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HARDWARE COLUMN.

TRIPPE & MASON

AT THE WHALEBONE

HARDWARE STORE,

WASHINGTON STREET,

EASTON, MD.

A full stock as cheap as can be bought in Baltimore or Philadelphia, all kinds of

HARDWARE.

Builder's Hardware,
Harness Maker's Hardware,
Cabinet Maker's Hardware,
Saddler's Hardware.

CARPENTER'S TOOLS,

of every kind and description.

BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS,

in great variety.

CABINET MAKER'S and UNDERTAKERS' TOOLS,

FARMING UTENSILS

of all kinds, from the best makers, at the lowest prices.

HOUSEKEEPER'S ARTICLES,

Knives and Forks,
Waiters and Trays,
Spoons, Plated Forks,
Scissors, Razors, Pen Knives,
Tea Kettles, Waffle Irons,
Coffee Mills, Stoves and Tins,
Tea Kettles, Hollow-ware of all kinds, &c.

In this establishment, they pay all attention to JEFFERY'S REVERSIBLE GRIDDLE, a Talbot invention that should be in every kitchen.

BAXTER'S PATENT WRENCH.

The most useful wrench ever invented for sale at the Hardware store of Trippe & Mason.

STACKPOLE'S PATENT BRACE.

Just the nicest thing of the kind out for sale at the Hardware store of Trippe & Mason.

ROCKLAND FINNER CHISELS

Special attention is called to our large stock of

PLOWS and PLOW CASTINGS,

Cultivators and Drag Harrows, sold at city prices at the Hardware store of Trippe & Mason.

A fine assortment of Smith & Wesson Pistol; Sharp's Rifles and Cartridges to suit for sale by Trippe & Mason.

TEA and COUNTER SCALES

and Umbrella Stands for sale by Trippe & Mason.

LEATHER BACK HORSE BRUSHES.

Curry Combs, &c., for sale by Trippe & Mason, Hardware store, Easton, Md.

CARRIAGE TARPAULINS

for sale by Trippe & Mason.

CARRIAGE SPONGE.

Nuts and Bolts, for sale, cheap for cash, by Trippe & Mason.

CAST HARNESS

and Saddle Collars, for sale by Trippe & Mason, Easton, Md.

TRACE CHAINS,

Back Band Chains, Tug Chains, Brick Chains, Halter Chains, Log Chains, for sale by Trippe & Mason, at the Hardware Store, Easton, Md.

TABLE CUTLERY.

The finest assortment of Ivory Handle Table Knives and Forks ever offered in this market, cheap for cash, by Trippe & Mason.

CORN SHELLERS.

We have Cory's Celebrated Corn Sheller for sale cheap. Call and see them at Trippe & Mason's Hardware Store.

ALBANY or BOWLANDS

Varnish, Japan and Turpentine, for sale by Trippe & Mason.

All work warranted to give satisfaction and guaranteed equal to any done on the shore. Customers can depend on having their work promptly done at the lowest prices. Thank for past favors, I will solicit the patronage of my friends and the public generally.

Shoes and Gaiters.

LADIES Shoes from $1 and higher, and Misses's shoes from 75 cts and higher. Gents Boots from $2 50 and higher, and boys' in variety, together with a lot of gaiters of all kinds, for sale by M. SHARPLEY.

TOBACCO, Snuffs and Nigger Wenches. Our worms gun hammers, ram and tips, wad cutters, powder flasks, shot pouches, &c. Powder by the quarter, half and whole keg. Percussion caps of all qualities and sizes. Gun wads of all sizes. Gun barrels made to order. Rifles rifled to any bore. Guns repaired at the Sign of the Big Gun, Washington St., Easton, Md. Call and see us.

FOR HARNESS, &c.

Best Rockaway Green Oil Top Enamelled Leather, 30 inch, for sale by Trippe & Mason, Hardware store, Easton, Md.

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NEW FALL FASHIONS

JUST RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK BY

JOHN T. FORD.

MY old friends and customers can find me at my old stand, opposite the Post Office, where I am prepared to do all kinds of work in my line, such as Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, &c., &c., &c., of the best material and workmanship. All work warranted to give satisfaction and guaranteed equal to any done on the shore. Customers can depend on having their work promptly done at the lowest prices. Thank for past favors, I will solicit the patronage of my friends and the public generally.

NEW GOODS.

CASSIMERES.—A handsome assortment of Cloths, English and American Cloths, Cassimeres, just received and for sale by J. W. CREZEUM & Co.

REPELLANT CLOTHS, Striped, Gold and Black Satins, Satin and Satin Stripes, just received and for sale by J. W. CREZEUM & Co.

DRY GOODS.—In great variety, cheap for cash. Call and examine our stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Queensware, Groceries, &c., &c., &c. We feel confident that we can sell as cheap as any house on the Shore. J. W. CREZEUM & Co., Trappe, oct29-tf

BUY your HARDWARE of every description from HIGHLEY & BARKLEY, Trappe, Md.

JUST RECEIVED, a fresh lot of SWEET CIDER.

To Travelers.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Saturday, January 1st, 1870, Steamers will leave Pier 8, Light Street Wharf, as follows:

For Annapolis and West River daily, Sundays excepted, at 7.30 A. M.; and returning leave Annapolis at 3 P. M.

For Cambridge, Sherman's, Oxford, Easton, and intermediate landings, Wednesdays and Saturdays, at 7 A. M., and returning leave Easton Mondays and Thursdays at 7 A. M.

For St. Michaels and Miles River, Ferry, Easton, Tuesdays and Fridays, at 7 A. M., leaving Miles River Ferry, on the return, at 11.30 A. M. same days. dec28

St Michaels, Wye River & Kent Island

PASSENGER AND FREIGHT LINE.

THE STEAMER

URBANA!

A. H. ADAMS, Captain.

The undersigned having purchased and put on the Steamer Urbana, she will run as follows: Will leave Baltimore (Pier No 4, Light street,) every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 P. M. for St. Michaels, Wye Landings, Probascos and Roses wharf, Forrest Landing and Stevensville, (Kent Island.) Returning:—Will leave Stevensville, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1.30 P. M., Probasco's and Rose wharf, 2.45 P. M., Wye Landing, 3.30, Forrest Landing, 3.30 P. M., St. Michaels, 9 P. M.

Meals and State Rooms on board Steamer. All freight entrusted to our line handled with care, and charged for at reasonable rates.

A. H. ADAMS & BRO., Proprietors.

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PEOPLE'S ACCOMMODATION LINE!

FOR

Wye and Miles Rivers.

The commodious and swift Steamer

ISAAC P. SMITH!

A. B. Fields, Captain,

Will leave Pier No. 8, Light street wharf, every Saturday and Wednesday, at 7 A. M., commencing Feb. 27th, 1869, for Kent Island, Covey's Wharf, Wye Landing, Bryantown, St. Michaels and Easton, (via Miles River Ferry,) returning by same route every Monday and Thursday, leaving Miles River Ferry at 7 A. M.

Will also run to Oxford every Tuesday and Friday. Will leave Pier No. 8, Light street wharf, every Tuesday and Friday at 7 A. M., for St. Michaels and Easton, (via Miles River Ferry,) returning same days.

Freight received daily, cash down. All freight must be prepaid.

Geo. R. Coulter, Superintendent.

JAMES E. DODD, Agent.

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Easton Livery Stables.

FRANKLIN G. WRIGHT, Proprietor.

Office next door to The Easton Star Office.

TRAVELERS will deposit their whips, robes, blankets, &c., at the office. Stable attendants for 100 horses. Horses received and livered by the day, week, month or year. Horses and carriages for hire at all times. Travelers promptly sent to any part of the county or adjoining counties. Hacks run regularly to the steamboat landings, to convey passengers with dispatch.

The highest market price paid for corn, hay, oats, blades and straw.

A NEW STAGE LINE TO THE RAILROAD was started on the 1st of July, 1868. The stage leaves Easton at 7 A. M. every day, Sundays excepted, connects with the morning train of cars at Seaford, leaves the latter place on the arrival of the afternoon train and reaches Easton at 5 P. M. Good horses and carriages and passengers made comfortable. Fare $2.00. Passengers leaving Easton in the morning arrive at Baltimore and Philadelphia the same evening. Leave orders at Dr. Lloyd's hotel, Easton, or at the Stage Office, Seaford. Leave Easton every day, Sundays excepted, at 2 P. M. Leave Seaford every morning at 6 o'clock. Fare will be made low. Horses and Carriages for sale.

ACCOMMODATION LINE OF STAGES

CARRYING THE U. S. MAIL DAILY BETWEEN ST. MICHAELS AND EASTON, THROUGH WITHOUT CHANGE.

HARNESS.—Rip, Tie and Coach Collars, Riding Saddles, Bridles, Whips, Girths, &c.

BRUSHES—White Wash, Shoe, and Horse Brushes.

HOLLOWWARE, WOODWARE, WILLOWWARE.

A nice assortment of HARDWARE—Plows and Castings, Forks, Shovels, Nails, &c.

SALT FOR SALE BY THE SACK, ETC.

I have the LARGEST STOCK of TEAS ever brought to this market.

More Phoenix Celebrated Fertilizer which has given universal satisfaction.

All of my Goods I offer CHEAP for CASH. I will make liberal deductions to CASH purchasers.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

taken in exchange for Goods.

Thankful for past favors, I hope to merit a continuance of the same.

JOHN T. FORD.

John T. Ford's Column.

THE GREATEST EXCITEMENT KNOWN!

1000 PERSONS CAPTURED.

THEY ARE TO BE RELEASED ON Conditions! That is, if they walk into

FORD'S CHEAP STORE,

and buy LARGELY OF HIS GOODS, which he has Just Received, they are to be Released and allowed to go away Rejoicing, if not, they are to be held until

The Goods are Sold!

HE HAS THE

LARGEST STOCK!!

OF

NEW GOODS

HE HAS EVER BROUGHT

TO THIS MARKET!

Groceries!

I HAVE THE

Finest Stock of Groceries!

That I Have ever

OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC

Consisting in part of

ENGLISH, FRENCH AND Domestic Pickles,

ENGLISH AND American Sauces! etc., etc., etc.

Canned Fruits!

of every variety.

ORANGES, LEMONS, PINE APPLES,

Figs, Bananas, Cocoanuts, Dates, &c.

CONFECTIONERY,

&c., &c., &c.

CHOICE LIQUORS

For Medical Purposes,

Imported Wines, Brandies, Gin, Rum and Whiskey, Imported and Domestic Ale, Brown Stout, Porter, &c.

CRACKERS.

Lemon, Soda, Water, Cream, Butter, Pilot, Prince Albert and Edinburg Crackers!

Tobacco, Cigars, Snuffs, Pipes, &c.

POWELL & WRIGHT

HAVE just received their stock of

FALL AND WINTER DRY GOODS,

which contains a full assortment of Ladies and Gentlemen's

DRESS GOODS,

of latest styles—

PRINTS, DOMESTICS, NOTIONS, &c.

They would call attention to their large and varied stock of

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS,

which for cheapness and quality cannot be surpassed in this market. Call and examine our stock.

Sportsmen, Attention!

Just received a full supply of Eagle Powder, Shot and Caps, for sale cheap by

Sep 21 POWELL & WRIGHT

DRUNKENNESS!

10,000 CURED THIS YEAR!

Dr. LA MOORE'S

INDIAN LIQUOR ANTIDOTE,

Purely Vegetable and Harmless.

CAN BE GIVEN WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PATIENT, IN COFFEE, TEA, OR LIQUOR.

Case of Drunkenness Cured.

BALTIMORE, June 1st, 1869.

Dr. La Moore.

Dear Sir—There is nothing, perhaps, more mortifying to the intelligent mind than to be conscious of the world its own drunkenness, and its own weakness, but realizing its helplessness, I feel it my duty to make a brief chapter from my life. My husband has been for many years addicted to the habit of intoxication, and the gratification of his insatiable desire to drink has led him through all the degrading stages of inebriety, and has caused his family many unhappy hours and days. My attention was drawn to your advertisement of Dr. La Moore's Indian Vegetable Liquor Antidote, and although I had no faith in it, I was induced to try it as an experiment. The result was an agreeable surprise. After using it a short time his nervous system seemed to be quieted, and he gained much vigor to his system, gaining in weight, and, in fact, an entirely different man, a useful citizen and exemplary husband. The inventor of this wonderful Antidote is entitled to my heartfelt gratitude, and for the purpose of enabling others to test its efficiency I send you the note, which you are authorized to use as you see fit.

MRS. C. F. TRIBELL,
No. 256 Bank Street.

Temperance societies throughout most of the Western and Southern towns adopt Dr. La Moore's Liquor Antidote, and the Medical Faculty everywhere endorse it. Dr. La Moore's Indian Vegetable Liquor Antidote is put up in four ounce bottles, the wrapper bear ng the signature of Dr. La Moore. Do not be imposed upon by worthless Antidotes, which may affect the dealer large profit. Sold and recommended by Druggists everywhere, at $2 00 per bottle, or three for $5.00, sent by express on receipt of price.

For sale by

BATEMAN & TRIPPE, Easton.
J. R. ROBSON, Royal Oak.
JAS. STEWART, Oxford.

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SEWING MACHINES.

THE subscriber having been appointed Agent for the sale of the NATIONAL FAMILY SEWING MACHINE for this county would take pleasure in showing it to any one desirous of purchasing. Call at his residence at the Academy in Easton. It is one of the cheapest and best new in use. Price Twenty dollars, and warranted for five years. It combines the good qualities of all sewing machines heretofore made, and is so simplified in mechanical construction as to be manufactured at the very lowest price.—By discarding all complicated machinery, a perfect machine has been produced, so simple its its operation as to be readily understood by all. It has been awarded the first premium at every fair where exhibited.—Will stitch, hem, tuck, quilt, cord, bind, braid and embroider in the best manner, and by fair usage cannot get out of order.

HIGH S. HAMBLETON,
Agent, Easton, Md.

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FALL AND WINTER

New York Fashions

Good Work, Cheap Work & True Work

THE subscribers inform their friends and the public that they have just received the latest ENGLISH and FRENCH styles from New York, and are prepared to cut, make and trim suits in the newest styles, and guarantee to fit equal to city clothes, and at cheaper rates.

Boys and Ladies' clothing cut or made in fashion. Give them a trial, and be convinced that your clothes can be made at home in as fashionable style as in the city.

mh23 STREET & GRACE.

STOVES MADE AND REPAIRED;

STOVES SOLD AT CITY PRICES.

Tin Plate and Sheet Iron Work made to order.

Tin Roofing and Spouting done in the best manner.

Gun-Smithing promptly executed.

Cooking Stoves, Parlor Stoves, Heaters, Ranges, Fire Place Stoves, Furnaces, all of the most approved patterns, furnished as cheap as the cheapest.

Thankful for past favors, a share of the public patronage is solicited.

GEO. W. BECK.

Easton, my25

New Drug Store

IN EASTON.

THE subscribers would respectfully announce to the public that they have just opened their new DRUG STORE with a full assortment of

Fresh and Pure Drugs,

ALSO,

PATENT MEDICINES,
PAINTS, OILS & GLASS,
BRUSHES and COMBS,

of every description,

PERFUMERY & FANCY ARTICLES,
STATIONARY, CONFECTIONARY, &c.

Particular attention paid to compounding prescriptions with skill and accuracy.

By strict attention to business we hope to merit a share of public patronage.

jm12 BATEMAN & TRIPPE.

The Trappe Drug Store

ROBERT H. KEMP informs his friends and the public that he has just received a fresh supply of

DRUGS!

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Millinery.

FASHIONABLE FALL AND WINTER

MILLINERY

AND

FANCY GOODS.

MRS. E. A. MASON has just returned from the city with a full stock of the above goods, bought in the best houses, which she will sell very cheap for the cash. Her assortment comprises everything in the above line, and would name in part, Glove fitting Corsets, Jouvins Kid Gloves, very fine Lace Handk'fs, Lace Collars, latest style Linen Collars and Cuffs, nice Linen Cambric and Swiss Edging, Pillow Case Lacey, Embroidery, Braid, all kinds, silk, worsted and cotton, Machine Silks and Cotton, Crochet and Working Cotton, Embroidering Silk and Thread, beautiful fur silk and worsted Cord and Tassels, perforated Board and Working Canvas, Neck Chains, all prices, gutta-percha and shell Bracelets, from 25 cts to $1 50 gutta percha Crosses for the neck, a variety of fashionable Jewelry, Hoop Skirts, Breakfast Shawls, ladies' White Hood, latest style children's worsted Leggings, Caps & Hoods, infants' worsted Socks, sayhyr, Germantown and shaded worsteds, heavy sash ribbons, bonnet ribbons, trimming ribbons, ribbon for breast bows, nice blue velvety ribbon, black and fancy, velvet and velveteen for Basques, black crape, and nice lot Crape Veils and Collars.

DRESS MAKING.

Having secured the services of competent Dress Makers, and fitted up nice rooms, she is prepared to do dress making to any extent. Also has patterns of the latest styles, and will continue to receive them during the season.

Being very thankful to the public for their very liberal patronage in the past, she solicits a continuance of the same, and flatters herself that she will be able to give satisfaction in every respect. oct12

The Latest Styles of

Fashionable Millinery,

Fancy Goods and Notions,

FOR FALL and WINTER of 1869,

IN GREAT VARIETY.

MRS. MARY A. STEWART has just returned from the city with the largest stock of all kinds of the above named goods she has ever opened, consisting, in part, of BONNETS, HATS, Feathers, Flowers, Ribbons, plain and striped Silk Velvet and narrow, in great variety, Sash Ribbons, Silks, Satins, Velvets and Velvet Ribbons all colors; WORSTED SHAWLS, JACKETS, HOODS, CAPES of beautiful styles; Corsets Hoop Skirts, Hose, Gloves of all kinds, Linen Collars and Sets, Lace Tidies and Collars, all kinds of Laces, Edgings, Insertings, Cotton Trimmings and Neck Rufflings, mixed and plain Fringes, Buttons, a full assortment of Silk Cords and Tassels, and a full stock of

DRESS TRIMMINGS.

A full variety of all kinds of goods in the above line, which she offers at low prices. Call and examine her stock and favor her with a call.

Bonnet Work and Stamping

done with neatness and dispatch. Thankful for past favors she hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

WATCHES,

CLOCKS & JEWELRY

in great variety and for sale; also repairing done with neatness and dispatch at the shortest notice. I have constantly in my employ a competent workman. The public's obedient servant.

oct19 CHAS. H. STEWART.

FASHIONABLE

Fall & Winter Millinery

and FANCY GOODS.

Mrs. E. A. LYNCH

TAKES pleasure in informing her friends and customers that she has just returned from the city with one of the largest stocks of goods ever kept by her, comprising all the latest novelties of the season in MILLINERY GOODS and NOTIONS. She names in part:

BONNETS, HATS, Flowers, Feathers, Ladies plain and fancy Ribbons, Silks, Satins, Velvets, &c, &c.

Also, a nice assortment of NOTIONS, such as Hoop Skirts, Glove Fitting Corsets, Breakfast Shawls, Hoods, Scarfs, Children's plain and fancy Worsted Stockings, Linen Lace and Mounting Handkerchiefs, Cuffs and Collars, ladies Buckskin Gauntlets, Jouvin's Kid and Thread Gloves, and other articles too numerous to mention. She respectfully invites the ladies to call and examine her stock, which was bought for the cash, consequently she can sell cheap for the cash. She returns her thanks for regular and transient customers for their liberal patronage in the past and solicits a continuance of the same.

E. A. LYNCH.

Cor. Washington & Dover sts.

N. B.—Having taken the Agency (for Easton and vicinity) for one of the largest and finest Steam Dyeing Establishments in Baltimore, I am prepared to have all goods, such as Ladies' Dresses, Shawls, &c, Men's Suits, &c, dyed at lowest prices and shortest notice.

oct19 E. A. L.

BAKRY and CONFECTIONARY.

Charles M. Harden,

OPPOSITE CHARLEY STEWART'S, EASTON.

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public that he has just got a first-class BAKER from the city, and will keep constantly on hand FRESH CAKES of all kinds, FRESH BREAD and SWEET ROLLS baked every evening and will also furnish stores in any part of the county with GINGER CAKES, by the barrel or hundred, at cheaper rates than they can be bought in the city. Hopes by strict attention to business to merit an increased patronage.

Easton, sept29

St. Anna's Hall,

A SELECT SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES,

WILL open on MONDAY, the 4th of OCTOBER.

Large and commodious apartments in the old Brick Church, now thoroughly repaired and refitted, have been secured for the use of the school.

The course of instruction is thorough, extending from the elementary branches to the higher departments of a complete Academic education. The Rector will be assisted by competent and experienced Teachers.

Boarders in the Rector's family, and those who may prefer to board elsewhere, will be under his immediate care.

For Catalogues, &c., address

REV. G. HUTCHINSON, A. M.

sep14-tf

WEDDING and Evening Entertainment Boots and Shoes, at

CAREY'S.

JUST RECEIVED, a fresh lot of SWEET CIDER.

Select Poetry.

THE NIGHT AFTER CHRISTMAS.

'Twas the night after Christmas, when all through the house
Every soul was a-bed, and as still as a mouse;
The stockings, so lately St. Nicholas' care,
Were emptied of all that was eatable there.
The darlings had been duly tucked in their beds,
With very full stomachs, and pleasant in their heads.
I was dozed away in my new cotton cap,
And Sandy was rather the worse for a nap,
When out in the nursery arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my sleep, crying, "What is the matter?"
I flew to each bedside—still half in a doze—
To open the curtains and throw off the clothes,
While the light of the taper served clearly to show
The piteous plights of those objects below.
For what to the fond father's eyes should appear
But the little pale faces of each sick little dear?
For each pet that had cramped up its full as a tick,
I knew in a moment now felt like Old Nick.
Their pulses were rapid, their breathing the same,
What their stomachs received I'll mention by name:
Raw Turkey, now Stuffing, Plum-pudding, of course,
And Custards, and Crullers, and Cranberry-sauce,
Before outraged nature, all went to the wall,
Yes—Lollypops, Flapdoodle, Dinner and all;
Like pellets which urchins from popguns let fly,
Went figs, nuts and raisins, jam, jelly and pie,
Till each error of diet was brought to my view,
To the shame of mamma and Santa Claus too.
I turned from the sight, to my bedroom stepped back,
And brought out a phial marked "Pulv. Ipecac,"
When my Nancy exclaimed—for their sufferings shocked her—
"Don't you think you had better, love, run for the Doctor."
I ran—and was scarcely back under my roof,
When I heard the sharp clatter of old Jalap's hoof;
I mightasay that I hardly had turned myself round,
When the Doctor came into the room with a bound.
He was covered with snow from his head to his feet,
And the suit he had on was his very worst suit;
He had barely had time to put that on his back,
And he looked like a Bedlam had meddled with sack,
His eyes, how they twinkled! Had the Doctor got merry?
His cheeks looked like *Port*, and his breath smelt of *sherry*;
He hadn't been shaved for a fortnight or so,
And the beard on his chin wasn't white as the snow.
But inspecting their tongues in spite of their teeth,
And drawing his watch from his waistcoat beneath,
He felt of each pulse, saying—"Each little belly,
Must get rid"—here he laughed—"of the rest of that jelly."
I gazed on each chubby, plump, sick little elf,
And groaned when he said so, in spite of myself!
But a wink in his eye when he physicked our Fred,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He didn't prescribe, but went straightway to work,
And dosed all the rest, gave his trousers a jerk,
And, adding directions while blowing his nose,
He buttoned his coat; from his chair he arose,
Then jumped in his gig, gave old Jalap a whistle,
And Jalap jumped off as if pricked by a thistle;
But the Doctor exclaimed, ere he drove out of sight,
"They'll be well by to-morrow—good-night, Jason, good-night."

Miscellaneous.

Cousin Sally Dilliard.

BY HAMILTON C. JONES.

SCENE.—*A Court of Justice in North Carolina.*—A beardless disciple of Themis rises, and thus addresses the Court: May it please your worships, and you, gentlemen of the Jury, since it has been my fortune (good or bad, I will not say) to exercise myself in legal disquisition, it has never befallen me to be obliged to prosecute so direful, marked an' malicious an assault—a more wilful, vicious, dangerous battery—and finally, a more diabolical breach of the peace has seldom happened in a civilized country, and I dare say, it has seldom been your duty to pass upon one so shocking to benevolent feelings, as this which took place over at Captain Rice's in this county. But you will hear from the witnesses.

The witnesses being sworn, two or three were examined and disposed—one said that he heard the noise, and did not see the fight; another that he seen the row, but didn't know who struck first—and a third, that he was very drunk, and couldn't say much about the skirmishing.

Lawyer Chops.—I am sorry, gentlemen, to have occupied your time with the stupidity of the witnesses examined. It arises, gentlemen, altogether from misapprehension on my part. Had I known, as I do, that I had a witness in attendance, who was well acquainted with all the circumstances of the case, and who was able to make himself clearly understood by the Court and jury, I should not so long have trespassed upon your time and patience.—Come forward Mr. Harris, and be sworn.

So forward comes the witness, a fat, snuffy old man, a "leetle" corned, and took his oath with an air.

Chops.—Harris we wish you to tell about the riot that happened the other day at Captain Rice's and as a good deal of time has already been wasted in circumlocution, we wish you to be compendious, at the same time as explicit as possible.

Harris.—Adzactly (giving the lawyer a wink at the same time clearing his throat,) Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard, she came over to our house and axed me if my wife she moun't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard that my wife was poorly being as how she had a touch of rheumatics in the hip; and the big swamp was in the road, and the big swamp was up, for there had been a big rain lately, but howsomever as it was she mouln't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard that my wife she mouln't go. Well, cousin Sally Dilliard then axed me if Mose he mout go? I told cousin Sally Dilliard that he was the foreman of the crap, and the crap was smartly in the grass; but howsomever, as it was sh', cousin Sally Dilliard, Mose mout go.

Chops.—In the name of common sense, Mr. Harris, what do you mean by this rigmarole?

Witness.—Captain Rice gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she came over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouln't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard—

Chops.—Stop, sir, if you please; we don't want to hear any thing about your cousin Sally Dilliard and your wife; tell us about the fight at Rice's.

Witness.—Well, I will, sir, if you will let me.

Chops.—Well, sir, go on.

Witness.—Well, sir, Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she came over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouln't go.

Chops.—There it is again. Witness, we please stop.

Witness.—Well, sir, what do you want?

Chops.—We want to know about the fight, and you must not pretend in this impertinent story. Do you know anything about the matter before the Court?

Witness.—To be sure I do.

Chops.—Well, go on and tell it, and nothing else.

Witness.—Well, Captain Rice he gin a treat.

Chops.—This is intolerable. May it please the court, I move that the witness be committed for a contempt; he seems to be trifling with this Court.

Court.—Witness, you are now before a court of justice, and unless you behave yourself in a more becoming manner, you will be sent to jail; so begin and tell what you know about the fight at Captain Rice's.

Witness.—[alarmed] Well, gentlemen, Captain Rice gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard——

Chops.—I hope the witness may be ordered into custody.

Court.—[After deliberating.] Mr. Attorney, the court is of the opinion that we may save time by telling witness to go on in his own way. Proceed, Mr. Harris, with your story, but stick to the point.

Witness.—Yes, gentlemen? Well, Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she came to our house and axed me if my wife she mouln't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard that my wife she was poorly, being as how she had the rheumatics in the hip, and the big swamp was up; but howsomever, as it was she cousin Sally Dilliard, my wife she mouln't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard that Mose he mout go, for he was the foreman of the crap, and the crap was smartly in the grass—but howsomever as it was, she cousin Sally Dilliard, Mose he mout go. So they goes on together, Mose, my wife and cousin Sally Dilliard, and they came to the big swamp, and it was up, as I was telling you; but being as how there was a log across the big swamp, cousin Sally Dilliard and Mose, like genteel folks, they walked the log; but my wife, like a darned fool, waded, thougs. *And that's all I know about the fight.*

The Harp of a Thousand Strings.

It is time to reprint again this famous Hard-shell Baptist sermon. The world will never cease to read and laugh at it;

SERMON.

I may say to you, my brethering, that I am not an educated man an' I am not one of them that believes education is necessary for a Gospel minister, for I believe the Lord educates his preachers jest as he wants 'em to be educate; an' although I say it that oughtn't to say it, yet in the state of Indiany, whar I live, thar's no man as gits a bigger congregation nor what I gits.

Thar may be some here to-day, my brethering, as didn't know what persuation I am uv. Well, I may say to you, my brethering, that I am a Hard-shell Baptist. Thar's some folks as don't like Hard-shell Baptists; but I'd rather hev a hard-shell than no shell at all. You see me here to-day, my brethering, dressed in fine clothes you mout think I was proud; but I am not proud, my brethering; an', though I have been a preacher uv the Gospel for twenty years, an' although I'm carping uv a hat that lies at you larning, I'm not proud, my brethering.

I'm not going to tell you exaxkly whar my tex may be found; suffice it ter says it is in the Bible, an' you'll find it somewhar between the first chapter of the book of Generations an' the last chapter of the book of Revelations; an' if you'll go an' search the Scriptures you'll not only find my tex thar, but a great many other texes as will do you good to read; an' my tex when you shall find it, you shall find it to read thus;

"And he played on a harp of a thousand string—
Sperits of just men made perfeck."

Now my tex, brethering, leads me to speak of sperits. Now thar's a great many kind uv sperits in the world. In the first place, thar's the common sort uv fire you light a pipe or cigar with; an' then thar's camfire, fire before you are ready to fall back, an' many other kinds uv; for the tex says: "He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

But I'll tell you the kind of fire as is meant in the tex, my brethering—it's hell fire. An' that's the kind uv fire as a great many of you'll come to if you don't do better nor what you've been a doin—for "He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits uv just men made perfeck."

Now the different sorts uv fire in the world may be likened unto the different persuasions in the world. In the first place we have the 'Piscopalians, an' they're a high-mettlin an' a high-faluting set, an' they may be liked unto a turkey-buzzard that flies up into the air an' he goes up an' up till he looks no bigger nor your finger nail, an' the first thing you know he comes down an' down, an' is allin' himself on the karkiss uv a dead hoss by the side uv the road—an' "He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

An' thar's the Methodis' an' they may be likened unto the squirrel runnin up a tree; for the Methodis' skorves it gwine on from one degree of grace to another, an finally on to perfection; an' the squirrel goes up, an' jumps from limb to limb, an' branch from branch, an' the first thing you know he falls, and down he comes kerdummax, an' that's like the Methodis' for they is allers fallin' from grace—eh! "An' he played on a harp of a thousand string—sperits of just men made perfeck."

An' then, my brethering, thar's the Baptis, eh! an' they have been likened unto a possum on a simmon tree; an' the thunders may roll, an' the airth quake, but the possum clings thar still—an' you may shake one limb loose, but t'other's thar, an' you may shake all his feet loose, but he taps his tail around the limb, an' he clings thar forever, for "He played on a harp of a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

A drunkard was found lying in the Pottsville grave-yard, and when taken in charge by an officer he declared to be a petrified giant.

Twilight Thoughts.

As we watch the gold moments
Falling in the sky of time,
Thoughts of past, of present, future,
In an earnest mood we wind;
Thoughts of days gone by, of sorrow,
Thoughts of joy in days of old,
To the restless pleasures of night,
Mind as when earth's hopes are bright.

They are ever first of twilight
Thoughts return of early childhood,
To the days of long ago,
When life's current flowed unchecked
As the mountain streamlet flows,
Springing from a hillside fountain,
Rushing sparkling toward the sea,
Growing quiet as it reaches
Valleys near the ocean.

So our lives were gay and happy,
Full of merriment and glee,
Till they gained a deeper current
Near the rest eternity.
Now our hearts are growing weaker,
As we're drawing near the end,
Where the little mountain streamlet
Into boundless ocean blends.

Youthful days were gay and happy,
Though we knew not care or sorrow,
Till like flower that they faded,
And the summer birds had flown;
But we never knew their beauty
Till they faded from our sight,
And their melody and music
Like the singing birds took flight.

Now our hearts are sometimes saddened
Of the toils and cares of life,
Weary of its hopes or fears,
Fainting in its endless strife,
Almost longing for the moment
When this aching heart shall cease
All its throbbing, and its aching,
And from sorrow find release.

But while sitting in the twilight,
Watching still the glowing sky,
We would wait the time appointed,
Every moment drawing nigh;
Try to cheer the lives of others,
More in figure than the past,
Trusting through our blessed Saviour,
Home and rest, to gain at last.

Oxford, Dec. 23, 1869.

MANUFACTURING IN THE SOUTH.—The editor of the Newburyport (Mass.) *Herald* makes the following prediction with regard to Southern manufactories:—"There is a mania at the South for cotton mills. They are going up by scores in Georgia and Alabama, where Slavery will soon be able to supply them with all of the coarse cotton they need, and it is not impossible that Southern cottons will be in the Boston market within seven years. We have seen greater changes in other directions than this. What time the only trouble with manufacturing in the South heretofore has been the wages of operatives. Slaves could not work in factories, free blacks were good for nothing, and free whites were no better for such purposes. There was a prejudice against factory labor, and there was no large immigration to remove it. Hereafter it will not be so. The will be large emigration from the North and from Europe. It will be larger in seven years from this date than people dream of now. Some blacks will be fitted for the work, and if not, Chinese will come in who will be admirably adapted to such employment. This will push Southern manufactures in competition with those of the North, and when they have trained their hands upon coarse work, they will easily pass to fine goods. Water power is abundant there, the cheap, so is coal; and the cotton grows in the shade of the factory and can be had cheaper than here. The only trouble coming to the Southern manufacturing is already apparent. England and the United States each produces more goods than can be well disposed of, but the South will be able to undersell them in the Southern and Western markets, and our manufactures will have no defense against such competitors."

A NEW IDEA—THE EFFECTS OF RAILROADS ON THE WEATHER.—The opinion seems to be gaining strength that the Pacific Railroad is working a great change in the climate on the plains. Instead of continuous droughts, all along the railroad rain now falls in refreshing abundance. This result has been remarked upon in other sections of the west. In central Ohio, for example, it is said the climate has been completely changed since iron rails have formed a net work all over that region. Instead of the destructive droughts formerly suffered there, for some four or five years there has been rain in abundance—even more than enough to satisfy all the wants of farmers. This change is thought to be the result of an equilibrium produced in the electrical currents, which has brought about a more uniform dispensation of the rain. It is a fact within the observation of all who remember anti-railroad times, that we have now few or no such thunder storms as were experienced in olden times. The iron rails which touch and cross each other in every direction, serve as conductors and equalizers of the electric currents, and so prevent the terrific explosions which used to terrify in former years. The telegraphic wires, which accompany the iron rails everywhere, also act an important part in diffusing electricity equally through the atmosphere, thus preventing the occurrence of severe thunder storms.

ENTHUSIASM QUENCHED.—At an enthusiastic religious meeting among the negroes in Bledsoe county, Tenn. last week, when the mourners' bench was crowded with penitents groaning in agony, one of them, a sable damsel of elephantine proportions, sprang to her feet crying, "Glory, hallelujah! Lo' trees de back! I've got religion! Lo' if dat sing a hab de wings of a June bug, she'd fly right to heaben." Her enthusiasm was checked at that juncture by a matter-of-fact sister, who raised her head and brought the new convert's thoughts back from the ideal to the real, thusly: "You fool nigger, what do you mean? If you had a June bug's wings, don't you know a woodpecker'd gobble you fore you got half a mile?"

The New York *Tribune* says: "We often hear of policemen on their nightly rounds being surprised by pistol balls whistling in unpleasant proximity to their ears. Can nothing be done to check such a nuisance?"

A bridegroom in Worcester cut his carriage as the fatal hour approached, and took a dose of laudanum that would have killed him but for a stomach pump.

When our clocks are a little fast we always set them right at once. It ought to do as much for those who are behindhand, but they generally destroy the clock.