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BALTIMORE, MD.
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☞ROOMS FIRST CLASS☜
With GOOD SUBSTANTIAL BOARD
At $1.50 PER DAY.
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On the American and European Plans,
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BOARD per day - - - - - $2
Breakfast, Dinner and Supper 50c. each. Rooms 75c. to $1. Permanent Boarders according to room. First class Restaurant attached.
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C. R. HOGAN.....PROPRIETOR
Reduction of Fare.
$2.50 PER DAY.
Being determined that nothing shall be left undone in the future to make the "MALTBY" what it has been in the past—second to none in the city—a liberal share of public patronage is solicited. j22-y.

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JOHN A. MORTON, Prop'r & Manager.
ROOM AND BOARD $2.00 Per Day.
Breakfast 50c., Dinner 75c., Supper 50c., Lodging 50c.
☞First Class Restaurant attached to the Hotel. Choice Liquors and Cigars always on hand. mh2-y.

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GREENWOOD & WOODALL,
Commission Merchants
And General Produce Dealers,
72 SOUTH ST., Corn Exchange Building,
y BALTIMORE.

JAS. A. MERRITT & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
NO. 23 SOUTH ST.,
BALTIMORE, MD.
Refers by permission to W. B. McAtee, Prest. Corn and Flour Ex.; Gill & Fisher, Grain Shippers, Balto.; J. Q. A. Holloway, Merchant. tf.

B. F. PARLETT & CO.,
Manufacturers of all styles
CHEWING TOBACCO,
AND DEALERS IN
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JESSE WILSON. G. W. WILSON.
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Commission Merchants
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.

ALONZO F. CREW. JAS. W. JEROME.
CREW & JEROME,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
118 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE.
Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered. y

LAW CARDS.

C. T. WESTCOTT,
Attorney & Counselor at Law
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
SPECIAL ATTENTION given to the collection of claims in the counties of Kent, Cecil, Queen Anne's and Caroline. y.

HINES & SMITH,
Attorneys & Counselors at Law
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
New Office Court St., opposite Court House
Having associated ourselves for the practice of our profession, we will give prompt and careful attention to all Law and Chancery business placed in our hands.
Mr. HINES, though connected with other duties, will give special attention to the business of the firm.
JESSE K. HINES,
y MARION deK. SMITH.

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,
sep22-y. Chestertown.

FISHERMEN, LOOK SHARP!
☞CALL AND EXAMINE THE☜
LUCK BRAND
Gilling Thread!
2 and 3 cord, all numbers from 20 to 60, for sale at Philadelphia price, by
Jan. 19. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

RECEIVED THIS DAY,
Sugar-cured Canvassed Hams,
" " Shoulder Bacon,
" " Breakfast Bacon,
" " Broiling Beef,
in quantities to suit buyers, at LOWEST PRICES. Call and get some, at
Feb. 23. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

FINE Sugar-cured HAMS and Broiling Beef,
fe16. at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

MUSLINS at 6c., Calico 5c., Canton Flannel 6½c., best Cotton 6c., lowest prices on all kinds of goods.
26. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

THE
Sterling Reputation
THAT MARKED SUCH A SUCCESSFUL CAREER FOR THIS HOUSE
From the DAY IT OPENED BUSINESS
FOR
Fine and Perfect Fitting CLOTHING.
THE SAME KIND CAN NOW BE HAD
IN EVERY DEPARTMENT
That MEN and BOYS may rely on.
A cordial invitation to all.
NEW YORK LEADING
ONE PRICE CASH
CLOTHING HOUSE.
No. 184 West Baltimore Street,
(Opposite Light,) **BALTIMORE.**
BRANCH OF 503 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.
SAMPLES sent on application. mh30-3m

For CORN use
RASIN'S
Dissolved Bone Phosphate!
Containing all the Fertilizing elements necessary to the growth of that Crop.
Manufactured by R. W. L. RASIN & CO.,
BALTIMORE, MD.
For sale by THOMAS DeC. RUTH, JR.,
(Office near Steamboat Wharf,) **CHESTERTOWN, MD.**
mh30-5t.

☞The firm of BURNS & SLOAN dissolved Feb. 18, 1878, by mutual consent. The Books of the late firm will be found at the office of GEO. F. SLOAN & BRO., who are fully authorized to settle the same.

GEO. F. SLOAN & BRO.,
132 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE,
(BURNS & SLOAN'S OLD STAND.)
LUMBER, Sash, Doors, Brick,
&c., &c.
LOW PRICES!
If you need any of the above please write for Prices.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

CHANGE OF LOCATION.

THE FIRM OF **BURNS & SLOAN** having been dissolved February 18, 1878, by mutual consent, the undersigned will conduct the

Lumber Business,

in all its branches, and offer a full and well selected stock of BUILDING AND HARDWOOD LUMBER, SHINGLES, FENCING, &c., in lots to suit at LOWEST PRICES.

SAMUEL BURNS & CO.,
m2-3m. **104 Light St. Wharf, BALTIMORE.**

Lumber! Lumber!

T. W. ELIASON, JR.
Shingles, Pickets, Laths, Scantling, Siding, Weatherboarding, Dressed Boards, Dressed Plank, Cypress Fencing, Va. Pine Boards, Va. Pine Joist, Bill Stuff, Railing, White Pine Cull Boards, " Barn "
Va. Pine Flooring, Doors and Sash.
I invite the attention of buyers to my large stock of Lumber, and am confident of my ability to meet the lowest Baltimore quotations. Give me a call before buying. T. W. ELIASON, JR.
March 16, 1878.

SPECIAL NOTICE!
COME AND SEE!
MY large and well selected stock of COLLARS, BRIDLES, HARNESS, and the best WHIPS in town.
☞Full stock of everything in this line. Hard times has made low prices. Harness of all kinds made to order.
I invite those who need anything in my line to call and examine my stock.
Thankful for past favors.
Mar. 9. J. F. HOWARD.

PERCH and Shad Net CORKS, Cotton Rope, all sizes, Seine Twine, &c.
feb16. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

J. E. TYGERT & CO.
Manufacturers of
Star Bone Phosphate
AND
Pure Ground Bone.
TRADE MARK
Also dealers in Fertilizing material of all kind.
OFFICES: 42 South Delaware Av., Philadelphia. Smyrna, Del. mar9-7m.

The UNDERTAKING BUSINESS,
IN ALL ITS BRANCHES,
Is still continued, and I hope by *personal* ATTENTION and supervision, added to practical experience, to give *entire* satisfaction to those who favor me with any business in this line.
Also, Broken or Defaced Furniture will be repaired, cleaned or varnished at short notice.
My charges for all work will be as low as possible, and I solicit a liberal share of patronage. My best reference will be with those who have employed me in the past. Respectfully,
jan13-3m* JOHN N. DODD.

BLACKBERRY Plants *Wilson's Early*, and other Small Fruits at bottom prices. Price list free. R. S. Johnston, Stockley, Del.

OSAGE ORANGE Hedge Plants in large or small lots. Prices on application.
m2-8t. R. S. JOHNSTON, Stockley, Del.

VEGETINE
For CHILLS, SHAKES,
FEVER and AGUE.
TAREORO, N. C., 1878.
DR. H. R. STEVENS:—Dear Sir: I feel very grateful for what your valuable medicine, Vegetine, has done in my family. I wish to express my thanks by informing you of the wonderful cure of my son; also, to let you know that Vegetine is the best medicine I ever saw for *Chills, Shakes, Fever* and *Ague*. My son was sick with measles in 1873, which left him with *Hipjoint* disease. My son suffered a great deal of pain, all of the time; the pain was so great he did nothing but cry. The doctors did not help him a particle, he could not lift his foot from the floor, he could not move without crutches. I read your advertisement in the 'Louisville Courier-Journal' that Vegetine was a great Blood Purifier and Blood Food. I tried one bottle, which was a great benefit. He kept on with the medicine, gradually gaining. He has taken eighteen bottles in all, and he is completely restored to health, walks without crutches or cane. He is twenty years of age. I have a younger son, fifteen years of age, who is subject to *Chills*. Whenever he feels one coming on, he comes in, takes a dose of Vegetine and that is the last of the *Chill*. Vegetine leaves no bad effect upon the system like most of the medicines recommended for *Chills*. I cheerfully recommend Vegetine for such complaints. I think it is the greatest medicine in the world.
Respectfully, MRS. J. W. LLOYD.
VEGETINE.—When the blood becomes lifeless and stagnant, either from change of weather or of climate, want of exercise, irregular diet, or from any other cause, Vegetine will renew the blood, carry off the putrid humors, cleanse the stomach, regulate the bowels, and impart a tone of vigor to the whole body.

VEGETINE
For DYSPEPSIA, NERVOUSNESS, And GENERAL DEBILITY.
Bernardstown, Mass., 1878.
We, the undersigned, having used Vegetine, take pleasure in recommending it to all those troubled with *Humors* of any kind, *Dyspepsia, Nervousness*, or *General Debility*, it being the Great Blood Purifier. Sold by R. L. Crowell & Sons, who sell more of it than all other patent medicine put together. MRS. L. F. PERKINS, MRS. H. W. SCOTT, JOSEPHUS SLATE.
VEGETINE is the great health restorer—composed exclusively of barks, roots, and herbs. It is very pleasant to take; every child likes it.

VEGETINE
For NERVOUS HEADACHE And RHEUMATISM.
Cincinnati, O., April 9, 1877.
H. R. STEPHENS, ESQ.:—Dear Sir: I have used your Vegetine for *Nervous Headache*, and also for *Rheumatism*, and have found entire relief from both, and take great pleasure in recommending it to all who may be likewise afflicted.
FRED. A. GOOD, 118 Mill St., Cinn.
VEGETINE has restored thousands to health who had been long and painful sufferers.

VEGETINE.
DRUGGISTS' TESTIMONY.
MR. H. R. STEVENS,—Dear Sir: We have been selling your remedy, the Vegetine, for about three years, and take pleasure in recommending it to our customers, and in no instance where a blood purifier would reach the case, has it ever failed to effect a cure, to our knowledge. It certainly is the *ne plus ultra* of renovators.
Resp'y, E. M. SHEPHERD & CO., *Druggists*, Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Is acknowledged by all classes of people to be the best and most reliable blood purifier in the world.

VEGETINE
PREPARED BY
H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.
VEGETINE is sold by All Druggists.

JUST RECEIVED, THIS WEEK
A FINE LOT OF
Dress Goods
And CALICOES,
suitable for Spring wear. We have at all times a full stock. Call and examine goods and prices. A liberal discount is allowed on all cash sales.
J. F. M. WOODALL,
Mar. 2—tf. GEORGETOWN.

Ladies' Trimmings!
NEW STOCK!
MISS MARY R. BENJAMIN
Has just opened a new assortment of
NOTIONS, DRESS TRIMMINGS,
Children's Colored HOSE,
Hamburg Edgings, Handkerchiefs, &c.
A complete stock of BUTTONS, Neck Ties, Kid Gloves, Italian Lace, &c.
PLAITING, knife, box and space, at 6 cts. per yard.
She also has quite a variety of new styles for making and trimming Dresses, and will guarantee entire satisfaction, both in fit and price.
She has also combined MILLINERY with Dress-making, and has a varied and carefully selected stock of HATS, BONNETS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS, &c., and is confident that from her experience in that trade cannot fail to please, and will be thankful for your orders.
Store next door to T. W. Eliason, Jr.
Respectfully, M. R. BENJAMIN.
March 16—tf.

New Grocery Store
UP TOWN!
WHEATLEY BROS.
Have opened a New Grocery Store up town, and are prepared to supply all persons wanting goods in their line at prices that will compete with the cheapest in market.
☞We solicit all kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCE in exchange for goods at the highest market price.
Store adjoining Dr. Johnson's office.
☞Give us a call.
Mar. 9. WHEATLEY BROS.

Turner Brothers,
Still Pond P. O., Kent County, Maryland,
LUMBER AND PEACH CRATE MANUFACTURERS,
and dealers in all kinds of BUILDING MATERIAL, AGRICULTURAL SUPPLIES, COAL, SALT, FLOUR and GRAIN.

Hair Cutting & Shaving.
HAVING re-papered and newly fitted up the Barber Shop on Queen street, near the Post Office, I am prepared to do work in my line in a satisfactory manner. A call is solicited. JNO. B. JONES,
mh30-3t. TONSORIAL.

A CARD.
I am prepared to BREAK YOUNG HORSES TO HARNESS; also, Horses of vicious habits.
Horses taken on livery by the month, day or meal. The best attention given.
mh2-tf. JAS. A. RUSSELL.

LADIES' CLOAKS—large assortment
n24. at T. W. ELIASON, JR'S.

ALICE'S VALENTINE.

I dreamed I saw you in the lane
My lady Alice.
The silv'ry moon was on the wane,
Fair lady Alice.
The dew was heavy as the rain;
You only gathered up your train,
And walked as if to music's strain—
My lady Alice.

I dreamed somebody walked with you
My lady Alice;
I dreamed somebody talked with you,
My lady Alice.
Your sister, with her eyes so blue?
Your brother, with his heart so true?
'Twas neither one of these I knew,
My lady Alice.

'Twas some one manly, straight and tall,
Oh lady Alice!
His head reached o'er the garden wall,
O'er yours, fair Alice.
His voice could ring like trumpet's call,
Or to the sweetest accents fall—
He held in his your fingers small:
Oh fie! fair Alice!

You faltered in your stately tread,
You did, fair Alice;
Your cheek flushed to a rosy red,
My lady Alice.
Low and still lower drooped your head,
Into your ear these words were said:
"You, and you only, will I wed—
My darling Alice!"

I woke, but slept and dreamed once more
My lady Alice,
I passed one day the Church's door—
Oh listen, Alice!
A bride swept up the marble floor;
The groom was he I'd seen before;
Again he said this sentence o'er—
"I wed thee, Alice!"

Chestertown, Feb, '78. N. M. E.

Facts and Fancies of the City Directory.

Baltimore is supplied with a plentiful number of churches, Woods' Directory for 1878 showing that there are 229 in all in the city, divided among the various denominations as follows: Baptist 14, Christian Church 1, Evangelical Association 2, Evangelical Lutheran 19, Independent Lutheran 1, Spiritual Congregation 1, Friends 3, Independent Churches 3, Jewish Synagogues 9, Methodist Episcopal 37, Colored Methodist Episcopal 6, Methodist Independent 5, Meth. Episcopal South 8, Methodist Protestant 8, African Methodist 6—total Meth. churches 70; Presbyterian 21, Protestant Episcopal 39, Protestant Episcopal Reformed 4, Reformed Church 6, Roman Catholic 26, Swedenborgian 2, Unitarian 1, United Brethern 5, Universalist 2.

The city is also provided with 603 physicians, giving a doctor to about every 500 inhabitants, although it was stated at a recent meeting of the alumni of one of the medical colleges in the city that for a paying practice there should be but one doctor to every 1,500 people. Lawyers do not fall far behind the doctors, there being 494 disciples of Blackstone in Baltimore. Of dentists there are 113.

In the Directory there are found names corresponding with various fruits, vegetables, animals, &c. For instances, there are 6 Peaches, 10 Cherries, 11 Grapes, 14 Onions, 46 Baers, 50 Foxes, 2 Lions, 54 Roses, 14 Farmers, 28 Cranes. Three of the seasons are represented, there being 46 Winters, 28 Summers and 6 Springs. There are also 36 Stars, 10 Moons, and only one *Sun*—The Sun.

The Smith family continues to form a large portion of the population of Baltimore. There 832 white and 288 colored Smiths in the city, most of them rejoicing in the prefix "John." Many of these Smiths are married, and no doubt have large families, so that taken as a whole the Smith family could of itself populate a good sized town. Next in order comes the Brown family, the directory showing that there are 512 white Brows and 226 well-colored Browns reside here. Another prolific family is that of the Joneses, there being 384 white and 206 colored Joneses in the directory; also Jones's falls.—*Sun.*

MARVELOUS DENTAL FEAT.—Tooth carpentry bids fair to be robbed of its terrors, for it has come to pass that decayed and torturing teeth can be taken out, cleansed, filled, repaired, and replaced in the jaw. Dr. O. B. Rundle, of Monticello, has for some months been asking himself the question, "If broken and separated bones and lacerated flesh would unite and become sound, why not the teeth?" He resolved to try the experiment when he found a subject. The latter turned up in the person of a stalwart blacksmith with a decayed and painful molar, the first on the right side of the lower teeth. The doctor extracted it and found it slightly decayed, but with two ulcerous sacs at the point of the prongs. He explained the new theory to the patient, who was desirous to save the tooth, and he told the dentist to go ahead. The ulcers were removed, the tooth drilled and plugged with gold, the proprietor holding it while the dentist did the job, which required two hours. The tooth was replaced in its socket, and now, after ten days, it has become as firm as before.

A SAD MISTAKE IN REGISTERING.—At Granite, a day or two ago, the bar keeper employed at one of the taverns there got on a bender and played the mischief with his employer's alcoholic register. He had a trained cat which could leap through a hoop or over a pole. He had some friends to whom he wished to exhibit the intelligent feline, and to make the show more interesting, he "played" on the register continuously for upwards of two hours as fast as the crank could move. It is estimated that he cranked seventy-two hundred drinks. At two cents and a half, $180 for the State. That was a dear entertainment.

A GOOD story is told of a deacon in Tennessee, who was in the habit of riding a bucking mule—that is a mule that can make a camel's back out of its straight one, and, by a spasmodic movement of its four legs and hump, discharge its rider like a cannon ball. The other day they came to the worst mud hole in the State, and the mule gave unmistakable indications of bucking. The good deacon knew that he was about to be thrown, and his mind skurried about for a prayer. His table grace came easiest; "Lord, for what we are about to receive make us humbly thankful," he exclaimed, and the mule had bucked and he was in.

"TO DO AS FOLKS OF FASHION DO," in one respect at least, you must use *Glenn's Sulphur Soap*, which is immensely popular among the elite of society, and deservedly so, for it is the most salutary of beautifiers and purifiers. Sold by all druggists. Hill's Hair & Whisker Dye, Black or Brown, 50 cts. a6-4t.

Notes and Jottings.

At present our neighborhood seems more quiet than usual. People seem to stay at home, while our grocer's complain of a falling off of trade.

Most any day now traveler's via Rock Hall line may see five gallon carboys coming over. They are filled with Blue Vitriol for our book farmers to use while experimenting in the manufacture of home made fertilizers.

Our Dashaway lodge is progressing. It would do you good, Messrs. Editors, to glance over our little circle when we all get together. There is little Mary and Jamie, and Addie and Dixie, and Susie and Ownie, and Walter and Georgie, and little Flora and Sadie, and Rubie and Eva and Lizzie, and poor little Boffins. Such a quaint lot of Liliputian ladies and gentlemen they are. I know you will not believe me, but it is really so, (for "old reliable" says so) that they are all between the ages of fourteen and twenty.

We often have come to change our views and opinions from day to day on all subjects, however strong, well rooted and preconceived they may be. Only a few weeks ago we imagined that we wanted an office, now we do not aspire so high. We did want an office, and wanted a man of only average conscience as chief clerk; but, alas! our air castle has fallen! We found out by chance that "old reliable was infallible, so would not suit for chief clerk. Such a blessing to be born a child of chance and have faith in luck (I shall expect better next time.)

Our friend, D. G., again disappoints us. He first confounds us with quotations, centuries old, and then exposes our ignorance by filling his articles with words we don't understand. He also wastes words in trying to guess who we are and what our occupation is. He also wastes paper and time in suspecting that we know who he is. Of course we do—every one knows "old reliable." He goes too far from his sphere of action—strains at gnats and swallows camels. When he indulges in these tilts he weakens his influence and does harm against the great cause for which he labors, namely ——.

Worton. ST. CLAIRE.

Letter from Masseys.

Messrs. Editors:—We noticed with pleasure the composition by a school-boy from Masseys in your issue of March 23. It was not only very good, but displayed ambition and a desire to improve the golden moments of youth. The idea seems to us a good one to encourage those who have a talent for writing, to send an occasional contribution to the county paper for publication, if it would meet the approbation of the editors to give them space in their columns. There would soon spring up a rivalry between the several schools of our county, and would bring forward many good minds and improve them materially, that would otherwise remain hidden. There are many improvements in the mode of teaching in the present day, and new ideas are daily being brought forward and introduced in our schools. Truly progress during the last century seems to have been the order of man—at least it is characteristic of our age—while life presents the appearance of a great battle; and it is to this battle of the mind that we are indebted for all that is noble in science and useful in the arts—for all that is excellent in invention and grand in discovery. Among the trophies of this battle field are the researches of the antiquarian, the imagining of the poet, and the wisdom of the philosophers. The onward and upward tendency of the human mind, its wonderful battles and victories, have given to the world the ocean steamer, the railroad and the printing press. The web or net work of electric telegraph, converting earth into one grand whispering gallery, and the photographic art, in which light God's shadow turns painter for man; and leaves in our houses and embalms in our hearts the loved features of the distant and the dead.

The noblest battles have been fought and the greatest victories have been won even in the shady walks of literature. The Homers and the Shakespeares of poetry, the Herschels and Bacons of philosophy are the heroes. Archimedes in his bath, Davy in his laboratory, Newton in the orchard and Franklin in the clouds, have fought battles and won victories more to be commemorated by the historic muse than the deeds of an Alexander or a Napoleon that broke the world to their sway. SNAP.

THE people of Long Branch are in a fearful commotion because a deaf and dumb boy, aged nine years, who has always resided in the vicinity, died on Friday last, and a few minutes before he died he spoke. It was the first time he was ever heard to say a word. He stated that this summer there would not be enough inhabitants live in Long Branch to bury the dead. Some fear another pestilence such as visited the town some twelve or fifteen years ago, when the spotted fever caused terrible havoc among the natives. Others fear the place will be flooded by the tidal wave.

THE WAY OF THE WORLD.—We flourish awhile. Men take us by the hand and are anxious about the health of our bodies and laugh at our jokes, and we really think, like the fly on the wheel, that we have something to do with the turning of it. The sun does not stop for our funeral, everything goes on as usual, we are not missed in the streets, men may laugh at the new jokes, and in three days the great waves sweep over our path and wash out the last vestige of our earthly footprints. Such is life.

ONE day you will be pleased with a friend and the next day disappointed in him. It will be so to the end, and you must make your mind up to it and not quarrel, unless for very grave causes.—Your friend, you have found out, is not perfect. Nor are you, and you cannot expect to get much more than you give. You must look for weakness, foolishness, and vanity in human nature; it is unhappy if you are too sharp in seeing them.

THE proof of the value of any article is its popular use, and the testimony in its favor. The sale of *Leary's Compound Syrup of Wild Cherry and Tar*, the great remedy for coughs and colds is immense. Only 35 cents. a6-2t.

JESSE POMEROY.

THE PRISON LIFE OF THE BOSTON BOY MURDERER—ALMOST UNBROKEN SOLITUDE.

Probably there is more curiosity concerning the prison career of Jesse Pomeroy than any other convict in the institution. His atrocities are known the world over, and hundreds make the vain visit to the prison to get a sight of him. Indeed, scarcely a visitor appears here but who ask for the privilege, and, strange as it may seem, the most importunate and persistent of these are found among the lady visitors. It is no uncommon thing for the warden to be importuned for half an hour at a time by a delegation of these philanthropic females, and, finding that their pleadings are useless, they go off in a rage, probably declaring inwardly that Pomeroy is a saint and angel in comparison with General Chamberlain.

This, singular phenomenon of a fiend and murderer is even more singular since his incarceration for life in a lonely cell than he was in the palmy days of his atrocities. He has, in fact, become quite an exemplary young man, and is evidently determined upon acquiring a thoroughly classical education. He is away by himself in a cell in that part of the prison known as the "upper arch," out of the sight of everything and everybody, and the only sounds which reach his ears are the whistles of the passing locomotives and rumbling of the trains. Three times a day only is the solitude broken by the appearance of a keeper with his meals, and then not a word passes between them. It should be added, in qualification, however, that the chaplain visits him occasionally, and also that his mother and brother are allowed interviews with him every three months. This is in accordance with the general rules of the prison, all which are applicable to Pomeroy, with the terrible exception that his confinement is to be solitary for the term of his natural life.

During the regular working hours he is employed making shoe brushes, but in this respect is not the most profitable convict in the prison. He seems to have taken to literature rather than the mechanic arts, and spends the most of his time in the acquistion of knowledge. So far as English branches go he is already master, and has now attacked Latin, French and German, and is making astonishing progress in all of them. If it were not for the conditions which forbid his mingling with the rest of the prisoners it would not be a bad idea to make him "Professor of Languages" of the institution. He writes a letter to his mother every week, and receives one from her regularly in return. The poor woman brings over her communication every Saturday and invariably finds one awaiting for her. The letters which the young murderer writes are marvels in the way of parental correspondence, and some of his descriptions of his lonely life are characterized by a sadness which is indeed harrowing. He never makes any reference to his crimes, and when questioned by the officers about the multitude of murders and outrages which he has committed he invariably answers that he knows nothing whatever about them. —*Boston Globe.*

ON READING.

Women sometimes think they will not be interested in the standard English classics, just because they are standard and classic. Not long since, an intelligent lady was telling how surprised she was to find Beacon's "Essays" so interesting. She said: "I was lying on the lounge in my husband's library, one evening, after an unusually wearisome day, and took it up because it was the nearest book, and I really felt as if I could no go across the room for another. I was perfectly absorbed before I knew it, and read for an hour with a sense of freshness and exhilaration which I had not known for a long time. I felt as if somehow I had got back to the beginning of things. I had always supposed that Lord Bacon, being very learned, was therefore very dull and entirely beyond my comprehension."

If you like history.

"The world is all before you, where to choose."

If you are fond of science, you cannot fail to be interested in the papers and books in this field,—never so numerous and never so well adapted for popular reaping as now. If you imagine any of these departments "too literary," and cannot be happy without a novel, there are works of fiction that are as important a part of one's education as—quadratic equations, to say the least: "Romola," "Ivanhoe," "Hypathia," "David Copperfield," "Pendennis," "The Scarlet Letter." Just think of all the books so well worth reading, and yet people will continue to draw out of the libraries dreary "Society novels," or poor translations of worse French and German love stories! It is like eating apple skins and potato parings when bananas and oranges might be had for the picking! Bishop Potter says: "It is nearly an axiom that people will not be better than the books they read." Consider, therefore, what kind of books you read.—"Mary Blake," in *Scribner for April.*

JAPANESE CARRIAGES.—The only sort of carriages used in Japan is a small affair, like an overgrown baby carriage. This seats one person and is drawn by a man. The men who make a livelihood by drawing them are possessed of wonderful endurence. They will run at a top speed a distance of ten or fifteen miles without showing fatigue.

CHANGE OF OPINION.—He that never changed any of his opinions, never corrected any of his mistakes; and he who was never wise enough to find out any mistakes in himself, will not be charitable enough to excuse what he reckons mistakes in others.

MAKE the bridge from the cradle to manhood as long as you can. Let your children be children as long as they will. Let them be children, and not little apes of men and women.

A WEALTHY Newburyport man, fearful that his relatives may try to put him into a lunatic asylum, has provided himself with several physicians' certificates that he is sane.

DR. SAM JOHNSON said that the science of medicine is but the art of entertaining a patient while nature effect the cure.

EARTH is our working place, heaven our resting place.

NOTHING sharpens up a dull man so much as courting a pretty girl.

Wonders of the American Continent.

The greatest cataract in the world is the Falls of Niagara, where the water from the great upper lakes forms a river of three-fourths of a mile in width, and then being suddenly contracted, plunges over the rocks in two columns to the depth of 175 feet. The greatest cave in the world is the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, where any one can make a voyage on the waters of a subterranean river, and catch fish without eyes. The greatest river in the known world is the Mississippi. It contains 5,000,000 square miles, and is one of the most fertile regions of the globe. The greatest city park in the world is in Philadelphia. It contains over 2,700 acres. The greatest grain port in the world is Chicago. The largest lake in the world is Lake Superior, which is truly an inland sea, being 420 miles long and 1,000 feet deep. The longest railroad at present is the Pacific railroad, over 3,000 miles in length. The greatest mass of solid iron in the world is the Pilot Knob of Missouri. It is 350 feet high and two miles in circuit. The best specimen of Grecian architecture in the world is the Girard College of Orphans, Philadelphia. The largest aqueduct in the warld is the Croton aqueduct, New York; its length is forty and a quarter miles, and it cost $12,500,000. The largest deposits of anthracite coal in the world are in Pennsylvania, the mines of which supply the market with millions of tons annually, and appear to be inexhaustible.

Causes of Sudden Death.

Very few of the sudden deaths which are said to arise from diseases of the heart do really arise from that cause. To ascertain the real origin of sudden deaths experiments have been tried in Europe and reported to a Scientific Congress held at Strasbourg. Sixty-six cases of sudden death were made the subject of a thorough post-mortem examination; in these only two were found who died from disease of the heart. Nine out of sixty-six had died from apoplexy, while there were forty-six cases of congestion of the lungs—that is, the lungs were so full of blood that they could not work, there not being room enough for a quantity of air to enter to support life. The causes that produce congestion of the lungs are cold feet, tight clothing, costive bowels, sitting still, chilled after being warmed with labor or rapid walking, going too suddenly from close, heated rooms into the cold air, especially after speaking, and sudden depressing news operating on the blood. The causes of sudden death being known, an avoidance of them may serve to lengthen many valuable lives which would otherwise be lost under the verdict of 'heart complaint.' That disease is supposed to be inevitable and incurable; hence many do not take the pains they would do to avoid sudden death, if they knew it lay in their power.

What Shade Trees to Plant.

There is a great satisfaction in knowing what selection of shade trees those who are competent to judge would best make for road or lawn planting. Just such information is now before the public, and it will prove of very great value to those who intend to beautify their roadsides or private grounds. The Park Commission of Washington, D. C., composed of three men of high standing in horticultural circles, have planted miles of street trees, numbering about forty thousand. The bulk of these are made up of twelve varieties, and are named herewith in the order in which the commission valued them for the purpose: White maple, American linden, American elm, scarlet maple, box elder, sugar maple, American white ash, English sycamore, button ball, tulip tree, honey locust, Norway maple.

This is an excellent assortment to select from for road-side planting. Each variety here named when full grown assumes handsome proportions, and most of them have brilliant and attractive foliage in the fall. In planting shade trees along the roadside, especially in a clay country, they should be set at least fifty feet apart, for if closer there will be too much shade, and bad, wet roads in the spring are sure to follow. This close planting should also be strenuously avoided in decorating private grounds. Any system that excludes the free access of sun and air from the dwelling house is pernicious. Go wherever one may he will find this faulty system of close planting in vogue, and in eight cases out of ten there are two trees or shrubs on a space where one would have been enough. The plea for this is a desire for immediate effect. The remedy is to cut down in time every other tree. This last is seldom, if ever, carried out.—*P. T. Q., in Scribner's Magazine for April.*

NEW AND TRUE.—It is indeed a fact worthy of remark, and one that seems never to have been noticed, that throughout the whole animal creation, in every country and clime of the earth, the most useful animals that eat vegetable food work. The all powerful elephant, and the patient, untiring camel, in the torrid zone; the horse, the ox, or the donkey in the temperate and the reindeer in the frigid zone, obtain all their muscular power from nature's simplest productions—the vegetable kingdom. But all the flesh eating animals keep the rest of the animated creation in constant dread of them. They seldom eat vegetable food until some other animal has eaten it first, and made it into flesh. Their own flesh is unfit for other animals to eat, having been itself made out of flesh, and is most foul and offensive. Great strength, fleetness of foot, awefulness, cleanliness and docility, are even always characteristic of vegetable flesh eaters.—*Scraps from Natural History.*

WE read in an English paper that the "pistol pocket-book" is the latest safeguard for American ladies against thieves. The pocket-books, when carried in the hand, look exactly like an ordinary purse, but should an unwary person make a snatch at them, the owner has only to press a spring, and the thief is shot through the heart, if the aim is good.

MYRIADS of people sacrifice themselves through carelessness. They are attacked with cold, neglect and die, instead of taking Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and living on usefully.