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HANDBILLS, CARDS, CIRCULARS, BLANKS, &c., executed with neatness and dispatch, and at reasonable prices.

A BEAUTIFUL

COUNTRY SEAT

On Chesapeake Bay,

—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 6th day of August, 1878,

At the Voshell House in CHESTERTOWN, Kent County, Maryland,

AT ONE O'CLOCK P. M.,

THAT FINELY LOCATED FARM KNOWN AS

"Huntingfield,"

in Kent County, Maryland, adjoining the lands of R. W. Calder and others.

This desirable Estate lies directly on the Chesapeake Bay, opposite the mouth of the Patapsco river, about 25 miles from the city of Baltimore, and a few miles from Tolchester Beach.

It CONTAINS ABOUT

410 ACRES,

about 375 of which are arable, the residue in

WOOD, TIMBER,

AND MEADOW.

It is divided into seven fields and well fenced.

THE IMPROVEMENTS are a GOOD FRAME

Dwelling House

And the usual OUT-BUILDINGS, all in good order.

A Peach Orchard of 3700 Trees.

thrifty and in bearing, and a FINE APPLE ORCHARD.

TERMS OF SALE.

The terms of sale prescribed by the Decree are as follows: $4,000 cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale, the deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustee.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, TRUSTEE.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

An Excellent

FARM

IN KENT COUNTY, MD.,

—AT—

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, the undersigned will offer at public sale on

TUESDAY,

THE SIXTH day of AUGUST, 1878,

At half-past Eleven o'clock A. M., at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland,

That FINE FARM

KNOWN AS

"HILL TOP,"

belonging to Thomas B. Trew, Esq., situated in Quaker Neck, Kent co. Md., adjoining the lands of Francis Baker and others, and on the waters of Lankford's Bay. This tract contains

135 Acres,

is very conveniently situated, close to Schools, Churches, Mills, Post Office, &c. Crops can be shipped from the shore of the adjoining farm and Steamboat landing on Chester River is only about 3 miles distant. Nearly the whole Farm is arable, and conveniently divided.

The Improvements

consist of a fine old

Brick Dwelling House

in good repair. BARN, STABLES and other OUT-BUILDINGS in good order. Possession given January 1, 1879, with privilege to seed wheat the coming Fall.

TERMS OF SALE:

The terms of sale are $3.500 cash on the day of sale or within thirty days thereafter at the option of the Trustee, and the balance of the purchase money in two equal installments in one and two years from the day of sale. The whole to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, TRUSTEE.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

Wesleyan Female College,

WILMINGTON, DEL.

AT the opening of the Fall term, Sept. 9, 1878, there will be a NEW President, NEW furniture, NEW repairs throughout the buildings, NEW pianos, the modern conveniences newly introduced to add to the comfort of the young ladies, both in the public and private rooms, and all this at the old prices. For catalogues address the President, Rev. J. W. WILLIAMS, A. M. jly6-6m.

WILMINGTON

Conference Academy

FULL Corps of Experienced Teachers. Modern facilities. Fine building, furnished with heat, gas, bath, etc.

Board and tuition $200 per year. Heat and gas in private rooms extra. Separate building for lady boarders. For catalogue address the Principal,

R. H. SKINNER, A. M.,
DOVER, DEL.
je22-6m.

GENTS' GAUZE SHIRTS.

Ladies' Gauze Vests,

Gents' super fine English Half-Hose,
" " stout " "
" Dress Shirts, made of best materials, in best manner, furnished $1.00.
Gents' Suspenders, by

T. W. ELIASON, JR.
je22.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF—

MOST DESIRABLE

FARMS

In KENT COUNTY, MD.

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 6th day of August, 1878,

at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, at eleven o'clock A. M., the following portions of the

REAL ESTATE

OF THE LATE WM. WELCH.

The FARM usually known as

The HOWARD FARM

WHICH CONTAINS

About 270 ACRES,

nearly all arable. It lies in the Second Election District of Kent county, on the South side of the public road from Chesterville to Harmony, adjoining the lands of W. R. Cochran and others.

It is only one mile from Kennedyville, a village which enjoys all the advantages of Churches, Schools, Railroad and Telegraph facilities.

The Improvements

ARE A

FRAME DWELLING,

Barn, Stable, and other Out-Buildings, all nearly new and in good repair, and an Apple Orchard of 35 Trees.

The Farm is divided into convenient tillages, and each field is well watered.

The FARM generally known as

The Old Welch Home Farm

is universally conceded, in view of the natural fertility of its soil, and the eligibility of its location, to be *one of the very best and most desirable estates in this County.*

It lies directly on the public road from Kennedyville to Chesterville, adjoining the lands of Gov. John P. Cochran, the Hon. J. B. Groome and others, and contains about

530 ACRES.

It is convenient to Churches, Schools, &c., within a mile or two of a station on the Kent county Railroad, and not far from Landings on Chester and Sassafras Rivers.

THE IMPROVEMENTS

ARE A TWO-STORY

BRICK DWELLING,

With a TWO-STORY FRAME ADDITION, making large and comfortable rooms.

The BARN, STABLE and other out-Buildings are in good repair. Excellent water in the yard, and a

Fine Peach Orchard

of the most select varieties, in bearing. To any one desiring remunerative returns for his investment, and a home of social comfort and enjoyment, this estate offers every inducement to purchase.

TERMS OF SALE,

As prescribed by the Decree, are one-fourth of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, or on the final ratification thereof, at the Trustee's option: the balance in four equal instalments in six, twelve, eighteen and twenty-four months from the day of sale—deferred payments to bear interest from that day, and to be secured by the bond or note of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee.

RICHARD HYNSON, TRUSTEE.

NOTICE.—In accordance with the provisions of the said Decree, the creditors of the late Wm. Welch are hereby notified to file their claims with the vouchers thereof, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, within four months from the day of sale.

RICHARD HYNSON, Trustee.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

A Small Farm

At PUBLIC SALE.

The subscriber will offer at Public Sale at the Voshell House in Chestertown, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, August 6, 1878,

at half-past twelve o'clock P. M., that

Desirable Little Farm

known as "STRATFORD" or "NEW YORK" formerly owned by Jacob Knotts and recently occupied by the late Miss Deborah Trew.

This Farm lies near the public road leading from Chestertown into Quaker Neck, adjoins the lands of Isaac Cordray, Charles H. Baker and Dr. Barr, and contains about

25 Acres of LAND.

It is conveniently divided and under good fencing.

The Improvements

consist of a TWO-STORY *Frame Dwelling House* with Kitchen attached; the Out-Buildings are a Barn, Corn House, Carriage House, Meat House, Poultry House, &c., all in good condition.

There is an Orchard of 250 PRIME PEACH TREES of selected varieties, and a few Apple and Pear Trees.

It is within two miles of Steamboat Landing at Quaker Neck wharf, and Post Office, Store, Churches, &c., are within sight of the dwelling.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE:—$600 cash on the day of sale, and the balance with interest in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT,
Attorney for Bartus Trew.

July 27, 1878—ts.

A VERY

Valuable Estate,

On Chester River,

AT TRUSTEES' SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting in Equity, the undersigned, as Trustees, will offer at Public Sale, on

TUESDAY,

THE SIXTH DAY of AUGUST, 1878, At 12 o'clock M.,

At the "Voshell House," in Chestertown, Kent county, Md.,

That Fine Body of Land

Belonging to Mrs. Mary E. Jones, situated on Chester River, in Kent co., adjoining the lands of Gerrge B. Westcott, Esq., and others, and divided as follows:

The Comegys Home Farm

CONTAINS

456½ ACRES,

of which about 386 are arable and the balance in Wood. It lies directly on Chester River, and has one of the finest water views on the river. The Farm is conveniently divided, has TWO PEACH ORCHARDS in bearing, and is easily cultivated and productive.

The adjacent waters abound with Oysters, Fish, Wild Game, &c.

The Improvements

ARE A

LARGE, TWO-STORY

Brick Dwelling,

With KITCHEN attached and the usual Farm Out-Buildings, all in good order.

THE "CURRY" FARM

ALSO ON CHESTER RIVER,

contains, as now laid off,

270½ ACRES

of which about 200 are arable and the balance in Wood. It adjoins the Comegys farm, is conveniently divided, and in a fair state of cultivation.

THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE A

Two-Story Brick Dwelling

with Kitchen attached,

And ordinary Out-Buildings.

TERMS OF SALE.

The terms of sale are $11,000 in cash on the day of sale or within sixty days thereafter, at the option of the Trustees, and the balance of the purchase money in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale. The whole to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustees.

RICHARD HYNSON,
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
July 13, 1878—ts. TRUSTEES.

A Farm for Sale.

BY virtue of a Power of Attorney, I will offer at public sale, at the Court House door, on

TUESDAY, August 6th, 1878

at 11 o'clock A. M., the FARM of the late John C. Hynson, lying on the navigable waters of the North Western prong of Langford's Bay, below and near the Ship-Yard, containing about

260 ACRES.

The location is one of the finest on that water; the banks are high; fish and oysters are to be had in their season, and the latter abundantly. A grain vessel runs weekly from the Ship-Yard to Baltimore.

THE BUILDINGS are in fair ordinary condition and suitable to the Farm: besides, there are two two-story Houses, separated from the Farm buildings and under rent: The Farm could be easily divided, placing those two houses in the smaller division. The soil is said to be good and can be made very productive, and there is a small peach orchard. There is a considerable woods of Oak, &c., on the edge of the farm at the outer gate sufficient for all the uses of the Farm: On the upper portion nearer the ship-yard, and near bold water, there is a very considerable quantity of Pine and some Chestnut; this portion of the land could be cleaned at considerable profit, and the field for cultivation considerably enlarged.

Mr. William S. Elbern, the tenant of the farm, will take pleasure in shewing the premises, which are less than a mile from Edesville, and very accessible.

Possession first of January next. The lands adjoin the property of Mr. Jas. H. Edes, Mrs. Page & Mrs. Thos. W. Ringgold. The fencing in fair condition.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE: One-fourth of the purchase money on the day of sale, or within sixty days thereafter, and balance in three equal instalments, in one, two and three years from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next, payable half-yearly and secured. The rents of the present year reserved from the sale.

GEORGE VICKERS,
Attorney for Mrs. Martha H. Griffith.

Chestertown, July 13, 1878—ts.

BALTIMORE

STOVE HOUSE

ESTABLISHED 1851.

COOKING STOVES,
HEATING STOVES,
CHURCH STOVES,
SCHOOL STOVES,
Ranges, Furnaces, Mantels, Fire-place Heaters.
FOR WOOD OR COAL.

We have a splendid assortment of the above articles, that we offer at *Wholesale Prices*, as we are determined to sell. Do not purchase until you have looked over our stock.

B. C. BIBB & SON,
Successors to Bibb & Co.,
Inventors, Patentees & Manufact'rs,
39 & 41 LIGHT ST.,
je22-6m. *Baltimore, Md.*

TOOTH BRUSHES, Hair Brushes, Nail Brushes, Paint Brushes, Shoe Brushes, and Dressing Combs, at STAM'S Drug Store.

PERFUMERY,

Foreign and Domestic Extracts, Colognes, Toilet Waters and Fancy Soaps
jy6. at STAM'S CORNER.

TOBACCO AND CIGARS.

The finest grades of Tobacco and the choicest Cigars may be found at the Corner Drug Store.

July 6. C. F. STAM.

Soluble Sea Island Guano,

RICH IN

AMMONIA, SOLUBLE PHOSPHORIC ACID, POTASH, MAGNESIA, SODA, &c.

Used in Kent Co. several years, and Surpassed all other Fertilizers!

It is the Greatest Wheat Producer Known!

PRICE AS LOW and TERMS AS EASY as any other.

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

FOR SALE BY **THOMAS DeC. RUTH, JR.,**
jy13-12t. *(Office near the Wharf,)* *CHESTERTOWN, MD.*

C. H. J. SPARKS. G. T. NEAL.

C. H. J. SPARKS & CO.,

LOCUST GROVE.

ARE now receiving NEW GOODS from Baltimore and Phila. daily, and intend to sell them as CHEAP AS THEY CAN BE HAD IN THE COUNTY for cash or thirty days.

You will find our stock complete of

Dry Goods, Groceries,

NOTIONS,

READY MADE CLOTHING,

Suits for $5!

HATS and CAPS.

We also have a fine assortment of GENTS'

BOOTS and SHOES,

WHICH WE ARE SELLING CHEAP.

The Ladies will do well to call and examine our new stock of SHOES, SLIPPERS, &c., which we had made to order, and will sell at low figures.

☞ You will find our stock complete of all goods generally kept in a first class country store. Call and examine our stock and prices. *We intend to sell.*

C. H. J. SPARKS & CO.

NOTICE.—All persons who have not paid their bills up to the change in our business (July 1st, 1878) may look for me in a few days, as all accounts must be settled up to that time, either by money or note, 30 days.

C. H. J. SPARKS,
July 20, 1878—3m. *Locust Grove.*

NEW STORE.

Corner Queen & High Sts.

I WOULD most respectfully inform the public that I have just opened a NEW and well selected Stock of Goods in the store corner Queen and High Sts., Chestertown, opposite A. J. Cahall's, where I will be pleased to wait upon them with anything in my line of business.

I keep a GENERAL STOCK, embracing

DRY GOODS,

NOTIONS, GROCERIES,

TOBACCO, CIGARS,

BOOTS, SHOES,

Wood and Willow-ware, &c.

Our GROCERIES include

White and Brown SUGARS, COFFEES, TEAS, FLOUR, MOLASSES, SYRUP, HAMS, BACON, LARD, SALT, PEPPER, COAL OIL, &c.

We sell the celebrated PEARL SHIRT, the best and most perfect fitting Shirt made.

☞ The public are invited to call and examine our goods. Our motto is

'Quick Sales & Small Profits'

☞ Call and see me one and all. You are welcome at all times. This is the place to buy good and cheap goods.

Produce taken and highest market price paid in goods.

Public's obl't serv't,
J. STAFFORD, JR.

April 13.

Look! before you Leap!

YOU CAN BUY **LIME** at 15c. pk.; 50c. bus., or $1.50 bbl.

And GOOD TOBACCO at 60 and 75c. a pound.

SEGARS at 2, 2½, 2 and 5c.

at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

FINE SUGAR-CURED HAMS

And **Broiling Beef,** at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

A Full Stock of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, BOOTS and SHOES, GROCERIES, TIN-WARE, Crockery-ware, &c., which we are offering close figures. THOMPSON,
May 4. Up Town.

WANTED

Every One to Know

That you can buy Goods, such as

DRY GOODS,

Men's and Boys', Misses' and Children's SHOES,

NOTIONS, GROCERIES, Crockeryware, PROVISIONS, Glassware, Queensware, Tinware, Willowware, TOBACCO, CIGARS and SNUFF, CONFECTIONERY,

and in fact a little of everything at

ELLIOTT'S,

Up Town.

☞ Produce of all kinds wanted. Cash paid for Old Iron, Brass, Bones, Copper, Rags, &c., at ELLIOTT'S,
apr13. Up Town.

BLACKWELL'S Pure Durham TOBACCO,
For sale by JAS. A. SHAW.

Our Motto:

One Price Strictly! Fair Profits Only!

WITH the above motto we do business, therefore consumers will find it to their interest to deal with us. For the benefit of those that do not know our prices a few are enumerated:

BEST CHEESE only 15c., regular price 20a25c.
2 Cakes good Washing Soap for 5c.
2 Boxes Coffee Essence for 5c.
Rumford's Yeast Powder, 2 bottles 25c.
Corned Shad, Mackerel and Herring at low prices.
Chipped or Broiling Beef 19c. per lb.
Good White Sugar only 11c. "
" Brown " " 9c. "
Coffees at greatly reduced prices.
An excellent Tea for 37½c. per lb.

BUTTER

Kept at all times—It is our Specialty.

VEGETABLES, FRUIT, POULTRY, EGGS, &c., &c.

☞ *Country Produce solicited,* for which the highest prices will be paid in cash or trade. Goods delivered to all parts of the town. Send your orders, we will deliver them.

☞ Store on High St., nearly opposite the Voshell House.

C. W. KENNARD.

July 27.

Summer Goods.

DRESS LINENS,

TRIMMINGS TO MATCH.

LAWN, PERCALES,

CRETONNES, POPLINS,

Pretty assortment of CALICOES.

Cassimeres and Cottonades

for Men and Boys' wear.

SHOES! SHOES!

SHOES OF ALL KINDS at lower prices than ever.

White and Check Matting.

Floor, Table and Stair OIL CLOTHS.

STRAW HATS

for Men and Boys, at low prices.

PARASOLS! PARASOLS! CHEAP.

NOTIONS in great variety.

NEW GOODS received THIS WEEK.

☞ We are selling goods at the VERY LOWEST PRICES.

J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

June 8, 1878.

Ice Cream! Ice Cream!

NEW SALOON.

MRS. D. A. BENJAMIN has moved to her new residence on Queen St., near Kirby's Green House, and has opened a FIRST CLASS ICE CREAM SALOON in connection with her Restaurant. She will keep

PAINTER'S ICE CREAM,

which is the best made, and will be received from Balto. every day by Steamer.

OYSTERS served in any style, and whatever can be had in a First Class Restaurant in the way of Delicacies, &c.

She is also prepared to accommodate PERMANENT or TABLE BOARDERS at very moderate charges.

☞ Give me a call.

MRS. D. A. BENJAMIN.

May 11, 1878—tf.

Have You Seen It?

If not don't delay any longer, but go right straight to

MRS. E. N. MELVIN'S

Picture and Frame Store, and your eyes will sparkle with delight at the beautiful Pictures and Cheap Frames.

LANDSCAPES, WATER VIEWS, MOUNTAIN SCENERY, SCRAP PICTURES, and a magnificent Chromo of the SAINTLY BEATRICE.

☞ Splints for Frames, Wall Pockets, Brackets and Picture Card in abundance, and all so cheap you will be astonished.

☞ Give her a call.

MRS. E. N. MELVIN,
May 4. opposite the Bank.

WOOL WANTED.

For which the highest cash price will be paid. In my absence Mr. R. S. USILTON, at the Market House, Chestertown, will receive same. Also, SCHROPSHIRE BUCK LAMBS for sale.

May 4—tf. JACOB BARKMAN.

LUMBER.

You can buy SCANTLING, JOISTS, and BILL STUFF, of good VA. PINE, from **$13 to $14** per thousand feet, of

June 1. T. W. ELIASON, JR.

NIGHT AND MORNING.

I stood alone in the porch last night,
And watched the moon rise over the lea,
Till the shadows waved in the silver light,
And the night wind sighed to me.

And down in the garden paths I knew
That last year's leaves were lingering yet—
Leaves that had taken the sun and the dew
Of days I would fain forget.

I found no peace in the summer night;
"Old joys," I said, "like the leaves lie low,
And I cannot rest in this tranquil light;"
So I wept, and turned to go.

I stood again in the porch at morn,
While the boughs shook down their sparkling spray,
And the sun rose over the springing corn
And the fields of scented hay.

A wain went by with its fragrant load;
The wagoner whistled loud and clear,
But I heard a step on the quiet road,
And knew that my love was near.

Blow, morning wind, o'er the sun-lit slope,
And carry the dead leaves out of sight!
For my heart beats high with its new-found hope,
Ah! why did I doubt last night?

—*Cassell's Magazine.*

THE SLIGHTED SCHOLAR.

Many years ago, when I was but a small boy, I attended school in the town of M——. Among the scholars there was a boy named George Henry. His father was a poor, drinking man, and the unfortunate boy had to suffer in consequence. George came to school habitated in ragged garments—but they were the best he had; he was rough and uncouth in his manners, for he had been brought up in that manner; he was very ignorant, for he had never had an opportunity for education.

Season after season, poor George Henry occupied the same seat in the schoolroom—it was a back corner seat—away from the other scholars—and there he thumbed his tattered primer. The ragged condition of his garb gave a homely cast to his whole appearance, and what of intelligence there might have been in his countenance was beclouded by the "outer covering" of the boy. He seldom played with the other children, for they seemed to shun him; but when he did, for a while, join with them in their sports, he was so rough that he was soon shoved off out of the way.

The teacher passed the poor boy coldly by in the streets, while other boys, in better garb, were kindly noticed. In the school, young Henry was equally coldly treated. The teacher neglected him, and then called him an "idle blockhead" because he did not learn. The boy received no incentive to study, and consequently he was half of the time idle, and idleness begot a disposition to while away the time in mischief. For this he was whipped, and the more he was whipped, the more idle and careless he became. He knew that he was neglected by his teacher, simply because he was poor and ragged, and with a sort of sullen indifference, sharpened at times by feelings of bitterness, he plodded on in his dark, thankless way.

Thus matters went on for several years. Most of the scholars, who were of George Henry's age, had passed on to the higher branches of study, while he, poor fellow, still spelled out short words of one and two syllables, and still kept his distant seat in the corner. His father had sunk lower in the pit of inebriation, and the unfortunate boy was more wretched than ever. The look of clownish indifference which had marked his countenance was giving way to a shade of unhappy thought and feeling, and it was evident that the great turn-point of his life was at hand. He stood now upon the step in life from which the fate of after years must take its cast.

At this time a man of the name of Kelly took charge of the school. He was an old teacher, a careful observer of human nature, and a really good man. Long years of guardianship over wild youths had given him a bluff, authoritative way, and in his discipline he was strict and unwavering. The first day he passed in the teacher's desk of our school was mostly devoted to watching the movements of the scholars and studying the dispositions with which he had to deal. Upon George Henry his eye rested with a keen, scorching glance. But he evidently made little of him the first day, but on the second day he did more. It was during the afternoon of the second day that Mr. Kelly observed young Henry engaged in impaling flies upon the point of a large pin. He went to the boy's seat, and after reprimanding him for his idleness, he took up the dirty, tattered primer which lay upon his desk.

"Have you never learned more than is in this book?" asked the teacher.

"No, sir," drawled George.

"How long have you attended school?"

"I don't know, sir. It's ever since I can remember."

"Then you must be an idle, reckless boy," said the teacher, with much severity. "Do you realize how many years you have thrown away? Do you know how much you have lost? What sort of a man do you think of making in this way? One of these days you will be too old to go to school, and then, while your companions are seeking some honorable employment, you will be good for nothing. Have you any parents?"

"Yes, sir," answered the boy, in a hoarse, subdued tone.

"And do they wish you to grow up to be an ignorant, worthless man?"

The boy hung down his head and was silent, but Mr. Kelly saw two great tears roll down his cheeks. In an instant the teacher saw that he had something besides an idle, stubborn mind to deal with in the ragged scholar before him. He laid his hand upon the boy's head and in a kind tone he said:

"I wish you to stop after school is dismissed. Do not be afraid, for I wish to assist you, if I can."

George looked up wonderingly, into the master's face, for there was something in the tones of the voice which fell upon his ear that sounded strangely to him; and he thought, too, as he looked round, that the rest of the scholars regarded him with kinder countenances than usual. A dim thought broke in upon his mind that from some cause he was going to be happier than before.

After the school was dismissed George Henry remained in his seat till the master called him to the desk.

"Now," said Mr. Kelly, "I wish to know how it is that you have never learned any more. You look bright, and you look as if you might make a smart man. Why is it that I find you so ignorant?"

"Because nobody ever helps me, sir," replied the boy. "Nobody cares for me, for I am poor."

By degrees the kind hearted teacher got the poor boy's whole history, and while generous tears bedewed his eyes, he said to him:

"You have been very wrongly treated, George—very wrongly; but there is yet time for redemption. If I will try to teach you, will you try to learn?"

"Yes—O, yes," quickly uttered the boy, in earnest tones. "Yes, I should love to learn; I don't want to be a bad boy," he thrillingly added, while his countenance glowed with unwonted animation.

Mr. Kelly promised to purchase books for the boy as fast as he could learn to need them, and when George Henry left the school room his face was wet with tears. We scholars, who had remained in the entry, saw him come out, and our hearts were warmed towards him. We spoke kindly to him and walked with him to his house, but his own heart was too full for utterance.

On the next day George Henry commenced studying in good earnest, and the teacher helped him faithfully. Never did I see a change so radical and sudden as that which took place in the habits of the poor boy. As soon as the teacher treated him with kindness and respect the scholars followed the example, and the result was that we found in the unfortunate youth one of the most noble-hearted, generous, accommodating and truthful playmates in the world.

Time passed on, and the boy's mind expanded with the approach of budding manhood. He learned rapidly and easily, and he fairly out-stripped many of those who had had long years the start of him in the intellectual race. He grew eloquent as he grew older, and with his calm, kind eloquence he saved his father from the slough of intemperance, and raised him up to be once more a man.

Long years have passed since those school-boy days. George Henry has become a man of middle age, and in all the country there is not a man more beloved and respected than is he. And all this is the result of one teacher's having done his duty. You who are school-teachers, remember the responsibility that devolves upon you. In this country of free schools there should be no distinction between classes. All are alike entitled to your care and counsel, and the more weak the child the more earnest should be your endeavors to lift him up and aid him.

LOVE OF DOGS.—Mr. Fulton, in a letter from Paris, has this to say of dogs in that city: The love of dogs in Paris extends to both sexes, and there is no working of dogs here, as in other parts of Europe. Mothers, as well as maidens, have their pet dogs, varying from the Scotch terrier in the diminutive poodle. Most of them are beautiful little animals, as white as snow, and are kept scrupulously clean. On the Champe Elysees and the Bois de Bologne of an evening in a majority of the private carriages a pet dog occupies a seat by the mistress or the driver. But this love of dogs is confined to no class, and is observable in the dwellings of the poor as well as the homes of the rich. It is common to see nurses out in the mornings in the squares and gardens leading a favorite poodle with a blue or red ribbon, that he may have an airing for his appetite and his health. Ladies taking an afternoon stroll are frequently to be seen with their dog attached to ribbons. The corners are posted with handbills of hospitals for dogs, where the best medical attendance can be had, and dog medicines and dog soaps are placarded on the street corners. On the boulevards at night the dealers in dogs are constantly perambulating with two or three pups in their arms or their heads protruding from their coat pockets, and ladies will stop and admire or buy them. They are taught all manner of tricks, and they are valued according to the education they receive and the intelligence they display. We have frequently seen ladies when traveling have a nurse with them whose whole duty seems to be to attend to the comforts and happiness of the dog. Some idea of the extent of this love of dogs may be judged from the fact that the dog tax paid into the city treasury last year was nearly 600,000 francs, or about $120,000.

EIGHT MILES UNDER WATER.—The attempt of Robert Russell, the champion diver, to walk eight miles in five hours, under water, took place on Long Island sound Wednesday. Russell made the attempt for a wager of $1,000. At 11.30 A. M. he put on a diving suit weighing 210 pounds. A boat with judges, air-pumps and life-line accompanied him. He walked seventy-five feet under water over a measured course one-sixth of a mile in length, which he had to traverse forty-eight times. Russell is five feet nine inches in hight and weighs 150 lbs. He made the first mile in thirty-five minuts, which was two minutes ahead of time, as his average time was thirty-seven minutes to the mile. He made the second mile in thirty-minutes. On the third one of his skates broke, and he had to come to the top. It took him forty-seven minutes to make the third mile, having to stop ten minutes by the accident. The fourth was made in forty seven minutes, the fifth mile in thirty, the sixth in twenty-nine, and on the seventh he fell against a rock and injured his hip. He made the eight mile in thirty minutes, and finished twenty-three minutes ahead of time, covering eight miles in four hours and thirty-seven minutes. He was completely exhausted at the finish.

THE Burlington *Hawkeye* addresses these lines to aspirants for apartments at crowded watering place hotels: "Never fear, young man; never falter. Press forward with living courage burning in your heart; 'there's room at the top.' No. 2,839, five stories beyond the elevator, right under the tin roof, thermometer 129 degrees in a cool place, no fire-escape, no bell, no water in the pitcher, only one towel and no soap, and the only window in the room opening into a dark hall. Yes, young man, there's always room at the top."

IT is the only medicine I would give to my Baby, a mother said, speaking of Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. At all drug stores, 25 cents.

Value of the Signal Service.

The system of danger signals adopted by the United States Government has proved of great benefit to shipping. All along the coasts are stations, at which plainly visible signals are displayed, to warn ship-captains of coming storms.—The reports of observers at the stations are required to give all instances in which vessels have remained in port on account of official warnings given. In these cases danger was avoided, and statistics show that disasters to shipping have been considerably fewer since the introduction of the cautionary signals.

The agricultural interests of the country also have been greatly benefitted by the daily bulletins sent to every farming district in the land by the Weather Department. These bulletins are made from telegraphic reports received at appointed centres of distribution, where they are at once printed, placed in envelopes, and addressed to designated postoffices in the district to be supplied. Each postmaster receiving a bulletin has the order of the Postmaster General to display it instantly in a frame furnished for the purpose.

The bulletins reach the different offices and are displayed in the frames, on the average, at eleven o'clock in the morning, making about ten hours from the time the report first left the chief signal officer until it appeared placarded at every centre of the farming population and became accessible to all classes even in the most distant parts of the country.

The information given on these bulletins has been found especially valuable to those farmers who take an interest in the study of meteorology, or the science of weather, and the facts announced are so plain that any intelligent person may profit by them. For instance, each bulletin now announces for its particular district what winds in each month have been found most likely and what least likely to be followed by rain. Attention given to this one simple piece of information will result in increasing the gains and reducing the losses of harvesting.

Warning of expected rises or falls in the great rivers are made with equal regularity, telegraphed, bulletined in frames, and also published by the newspapers at the different river cities. These daily reports give the depth of water at different points in the rivers' courses, and thus make it easy for river shipping to be moored safely in anticipation of low water, when ignorance might lead to the grounding of the boats on sand-bars or mud-banks. The notices of the probable heights which freshets may reach are followed by preparations upon the "levees" and river banks to guard against overflows.

TWO LEPERS IN NEW YORK.—The New York *World* says that among the patients in Charity Hospital, on Blackwell's Island, are two lepers. One of them is too sore to move save when it is positively necessary. The other, although much father advanced in the disease, and almost sure to waste away within another year, is at present as lively as a cricket, although loathed by the other patients. These are the first lepers ever admitted to this hospital, and they have been there only a short time. One of them, Abraham Brown, is a New Yorker by birth, and is 54 years old. The other, Emilio Trenel, is a native of Santiago de Cuba, and is only 19 years old. Trenal has been afflicted about five years, and is now thought to be in the last stages of the disease, having occasional fevers. Brown has the disease in a more acute form, and although it is less than two years since he first entered the Baltimore City Hospital, the disease has so invaded his whole body that he presents a frightful appearance. His hands and feet are almost black and covered with ulcers. His fingers are enlarged to nearly three times their former size, so that the ends stand apart like the claws of a fowl. His nails have fallen out. His face is not so badly swollen, but his features have an expression of despair that makes it painful to look at him. Nearly all his beard has fallen off, the hair of his head is thin, dry and lustreless, and his eyebrows are perfectly bare. Around the iris of each eye is an indistinct light yellow ring about a twelfth of an inch in width, and the peculiar leonine appearance always noticeable in lepers is well marked. Brown brought his leprosy from Cuba, whither he went in 1855, remaining there about nine years.

THE Spanish "annex" at the Paris exhibition is devoted exclusively to wine, and the singularly artistic array of the millions of bottles with different colored wines attracts crowds of visitors. It is a very large building, but neither the ceiling or walls are visible; nothing but arches, domes and pinnacles of bottles of different colored wines, all mysteriously suspended, with the corks downward. The building is so constructed that rays of light come in from above and at the sides, and display the color of the wine, and a revolving looking glass that is invisible flashes rays of sunshine through the immense bottle dome. It is as curious as it is beautiful, and there is a constant stream of visitors to and from the annex.

A MORE genial man than Stephen A. Douglas never lived. His capacity for both work and play was boundless. An illustrative story, bearing upon this point, is told of his seating himself in the lap of Beverly Tucker on a certain occasion and exclaiming in his impulsive way, "Bev, old boy, I love you." "Douglas," says Tucker, "will you always love me?" "Yes," says Douglas, "I will." "But," persisted Tucker, "will you love me when you get to be President?" "If I don't, may I be d——d!" says Douglas. "What do you want me to do for you?" "Well," says Tucker, "when you get to be President all I want you to do for me is to pick some public place and put your arm around my neck, just as you are doing now, and call me Bev!"

AN Exciting scene was witnessed at a picnic in Winchester, Ill., a few days ago. The tables had been spread, the banquet was prepared, the coffee steaming, and all hands gloating over the prospect of a bountiful repast, when suddenly a horde of tramps burst out of the bushes, seized upon the viands, bolted the lunch and drained the coffee-pot before the agonized gaze of the picnicers. The tramps dined very heartily and marched off in triumph, leaving their hosts to such reveries as empty stomachs might inspire.