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ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION.

THE undersigned, Executor of the last will and testament of JOSEPH H. CLINTON, in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, of October 21st, 1886, hereby gives notice that he will on

TUESDAY, 9th day Nov., 1886,

make a distribution of the net proceeds of the sale of the Real and Personal Estate of his testator.

J. FRANK WILSON,
Oct. 23, 1886—3t. Executor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary on the personal estate, in Kent county, Maryland, of

DAVID JONES,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of May, 1887, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 26th day of October, 1886.

LAURA J. STEVENS,
oc30-4t. Executrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

JOHN H. SCOTT,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of March, 1887, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 24th day of August, 1886.

SAMUEL KIRK,
176 E. Monument st., Baltimore, Md.
sep11-8t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent County letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

HARRIET E. SCOTT,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of March, 1887, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 7th day of September, 1886.

SAMUEL KIRK,
176 E. Monument st., Baltimore, Md.,
sep11-8t. Administrator.

Ratification Notice.

Hope H. Barroll, assignee of C. Aultman & Company,
versus,
George M. Boone.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County.
In Equity.

ORDERED, this 23d day of October, 1886, that the sale of the personal property in the proceedings in the above cause mentioned made and reported by HOPE H. BARROLL, Trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 1st day of December next;—Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, Maryland, once in each of two successive weeks before the 15th of November next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $80.00.

SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

True copy—Test:
SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.
Oct. 30, 1886—4t.

Ratification Notice.

Joseph R. Usilton, Guardian,
versus
Joel C. Slaughter and Mary Slaughter.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity:

ORDERED, this 26th day of October, 1886, that the Sale made and reported by Wm. M. SLAY, Trustee, named in a mortgage from the said Joel C. Slaughter and wife to Joseph R. Usilton, Guardian, bearing date the 31st day of March, 1882, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the First day of January next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 1st day of December next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $2,675.00.

SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

True copy,—Test:
SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.
Oct. 30, 1886—4t.

Ratification Notice.

The Chester Loan Association of Kent County,
Vs.
Thomas S. Harding and Mary L. Harding, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County,
In Equity.

ORDERED, this 28th day of October, 1886, that the sale of the Real Estate of Thomas S. Harding and Mary L. Harding, his wife, made and reported by MATTHEW PECK SMITH, Attorney, under a power in the Mortgage from the said Thomas S. Harding and Mary L. Harding, his wife, to the said The Chester Loan Association of Kent County, dated March 17, 1886, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County, in Liber S. B., No. 7, Folio 955, &c., be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the Second day of January next:—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, Maryland, once in each of three successive weeks before the Second day of December next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $1,400.

SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

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SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.
Oct. 30, 1886—4t.

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90,000 Peach Trees!

—OF—

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Grown and for sale by
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PEACH TREES!

We ask the attention of planters to our stock of Peach Trees of all the best market varieties including the new merit.

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We also have Wilson's Early, Wilson, Jr., Early Harvest and Early Cluster Blackberries from root cuttings with all the best Small Fruits, Grapes, Asparagus and a general stock of all other Fruit and Ornamental Trees, to all of which a personal inspection is invited.

Refer by permission to Geo. W. Cummins, Esq., Smyrna, Del.

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jy10-6m. Manalapan, N. J.

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A Large and Excellent Stock of Peach Trees, mainly of the prominent leading varieties, though with some additions of the new.

Great care taken to exclude constitutional taint of disease.

Send always the best Southern obtainable, and the varieties, this season, largely propagated from a stock of buds that originated in the past from MARKED TREES now standing healthy from sixteen to more than twenty years old.

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—150,000— PEACH TREES!

GROWN FROM

Natural Virginia Stones!

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Fruiting Trees Only.

In addition to the well-known standard canning and shipping varieties, I have all the promising new varieties, including Schumaker, Wheatland, Lord Palmerton, Wager, Ford's Late.

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FOR SALE, 100,000 PEACH TREES

—AT—

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ESTABLISHED IN 1857.

VARIETIES and BUDS selected with care and to the planter's best interest. Those wishing to purchase from said nursery will please hand in their orders at an early date, and are invited to inspect stock.

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je5-tf. Chestertown, Md.

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Excellent Stock of Hardy Native Grapes.

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OF CHESTERTOWN.

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His stock comprising

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Our Famous PHAETONS, Peach DEARBORNS, Family CARRIAGES, and Brewster Buggies

ALL STYLES VEHICLES.
THEY INVARIABLY TAKE FIRST PREMIUMS.

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Everything in Season!

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Eureka Field Mowers, one of the best in the market: Mitchell Two-Horse Farm Wagons, Iron Age Cultivator, cheaper than ever; Binder Twine, at lowest prices; Remington and Oliver Chilled Plows.

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FARM BELLS, &c., COOK STOVES and RANGES,

COAL OIL STOVES, 2, 3 and 4 BURNERS.

Call and examine my Stock and you will be convinced that prices are low to compete with hard times.

JOSEPH S. CLARK,
May 15. One of the Still Pond Town Hall Stores.

Patronize Home Trade!

WHY GO TO THE CITY

WHEN YOU CAN BUY

CLOTHING AT LESS THAN CITY PRICES!

—AT THE—

Still Pond CLOTHING HOUSE, New Town Hall Building.

Just Opened a Complete Line of Spring and Summer Clothing of all the Latest Styles.

Complete Line of Gent's FURNISHING GOODS, Paragon Pantaloon Overalls, Warranted not to Rip. FULL LINE OF STRAW HATS!

LOUIS LAMBORN, Clothier,
May 15. STILL POND TOWN HALL.

We Are Now Ready For You!

TO COME AND INSPECT OUR

New Stock of Spring and Summer Goods

IN ALL OF THE LATEST STYLES.

BARGAINS IN EVERYTHING.

Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Shoes for Ladies, Children, Men and Boys of every description, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Straw Hats, Large Stock of Buggy Whips, Complete Line of Drugs and Patent Medicine.

PAINTS! We can sell you Masury Ready Mixed Paints, or Masury Colored Lead, the Best Paint Made! **PAINTS!**

All those who anticipate painting will do well to come and see me or write before buying elsewhere. You can find me in the New Town Hall in Still Pond.

May 15. Resp'y, GEO. H. CLARK.

W. P. PATTERSON

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AMMUNITION, GLASS BALLS, GLASS
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A Full Line of Monuments, Headstones, Marble and Slate Mantels, Iron Fencing, Cresting and Galvanized Tubing Always in Stock at

LOWER PRICES THAN CAN BE FOUND IN THE CITY.

GIVE US A TRIAL. ORDERS BY MAIL PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

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HORSE GOODS of ALL KINDS!

AFTER an experience of nearly twelve years in the practical HARNESS BUSINESS I now feel thoroughly competent of giving satisfaction in every particular. My special attention will be directed to

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OF ALL KINDS

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All Orders will receive my prompt and personal attention. Hoping to receive a liberal share of your patronage, I remain yours most respectfully,

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Just opening the largest stock of

LAMPS, LAMPS,

of every description, in the county. Fixtures of all kinds. A beautiful lamp for 50 cents. Our 25-cent Lamps beat all, and for $1.25 you can get a perfect beauty.

Hanging Lamps,

very cheap. We have a few carried over from last season. We will sell you the greatest bargain you ever bought.

Get our prices as we will sell at bottom figures.

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Convenient pleasant, and certain in their results, are Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets. Recommended by physicians and endorsed by all who have used them. The best remedy for Dyspepsia, Flatulency, and Constipation. Guaranteed, and sold at 25c. by

C. F. STAM, Druggist.

MORTGAGEES' SALE OF

A FINE FARM

Near Kennedyville, Kent Co., Md.

BY VIRTUE of authority contained in a mortgage from Maria Sutton to Katie Kennard, dated January 16th, 1884, and recorded among the Land Records for Kent county, Maryland, in Liber S. B., No. 5, folio 180, the undersigned as attorney named in said mortgage will offer at PUBLIC SALE at the Voshell House in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, November 16th, 1886,

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.,

THE FARM

owned and occupied by Mrs. Maria Sutton, on the public road leading from Chestertown to Kennedyville, adjoining the lands of William H. Newnam and John R. Bennett, and containing

75 ACRES,

MORE OR LESS.

This farm is divided into six fields; besides a GOOD MEADOW of about Ten Acres, all under good fencing and hedges. There are

1200 Peach Trees

From eight to ten years old, of GOOD VARIETIES.

ALSO, 100 PEAR TREES and 75 APPLE TREES.

The IMPROVEMENTS

Consist of

A TWO-STORY FRAME

DWELLING,

in good repair, containing seven rooms besides kitchen. Stabling for 5 horses; Granary, two corn houses, hay barracks and carriage house.

There are also TWO TENANT HOUSES on the place.

The soil of this farm is of fine quality and produces good crops. The location is excellent being within half a mile of railroad stations at Kennedyville, and four miles from steamboat landing at Turner's Creek

No more desirable small farm can be had in the county and *the sale will be positive.*

TERMS OF SALE.

The terms of sale will be one-third cash on the day of sale or in thirty days thereafter, at the option of the undersigned; $2000 can remain for three years if desired, and the residue in one year from the day of sale, with interest on deferred payments.

Deed at the cost of the purchaser.

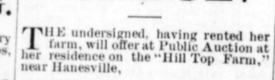
JAMES A. PEARCE,
Attorney named in the mortgage.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r.
Oct. 23, 1886—ts.

VENDUE!

THE undersigned, having rented her farm, will offer at Public Auction at her residence on the "Hill Top Farm," near Hanesville,

On WEDNESDAY, 10th day Nov., 1886,

commencing at 9 o'clock A. M., the following Property:



Five Good Horses

7 GOOD MULES,

1 COLT, two yrs. old; 1 Spring COLT,

5 FINE MILCH COWS,

THREE HEIFERS,

ONE LARGE SHORTHORN BULL,

TWO CALVES,

5 Good Wagons, 1 Horse Cart,
1 Ox-Cart, 2 Wheat Fans,
1 Corn Sheller and Horse-Power,
1 Fine, Large Family Carriage, nearly new; 1 Jump-Seat Carriage,
2 Small Carriages,
A large lot of Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Plow-Gears, Harness, &c.,
Lot of Clover Seed,
100 Bushels of Good Potatoes,
20 Tons of Timothy Hay,
50 tons of Clover Hay.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; all sums over $10 a credit of Ten Months on Note with approved security, payable at Chestertown National Bank.

MRS. S. E. HURLOCK,
C. H. BAKER, Att'y.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auc'r. oc30-ts.

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That you waste time, patience and money, when you go elsewhere for

CLOTHING FOR MEN OR BOYS,

before coming here? The quicker you find this out the more money you will save. Our 2½ 3-story warehouses contain the largest, the most varied, the newest and most fashionable Stock of Fall and Winter Garments in Baltimore, all our own make, offered to you at tempting Prices.

OUR GUARANTEE of "Entire satisfaction, and Lowest Price, or Money Refunded," goes with every sale.

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very busy. Choice Piece Goods, fine finished Garments and Moderate Prices, the cause.

Mail Orders promptly attended to.

OEHM & SON,

Hanover & Pratt Sts., - - Baltimore.

THE BIGGEST THINGS.

INTERESTING FACTS WHEN YOU GET INTO AN ARGUMENT.

The largest theater in the world is the new Opera House in Paris. It covers nearly three acres of ground; its cubic mass is 4,837,000 feet; it cost about 100,000,000 francs. The largest suspension bridge is the one between New York city and Brooklyn; the length of the main span is 1,595 feet 6 inches; the entire length of the bridge is 5,980 feet. The loftiest active volcano is Popocatapetl—"smoking mountain"—thirty-five miles southwest of Puebla, Mexico; it is 17,744 feet above the sea level and has a crater three miles in circumference and a thousand feet deep. The longest span of wire in the world is used for a telegraph in India over the river Kistnah. It is more than a thousand feet in length and is 1,200 feet high. The largest ship in the world is the Great Eastern. She is 680 feet long, 83 feet broad and 60 feet deep, being 28,264 tons burden, 18,915 gross and 13,344 net register.

The greatest fortress from a strategical point of view, is the famous stronghold of Gibralter. It occupies a rocky peninsula jutting out into the sea, about three miles long and three-quarters of a mile wide. One central rock rises to a height of 1,435 feet above the sea level. Its northern face is almost perpendicular, while the east side is full of tremendous precipices. On the south it terminates in what is called Europa Point. The west side is less steep than the east, and between its base and the sea is a narrow, almost level span on which the town of Gibralter is built. The fortress is considered impregnable to military assault. The regular garrison in time of peace numbers about seven thousand.

The biggest cavern is the Mammoth Cave in Edmondson county, Kentucky. It is near Green river, about 6 miles from Cave City and 38 miles from Bowling Green. The cave consists of a succession of irregular chambers, some of which are large, situated on different levels. Some of these are traversed by navigable branches of the subterranean Echo river. Blind fish are found in its waters.

The longest tunnel in the world is that of St. Gothard, on the line of railroad between Lucerne and Milan. The summit of the tunnel is 900 feet below the surface at Andermatt, and 6,600 feet beneath the peak of Kastelhorn of the St. Gothard group. The tunnel is 26½ feet wide, and is 18 feet 10 inches from the floor to the crown of the arched roof. It is 9½ miles long, 1½ miles longer than the Mount Cenis tunnel.

The biggest trees of the world are the mammoth trees of California. One of a grove in Tularne county, according to measurements made by members of the State Geological survey was shown to be 276 feet in height, 108 feet in circumference at base and 76 feet at a point 12 feet above ground. Some of these trees are 376 feet high and 34 feet in diameter. Some of the largest that have been felled indicate an age of from 2,000 to 2,500 years.

The largest library is the Bibliotheque National in Paris, founded by Louis XIV. It contains 1,400,000 volumes, 300,000 pamphlets, 175,000 manuscripts, 300,000 maps and charts and 150,000 coins and medals. The collection of engravings exceeds 1,300,000 contained in some 10,000 volumes. The portraits number about 100,000.

The largest desert is that of Sahara, a vast region of northern Africa, extending from the Atlantic ocean on the west to the valley of the Nile on the east. The length from east to west is about 3,000 miles, its average breadth about 900 miles, its area about 2,000,000 square miles. Rain falls in torrents in the Sahara at intervals of five, ten and twenty years. In summer the heat during the day is excessive, but the nights are often cold. In winter the temperature is sometimes below freezing point. The greatest pyramid is that of Cheops, one of three pyramids forming the Memphis group, situated on a plateau about 137 feet above the level of the highest rise in the Nile. Its dimensions have been reduced by the removal of the outer portions to furnish stone for the city of Cairo. Its masonry consisted originally of 89,028,000 cubic feet, and still amounts to 82,111,000 feet. The present vertical height is 450 feet against 479 feet originally. The total weight of the stone is estimated at 6,316,000 tons. The largest bell in the world is the great bell of Moscow, at the foot of the Kremlin. Its circumference at the bottom is nearly 68 feet and its height more than 21 feet. In its stoutest part it is 23 inches thick and its weight has been computed to be 443,722 pounds. It has never been hung.

THE IDEAL HOME.

The ideal home beautiful is attained rather by avoiding errors of taste than by adoption of special dogmas of art. For my own part, if I have any dogmas to preach they may fairly be condensed in this one rule: "Avoid shams and affectations of all kinds."

Don't mistake mere prettiness for beauty. Millinery, for instance, is out of place in the home beautiful.

Don't attach to your chairs and sofa cushions meaningless bows of ribbon which tie nothing.

Don't dress up your toilet tables in muslin petticoats stiffened with crinoline or colored calico.

Don't scatter startling white "tidies" about chairs and sofas as on so many bushes, as if you were hanging out the wash to dry.

Don't display on your walls china plates and dishes. They were never meant to go there. An exception may be made now and then in favor of a piece of fine color to help light up the room, or where a delicate China painting is worthy of careful examination. But bang up ordinary domestic china? Don't!

Don't hang small pictures so that their beauty is lost to any one under eight feet high. If a picture is not seen from the same position that the artist saw it when he painted it, the drawing will appear foreshortened and the general effect consequently falsified.

Don't hang any picture in the home which has not the impress of elegance, purity and cheerfulness.

Don't give place to representations of corpses, tortured saints, or anything occasioning painful emotions. And above all, having such pictures and not wanting them down-stairs, don't banish them to the nursery, schoolroom or bedroom.

Some things I would relegate to the bedroom—out of the way somewhere—in locked drawers for instance. I mean mementoes of sea-weed and dried ferns or flowers, and wretched daubs on china, canvas or paper, the crude efforts of youthful members of the family. No true lover of the home beautiful will inflict these on his family and friends and compel them to violate truth by pretending to like them.

Don't buy your carpet or your wall paper because it looks pretty in the roll when you see it in the store. But think of the fitness of each with its ultimate surroundings. Remember that the carpet is to be a background for your furniture, and the wall paper—unless it is to be the actual decoration of the walls — is to be merely a background for your pictures.

Don't admit into the home beautiful any piece of furniture or implement of every-day life which does not honestly serve its purpose — no light, flimsy chairs, which an able-bodied man dare not sit upon; no puffy, debilitated sofas, all wind and springs; no burnished brass-sheeted fire-irons, bought only to be looked at, and give place to the ugly little black poker and shovel when coal is to be broken or ashes are to be removed.

There is no reason why an object should not be useful as well as ornamental. Indeed, there can be no beauty without fitness. Nature everywhere teaches us the compatibility of the highest utility with the greatest beauty.

And so with beauty and truth. There may be truth without beauty; but there is no beauty without truth. TRUTH, BEAUTY and UTILITY are the inseparable trinity of the ideal home. Let us write them upon the portals of the house as the epitome of all that is most admirable in Religion, in Art, and in every-day life.

"Oh, Miss Brown, who was the homely young lady you were with this afternoon?" "That, sir? That was my sister." "Oh—ah—I beg ten thousand pardons! I ought to have noticed the great resemblance! That is—that is—" Then he wished an earthquake would happen right then and there.

CLEANING GOLD JEWELRY.—Any gold jewelry that an immersion in water will not injure can be beautifully cleaned by shaking it well in a bottle not half full of warm soapsuds, to which a little prepared chalk has been added, and afterward rinsing in clear, cold water and wiping it dry.

Two Brave Boys.

Two bright little boys of Bartwo, on the sound, have won for themselves the deserved commendation of their young and old friends by a display of courage and intelligence. The whole village does nothing but talk about the heroism of the youngsters who last Sunday saved their father from drowning.

The boys are named Walter and George, and are respectively 10 and 12 years of age. The family have lived in a neat cottage near the water's edge since last year, and the boys have this summer learned to swim. Walter, the younger, is a smart lad, but in appearance is not more than 6. Sunday Mr. Rahtjens went down to the beach for a bath. He took the boys with him, and together they divested themselves of their clothing, leaving it in a boat, which they had hauled off some distance from land. George took the first header, and then slowly swam ashore.

Mr. Rahtjens jumped from the boat, but no sooner struck the water than he was seized with a cramp and sank. After what seemed an interminable period he rose to the surface. For some reason he was unable to shout. A second time he went down and came up, and he called for help.

The natural impulse of a small boy would be to run for help. Not so with the 10-year-old son. Into the water he plunged without a moment's hesitation. He swam to his father, who was once more sinking.

Catching him under the chin with one hand, the little hero put the other around the exhausted man's neck and kicked with his feet to keep them afloat. Not far behind them was his brother George, who struck out from the shore at the first cry of distress. George took hold of the father's arm.

Mr. Rahtjens said he had to exert all of his will power to refrain from clutching the boys and dragging them down to their death.

Not a word was spoken.

Valiant little Walter, with tears coursing down his cheeks, did his utmost to keep his father's head above the water, while the older son, George, with his teeth hard set, struggled vigorously to tow him ashore.

Mrs. Rahtjens was tending the baby in the parlor when she heard the cry from her husband. Leaving the baby on the floor, she ran to the shore, and stood wringing her hands, terrified beyond speech. Five minutes dragged their slow length along before the boys reached land with their burden. A little family thanksgiving took place right then and there. The young life-savers have borne their honors lightly. They seem to think their deed the most natural one in the world.

Who the Best Children Are.

It was amusing to hear Sam Jones tell how he was going to raise his children. If a young buck came to see his daughter he would invite him into the parlor politely and send for Paul and Bob to come in and entertain him. Well, that's one way, and there is no patent on it either. We old-time folks used to go to school with the girls, and we were proud to stand up and recite with them, and we were ashamed to stand foot, and we mixed from childhood to maturity and got along pretty well, and there was no patent on that, for sometimes there was trouble just like there is now. If there be any sure way to raise them it has not been recorded in any book, for there are some better and some worse in every flock. A man may make a cloister, a convent or even a prison of his house, but it will do no good. The fastest girls I have known were educated in convents. The best children are those whose parents teach them by precept and example to be truthful and honorable, and who associate with them as companions in their youth. A father's example and a mother's love are the best safeguards. But all these fail sometimes. Old Father Adam failed to raise Cain right when there were no bar-rooms and gaming houses, no clubs, no base-ball or race courses; old Father Jacob raised a dozen, and they were badly mixed. But let us all do the best we can and be thankful. The preachers try mighty hard to raise good children, but sometimes they fail like the rest of us. Sam Jones says that if a girl makes good biscuit and fries good chicken and helps her mother a feller will come 500 miles to get her. Well, he ought to come 1,000, but I overheard a girl say that these 500-mile nags were awful scarce and very uncertain, and if one of them were coming for her he must be coming in a walk and stopping under the shade of every tree on the road; she said that she wanted a "get-there-Eli" feller.

Abernethy's Prescription for Dyspepsia.

General John A. Dix was at one time the unhappy victim of dyspepsia. After seeking in vain for relief, he was at length led to consult the famous Dr. Abernethy. After listening impatiently to his story, Abernethy interrupted him with these words:

"Sir, you are pretty far gone, and the wonder is that you are not gone entirely. If you had consulted common sense instead of the medical faculty, you would probably have been well years ago. I can say nothing to you excepting this: You must take regular exercise, as much as you can bear without fatigue, as little medicine as possible, of the simplest kind, and this only when absolutely necessary, and a modest quantity of plain food, of the quality which you find by experience best to agree with you. No man, not even a physician, can prescribe a diet for another. 'A stomach is a stomach,' and it is impossible for any one to reason with safety from his own to that of any other person. There are a few general rules which any man of common sense may learn in a week, such as this: That rich food, high seasoning, etc., are injurious. I can say no more to you, sir; you must go and cure yourself."

It is needless to say that General Dix was rewarded by restored health and a good old age.

What an Egg will Do.

For burns and scalds nothing is more soothing than the white of an egg, which may be poured over the wound. It is softer as a varnish than colodion, and, being always at hand can be applied. It is also more cooling than the sweet oil and cotton which was formerly supposed to be the surest application to allay the smarting pain. It is the contact with the air which gives the extreme discomfort experienced from the ordinary accident of this kind, and anything that excludes the air and prevents inflammation is the thing to be at once applied. The egg is considered to be one of the best remedies for dysentery. Beaten up slightly, with or without sugar, and swallowed at a gulp, it tends, by its emollient qualities, to lessen inflammation of the stomach and intestines, and by forming a transient coating on these organs, to enable nature to resume her healthful sway over a diseased body. Two, or at most three eggs per day would be all that is required in ordinary cases, and since egg is not merely medicine, but food as well, the lighter the diet otherwise and the quieter the patient is kept, the more certain and rapid is the recovery.

When You are Ready to Go, Go.

Not all have learned the art of leaving in an appropriate manner. When you are about to depart, do so at once, gracefully and politely, and with no dallying. Don't say, "It's about time I was going," and settle back and talk aimlessly for another ten minutes. Some people have just such a tiresome habit. They even stand about the room in various attitudes, keeping their hosts also standing, and then by an effort succeed in getting as far as the hall, when a new thought strikes him. They brighten up visibly, Let us write them upon the portals of the house and stand for some minutes longer, saying nothing of importance, but keeping everybody in a restless, nervous state. After the door is opened leave-taking begins, and everybody in general and particular is invited to call. Very likely a last thought strikes the departing visitor, which his friend must risk a cold to hear to the end. What a relief when the door is finally closed! There is no need of being offensively abrupt, but when you are ready to go, go.

An Egyptian papyrus, 42 feet long, containing all the chapters of the "Book of the Dead," has just been received and enrolled at the Sage Library, in New Brunswick, N. J. Experts pronounce it to have been written three thousand years ago.

Let no man presume to give advice to others that has not given good counsel to himself.

HOW HOWARD BOUGHT THE BABY.

Howard is a little boy, only six years of age, and lives with his papa and mamma in a village in the State of Michigan. One day he came running into the house, calling, "Mamma, mamma!" and seemed very much excited. His mother asked him what he wanted.

"I do wish," said Howard, "we could buy Mrs. Lamb's baby. He puts his little arms around my neck, and hugs me so cute."

"Buy Mrs. Lamb's baby!" exclaimed the astonished mother.

"Why, yes," answered the little fellow. "I will take care of him all the time. We can buy his clothes, too; and you won't be bothered one bit by him."

"But," said mamma, "Mrs. Lamb will charge more for her baby than we are able to pay."

"I know what we can do," said Howard. "We can trade something for him."

Mamma laughed and said: "I don't think of anything I can spare, unless it may be the basin of soft soap the soapman left here this morning. But, as Betty is doting on that for scouring the kitchen floor, you will have to ask her if you may have it."

Away went Howard to the kitchen.

"Take it along. Oh, law! what a child!" said Betty, when Howard had made known his wish.

In a few minutes, Mrs. Lamb was surprised, on answering a knock at her back door, to find there a small, red-faced boy with a large basin of soap.

"I've come to buy your baby and all his clothes with this soap," said the little man.

As soon as Mrs. Lamb could speak for laughing, she said:

"Do you think I would be willing to part with my dear little baby for a basin of soap?"

"Oh, I do want him so much! Can't you trade him for something?"

"Well," answered Mrs. Lamb, "I might trade him for a big boy that I wouldn't be obliged to carry in my arms."

"Oh, goody good!" exclaimed the delighted boy. "I'll trade Fred for him and send him right over when he comes from school." Fred was Howard's brother.

"Take the soap home, and I will put the baby in his cab, and you may come back and get him," said Mrs. Lamb. Howard ran home and told his mother that he and Mrs. Lamb had made a trade, and that he would soon have a sweet little baby all his own.

In a short time, Howard appeared at the front gate, looking very happy indeed, and wheeling the baby-carriage. "Mrs. Lamb says she will give me the clothes when Fred comes. She wants time to pick 'em all up," he explained to his mother, who had been inquiring after the wardrobe. His mother told him that he had better amuse baby by wheeling the carriage about the lawn, and then returned to her work.

All went well for a time; but, by and by, the baby became tired, and began to cry. Howard sang, turned somersaults, whistled, and played all sorts of pranks, but to no avail. The baby only cried the louder. He then in despair called his mother; but mother was too busy, and only reminded him of his promise. It was not long before Mrs. Lamb saw a tired and disgusted boy enter the gate, with her baby screaming at the top of his voice.

"Mrs. Lamb," said Howard, "you needn't 'spect Fred over. I don't want to keep this baby always. When I do want him, I'll borrow him."—*The Advance.*

HOME DECORATION.

Pillow shams are out of fashion.

Pillows are made smaller than formerly.

White grenadine curtains, with cluny lace insertion and edging, are used in drawing-rooms.

Portieres should be of heavy material, and may be of turcoman, tapestry or plush.

Handsome lamps are used even in houses where there is gas. They are of porcelain, brass or bronze, with fancy shades.

The smaller the room the lighter should be the furniture and the decoration of the wall. A large room should have heavy furniture and the walls may be dark.

A bedroom should never be sombre, the brighter the better. White serim curtains with antique lace border and insertion are liked for chamber windows. The walls should be of a light tint, the pictures restful and pleasing.

Scarfs are greatly in favor and are put to numerous uses. Chair scarfs are more stylish than tidies, especially for straight-backed chairs. Mantels are often draped with scarfs instead of lambrequins, and bureaus, sideboards and tables are covered with long scarfs with ornamental ends.

There are many things more important about a home than fine furnishings. A room in winter should have all the sun possible; a bright fire two or three easy chairs, a few extra cushions, and a readable book with the leaves uncut, would go far toward making the plainest room easy and comfortable.

Do not buy an ugly piece of furniture simply because it is cheap. In purchasing consider comfort first then beauty. Try to combine the two in all you purchase. Do not be in haste to get everything at once, but gradually build up your home until it is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever" to all its inmates.

The prevailing wood for dining-room furniture the coming year will be oak, the finest carved in antique style and highly polished. The room should have an oak mantel to correspond. Oak hall sofas and carved chairs are all the rage. Dining-room chairs are usually cushioned in leather.

Fine table damask has the worked monogram in the centre of the napkins and table-cloths.

Dinner-cloths or tray-cloths are now fashionable when made of the new Irish linen with colored borders in so-called peasant-work.

Motherly Firmness.

Two boys in bed. Jim (to Tom): "Take your old feet off of me."

Jim: "Ain't hurtin' you."

Tom: "You're getting over on my place."

Jim: "Ain't."

"Are."

"Story."

Mother: "Children, go to sleep."

"Jim keeps putting his old feet on me."

"Ain't, maw."

Mother: "Jimmy, take your feet away."

"Ouch! Maw, Tom pinched me."

"Didn't maw."

Mother: "If you don't go to sleep, I'll come there and whip you both."

"I ain't done—quit that now! Maw, make Tom stop tryin' to cut me with his old toe-nails."

Mother: "Tommy, behave yourself."

"Ain't doin' nothin', ma