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THE KENT NEWS.

A WEEKLY NEWSPAPE

Devoted to Agriculture, Literature, Politics, & General News

EDWARD MANSFIELD

PROPRIETOR.

TERMS:

$1.50 payable in advance—$2 at the expiration of the first six months, or $2.50 at the end of the year. To Clubs—5 copies for $6—10 copies for $10. No subscription received for shorter period than six months, and no paper will be discontinued until all arrears are paid.

Single papers 5 cents.

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Advertisements not exceeding ten lines will be inserted three times for $1 and 25 cts. for every insertion thereafter—larger ones in proportion. A liberal deduction made to yearly advertisers. Advertisements must have the number of times marked, or they will be published till forbid and charged accordingly.

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Proceedings of public meetings, except those of a religious or charitable nature, will be charged for at the usual rates, those handing them in will be held responsible.

The Campaign.

THE undersigned, Candidates of the American Party, would inform their friends throughout the State, that they have adopted the following programme for the campaign, and will be pleased to meet them at the times and places named, to wit:

Monday, Aug. 31, Prince Frederick, Calvert co.
Wednesday, Sept 2, Leonardt'n, St Mary's "
Friday, 4, Port Tobacco, Charles "
Monday, 7, Upper Marlboro' P Georges' "
Wednesday, 9, Rockville, Montgomery "
Friday, 11, Elicott's Mills, Howard "
Saturday, 12, Annapolis Junction, A. A. "
Tuesday, 15, Cumberland, Alegany "
Monday, 21, Hagerstown, Washington "
Thursday, 24, Frederick city, Frederick "
Tuesday, 29, Wesminister, Carroll "
Friday, October 2, Townsortown, Baltimore "
Monday, 5, Baltimore city, (night,) "
Wednesday, 7, Bel Air, Harford "
Friday, 9, Elkton, Cecil "
TUESDAY, Oct. 13, Chestertown, Kent "
Thursday, 15, Centreville, Queen Ann's "
Saturday, 17, Denton, Caroline "
Tuesday, 20, Easton, Talbot "
Thursday, 22, Cambridge, Dorchester "
Saturday, 24, Princess Anne, Somerset "
Tuesday, 27, Snow Hill, Worcester "

(Signed) THOMAS H. HICKS,
WM. H PURNELL,
WM. L. W. SEABROOK,
DANIEL H. McPHAIL,

Robert Nicholson, vs. Isaac Anderson, fn., and others. } On the Equity side of the Circuit Court for Kent county.

SEPT. 8, 1857.

ORDERED by me, James F. Gordon, clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, that the sale made and reported by George Vickers, trustee for the sale of the real estate of Primus Anderson, (fn.) deceased, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the fifteenth day of November next; Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, once in each of three successive weeks before the fifteenth day of October next.

The report states the amount of sale to be $250.00. J. F GORDON, Clerk.

True Copy—Test, JAS. F. GORDON, Cl'k.
sept. 12, '57—3w.

VENDUE NOTES.

THE Notes taken at the sale of the personal estate of J. P. D. Brooks are now due. The undersigned will be in Chestertown every Tuesday and Saturday, until the 10th of October next, which will afford an opportunity to settle. After that date, he will place all unsettled in a legal train for collection.

WM. B. WILMER, Adm'r.
sept 5, '57.

AMBROTYPES!

THE MOST DURABLE PICTURE MADE!!

WM. H. RHOADS, Photographic Artist, of Philadelphia, has arrived in Chestertown and is now ready to make

AMBROTYPES,

superior to any made heretofore in this place; a call is respectfully solicited.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Call soon as I will remain but a short time. The Saloon can be found on the lot between the M. E. Church and market house.

sept 5, '57—3t WM. H. RHOADS.

NOTICE.

IN compliance with an act of Assembly passed at the January Session, 1853, the Commissioners of Kent county have fixed the yearly salary for each Supervisor, elected and qualified under said act as follows—viz:

For the First election district the sum of $100
" Second " " 100
" Third " " 100

They have also Levied and appropriated,

For the First District the sum of $1,000
" Second " " 1,000
" Third " " 1,000

to be expended in repairing and improving the roads and bridges of the said districts, under the direction of the aforesaid supervisors.

A. W. MELVIN,
Cl'k to Com. for for Kent Co.
sept 5, 1857.

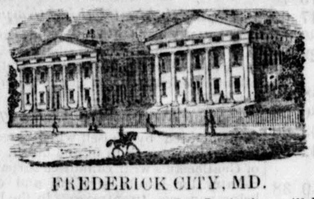
VENDUE NOTICE

THIS is to give notice, that the notes of all persons who purchased property at the public sale of Mrs. C. Bradshaw, will be due on the 18th inst, and are in the hands of the undersigned for collection, and hope no further proceedings will be necessary to induce all to settle promptly. JAS. M. PAGE.

aug 8, 1857.

SILK SHIRTS! SILK SHIRTS!—for sale by jy 18. *Wickes & Bro.*

Frederick Female Seminary



FREDERICK CITY, MD.

The Scholastic duties of this Institution will be resumed on Tuesday, the 1st September next.

The State of Maryland appropriated $50,000 for the founding of this School, with the intention that it should be in all respects a Seminary of the highest order—a School where the daughters of Maryland and other Southern States could receive an education adapted to the advanced refinement and intelligence of her people and the institutions of the States, which should be highly moral and religious in its character, but not sectarian.

It is located in one of the most healthy and beautiful valleys in the State; and is accessable to all parts of the country by railroad and telegraph. The extensive and superb building; the spacious halls, and professors rooms—the commodious lodging rooms elegantly furnished and well ventilated,—baths of the purest mountain water—extensive Chemical and Philosophical Apparatus and all other desirable educational conveniences, a faculty well known at home and abroad for refinement, professional skill and learned ability, are some of the evidences before the public that the Frederick Female Seminary is all that the Legislature contemplated when they made the appropriation, and 12 years of unprecedented prosperity have secured for it a high reputation at home and abroad.

There are ample grounds for exercise in the open air, and the whole of its basement, (which is above ground,) is fitted up for a Gymnasium for the Young Ladies to exercise in during inclement weather. The new edifice just completed will afford accommodations for from 40 to 50 more Boarding Scholars. These improvements make it one of the most extensive and complete establishments in the U. S., and parents from a distance may rest assured that no effort will be spared to sustain the high reputation that the School already enjoys.

For Board and Tuition, including furnished Rooms, Lights, Fuel, Washing, etc., $200 per Scholastic year; payable half yearly in advance.

For Circulars and other particulars, address,

H. WINCHESTER,
aug 8, '57. President.

Baltimore Female College.

THIS SEMINARY of Learning, created a College proper by the Legislature, and enjoying a liberal patronage from the Middle and Southern States, is being improved by an additional story on the main edifice, and a building in the rear 60 feet long and five stories high.—The Ninth Annual Session will open on Monday September 7th, under the following Faculty of able and experienced Teachers:

N. C. Brooks, A. M, Prof. Ancient Languages.
Rev. W. F. Paxton, A B., Mathematics, &c.
Rev. J. A. Munroe, A. B., " and Astronomy.
Prof. W R Monroe, M D, Chemistry.
Miss R F Kern, English and History.
Miss I Heart, Belles-Lettres and Physiology.
Prof J La Reintrie, French and Spanish.
Prof Henry Risler, German Language.
Prof Emile Kett, Drawing and Painting.
Prof T Schaffer, Instrumental Music.
Miss E C Gobright, Piano and Singing.
Mrs E A Keirle, Guitar, Harp and Singing.

For Catalogues, containing course of study, terms, &c, address at No. 53 St Paul st.

aug 8, '57. N C. BROOKS, President.

NEW

SADDLE AND HARNESS

MANUFACTORY.

JOSEPH W. EDWARDS respectfully announces to the public that he has commenced the

Saddle and Harness making business

in Chestertown, in the room formerly occupied by Wm. S Lassell, Esq., as a law office. He is prepared to make to order all kinds of HARNESS of the latest and most approved patterns, of the best materials and workmanship, which he will sell at low prices, on reasonable terms. SADDLES and HARNESS of every description Repaired at short notice.

He is confident that he can give satisfaction, and respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage.

Chestertown, aug 8, 1857.

ANDERSON & BRO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

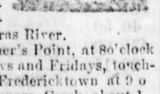
TEAS, WINES, LIQUORS, GROCERIES.

N. W. Corner Gay and Forrest Streets, (Opposite Belair Market,)

BALTIMORE.

All kinds of country Produce bought and sold. aug 29, 1857.

THE STEAMER CECIL,



Leaves Baltimore on Tuesday's, Thursday's and Saturday's, at 10 o'clock A. M., for Kennards Landing and the usual stopping places on the Sassafras River.

Returning leaves Willmer's Point, at 8o'clock on Monday's, Wednesdays and Fridays, touching at Georgetown and Fredericktown at 9 o clock, Cassidays 9½, Turners Creek about 1 Betterton 10½ Kennards about 11½.

sept 12, '57. E. G. STURGEON, Capt.

Attention Farmers!

THE subscriber having recently put up one of McFarlan & Co's

Smut Machines and Elevators.

also a new Meal Sifter and Corn Screen, both in good running order and is now prepared to manufacture *Flour and Meal* of the best quality.

E TOWNSEND,
aug 15, 1857 *Urieville, Md*

TAX NOTICE.

THE undersigned has his books ready and is prepared to receive the Taxes for 1857, which are now due. 5 per cent. will be deducted on State Tax if paid in July.

WM. PARKER, Col.
July 18, '57 1st District

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.

School of Medicine.

THE Fiftieth session will begin on THURSDAY, the 8th of October, 1857, and end on the 1st of March, 1857.

FACULTY:

Nathan B Smith, M D.—Professor of the Principles and Practice of Surgery.
W. E. Aikin, M D,—Professor of Chemistry and Pharmacy.
Samuel Chew, M D.—Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine.
Joseph Roby, M D.—Professor of Anatomy and Physiology.
Richard H. Thomas, M. D.,—Professor of Obstetrics.
G. W. Miltenberger, M D—Professor of Materia Medica, Therapeutics and Pathology.
B. B. Smith, M D—Demonstrator of Anatomy.

Clinical instruction in Medicine and Surgery is given at the Baltimore Infirmary, an Institution of more than thirty years standing, belonging to the University, situated in its immediate neighborhood, under the sole charge of, and attended by, the Faculty, and open to all matriculates of the school throughout the year without charge.

FEES:—For the full course $90; Practical Anatomy $10; Matriculation $5; Graduation, $20. For further information address

GEO. W. MILTENBERGER, M. D.,
Dean of the Faculty,
No. 17 South Liberty st., Baltimore.
sept 12, 1857.

Middletown Academy,

DELAWARE,

AN ENGLISH AND CLASSICAL SCHOOL

JAMES B. McDOWELL,—*Principal.*

THE Winter Session of this Institution, will commence on the first Monday of November and continue twenty-one weeks.

It is situated in the village of Middletown on the Delaware Rail Road in the midst of a healthful country of unsurpassed beauty and fertility.

The Boarding Establishment for the accommodation of young gentlemen from a distance is under the sole management of the Principal.

The Course of Instruction is very comprehensive, and thorough, embracing the branches of a solid English Education, with the Latin, Greek German and French language, Music and Drawing. This Institution is now receiving a liberal patronage, and it is confidently believed that it offers superior facilities for acquiring knowledge whilst the real wants and morals of each pupil are carefully attended to.

The Principal is a teacher by profession, and of experience, and is aided by thoroughly qualified assistants. For Catalogues or Circulars address as above.

JAMES B. McDOWELL,
aug 29, '57 Principal.

HORSE STOLEN.

STOLEN from the Camp ground near Chestertown, on the 28th inst, an

Iron Grey MARE,

about 7 years old—has on the left shoulder a large lump caused by the collar. I will give a liberal reward on her return to me, or any information that may lead to her recovery.

JOS. M. CARROW,
Near Still Pond X Roads.
aug 29, '57.

JUST RECEIVED AT THE

PEOPLE'S NEW CASH STORE.

ANOTHER lot of White Goods, that gave such satisfaction; such as white Cambrics and Jaconets, plain and dotted Swiss, plade muslins, best makes of Irish Linen, Linen cambric Hdk'fs, buff Linen for window curtains and best makes of black Silks, plain and fancy do at all prices; a few patterns of Challis and Lawns done up in regular dress patterns just half their value, new styles of prints just out, warranted good colors; a beautiful lot of GROCERIES, &c, that can't be beat for the money.

The best quality of Lamp and Machine OIL on hand.

Highest prices paid for Produce of any kind.

WOOL WANTED.

aug 29 '57 W. ALBERT VICKERS.

Kent County to wit:

I HEREBY certify that J. C. Taylor gave information to me, this day that he had taken up trespassing on his enclosures one SOW SHOAT with crop off right ear. Witness my hand this 11th day of September, 1857.

JAS. GRAVES, J. P.

NOTICE.—The owner of the above described shoat is notified to prove property, pay charges, and take her away.

sept 12 1857—3t J. C. TAYLOR.

Apprentice Wanted.

AN apprentice to the Carpentering business aged from 15 to 17 years—one that can come recommended would be preferred. Apply to WM. J. HALL.

Georgetown X Roads, aug 29 '57.

DISSOLUTION.

THE Co-partnership existing between the undersigned in the Farming business, was this day dissolved by mutual consent.

JAMES ANDERSON,
F. ANDERSON.

Kent county, Aug. 24, 1857

N B—F. Anderson owns the stock and will pay the partnership debts. aug 29.

Money Wanted.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons indebted to the undersigned that their accounts must be paid immediately as no further indulgence can or will be granted; all accounts due and not paid by the 15th September, will be collected according to law; this course is necessary and no one will have cause to complain as I have liabilities to meet that cannot be delayed. JAMES ARTHUR.

aug 29, 1857

The Hannah More Academy,

8th and West streets,

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

Principals—Charlotte and Isabella and A. H. Grimshaw, A M M D.

THE twenty sixth session of this Institution will commence on the first Monday, (7th) o September. Prof V Value, is Resident French Instructor; Miss M Brown, ass't in English Department; Mr Shelph, Writing Master; Miss Annie Boylan, Music Teacher. For terms apply to

C. & J. GRIMSHAW,
aug 15, 1857 *Wilmington, Del.*

POETRY.

From the Waverly Magazine.

WON'T A BRANDY BARREL FLOAT?

What on earth can be the matter,
Such a crowd and such a clatter,
Such a roar and such a bellow,
For a drowning drunken fellow;
Better hush and save your throat,
Won't a brandy barrel float?

Such a dashing, such a splashing,
Such a jumping, such a crashing,
Such a screaming, such a yelping,
Such a hurry, such a helping;
What's the need of rope and boat,
Won't a brandy barrel float?

If there's any fear of sinking,
Try and set the creature drinking;
Tell him just to make him handy,
He is in a lake of brandy;
And in less than half a minute,
He will drain the last drop in it.

But, in case he fails to do it,
Let him work and waddle through it,
Trust to luck and never fear him
And in proper time you'll hear him
Hail from places more remote,
Won't a brandy barrel float?

A FORTUNATE RUIN.

BY SYLVANUS COBB, JR.

George Ballerton sat in his room at his hotel. He was a young man of six-and-twenty; tall and slim of frame, with a face of exceeding intellectual beauty; and dressed in costly garments, though his toilette was but indifferently performed. He was an orphan, and for some years had boarded at the hotel

It required but a single glance into his pale features to tell that he was an invalid. He sat with his head resting upon his hands, and his whole frame would ever and anon tremble as tho' with some powerful emotion.

As the youth sat thus, his door was opened, and an elderly gentleman entered.

"Ah, doctor—you are moving early this morning," said Ballerton, as he lazily arose from his seat and extended his hand.

"O, not early for me, George," returned Allyne with a bright smile. "I am an early bird."

"Well, you've caught a worm this time."

"I hope 'twill prove a valuable one."

"I don't know,' sighed the youth. "I fear a thousand worms will inherit this poor body ere long."

"Nonsense! You're worth half a century yet,' cried the doctor, giving him a gentle slap on the shoulder. "But tell me, George—how is it with Rowland?"

"Just as I told you. All is gone.'

"I don't understand it, George."

"Neither do I,' said the young man, sorrowfully. "That Charles Rowland could have done that thing, I would not—could not—have believed. Why—had an angel appeared to me two weeks ago, and told me that Rowland was shaky, I would not have paid a moment's attention to it. But only think: When my father died, he selected for my guardian his best friend, and such I even now believe Rowland was—and in his hand he placed all his wealth, for him to keep until I should become of age. And when I did arrive at that period of life, I left my money where it was. I had no use for it. Several times within three or four years has Rowland asked me to take my money and invest it, but I would not. I bade him keep it and use it if he wished. I only asked that when I wanted money he would honor my demand. I felt more safe, in fact, than I would have felt, had my money been in a bank of deposit."

"How much had he when he left?"

"How much of mine?"

"Yes."

"He should have had one hundred and twenty thousand dollars."

"What do you mean to do?"

"Ah—you have me on the hip there.'

"Yet you must do something, George. God knows I would help you if I could. I shall claim the privilege of paying your debts, however.'

"No, no, Doctor—none of that.'

"But I tell you I shall. I shall pay your debts but beyond that I can only help you to help yourself. What do you say to going to sea?"

A faint smile swept across the youth's pale features at this remark.

"I should make a smart hand at sea, Doctor; I can hardly keep my legs on shore. No, no I must——"

"Must what?"

"Alas! I know not. I shall die—that's all."

"Nonsense, George. I say go to sea. You couldn't go into a store, and you wouldn't if you could. You do not wish to remain here amid the scenes of your happiest days. Think of it: At sea you will be free from all sneers of heartless snobs, and free from all contact with things you loathe. Think of it."

George Ballerton started to his feet and paced the floor for some minutes.—When he stopped, a new life seemed already at work within him.

"If I went to sea what could I do?'

"You understand all the laws of foreign trade?"

"Yes. You know I had a thorough schooling at that in my father's counting house."

"Then you can have the berth of supercargo."

"Are you sure I can get one?"

"Yes."

"And the salary?"

"Two thousand dollars."

"Doctor John Claudius Allyne, I will go."

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George Ballerton walked one evening to the house of the wealthy merchant, Andrew Wilton. It was a palatial dwelling, and many a hopeful, happy hour had he spent beneath its roof. He rang the bell, and was admitted to the parlor. In a few minutes Mary Wilton entered. She was only twenty. She had been waiting until that age to be George Ballerton's wife.

Some words were spoken—many moment's of painful silence ensued.

"Mary—you know all. I am going upon the sea. I am going to work for my living. I am going forth from my native land a begger. I cannot stay long now. Mary, did I know you less than I do—or, knowing you well, did I know you as I know many—I should give you back your vows, and free you from all bondage. But I believe I should trample upon your heart did I do that thing now. I know your love is too pure and deep to be torn from your bosom at will. So I say—wait—wait!"

"But why wait? Have I not enough?'

"—sh! You know not, again, what you say. There are other things in the human heart besides love. That love is a poor profitless passion which puts aside all other considerations. We must love for eternity; and so our love must be free—*Wait.* I am going to work. Aye—upon the sea, at work!"

"But why upon the sea? Why away where my poor heart must ever beat in anxious hope and doubt as it follows thee?"

"Because I cannot remain here. Hundreds of poor fools have imagined that I shunned them because I was proud. They knew not that 'twas the tainted atmosphere of their moral life that I shunned. They gloat over my misfortune. Men may call me foolish; but twould kill me to stay here."

"Alas! Must it be?"

"It must. You will wait?"

"I will wait, even to the gates of the tomb."

"Then, may Heaven bless and preserve you!"

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The ruined youth was upon the ocean—his voyage commenced—his duties as laborer for his own daily bread all fairly assumed. Ah—it was a strange life for him to enter upon. From the ownership of immense wealth to the trade books of a merchant ship was a transition indeed! But ere he went on deck again he had fairly resolved that he would do his duty, come what would short of death. He would forget that he ever did else but work for a livelihood. With these resolves clearly defined in his mind, he already felt better.

At first our supercargo was too weak to do much. He was very sea-sick, and it lasted nearly two weeks; but when that passed off, and he could pace the vibrating deck with a stout stomach his appetite grew sharp, and his muscles began to grow strong. At first his appetite craved some of the many delicacies he had been so long used to; but they were not to be had, and he very soon learned to do without them. The result was, that his appetite became natural in its wants; and his system began to find itself nourished by simple food, and in proper quantities.

For years he had looked upon breakfast as a meal which must be set out and partaken of from mere fashion. A cup of coffee, and perhaps a piece of dry toast, or some seasoned and highly spiced titlet, had constituted the morning meal. But now, when the breakfast hour came, he approached it with a keen appetite, and felt strong and hearty as at any time of day.

By degrees the hollow cheek became full; the dark eye assumed new lustre; the color, rich and beautiful, came to the face; the breast swelled with increasing power; the lungs expanded and grew strong; the muscles became more firm and true; the nerves grew calm and steady; and the garments which he had worn when he came on board had to be let out some inches, in order to encompass his person. His disposition became cheerful and bright; and by the time the ship had reach the southern capes of Africa the crew had all learned to love him.

Through storm and sunshine; through tempest and calm; through dark hours and bright, the young supercargo made his voyage. In one year from the day on which he left his native land he placed his foot upon the soil of his home. But he did not stop. The same ship, with the same officers, was going upon the same cruise again; and he meant to go in her. He saw Mary Wilton, and she would *wait.* He saw Doctor Allyne, and the kind old gentleman praised him for his manly independence.

Again George Ballerton was upon the sea; and again he assumed the duties of his office, and even more. He stood when there was no need of it, and during seasons of storm he claimed a post on deck.

At the end of another year the young man returned to his home again. He was now eight-and-twenty, and few could recognize him now. His face was bronzed by exposure, his cheeks full and plump his frame stout and strong, and erect like a forest chief. His muscular system was nobly developed, and the men were few who could stand before him in trials of physical strength. When he first left the city, two years before, he had weighed just hundred and thirty pounds avoirdupois.—He now brought up the beam fairly at one hundred and seventy-six! Surely he was a new man in every respect.

On the afternoon of the third day, as he entered the office of the hotel, the clerk handed him a letter. He opened it, and found it to be from Mr. Wilton. It was a request that he would be at the merchant's house at nine o'clock on that evening.

At the appointed hour George Ballerton entered the merchant's parlor. He found Mr. Wilton and Dr. Allyne there. A warm greeting ensued, and then the conversation was brisk and interesting.

"George," said the doctor, after the youth had given a full account of his adventures, "I should think you would almost forgive poor Rowland, for having made off with your fortune."

"Forgive him?" returned George; "Oh, I did in the first place."

"Well, George," resumed the doctor, "Mr. Rowland is here. Will you see him?"

"See Charles Rowland? Of course I will!"

The door was opened, and Mr. Rowland entered. He was an elderly man, but hale and hearty.

The old man and the young shook hands, and then inquired after each other's health.

"You received a note from me, some two years ago," said Mr. Rowland, "in which I stated that one in whom I had trusted had got your money, and mine with it?"

"Yes, sir," whispered the youth.

"Well," resumed Rowland, "Doctor Allyne was the man. He had your money."

"How? What?" gasped, George, gazing from one to the other in blank astonishment.

"Hold on, my boy," cried the Doctor, while a variety of emotions seemed at work within his bosom "I was the villian. It was I who got your money.—I worked your ruin my boy. And now listen, and I'll tell you why:

"I saw that you were dying. Your father died of the same disease. A consumption was upon you,—not a regular pulmonary affection—but a wasting away of the system for the want of vitality.—The mind was wearing out the body.—The soul was slowly but surely, eating its way from the cords that bound it to earth. I knew that you could be cured; and I knew, too, that the only thing in the world which would cure you was to throw you upon your own physical resources for a livelyhood. There was a morbid willingness of the spirit to pass away. You would have died ere you would have made an exertion, from the very fact that you looked upon exertion as worse than death. It was a strange state of both mind and body. Your large fortune rendered work unnecessary, so there was no hope while that fortune remained. Had it been wholly a bodily malady I could have argued you into the necessary work for a cure. And, on the other hand, had it been wholly a mental disease, I might have driven your body to help your mind. But you were weak, and I knew that you must either work or die.

"And now, my boy, I'll tell you where my hope lay. I knew you possessed such a true pride of independence, that you would not depend upon others. I knew that if you were forced to it, you would work. I saw Rowland, and told him my plans. I assured him that if we could contrive to get you to sea, and make you start out into active life for the sake of life, you could be saved. He joined me at once. I took your money and his, and bade him clear out. You know the rest. And now tell me my boy; if I give you back your fortune will you forgive me?—Your money is safe—every penny of it—to the amount of a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Poor Rowland has suffered much in knowing how you looked upon him; but I know that he is amply repaid by the sight of your noble, powerful frame, as he sees it to-night. And Geo. we are forgiven?"

It was a full hour before all the questions of the happy friends could be asked and answered; and when the Doctor and Rowland had been forgiven and blessed for the twentieth time, Mr. Wilton said "*Wait!*"

He left the room, and when he returned he led sweet Mary by the hand.

Late in the evening, after the hearts of our friends had fairly begun to grow tired with joy, George asked Mary how much longer she was willing to wait. Mary asked her father, and the answer was—

"Two Weeks!"