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Chartered in 1850. Capital Stock $500,000 Cash Assets Jan. 1, 1865, $1,000,000.

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THE "AMERICAN" commenced business October 8th, 1850, and is now in its fifteenth year. Its investments are in Mortgages, Ground Rents and other first class securities, according to its charter, which expressly prohibits the Company from investing money "in the purchase or discount of, or advance upon promissory notes, bills of exchange or negotiable paper,"—and is considered one of the most liberal and reliable companies in this country. Applications for insurance received by

JOHN W. HINES, Agent,
Mh4-y. Chestertown, Md.

NEW ICE-CREAM SALOON!

Washington Hudgins,

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and customers, that he is prepared to supply:
ICE-CREAM,
LEMON POP,
SARSAPARILLA,
Raspberry Lemonade,
Mineral Water,
to all who will give him a call. Thankful for past patronage, he solicits a continuance of the same. Parties, Pic Nics and Excursions supplied with Cream and Cake on the most reasonable terms. W. HUDGINS,
Adjoining Post Office, Chestertown.
June 16, 1866—3m.

Tobacco and Segars, CONFECTIONERY, &c.

JOHN H. REDUE,

INVITES the attention of the public to a fine assortment of
CHEWING TOBACCO AND CIGARS, OF EXCELLENT QUALITY.
Persons fond of the luxury of a chew of good Tobacco, or a fine Cigar, are invited to give him a call. Also, PIPES of various patterns and fine SMOKING TOBACCO
CONFECTIONERY.
CANDIES, RASINS,
ALMONDS, FIGS, DATES,
PRUNES, COCOANUTS,
FLAVORING EXTRACTS, ESSENCES, &c
Also, **Fine French Confectionery,** such as Mint Julip Charms, Brandy Smash do.; Grape Drops, Jelly Cake, Fig Jelly Cream, Quince, Peach, Pear and Apple Paste; Cordial Drops, Cream Chocolate, &c.
Also, Letter and Note PAPER, PENS, INK, and ENVELOPES. JOHN H. REDUE,
dec3y. Next Door to the Bank.

BREAD AND CAKE BAKERY.

JOHN C. GRUBER,

HAS taken the Bakery of Mr. John Waibel, (up town,) respectfully informs the public that he is prepared to furnish
BREAD, RUSK, BUNS, PIES, Biscuits, &c.,
FRESH FROM THE BAKERY, together with every description of Cake, such as
Pound Cake, Sponge Cake,
FRUIT CAKE, JUMBLES, SUGAR CAKE, Jelly Cake, Lemon Cake, &c., at the lowest prices. Having had large experience in Philadelphia in this business, he is satisfied of his ability to give satisfaction.
JOHN C. GRUBER.
Chestertown, April 7, 1866.

LIME! LIME! LIME!

THE subscribers, successors to COOK & HILLIS, take this method of informing the public that they are prepared to furnish them with a SUPERIOR QUALITY of
UNSLACKED LIME,
delivered at any of the accessible landings on the tributaries of the Chesapeak Bay, during the navigable season, and respectfully solicit their patronage. Orders should invariably be given *thirty days in advance,* and addressed to the firm at HAVRE DE GRACE, or to Mr. H. M. ROLLISON, Agent for Kent county, at Melbourne, P. O. JAMES COOK & CO.
Havre De Grace, Md., d3-y.

ARTHUR EMORY & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
English, German and American HARDWARE, Cutlery, &c.,
23 South Calvert Street, Baltimore.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS will find it to their advantage to examine our stock.
Parties not fully acquainted with the value of Goods can buy from us with perfect confidence. dec2-y

CRACKERS—Soda, Cream and Water—for sale by JOHN H. REDUE.

Levi Fiddis, Jr.,

RESPECTFULLY calls the attention of his friends and the public to a FINE ASSORTMENT of
CONFECTIONERY,
French and Common Candies,
Rasins, Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, &c.,
now in store, and for sale at city prices.
Tobacco and Segars.
Lovers of GOOD SEGARS and CHEWING TOBACCO can always be supplied at my store with the best brands of these articles.
A share of public patronage is solicited.
Store on Main St., nearly opposite the Market House. aug18y.

NEW STORE.

IT gives us pleasure to inform the public that we have removed to the store room lately occupied by Mr. S. S. Usilton, and are prepared to sell at the LOWEST MARKET PRICES
Sugars, Coffee, Tea,
FLOUR, CRACKERS, RICE,
COAL OIL, and every thing commonly kept in a GROCERY STORE, besides a large assortment of QUEENSWARE, TOBACCO and SEGARS, &c., &c.
We will also buy at the highest market price in trade or cash, all kinds of *Country Produce,* such as Butter, Eggs, Lard, Meat, Poultry, and Dried Fruit. Also, Rags and all kinds of Fur. Please give us a call.
GEO. W. SIMPSON.
Chestertown, May 12, 1866.

GROCERY STORE, UP TOWN.

JOHN H. MORGAN,

RESPECTFULLY invites the attention of the public to a varied assortment of GROCERIES, SEGARS, &c., now in store at his stand up town, one door below the residence of H. W. Earnest, Esq., consisting in part of
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.
Fresh Meats.
I am also prepared to furnish families with FRESH BEEF, and other meats.
mh3. JOHN H. MORGAN.

NEW FIRM.

J. H. BURCHINAL & SON,

HAVING fitted up a new and enlarged Store Room in the east end of the building, adjoining the former stand of J. H. Burchinal, have just returned from the City with a fine assortment of SEASONABLE GOODS, purchased for Cash, which they are selling at remarkably low figures—at least a hundred per cent. below former prices—and as cheap, if not a little cheaper than they can be purchased elsewhere.
Their stock embraces DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, BOOTS and SHOES, at greatly reduced prices; a fine assortment of READY-MADE CLOTHING, very cheap; Woodenware, Hardware, Crockery, Glass, Trunks, Valises, Brooms, Brushes, &c. Also, a large stock of Looking Glasses, of various sizes.
Also a genner assortment of HATS & CAPS.
Their friends and the public are respectfully invited to call and examine their Goods and prices. J. H. BURCHINAL & SON.
Chestertown, May 26—3m

PRODUCE and VARIETY STORE.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the public that he may still be found at the Store Room next door below B. H. Gardner's Tobacco and Cigar store, opposite the 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, 1866.

NEW STORE!

THE subscriber has opened a NEW GROCERY, VARIETY AND CONFECTIONERY STORE, in the basement of his dwelling, adjoining Aldridge's Stove and Tinware establishment, and is selling goods at the very lowest cash prices.
BACON, BUTTER, LARD, EGGS,
and all kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCE, taken in exchange for goods, or the highest market price paid in cash.
A call is respectfully solicited from his friends and the public generally.
my26-3m. SAMUEL A. SMITH.

THE MONUMENTAL AUTOMATIC Gas Machine Co. OF BALTIMORE,

IS prepared to furnish Machines of capacity sufficient for Private Residences, Public Buildings, Hotels, Churches, Schools, Factories, &c.
The apparatus is a simple and reliable fixture which any person can operate, and furnishes a beautiful, brilliant light, at an expense of only two dollars per thousand feet, or less than three-quarters of a cent an hour for each light.
No heat is required, and the risk and trouble attending its use are far less than with the ordinary lamps.
Persons residing in the country can enjoy the greatest of city luxuries at a small expense.
The gas is conveyed through the ordinary gas pipes, and emits no odor. If the pipes are not in your building, they can be put in at a small cost, and without injury to it. Gasoline, the material from which the gas is made, can be obtained from us or from any Coal Oil Refinery.
Office—14 Light street,
May 26—3m. Baltimore.

KENT COUNTY RAIL ROAD.

MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

THE undersigned, Commissioners, appointed by Act of the Legislature of Maryland, entitled, "An Act to incorporate the Kent County Rail Road Company," passed the 8th of March, 1856; and an Act passed on the 10th February, 1864, entitled "An Act to repeal the 12th section of an Act to incorporate the Kent County Rail Road Company, passed on the 8th March, 1856, Chapter 148; to add four new sections thereto and to appoint four new Commissioners in the place of four deceased Commissioners," by virtue of the power and authority conferred upon them by the said Acts, do hereby give notice to all the Stockholders or subscribers for stock in the Kent County Rail Road Company, to meet at the COURT HOUSE, in CHESTERTOWN, on
TUESDAY,
The Eleventh day of September next,
at eleven o'clock, A. M., to elect by ballot a President, Treasurer and seven Directors for the Kent County Rail Road Company, to serve until the second Monday of May next, when a new election will be held according to the charter of the said Company.
According to the provisions of the Charter, each share of stock subscribed, will entitle the holder to one vote, and he will be entitled to as many votes as he shall have shares of stock. If stockholders cannot conveniently attend the meeting, they can appoint by writing an agent or proxy to vote their stock; the written authority so made to be signed by the stockholder, but no particular form will be necessary, if it be substantially correct.
The Commissioners, or such as may attend, will act as Judges of the election, and appoint a Secretary pro tem., for the purposes of organization and recording the proceedings. The polls will be kept open from the time of meeting till 2 o'clock, P. M., to afford ample time for all to vote. A majority of the Board of Directors must be residents of the State of Maryland. The Judges of election and Secretary will certify to the election of such persons as may be legally chosen. A majority of all the votes cast will be necessary to constitute a valid election. If upon counting the ballots an election is not made of one or more of the officers to be chosen, new ballotings will be had until the election shall be effected, although longer time than that designated shall be required. If the day of election should be inclement and a fair number of votes shall not be polled, an adjournment will be made till the next day at the hour and place before mentioned, when votes will be received till one o'clock, P. M.
A full attendance of all subscribers is respectfully and earnestly requested.
GEORGE B. WESTCOTT,
ISAAC PARSONS,
GEORGE W. SPENCER,
DAVID C. BLACKISTON,
JOHN GALE,
GEORGE D. S. HANDY,
EDWARD WILKINS,
SAMUEL W. SPENCER,
GEORGE VICKERS,
ANDERSON W. MELVIN,
SAMUEL G. FISHER,
CALEB W. SPRY,
Commissioners.
Chestertown, Aug. 4, 1866—tdm.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

CHARLES STANLEY respectfully informs his friends, and the public generally, that he has this day associated with him, his son C. A. A. STANLEY, in the FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING BUSINESS, which will hereafter be conducted under the name and style of
CHARLES STANLEY & SON,
at the Old Stand, opposite the Kent National Bank Chestertown, where they will keep on hand (or furnish to order) a general assortment of Furniture suited to this market; such as Bedsteads, Mattrasses, Bureaus, Wash-stands, Tables, Chairs, Cradles, Cribs, &c.; at about City retail prices.
Particular attention will be given to the UNDERTAKING branch of the business.
They will keep constantly on hand, or make to order, at the shortest notice Coffins of all sizes, styles and finish. Personal attention will be given to Funerals (when requested) and Corpses will be sent to any part of the county.
Furniture neatly repaired and varnished, and Chairs newly Caned at reasonable rates.
We respectfully solicit a liberal share of the public patronage.
CHARLES STANLEY,
jy14-y. C. A. A. STANLEY.

Crumpton Bakery.
WM. H. BAYNARD, Prop'r.

TAKE NOTICE!—Those who buy and sell *BREAD AND CAKES,* will do well to send their orders to
Baynard's Bakery.
I will furnish as good Cakes, and more of them for one dollar, than you can get in Baltimore, or any other place. I will also deliver them at any landing on Chester River free of charge.—No one else will do that.
I also furnish all kinds of CAKE for Wedding Parties, Pic Nics, Festivals, Balls, &c.
Camp-Meetings supplied with Bread, Rusk, Dutch Cake, Pies, Rolls, &c. Cakes beautifully Iced and Lettered.
Do not forget the place where you can find all such things that you have been reading about. All orders will be promptly attended to.
BAYNARD'S BAKERY,
Crumpton, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
The highest cash price paid for Country Produce. je16-y.

SOMETHING NEW!
Ice Cream! Ice Cream!
CONFECTIONERY! CAKES! FRUITS! CANDIES!

THE subscriber, at considerable expense, has completed his NEW ICE CREAM SALOON and Confectionery, on the corner of Broad and Mechanic Streets, in the Town of Crumpton, and is now ready to supply the lovers of Ice Cream and Sweat Meats, with fresh and choice articles.
Excursions, Pic-Nics, Parties, &c.,
supplied to order with ICE CREAM, and other dainties, by giving three or four days notice. This notice is necessary to enable the subscriber to fill the contract.
With the determination to please, the subscriber hopes to merit a liberal share of public patronage. WM. H. BAYNARD.
Crumpton, June 2.—tf.

LUMBER.

T. W. ELIASON & SON invite the attention of their customers and the public to their well selected stock of WHITE PINE and HEMLOCK LUMBER. [June 2, 1866.]

Crumpton Nursery.

THE Proprietors of this long-established Nursery have now on hand, and offer to the public, a large assortment of the best varieties of STANDARD and DWARF
Fruit Trees,
consisting of APPLE, PEAR, PEACH, CHERRY, PLUM, APRICOT, &c.
Also, Grape, Raspberry, Gooseberry, Strawberry, Currant, and other Plants.
All of the above are offered to the public at greatly reduced rates.
Orders received by P. McN. THOMAS, at Chestertown, or the proprietors at the Nursery.
J. SLAUGHTER & CO.,
ag25-7m. Proprietors.

NOTICE.
To all Whom it may Concern.

I DESIRE TAX-PAYERS to understand that Taxes are due on the *first day of July,* and not, as many seem to think, on the first of January. I also desire to collect alj the taxes in my District *before the first of January next,* so that I may be prepared to pay promptly all levies when demanded. It cannot be expected that I should wait with tax-payers until the first of January, as at that time all levies upon me are due.
This notice is deemed sufficient to show the necessity of prompt payment, and parties need not flatter themselves with long indulgence, as I am determined to collect the taxes within a reasonable time, and will resort to the law in every case where it may be necessary.
I can be found at the Court House, Chestertown, every day.
JOHN W. DUYER,
Aug. 18, 1869—tf. Coll. 2nd Dist.

Teeth Extracted Without Pain!
NITROUS OXIDE.

I DESIRE to call the attention of those suffering from bad teeth, (as there is nothing more calculated to undermine the constitution than decayed teeth,) that the time has come, and now is, when they can have their teeth taken out without pain, and that in Chestertown. When I first introduced this powerful esthetic, I was called upon to vouch for its innocency, and the happy effect it was said to produce.—That I could not then do except upon the authority of other responsible parties. But, as I now have practical knowledge in its operation, it gives me great pleasure to say, I feel no hesitancy in vouching for it, surpassing as it does my expectation in its happy effect.
J. T. TWILLEY,
Dental Surgeon, Chestertown.
June 30, 1866—tf.

Paper Hangings. Gilt Curtains.
WM. H. GRIFFITH,
No. 13 NORTH GAY STREET, a few doors north of Baltimore Street,

INVITES attention to his large and carefully selected stock of beautiful PAPER HANGINGS, GILT SHADES, &c., consisting in part of Gilt and Velvet Paper Hangings, Oak Papers and Decorations, Satin and common Paper Hangings, Gilt Shades, Borders—gilt, velvet and common; Fire Screens, Paper Curtains.
Also, a splendid assortment of White and Red CHECK MATTINGS, 4-4, 5-4, 6-4 of all qualities. Also, FLOOR OIL CLOTHS of any width, *Table Oil Cloths and Covers, Rugs, Mats,* &c., &c., all new stock, just arrived, and for sale cheap for cash.
Paper hung by careful workmen, and satisfaction guaranteed. ap28-6m.

Carpets! Carpets!
Oil Cloth! Mattings!
G. S. GRIFFITH,
89 & 91 BALTIMORE ST., opposite Holliday St.,
BALTIMORE, MD.,
IMPORTER, Jobber and Retail Dealer in
CARPETINGS,
OIL CLOTHS, MATTINGS,
TABLE OIL CLOTHS, &c.
RUGS! MATS! DRUGGETS!
CRUMB CLOTHS, STAIR CARPETS & OIL CLOTHS, Stair Rods, &c., &c.
All of which having been selected with great care, and after the late decline in Gold, he offers very low, especially a splendid line of Tapestry Brussels, of his own importation.
apr28—y.

Peninsular Machine Works.
J. T. BUDD. T. R. SHARP
BUDD & SHARP,
PROPRIETORS,
Successors to A. Peters, MIDDLETOWN, Del.
MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN
AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY
And IMPLEMENTS of all kinds.
Threshing and Reaping Machines, Horse-Powers, Corn Shellers, Portable and Stationary Steam Engines, Mill Work, Clark Co's Sorgo Mills and Pans, Iron and Brass Castings, and Forgings of every description. Repairing done promptly and in the best manner. Iron Railing of a variety of patterns. Dwelling and Cemetery Lots enclosed. d16y.

PUMP-MAKING AND Well-Digging.

ALL persons desiring a bountiful supply of PURE WATER would do well to call on the subscriber, who will Dig Wells and settle Pumps at the shortest notice and on reasonable terms, and will go to any part of Kent, Queen Anne's, or the adjoining counties.
Orders left at the Post Office, Chestertown, or at my residence near Whaland's Mill, will receive prompt attention.
mh17-y. CHARLES HAYDEN.

ARMSTRONG, CATOR & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS,
RIBBONS, MILLINERY, Silk & Straw Goods,
No. 237 BALTIMORE STREET,
(*Between Charles and Hanover,*)
ap28-6m. BALTIMORE, MD.

50,000 BRICKS FOR SALE,
By A. DOBBS & CO.,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
THE BRICKS are of good quality, and will be sold cheap for the cash, at present Balmore prices: $12.00 per thousand for hard bricks or the run of the kiln. *Five per cent. off for cash,* paid at the yard on delivery, and interest charged from date on all bills not paid until paid. my26-y.

SONG.

BY CHRISTINI ROSSETTI.

When I am dead, my dearest,
Sing no sad songs for me:
Plant thou no roses at my head,
Nor shady cypress-tree;
Be the green grass above me
With showers and dew-drops wet;
And if thou wilt, remember,
And if thou wilt, forget.

I shall not see the shadows,
I shall not feel the rain;
I shall not hear the nightingale
Sing on, as if in pain;
And dreaming through the twilight
That doth not rise nor set,
Haply I may remember,
And haply may forget.

COMPENSATIONS.

There are compensations in every lot. Not only will "every Winter change to Spring," and every Spring to the high noon of God's eternal Summer, but every Spring is visited by airs of Summer, and in every Winter, though often hidden beneath the snows which preserve as well as hide them, lie the germs of all that makes the bounty and promise of Spring. If we are of the "blind who have eyes;" if, as we look out on the dark mystery of human life, we accept such lights as break the darkness, we shall see that present evil brings present good, as well as speaks of large good to come. The storms that strew our coasts with wrecks carry beneath their broad wings healthful air-currents, without which all nature would languish. The frost that strips the fields of their green array, and hushes the music of the babbling brooks, has uses and beauties of its own: it comes only when the harvest has been gathered in, and comes to plow the fields, to break up and cleanse the clods, and so prepare them to yield yet another harvest. In things evil there is a soul of good; and the soul is more and more enduring than the evil body. What greater evil than war? And yet even war may arouse a whole nation to higher aims than mere traffic contemplates, and convert the fop into a hero.—What more terrible than famine? And yet famine itself may draw out the noblest moral qualities in its victims, and qualities only less noble in their neighbors.—So true is it that—

"As night brings out stars, so Sorrow brings out truths,

that almost every man will confess his most precious experiences and acquisitions, those in which he most trusts to guide and enrich him in the future, to be the gifts of Adversity.

STRONG CHARACTERS.

Strength of character consists of two things—power of will and power of self-restraint. It requires two things, therefore, for its existence—strong feelings and strong command over them. Now it is here we make a great mistake; we mistake strong feelings for strong character. A man who bears all before him; before whose frown domestics tremble, and whose bursts of fury makes the children of the household quake—because he had his will obeyed, and his own way in all things, we call him a strong man. The truth is he is a weak man; it is his passions that are strong; he is mastered by them, is weak. You must measure the strength of a man by the power of the feelings he subdues, not by the power of those which subdue him. And hence composure is very often the highest result of strength. Did we ever see a man receive a flagrant insult, and only grow a little pale, and then reply quietly? That is a man spiritually strong. Or did we ever see a man in anguish stand, as if carved of solid rock, mastering himself? Or bearing a hopeless daily trial remain silent, and never tell the world what cankered his home peace? That is strength. He who with strong passions remains chaste; he who, keenly sensitive, with many powers of indignation in him, can be provoked, and yet restrain himself and forgive—these are the strong men, the spiritual heroes.

DON'T DRINK MUCH WATER.—A person in good health, and in the moderate pursuit of business, does not feel like drinking water, even in summer time, if not very thirsty. In fact, great habitual thirst in summer is the sign of a depraved appetite, resulting from bad habits; or it is a proof of internal fever; and the indulgence of even so simple a thing as drinking cold water largely in summer time, especially in the early part of the day, will produce a disordered condition of the system. Most persons have experienced more or less discomfort from drinking largely of cold water. If we drink a great deal this perspiration induces a greater evaporation of heat from the surface than some have to spare, the result is a chill, then come the reaction of fever.—Many a person arises from the dinner or teatable, in June, chilly because too much cold fluids have been taken. Those who drink little or nothing, even of cold water, in summer, till the afternoon, will be more vigorous, more full of health, and much more free from bodily discomfort than those who place no restraint on their potations.—*Hall's Journal.*

LARGE SNAKE.—A rattlesnake was killed near Belleville, Texas, recently, which was fourteen feet long, six inches thick, and had forty two rattles. Three men, armed with fence-rails, had a desperate combat with it.

Letter from Major General Custer.

Major General G. A. Custer, so well known as a distinguished United States Army officer during the late war, has written a letter correcting certain allegations in relation to his connection with the Philadelphia National Union Convention.—Gen. Custer expresses his sentiments in clear and unmistakable language. We quote from his letter as follows:

As was so feelingly expressed by the distinguished statesman and patriot who presided over the deliberations of the convention, "peace hath her victories none the less renowned than war;" and along with the many victories achieved upon many a hardly-contested field by the courage, fidelity and perseverance of our noble and patriotic armies, and which I am proud to have been an humble participant, I place as a crowning victory the harmonious assembling of that convention, composed as it was of representatives from every State and Territory, men who for years past have been opposed in principle and policy but who, casting aside all prejudice and personal feeling, assembled intent upon one purpose, and that purpose to secure the peace, prosperity and preservation of the couutry. To achieve this grand purpose, it seemed as if one and all were inspired by the sentiment, "Union, concession and harmony—everything for the cause, nothing for men." And as a result of their deliberations, the platform and principles adopted by that convention may be expressed in six words—National integrity, constitutional liberty, individual rights. Upon this platform all who desire to promote peace, harmony and justice throughout the length and breadth of our land may stand. Those who desire to to perpetuate strife, discord and disunion will reject it. Duty, as well as interest, demand that this government should be national; this cannot be so long as twenty-four States legislate for thirty-six States, and ten millions of our citizens are unrepresented.

LABOR.—Did it ever occur to you, reader, what is accomplished by labor, and what the world would be without it?—Why, man of idleness, labor has rocked you in the cradle, and nourished your pampered life; without it the woven wool upon your back would be upon the shepherd's flock. For the meanest thing that ministers to human want, save the air of heaven, man is indebted to toil; and even the air, in God's wise ordination, is breathed with some degree of labor. It is only drones who toil not—who infest the hive of the active like masses of corruption.—The lords of the earth, then, are workingmen who build or cast down at their will and who can retort at the sneer of the bogus aristocracy by pointing to their trophies wheresoever art, science, civilization and humanity are known. Work on man of toil! Be true to thyself, and to thy cause, and thy loyalty will yet be acknowledged.

A FEDERAL SOLDIER TURNED TO STONE.—We learn from the Mobile *Advertiser and Register* of Sunday, the 12th inst., that while some laborers were exhuming the bodies interred in the Potter's Field of the new grave yard in that city, one of the coffins broke and revealed to the astonished gaze of the grave digger the remains of a Federal soldier perfectly petrified, and looking as natural as life. What was further remarkable he had not been buried more than nine months. A new coffin was procured and this remarkable image of nature's workmanship recommitted to its mother earth in the soldiers' burial ground. Several prominent men of Mobile visited the spot and examined the petrified warrior, and they testify that he had turned to solid stone, with all the features and limbs as natural as life.—The ground where he was buried is very low and damp most of the year.

A GOOD CHARACTER.—A good character is to a young man what a firm foundation is to the artist who proposes to erect a building on it; he can well build with safety, and all who behold it will have confidence in its solidity—a helping hand will never be wanted; but let a single part be defective, and you go on a hazard, amidst doubting and distrust, and ten to one it will tumble down at last, and mingle all that was built upon it in ruin.—Without a good character, poverty is a curse; with it, scarcely an evil. Happiness cannot exist where good character is not. All that is bright in the hope of youth, and that is calm and blissful in the sober scenes of life, all that is soothing in the vale of years, centres in and is derived from a good character. Therefore acquire this as the first and most valuable good.

THE cure of an evil tongue must be done at the heart. The weights and wheels are there, but the clock strikes according to their motion. A guileful heart makes a guileful tongue and lips. It is the workhouse where is the forge of deceits and slanders; and the tongue is only the outer-shop where they are vended, and the door of it. Such ware as is made within, such and no other, can come out.—*Leighton.*

"Boy, why don't you go to school?"
"Cause, sir, daddy is afread that if I larns everything now, I shan't have anything to larn when I comes to the cademy."