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Holliday Street,
Next door to the Theatre, BALTIMORE.

THE undersigned has the pleasure of announcing to his Friends and the Public generally, that he has re-opened this extensive Hotel, and solicits the share of patronage which its highly favorable location, being opposite to the Mayor's Office, and in the neighborhood of all the Public Buildings, adjoining the Holliday Street Theatre, and his efforts to please may deserve.

Having been engaged for many years in conducting popular Hotels on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and this city, he feels assured of being able to meet all just expectation of the Traveling community, in managing the Voshell House in a style surpassed by no Hotel of its class in the Country.

☞ TERMS PER DAY, $2.00.

Yours Respectfully,
feb18—3m. JOHN C. VOSHELL.

BAUGH'S
RAW-BONE PHOSPHATE,
UNSURPASSED FOR PRODUCING A
HEAVY GROWTH OF CORN, OATS, POTATOES,
AND ALL SPRING CROPS, AND PERMANENTLY ENRICHING THE SOIL.

IT CONTAINS the fertilizing properties of Guano, Bone, Stable Manure and Lime.

Producing in many cases larger crops by fifty per cent. than either of the above articles, when used separately.

It is a highly concentrated manure, being made from Bones containing all their original animal matter. No Burnt Bones are used.

It has been used by thousands of farmers in this State, with the highest satisfaction. It has proved a perfectly reliable substitute for "Peruvian Guano," being sufficiently quick in its action on the crops, and in all cases enriching the soil, and it is permanent in its effects.

It would be well for farmers to send in their orders early, either to the subscriber or to any of his agents, from whom circulars can be obtained, giving certificates.

GEORGE DUGDALE,
SOLE AGENT,
fe18-3m. No. 105 Smith's Wharf, Baltimore.

Wm. Simpson's
PRODUCE and VARIETY STORE.

THE undersigned takes this method of informing the public that he has removed to the room next door below B. H. Gardner's Tobacco and Cigar store, opposite the new Voshell House, and is prepared to purchase

COUNTRY PRODUCE,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, such as POULTRY, of all kinds, BUTTER, EGGS, &c., &c., for which the

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

will at all times be paid. Also, all kinds of

FUR and RAGS WANTED,

at the highest CASH PRICES. Farmers and others having any of the above articles to dispose of will find it to their interest to give me a call. FOR SALE—Notions, Confectionery, and all kinds of Country Produce.

WILLIAM SIMPSON.
Chestertown, Feb. 4, 1865.

PROPERTY
FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

$50,000 WORTH OF PROPERTY in Pennsylvania, is offered for sale or exchange for property in Kent Co., Md., by GEORGE APSLEY, of LOCK HAVEN, Pa. The above property is all in Clinton County, Penn'a, except his residence and a Tenant House, which are in the town of Northumberland, Northum'd Co., Pa., one of the healthiest and most pleasant places in the State of Pennsylvania.

REFERENCES:
Wm. R. Apsley, Farmer, Kent county.
Samuel H. Hurley, " " "
Geo. Vickers, Att'y at Law, Chestertown.
Jan. 28, 1865—3m.

MRS. M. G. BROWN'S
METAPHYSICAL DISCOVERY!
A CERTAIN CURE FOR
Deafness, Diseased Eyes, and all Bronchial and Throat and Lung Affections, PRICE $5.00.

THE Metaphysical Discovery is composed of three distinct preparations, viz: "Poor Richard's Eye Water," "Ear Mixture," and "Scalp Renovator," and is applied externally. Each remedy can be purchased separately, at the following prices:

Ear Mixture	$3.00
Scalp Renovator	1.00
Eye water, large size bottle,	1.00
" " small " "	25

Sent by express, steamboat and hack to any part of the State on receipt of price, with full directions for use. Send for a circular containing certificate of cures, &c.

J. T. COMEGYS,
Sole Agent for Maryland,
mh4-6m. 500 W. Baltimore St., Balt.

SALE OF
PERSONAL PROPERTY.

IN VIRTUE of a Power of Attorney, dated September 28th, 1864, and duly recorded among the land records for Kent county, Maryland, in Liber J. K. H., No. 4, page 467, &c., the undersigned will sell at Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 1st of April, 1865,

at the late residence of William Laughlin, at Catts' Corner, near I. U. Church, the following personal property:

2 THRESHERS
AND HORSE-POWERS,

Lot of Lumber, lot of Iron, Blacksmith's Tools; 1 LIGHT DEARBON and SULKY, 1 FAN,

Pair of TRUCK WHEELS, a HOUSE FRAME and lot of Window Sash and Frames, Block and Tickle, and various other articles too numerous to mention.

The sale will commence at 10 o'clock, A.M., when the terms will be made known.

SARAH N. GEST,
Attorney in fact for Wm. McLaughlin.
JOHN H. GEMMILL, Agent.
March 25, 1865—ts.

Mail and Passenger
STAGE LINE
FROM CHESTERTOWN to HEAD SASSAFRAS and ELKTON.

THE attention of the traveling community and the public generally is called to the NEW AND IMPROVED DAILY LINE of Stages, carrying the United States Mail, now running between Chestertown and Elkton.

Everything has been procured for the convenience and comfort of passengers. Persons having business in Philadelphia or Baltimore, by way of Middletown or Elkton, would do well to patronize this line, as the convenience in every respect is a

SAVING OF TIME

in going to and returning from the above named cities, and the fare is

Cheaper than by any other Route,

to or from Chestertown.

By taking this line at Chestertown, early in the morning, by way of Middletown or Elkton, passengers connect with the first morning trains for either Philadelphia or Baltimore, and they can return to Chestertown the next day.

Our DRIVERS are sober, steady, safe and careful. All who wish to patronize this line with an eye to economy of time, will please leave their names at the VOSHELL HOUSE, as this will enable us to always provide for all.

Packages to be sent by the driver, Mr. PHIFER, will be left with the Landlord, Mr. FARSON, and they will be delivered strictly to order.

WELLS & THOMAS,
feb25tf Proprietors.

GROCERY AND LIQUOR STORE.
John H. Morgan,

RESPECTFULLY invites the attention of the public to a varied assortment of GROCERIES, LIQUORS, &c., now in store at his stand up town, one door below the residence of H. W. Earnest, Esq., consisting in part of

WHISKEY, BRANDY, RUM, GIN, WINE, CORDIAL, &c.

GROCERIES, of all kinds,
BROOMS, Buckets, Soap, Candles,
Crockery-Ware, Meal and Flour,
SEGARS, Tobacco and Snuff,
Candies and Nuts, Coal Oil,
SUGAR, COFFEE, Molasses, Lard and Bacon,
Mackeral, Herring, &c.

Those in want of anything in the above line are invited to GIVE ME A CALL, as I am determined to sell goods at the VERY LOWEST PRICES for cash.

jan17y. JOHN H. MORGAN.

Farmers Take Notice.
TASKER & CLARK,

STILL continue to Manufacture those MANURES, which for the last seven or eight years have given such general satisfaction to those who have used them; we refer to the

SUPER PHOSPHATE OF LIME,

made from finely ground Bones, Peruvian Guano, and other fertilizing ingredients,—and sold at the rate of $65 00 per ton of 2000 lbs.

Also, to the MEAT and BONE COMPOST, made from refuse Meat, Bone and other offal from the Slaughter House. Price $40 per ton.

N. B. A superior article of BONE DUST, at market prices. Address,

TASKER & CLARK,
S. W. Cor. EIGHTH & WASHINGTON STS.,
mar11-3m. PHILADELPHIA.

Heavy Decline in Gold.
Prices Still Further Reduced!

IN consequence of the heavy decline in Gold, the undersigned has further reduced his Prices, and WILL CLOSE OUT HIS STOCK

AT A GREAT SACRIFICE,

without regard to cost.

Those first-rate CITY-MADE KIP BOOTS reduced from $8.00 to $7.00.

CALL AND SEE. I. FRANK.
March 18, 1865.

NOTICE.

THE Stockholders of the Sassafras River and Baltimore Steam Navigation Company are notified to meet at the Court House, Chestertown,

On Tuesday, the 4th of April, 1865,

for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the succeeding year. By order of the Board of Directors. ABEL J. REES, Sec'y.
March 18, 1865—tm.

Wanted to Invest,

FROM $5,000 to $15,000 in Real Estate in Kent county. Address E. P. B., Centre Square, Montgomery Co., Pa., stating location, quality of soil, and improvements.
March 18, 1865—3t*

Livery Stables.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES,
FOR HIRE.
Charges Moderate. S. S. USILTON,
mh18-3t Main Street, Chestertown.

NIMROD.

THIS beautiful Young Horse will be at the stable of the subscriber in Shrewsberry Neck and at Kennedyville during the present season, commencing March 16th.—For particulars see bills.

mh18-3t* W. H. WOLFE.

NOTICE
To MERCHANTS, TRADERS, And Others.

ALL PERSONS AND BODIES, corporate or politic, in Kent county, who are or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be in the occupation of any house or place for any purpose for which a License is made necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to obtain a License or renew the same on or before the

FIRST DAY of MAY, ENSUING,

under the penalties prescribed by said laws for the infraction thereof.

Those interested are notified of the following requirements of the License Laws passed by the General Assembly of Maryland.

The rates required for Traders' Licenses are as follows:

If the amount of goods on hand at the principal season of sale, or expected to be kept on hand, does not exceed one thousand dollars, the price of License is - - - $12 50

If over $1,000	and not over	$1,500		15 50
" 1,500	" "	2,500		18 50
" 2,500	" "	4,000		22 50
" 4,000	" "	6,000		30 00
" 6,000	" "	8,000		40 50
" 8,000	" "	10,000		50 50
" 10,000	" "	15,000		65 50
" 15,000	" "	20,000		80 50
" 20,000	" "	30,000		100 50
" 30,000	" "	40,000		125 50
" 40,000				150 50

The applicant must either make oath, as heretofore, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county where he is engaged in business, of the amount of goods kept on hand at the principal season of sale, or the oath may be administered by a Justice of the Peace when the person wanting the License applies thro' an agent. If the latter course be adopted, the following form will be deemed a sufficient compliance with the act:

Kent County, To Wit:

On this —— day of —— 1865, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for said county, personally appeared —— —— and declared that he intends to apply for a trader's license, under the laws of the State, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and made oath that the amount of the stock of goods generally kept on hand by him (or by the concern in which he is engaged, in case it is a partnership) at the principal season of sale, (or if the applicant has not previously engaged in such trade, that the amount of the stock of goods which he expects to keep, &c.) does not (or will not) exceed $

Sworn before ——— ———
Justice of the Peace.

If the oath be administered by a Justice of the Peace out of the county in which the application is made there must be attached the certificate of the Clerk of the county in which the Justice resides.

The rates of license of females vending millinery, &c., whose stock at any season of the year does not or will not exceed $500, is $6 50. If their stock does or shall exceed $500, the rates are the same as those of Traders' License, and the same form of application must be observed.

The law requires all persons proposing to sell spirituous or fermented Liquors, or Lager Beer in quantities not less than a pint, to apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in person, or in making the oath before a Magistrate as above, state that he desires a license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors, as the case may be, and the amount of Stock in trade, in same manner as those applying for Traders' License. If the amount of stock does not or shall not exceed - - - $500 the rate is $18 50

If over 500	and not over	1000	"	35 50
" 1000	" "	2000	"	50 50
" 2000	" "	4000	"	75 50
" 4000	" "	6000	"	100 50
" 6000	" "	10000	"	120 50
" 10000	" "	20000	"	140 50
" 20000	" "	30000	"	150 50

Persons applying for Ordinary Licenses, in which spirituous or fermented Liquors or Lager Beer is sold in quantities less than a pint, must make application to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the County in which they reside, and must also be recommended by two respectable freeholders of the immediate vicinity of the applicant, which may be made in the following form:

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent County:—We, the undersigned, freeholders of Kent county, living in the immediate vicinity of —— ——, who is about to apply to you for a license to keep an ordinary at ——, in said county, do hereby recommend him as a suitable person to obtain the license.

——— ———
——, 1865. ——— ———

The applicant must then make oath to the Clerk to the following effect: that he has bona fide, and without intending to evade the requirements and the Acts of Assembly of this State, regulating the issues of Licenses to ordinary keepers and traders, provided and expects to maintain six good beds with sufficient clothing therefor, and three rooms more than sufficient for the private use of said applicant, and stabling and provender for five horses at least.

In addition he shall also make oath to the Clerk of the rate of rent or annual value of the house or place at or in which the business to be authorized by the license may be done or intended to be done. If the said rent or annual value does not exceed $100 the rate is $25 50

If over $100	and not over	200	"	40 50
" 200	" "	300	"	50 50
" 300	" "	400	"	60 50
" 400	" "	500	"	75 50
" 500	" "	750	"	90 50
" 750	" "	1000	"	100 50
" 1000	" "	2000	"	150 50

Any person proposing to keep an oyster house, &c., or any place other than an ordinary, for the sale of spirituous or fermented Liquors, or lager-beer in quantities less than a pint, shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county where he resides, and must be recommended by two respectable freeholders of his immediate vicinity as a suitable person to keep such a house. The License in all cases is $50 00.

The oath required to be made by applicants for Traders' License, and License to sell spirituous liquor in quantities not less than a pint, may be made before a Justice of the Peace and forwarded to and filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, to whom all applications for License must be made.

Any person, or company of stage players, ventriloquists, slight of hand performers, rope dancers, tumblers, and wire dancers, shall, previously to exhibiting or performing for a reward in any county in this State, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for such county thirty dollars for one year, or one dollar for each exhibition, at his or their option.

Every person or company of circus riders or equestrian performers, who shall exhibit for a reward in any county in this State, shall pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for such county, the sum of thirty dollars for a license therefor for one year.

Every person or company who shall exhibit for a reward any animal or animals, or natural or artificial curiosities of any kind, (except models of useful inventions,) shall pay to the said Clerk the sum of fifteen dollars for a License therefor for one year.

Each license shall contain a list of the personal performers, or animals, or other articles, or things to be exhibited.

The owner or keeper of every stallion or jack shall, before being permitted to stand or station such animal, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of some one of the counties in this State the highest sum which he intends to ask or receive for the season of one mare; and the receipt of the said clerk, with the seal of his court attached thereto for said sum, shall be the license for stationing or standing such stallion or jack for one year from the date thereof; Provided, that in no case shall the sum directed to be paid by this section for such license be less than ten dollars; and that every stallion or jack upon which the said tax is paid, shall be exempt from all other State tax.

Any owner or keeper stationing or standing any stallion or jack without a license, shall forfeit and pay twice the sum authorized and required to be paid in the last preceding section, one-half to the State and the other half to the informer.

S. W. CALEB,
Sheriff of Kent County.

LAWS
Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at the regular session commencing January, 1862, relating to Licenses.

AN ACT to amend the twenty-first and twenty-second sections of the fifty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Licenses of Hawkers and Pedlars.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the twenty-first and the twenty-second sections of the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the licenses of hawkers and pedlars, be and the same are hereby repealed, and the following sections enacted in lieu thereof:

"Twenty-one." For every such license, not to extend beyond the county in which the same may be issued, there shall be paid the following rates, to wit: For every license to travel on foot, the sum of forty dollars; to travel with a horse or other beast of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of fifty dollars; with two horses or other beasts of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of seventy dollars. For every such license to extend over the whole Eastern Shore or the whole Western Shore, there shall be paid the following rates, to wit: for every license to travel on foot, the sum of sixty dollars; to travel with a horse or other beast of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of one hundred dollars; with two horses or other beasts of burden and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

"Twenty-two." No such license shall be granted to any other than a white person or to any hawker or pedlar in the name or style of partnership or company, and but one person shall act under any such license.

Sec. 2 And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect on the day of its passage.

AN ACT to amend the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Licenses, by adding thereto the following section, relating to partnerships taking out Licenses.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following section be and the same is hereby added to the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, to follow the second section thereof:

Any license may be obtained by partnerships or firms, as well as by individuals; but in all cases, the names of all the partners of any firm shall be set forth in full in the license, and no license shall protect any person pretending to act under the same, unless it is named therein, or is entitled as a representative, or assignee under the provisions hereinafter contained in this article, and the clerk issuing the license shall enter upon the record of license, the full names of all the members of a copartnership to which such license is issued.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect on the 30th day of April next.

AN ACT to amend the seventieth section of the fifty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to License for Ordinaries.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the seventieth section of the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to License for Ordinaries, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

If any person or body politic shall propose to open or keep an Ordinary, he shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which said applicant may reside, or if he resides in the city of Baltimore, to the Court of Common Pleas, for a license therefor, under which license spirituous or fermented liquors, or lager beer, may be bartered or sold in quantities less than a pint.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect on the 30th day of April next.

AN ACT to amend the forty-second section, relating to the granting of Licenses to Traders, of Article fifty-six of the Code of Public General Laws.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the forty-second section of Article fifty-six of the Code of Public General Laws relating to the granting of Licenses to Traders, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted as a substitute therefor:

Sec. 42. When any person, body or politic, or corporate, shall propose to sell or barter anything mentioned in the preceding section, except spirituous or fermented liquors, he shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which he may reside, or if he resides in the city of Baltimore to the Court of Common Pleas, for a license therefor; but no license to trade or to sell spirituous or fermented Liquors shall be issued by any Clerk of a Court to a feme-covert, or to any person under the age of twenty-one, without the special order of the Judge of the court; but no Judge shall give such special order to issue license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors, unless upon the recommendation of at least ten respectable free holders, resident of the ward or district wherein the place of sale may be, and whenever any license shall be issued to a feme-covert, or minor, the said feme-covert, or minor, shall be responsible for all contracts made in the prosecution of their business under such license, and shall be liable to be sued therefor in any court of this State; and the said feme-covert may be sued, or indicted and prosecuted in case of a violation by her of the license laws of this State, or in case she should keep a disorderly house, as if she were a feme sole; and, if judgment be obtained against her on any contract, execution shall or may issue in the ordinary way to affect her separate estate, provided however, that such responsibility shall in no manner affect or impair the responsibility of the husband, or parent under the existing laws; and that this Act shall take effect on the Thirtieth of April next.

The foregoing are truly taken and copied from the laws received from the Comptroller.

JESSE K. HINES,
apr1-tm1 Clerk Circuit Court Kent Co.

SPRING.

When brighter suns and milder skies
Proclaim the opening year,
What various sounds of joy arise!
What prospects bright appear!

Earth and her thousand voices give
Their thousand notes of praise;
And all, that by His mercy live,
To God their offering raise.

Forth walks the laborer to his toil,
And sees the fresh array
Of vendure clothe the flowery soil
Along his careless way.

The streams all beautiful and bright,
Reflect the morning sky;
And there with music in his flight,
The wild bird soars on high.

Thus, like the morning, calm and clear
That saw the Saviour rise,
The spring of heaven's eternal year
Shall dawn on earth and skies.

No winter there, no shades of night,
Profane those mansions blessed,
Where in the happy fields of light,
The weary are at rest.

WORK WITH AN AIM.

All persons should have an aim in life. Far too many there are who either have no definite object in view to attain unto in the future of their lives, or else are pursuing their course with a listlessness or with an entire want of earnestness that will forever forbid the accomplishment of their purposes or the successful issue of their plans.

Life was given to man both to enjoy and to improve. Now the truest enjoyment is found in the doing, or in the consciousness of having done, a noble action, and the truest improvement is such as will admit of the performance by its subject of the greatest number of worthy acts that he can be made capable of doing. When we perform such deeds as these we avail ourselves of the best opportunities given us to promote our own happiness, and, whether they be those of love or of duty, the doing of these acts will increase our enjoyment of life in just that degree in which they are praiseworthy or truly noble and right. In short, we can find the greatest amount of happiness in doing good and the greatest amount of good can be done only by our improving upon the advantage and cultivating the powers of mind or body which God had given us. And this latter object of improvement, and through it the accomplishment of good and consequent happiness to ourselves and others, can best be secured to us when we have a definite object of pursuit in life. So convinced are we of this fact that we believe the opposition to be also true—that, of all the sources of discontent and unhappiness existing in the world, that of an aimless life is one of the most prolific of misery. We say, therefore, that we should work for a purpose, and, further, that we should work in earnest. Having found a work to do we should then do it with our whole might, and the greatest incentive for us to do this is its absolute necessity if we would insure success.

Success is the standard by which the talents, the merits, or the influence of a man is weighed, and the earnestness with which he pursues an object or aim is the measure of his success in life. For certain it is, that he who is most truly in earnest is ever the most truly successful and that the person who refuses to labor with his might has turned away forever the golden grasp of fortune or the pleasing touch of fame.

ITEMS FOR HOUSEKEEPERS.

Do everything in its proper time. Keep everything in its place. Always mend clothes before washing them.

Alum or vinegar is good to set colors of red, green or yellow.

Sal soda will bleach, one spoonful is enough for a kettle of clothes.

Save your suds for garden and plants, or to harden yards when sandy.

Wash your tea trays with cold soda, polish with a little flour, and with a dry cloth.

Frozen potatoes make more starch than fresh ones. They make nice cake.

A hot shovel, held over burnished furniture, will take out white spots.

A bit of glue, disolved in skim milk and water, will restore rusty old crape.

Ribbons of any kind should be washed in cold soap-suds, and not rinsed.

If your flat irons are rough, rub them well with fine salt, and it will make them smooth.

If you are buying a carpet for durability, you must choose small figures.

A bit of soap rubbed on the hinges of doors will prevent their creaking.

Scotch snuff put on the holes where crickets come out will destroy them.

Wood ashes and common salt, wet with water, will stop the cracks of a stove, and prevent the smoke from escaping.

Green should be the prevailing color of bed hangings and window drapery.

HEAVY DAMAGES.—Parson Brownlow, Governor elect of Tennessee, has been awarded $25,000 in a suit, for damages inflicted by imprisonment and persecution at the hands of certain prominent rebels at Knoxville, which is to be assessed upon the property of Ramsay, Sneed and others, who were influential, in the early days of the rebellion, in getting the Parson into jail.

BROKEN resolutions are worse than none at all; it only proves to us we do not carry out the dictations of our own conscience, and exposes our weakness.

THE LOST ARTS.

The *Scientific American* says: A great deal of nonsense has been uttered by sensation lecturers and magazine writers about wonderful arts which perished with the ancients. To trust in the lamentations of the wiseacres over the "lost arts," one would think we had fallen upon very degenerate times indeed. But none of the doleful stories are true. Cleopatra, no doubt, was a very fine woman; but she never dissolved pearls in wine. Archimedes was a great man in his days, but never set fire to the Roman ships with burning glasses, as the fables relate.

The ancients had no useful arts which we do not understand better and practice more skillfully than they did. The humblest American Mechanic could teach the polished Greek and the cunning Egyptian sciences and arts of which they never dreamed. The ancients, indeed, did many wonderful things which have not since been repeated; but they were only such things as are not worth doing over again. If we had occasion to build such a fool thing as a pyramid, we would improve on our model in every respect; and instead of keeping a hundred thousand half-starved slaves at the work for twenty years we could turn it out finished in a few months. George Law and a hundred others would be willing to take the contract at a day's notice.

If any people, now a days, lived in a condition like the ancients they would be objects of sincere pity, and it would be our duty speedily to send missionaries among them. What a lamentable sight would be a nation of great mental vigor, half clothed and poorly fed, tilling the earth with wooden plows; without soap, pins, friction matches or india-rubber! How queenly would one of our factory girls appear to them! How magical the art of a Yankee clockmaker! Beggars, now-a-days with regard to the substantial comforts of life, fare better than ancient kings.

Our modern civilization is surely just what is suited for the welfare of humanity. The steam engine, politics, electricity, morality, and every good thing move on together harmoniously. We look back into the Past, to note, as warnings, the paths of error which our predecessors trod, and we push on cheerfully, and confidently, feeling that the present and the future are of the utmost importance to us.

THE EFFECTS OF IMPATIENCE.—Nothing more incapacitates a man for the lead than impatience. No constitutionally impatient man, who has indulged his tendency, ever gets to the bottom of things, or knows with nicety the standing, disposition and circumstances of the people he is thrown or has thrown himself among. Certain salient points he is possessed of, but not what reconciles or accounts for them. Something in him—an obtrussive self, or a train of thought, or liking and antipathies—will always come between him and an impartial judgment. Neither does he win confidence, for he checks the coy, uncertain advances which are the precursors of it. We doubt if a thoroughly impatient man can read the heart, or be a fair critic, or can understand the rights of any knotty question, or make himself master of any difficult situation. The power of waiting, deliberating, hanging in suspense, is necessary for all these—the power of staving off for considerable periods of time mere personal leanings.

WOMAN'S TEMPER.—No trait of character is more valuable in a female than the possession of a sweet temper. Some can never be happy without it. It is like the flowers that spring up in our pathway, reviving and cheering us. Let a man go home at night, wearied and worn by the toils of the day, and how soothing is a word dictated by a good disposition. It is sunshine falling upon his heart. He is happy, and the cares of life are are forgotten.

A sweet temper has a soothing influence over the minds of a whole family. Where it is found in the wife and mother, you observe kindness and love predominating over the natural feelings of the heart.

FILE YOUR NEWSPAPERS.—Many people take newspapers, yet few preserve them; yet the most interesting reading imaginable is a file of old newspapers; it brings up the very age with all its bustle and every day affairs, and marks its genius and spirit more than the labored decriptions of the historian. Who can read a paper printed some fifty years ago without the thought that almost every name then printed is now cut upon a tombstone. File your newspapers, and in future years, a perusal of them will amply repay you for your trouble.

GONE TO PULL OUT THE PLUG.—A Hartford man, who was some years ago engaged in quarrying on the upper Deleware river, remembers that while drilling a rock a disagreeable fluid flowed from the hole, and they had to plug it up. He is now of the opinion that he then "struck ile," and he has gone out with a party to "pull out the plug."

"Doy ou think I'll get justice done me?" said a culprit to a counsel. "I don't think you will," replied the other, "for I see two men on the jury who are opposed to hanging."