor. So now, whether in the mountains, Piedmont, Southside or by the sea, I shall only think of how I can make Virginia in all her domain happy, prosperous, glorious."

GOLD DUST AS CURRENCY.—A correspondent of the St. Paul Pioneer *Press* describes the use of gold dust as currency as the greatest nuisance of the Black Hills. Each man is provided with his buchskin sack, and no matter what he buys, be it a plug of tobacco for ten cents or an outfit for several hundred dollars, he must weigh the amount out in dust. This is a vexatious process, and of course cannot be often repeated without a considerable percentage of waste. Gold is taken at eighteen dollars in greenbacks, and all shopkeepers give two prices. A movement is on foot to remedy this evil by adding a considerable percentage to the price of goods sold for dust, and many of the more sensible are beginning to sell their dust as they bring it in, and do their trading with paper money. Formerly there was much risk in taking gold dust, as it was mixed with a meterial that it was impossible to detect by any test except that of acid, and few could spare the time to submit the dust to that process. Now the dust is comparatively clean and safe to handle.

BISHOP MARLEY had a good deal of the humor of Swift. Once, when the footman was out of the way, he ordered the coachman to fetch some water from the well. To this the coachman objected, that his business was to drive not to run errands. "Well, then," said Marley, "bring out the coach and four, set the pitcher inside and drive to the well;"—a service which was several times repeated to the amusement of the village.

MANY a man raised from poverty and obscurity to wealth and honor, can trace his rise to civility; it is sure to reproduce itself in others, and he who is always polite will be sure to get at least as much as he gives. We believe it was McCauley who defined politeness as benevolence in small things. The French, who are nothing if not satirical, declare politeness to be the zero of friendship's thermometer.

JOSH BILLINGS says he knows people who are so fond of argument that they will stop and dispute with a guide-board the distance to the next town.

We all ov us think if we could live our lives over again we would make fewer blunders: this probably ain't so; we should only make different ones.

Law is an excellent thing but it never made a man temperate or pious yet.

A COLORED WOMAN TURNING WHITE.—A colored woman near Wyoming is gradually turning white. The changed commenced two or three years ago, white spots coming all over her which gradually grew larger, until she is now more white than black and it is believed that in a year or two more she will be entirely white, with a skin as delicate as a child's.—*Milford News.*

OF little human flowers, death gathers many. He places them upon his bosom, and he is transformed into something less terrific than before. We learn to gaze and shudder not, for he carries in his arms the sweet blossom of our earthly hopes.

EDUCATION is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing