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To Travelers

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after WEDNESDAY, Dec 29th, 1875—the Steamer KENT will leave Pier 3, Light st. foot of Candy, every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 7 A M, weather permitting, for Clara's Point, Wallace's, Cambridge, Chapel Clara's Point, Sherman's Oxford, Double Mills and Easton, arriving at Cambridge at 1:30 and Easton at 5 o'clock P M. On the return trip will leave Easton every MONDAY and THURSDAY at 7 A M, Sherman's at 9 Cambridge 10, and Clara's Point 11:30 A M, arriving in Baltimore at 4 o'clock P M.

And on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS will leave same Pier at 7 o'clock A M, for St Michaels and Miles River Ferry, (Easton) direct. On the return trip will leave Miles River Ferry at 12 o'clock noon, arriving in Baltimore at 5 o'clock P M.

NOTE The last Night Trip of the Highland Light for the season will be down Thursday the 23rd and up Friday, the 24th, after which no boat will run the 25th, as above.

Freights taken at low rates.

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Maryland & Delaware RAILROAD.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after Saturday, January 1st, 1876, Trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH.			GOING SOUTH.		
Leave			Leave		
Easton	10 45	A. M.	New York	11 55	P M
Trappe	11 00	"	Baltimore	7 00	A.M.
Cordova	11 15	"	Philadelphia	8 00	"
Hillsborough	11 30	"	Wilmington	9 30	"
Bloyd	11 45	"	Clayton	11 15	"
Greensborough	12 05	P. M.	Kenton	11 30	"
Goldsborough	12 25	"	Slaughters	11 45	"
Red Lion	12 45	"	Marydell	12 00	"
Harmer	1 00	"	Henderson	12 10	P.M.
Slaughters	1 20	"	Goldsborough	12 25	"
Kenton	1 40	"	Greensborough	12 45	"
Leave			Ridgely	1 00	"
Clayton	2 00	"	Hillsborough	1 15	"
Wilmington	4 05	"	Cordova	1 30	"
Philadelphia	5 35	"	Woodland	1 45	"
Baltimore	8 15	"	Arrive at		
New York	10 22	"	Easton	2 00	"

Freights must be at the various stations at least half an hour, 15 minutes before starting of Trains, or will be received over twenty-four hours.

By the above arrangement passengers make close connection with trains on the Delaware Road going North and South.

J. L. CALDWELL, Superintendent.

Paragon House,

EASTON, MD.

The subscriber respectfully informs the public that she has rented and fixed up in good style, the Frame Hotel with every convenience and comfort, and now has it open for the reception of permanent and transient boarders. Her long experience in the business is a guarantee that the wants of the travelling public will be fully met. The Table will always be supplied with the best the market affords, and none but attentive waiters employed. Omnibuses will be at the various steamboat landings and depot to convey passengers to this House. Terms reasonable.

apr 1 ly — MRS. J. A. HALL.

Easton Livery Stables

CHAMPLIN & WRIGHT, Proprietors.

Second door to The Easton Star Office.

PARTIES will deposit their whips, robes, &c, at the Office. Stable accommodates for 100 horses. Horses received on liberal terms by the day, week, month or year. Horses and Carriages for hire at all times. Travelers promptly conveyed to any part of the county or adjoining counties. Hackers regularly to the steamboat landings to convey passengers with dispatch.

The highest market price paid for corn, hay, oat hulls and straw.

HOTEL STAGE LINE TO THE RAILROAD. Stages leaving Easton in the morning arrive at Baltimore and Philadelphia in time for dinner. Driving horses, 12 hours is considered a day's work, with a half day. For extra hours an extra charge will be made.

Easton, Md., Jan 22

FARMERS' and MERCHANTS' LINE

THE SCHOONERS

Oxford & Clara M. Leonard.

The above vessels are now running between Easton and Baltimore, and will do all kinds of freighting as cheap, if not cheaper, than can be done by any other line. Every effort will be made to give satisfaction. All freight must be paid on delivery of the goods.—Thanking thankful for past favors, we hope by strict attention to business, to merit a continuance of the same.

LEONARD & BRO

N.B.—In same room occupied by R. B. Dawson, on Dover street.

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Stoves and Tinware.

THE EXCELSIOR HOT BLAST COOK STOVE—warranted to give satisfaction in every respect.

Also other STOVES of improved patterns.

A large and well selected stock of

Tin and Sheet Iron Ware.

Prices reduced to the LOWEST GOODS MUST be better suited in QUALITY and PRICE. Do not fail to call and examine before purchasing.

ROOFING, SPOUTING and REPAIRING done at short notice. All work warranted. Dealers in old stoves a specialty.

GEO. W. BECK.

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FARMERS are respectfully informed that I am now prepared to furnish the public with Carts. Wagons, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Wheat Machines, Corn Shellers, &c., of the best material and in the best mechanical manner. Now is the season when farmers put their implements in good order, and with good tools will do twice the work he can with indifferent tools. All warranted to give satisfaction. Thanking for past favors, the public are invited to give me a call.

JOHN H. THOMPSON

Wheelwright Business.

WILLIAM C. HRAY, Cart and Wheelwright, informs his customers and the public that he has removed his shop to the rear of his dwelling, in Church Alley, near the Methodist Church, where he would be glad to have them leave their orders for Carts, Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Cart and Wagon Wheels, Cradles, &c., &c. New work manufactured in a satisfactory manner. Repairing done to suit the times. Thankful for past patronage, he respectfully asks a continuance of the same.

BLACKSMITHING

Easton, Feb. 9th, 1875-1y

BLANKETS.—Blankets, Comforts, Bed-Ticks, Lap-Blankets, Carriage Blankets and Horse Blankets, Bed Comforts and Bed Ticks, at very much reduced prices.

Gunther Hardware

TUTHILL & AVERY,

EASTON MD.

OFFER SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS IN STOVES.

Having just returned from the Foundries of PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE and NEW-YORK, we have secured at bottom prices for cash the finest assortment of

COOK, PARLOR & OFFICE STOVES

ever exhibited in Eastern Maryland, which we are offering at prices that must sell. Our long experience in the trade gives us peculiar advantages in the selection and fitting of stoves, and we offer nothing to the public that we are not ready to fully guarantee—We call especial attention to

The 'Best' Cook,

sold by us for the last seven years with the best success.

The "Excelsior,"
The "Monumental,"
The "Star,"
The "Cottage,"
The "Utility,"

with Reservoir and Heating Closet.

The "Cheerful,"
The "Mutual Friend,"
The Dual Heater,

The celebrated SUNNYSIDE Fire-Place Stove, The "NOVELTY," PARLOR COOK, and numbers of others which we have not space to mention. Our STOVE TRIMMINGS are made by ourselves, and are much superior to the slop work imported from the city, being made of better tin.

TIN WARE

in all its variety. Roofing, Spouting, Bell Hanging and Plumbing are specialties with us and prices and work fully guaranteed.

Wheelwright's & Blacksmith's Supplies

A large stock constantly in part of Rims, Spokes, Hubs, Iron, Steel, Springs, Axles, Hubs & Boxes, Canvas, &c., &c.

GENERAL HARDWARE.

Our stock is full and varied, comprising nearly everything in the line wanted in this section and at the very lowest possible living prices. Carrying on, as we do, several lines of business under one management, we are able to do so at a great saving in operating expense, the benefit of which we propose to give to our patrons, thereby offering special inducements to secure a larger trade and benefiting both them and us.

TUTHILL & AVERY,

EASTON FOUNDRY AND HARDWARE.

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RETURNED

FROM the cities of New York and Philadelphia with the largest and most complete assortment of

HOLLIDAY GOODS

ever brought to the town of Easton. My selection of articles for the approaching season has been made with the greatest care, and in the most liberal manner possible, and I feel confident of securing a continuation of the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon me by an appreciative public by laying before them the very BEST and LARGEST collection of goods ever before displayed in our midst, and at prices to live in the great cities. A few leading articles are

Paper Mache, Rosewood, Walnut and Mahogany WRITING DESKS and WORK BOXES, Real Russia Leather, Rosewood and Paper Mache BOXES for Handkerchiefs and Gloves, Russia Leather and Rosewood LADIES' COMPANIONS, WATER CASES, &c. Russia Leather and Calf POCKET BOOKS PORT MONNIES, and PORT FOLIOS Handsome VASES TOILET SETS, Flowers under Glasses FIGURES SMOKING SETS STEREOSCOPES and VIEWS (many new kinds) PHOTOGRAPH, AUTOGRAPH, and MEMORY ALBUMS CARD CASES, CARD TRAYS MATCH CASES, very handsome STATIONERY CASES, Ink Stands and Paper Weights, Wall & Corner Brackets and Wall Pockets, Hat & Coat Racks, Leather CASES, Handsome TEXTS, Solid and Perforated, FRAMES for ditto GAMES, very numerous and many new kinds, PICTURE PUZZLES BUILDING BLOCKS, MENAGERIE BLOCKS, ACROSS TOPICS, ALPHABET BLOCKS

Splendid stock of BOOKS, BIBLES, PRAYERS, Hymns Poetry, Works of Fiction, Travels, Fairy Tales, Juveniles, in great variety

TOYS.

The largest stock ever landed between the Chesapeake and Delaware, among which are many attractive novelties, Mechanical Figures, Toy Pianos, &c.

DOLLS,

These count by thousands at prices from one cent to six dollars, ready dressed and undressed.

A large lot of Plain and Fancy

CONFECTIONERY,

NUTS and FRUITS in quality and quantity to please the most exacting.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Violins, Accordeons, Harmonicas, Metallophones, Valve Cornets and Slide Trombones (eight notes) Flutes, Fifes, Flageolets, &c.

G. W. MINNICK,

dec14 — Opposite the Bank.

Feathers and Wings.

ONE of the finest assortments of HERIAW I. I. ever offered in Easton, to be found in the market has just been opened at MRS. MINNIE'S HAT AND FANCY GOOD Store.

Ladies are respectfully invited to call and see the goods.

E. V. HIGGINS.

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Phœnix Ins. Co. of Brooklyn	$2 200 000
Penn. Fire Ins. Co. of Phil'a	3 300 000
Royal Ins. Co. of Liverpool	6,000 000
Queen Ins. Co. of N.Y.	1,000 000
Mercantile Mutual Ins. Co. of N.Y.	1,000 000
Niagara Fire Ins. Co. of New York	1,250 000

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Easton, Md

Risks taken on the best terms and made binding from the payment of the money.

E. H. ROE

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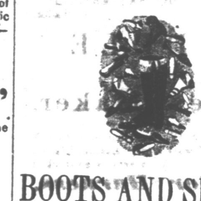
ELLIOTT & RATHELL

ARE NOW OPENING

The LARGEST, CHEAPEST

AND BEST SELECTED STOCK OF



BOOTS AND SHOES,

Ever Exhibited in this market.

To an inspection of which we invite our customers and the public.

MANUFACTURING:

In all its branches—of superior workmanship, and guarantee a fit in every instance.

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BOOTS AND SHOES AT The Cheap Shoe House OF JESSE HUGHES

I HAVE just returned home with a large stock of BOOTS, SHOES, LEATHER, &c, which has been selected with great care as regard price and quality. I am a student that I can sell as cheap as any House in the shore, or cheaper. All I ask is an inspection of my stock and am satisfied that all who may need articles in my line will be satisfied after an inspection.

CALL AND GET A BARGAIN.

A large stock of the celebrated Dixon Boots which have never failed to give satisfaction to the purchaser. Ladies' Gentlemen's, Misses', boys', youths' and children's boots and shoes of all kinds.

RUBBER BOOTS.

for gentlemen, ladies, misses and children; a very large stock, cheap.

I AM STILL MANUFACTURING.

I have purchased a large stock of the very best Leather and am prepared to make to order any kind of Boots or Shoes that my customers may want and will guarantee the best Leather, well made and a good fit.

Thankful for past favors, I still solicit the same in the future, and will try and please all who will favor me with their custom.

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Manhood: How Lost, how Restored.

Just published, a new edition of Dr. Culverwell's Celebrated Essay on the radical cure (without medicine) of Spermatorrhœa or Seminal Weakness, Involuntary Seminal Losses, Impotency, Mental and Physical Incapacity, Impediments to Marriage, etc; also, Consumption, Epilepsy and Fits, induced by self indulgence or sexual extravagance, &c

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Jas. T. Robinson

AT HIS CHEAP STORE, opposite Bayside road, has just received and is selling cheap, a beautiful sample of SUGAR.

JAS. T. ROBINSON is selling BUCKWHEAT very cheap.

JAS T ROBINSON has a prime lot of AXES—$1—the best in Easton.

JAS T ROBINSON beats the hardware stores selling cheap CUTLERY and other hardware.

JAS T ROBINSON is selling a nice RIO COFFEE at 25 cents.

JAS T ROBINSOV has the best CHEESE in town and sells it as cheap as the common cheese.

JAS T ROBINSON has for sale a nice assortment of CONFECTIONERY—common & French.

JAS T ROBINSON has the prettiest and cheapest MUSLINS and CALICOS.

JAS T ROBINSON has the best assortment of fine TOBACCOS in Easton, Snuff, Smoking Tobacco and Cigars.

JAS T ROBINSON has a large assortment of Wood and Willow ware, which he is selling at bargains.

JAS T ROBINSON is selling fine Gum Shoes at 75 cents, and has the cheapest stock of BOOTS and SHOES in Easton. A nice kip boot for $3.

JAS T ROBINSON has just received a lot of nice Cider and Pop. jan11

Gentlemen's Hats.

I THINK I can say that I have the largest stock of

Men's, Boys' and Children's HATS

ever exhibited in this market. Call and see them, and I am sure I can please the most fastidious. Prices as low and shape your money in the community, instead of paying City Hatters for the use of their name.

oct12 — M. M. HIGGINS.

$1000 TO LOAN! ON MORTGAGE! ON REASONABLE TERMS! Apply to ED. BATES, 14 St. Paul st., Baltimore.

Continental Life Insurance Company, OF HARTFORD, CONN

THE conception of *Life Insurance* must have been akin to inspiration, since it has become the *Protector* of the *Unprotected*—the barrier to *want, misery* and *shame*. The thought that put such manifest and universal good in motion was born alone of charity, and in every section of country, where it is accepted, its good results abound.

Protection from the cold blasts of indigence, freedom from the shackles of ignorance.

Intelligence, Refinement, Good Health, Harmony, and *Comfort* follow in its wake and ranks it among the chief *Blessings* of the earth.

The man of small or limited means, frees himself from the great mental destroyer, *Suspense*, through this channel and lets into his House hold the golden rays of *Contentment, Peace* and *Prosperity*.

Thousands of men go down into the depths of the far beyond with a smile of joy upon their faces created by the recollection that their *Lives* are *Insured*, and although they must be separated from their beloved ones for a season, still their labors continue with and protects them.

Is there a man with soul so dead who would refuse to *Protect* an aged *Mother*, an aged Father, a beloved Sister or Brother, or those still more dear, *Wife* and *Children*, from imminent danger? Let us say for the sake of humanity there is not. Then there is not one man under the sun who would decline to have his *Life Insured*, if he could only understand its benefits, for every moment we live we are in most imminent danger of *Death*, and the welfare of our connections is imperilled, just so long as we remain outside of the pale of Life Insurance.

Aim every man of any standing in society belongs to some organization or other, and pays in dues that will benefit him and his family, during sickness or inability to work. But in case of Death even if there be a surplus arising from his dues left in the Treasury of the organization, his *Widow, Orphan Children* or decendants receive no benefits.

If you lay up money in a *Savings Bank* weekly and have a guaranteed lease of *Life*, and that sufficiently long to enable you to accumulate a competency for the protection of your family, then you may with a degree of good grace decline Insurance, that Blessing which *Death* has not the power to rob us of. But without such a guarantee you are in no wise safe so long as you remain outside of the inclosure of Insurance.

At the present day every thing is to be gained and nothing lost by Insuring.

The man who insures has the benefit of the risk, and if, after having paid two annual premiums, he cannot keep up his payments, the Company will give him a paid up Policy for all he has paid in, and ten per cent at least on the amount, so he actually gets more than he has paid in. With men of large means, *Life Insurance* is the best and most profitable investment they can make. They cannot invest in any thing upon the face of the earth that will pay the same per cent, on the dollar, nor can they invest in any thing else that will yield their families ninety five per cent. more than their principal invested in case of Death.

To persons purchasing property or real estate on time, Life insurance is a guarantee really indispensable. A Policy of Life Insurance to the amount of the deferred payment or payments secures in case of death the property to the heirs, and avoids those sacrifices often experienced in the absence of its protection.

WM. HENSLEY, Easton, Md.,
Agent Continental Life Insurance Co.,
jag25 3m — Hartford, Conn

SKIPTON CHEAP STORE

Partnership Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that I have sold an interest in my store to Mr. Joseph Stafford, Jr., and the business will hereafter be conducted under the firm of DAWSON & STAFFORD.

JOHN W DAWSON.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

DAWSON & STAFFORD have the pleasure of informing their friends and the public that they have just opened, at their store at Skipton, a large and well selected stock of goods, which they are invited to call and examine, consisting of

DRY GOODS,
GROCERIES,
NOTIONS,
HARDWARE,
CROCKERY,
GLASS and CHINA,
FARMING IMPLEMENTS,
AXES, BOOTS and SHOES,
CIGARS and TOBACCO,

and everything usually kept in a country store.

Their goods have been bought for the cash *at the lowest cash prices*, and will be sold for cash or exchanged for country produce at very small advance.

The highest market price paid for poultry of all kinds, eggs, wool, feathers, bacon, &c., &c.

They claim to sell as cheap as any store in the county. Call and see them.

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To the Ladies.

I WOULD most respectfully inform the ladies of Easton and the county generally, as well as the adjoining counties, that I have just opened one of the most complete assortments of

FALL AND WINTER MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS,

ever before offered to the public.

In variety, style and price I defy competition and would invite the ladies to examine my stock before purchasing, believing it would be to their interest. My object is to sell. My plan is to please. My motto: small profits to self, and large gains to purchasers

I would also inform the public that I am agent for the REMINGTON SEWING MACHINE, (something new), which is the best machine extant. I have also a Howe Sewing Machine to hire. Store immediately in front of the Court House.

oct26 — M S. NORRIS

TO THE LADIES OF TALBOT And Adjoining Counties!

MRS. M. V. BORDLEY,

Ladies' Fashionable Hair Dresser,

AND CHILDREN'S HAIR CUTTER,

RECENTLY of Easton, desires through this medium to inform the ladies of Talbot and adjoining counties that she has removed to Baltimore, and can be found at

NO 40 N. REPUBLICAN STREET,

(between Eutaw and Lexington streets) where she is prepared to fill all orders entrusted to her care. Thanking the ladies of Talbot and adjoining counties for their patronage whilst among them, solicits a continuance of the same.

GIVE HER A CALL.

feb8-6m

Wm. Hemsley, Agent, Easton.

JOHN S. KRAMER, W. H. KLINESMITH.

Kromer & Klinesmith,

Manufacturers of and Wholesale Dealers in Cedar Ware, Brooms, Brushes, Cordage, WILLOW WARE, MATCHES, &c.

AND IMPORTERS OF

Demijohns, Wine Bottles, Percussion Caps, &c.

22 SOUTH CHARLES STREET,

Baltimore, Md.

Imported and Domestic Cigars a Specialty.

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NOTICE FISHERMEN!

A LARGE stock of GILLING THREAD just received. Bunkin, Thomas and J. Hall's celebrated Seines, lowest cash prices—Net Rope, &c.

J. W. Cummins & Co

ADDRESS,

DELIVERED BY THE LECTURER OF KINGS' CREEK GRANGE, PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

[Published by Request.]

WORTHY MASTER, BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—With a heart filled with thankful ness for the present, gratitude for the past, and buoyant hope for the future, I greet you to-day as a noble band of co workers in a glorious cause. We meet here to-day on one common level, and every one should be moved by that true inspiration of union and fraternity that springs from the heart. Realizing the true importance of our duty as members of the greatest secret organization on the face of the earth, I have thought it proper to offer on this occasion a few thoughts on the aims and purposes of the grange in the United States. And while I would not disparage the merits of any of the great secret societies in the world I am bold to assert that all of them combined can never exert that wide-spread influence for the good of mankind, as the *farmers grange*. The foundation on which the grand edifice of our grange union stands, is too deeply imbedded in the hearts and sympathies of our brethren, ever to crumble, though time with her tottering ravages may startle a world with the bleak destruction that follows in the wake of her footsteps. Centuries may yet number in upon the inhabitants of the globe, the thoughts and actions of the living and the dead, and the tumults of ages may ripen into grander destruction than the living or the dead ever witnessed, and yet, its great superstructure will still lift her grand proportions in the air with a courage that boasts the proud spirit of the Amazon. Yes, though the unmuffled thunderings of the tempest of war should quake the earth with the grandeur of its tumult, yet will the old edifice still stand as a proud and lasting monument to the memory of that noble genius who devised its mechanism.

While the world is full of creeds and doctrines and isms, and every town and city and village and hamlet in the land offer up their hosts of willing adherents and worshippers, and crime and fanaticism and idolatory and bigotry and blasphemy and sin, run rampant in the world, the noble brethren known as grangers are working a revolution for good in midst of all these, that those outside of the gates of our order but faintly comprehend.

In the midst of the woeful corruption and careful ignorance and extravagance of the times, the *grange* steps in as a benevolent mediator, and strives by reason and discipline to pacify the conflicting elements of discord and error, and endeavors to inoculate a system of reform beneficial to all alike. With charity emblazoned in living colors on the face of its banners, and every adherent to the cause it represents, earnest in the work, it is any wonder that the order of P. of H. spreads from ocean to ocean with such astounding rapidity. Go ask the toil-worn, sunburnt son of toil who rests his wearied limbs beneath the broad folds of that waving banner if he finds comfort and repose in the cool of its shade, and he will say, you yes!

From time immemorial down to the present, from the moment the first sod was turned by the sturdy muscles of the first husbandman, has the tiller of the soil been looked upon as a drudge and a slave by communities of the world's people; and few, very few, have been the minds who have offered him any sympathy or comfort, or strove to lighten his labors or lessen his cares, while supporting himself and the rest of the world beside. Pursuing the even tenor of his way for generations upon generations, thankful for prosperity if it happened and smiling at reverses as they came, he has, of latter years been persistently beset by hosts of cormorants, eager to grab the substance of his labors away, and to snatch from him his gains without compensation or reward. With a zeal for his calling undiminished, and hoping against hope for better days—bearing his burdens with a meekness, at least, commendable, if not wise, a star at last arose in the broad and expansive firmament of human thought, by whose brilliant light he was enabled to descry the load of oppression which had been weighing him down since Eden ceased to flourish with its wealth of flowers and its streams and grottos and verdant nooks. That star is the *grange*. Print it in large letters, and fringe every index to the thought that expresses it in characters of gold whose indelible impress, time shall never grow old enough to obliterate or destroy.

Brothers! let us keep that star always in our eye, nor let any dark clouds of gloom or despondency obscure it from our view. As it aims to illumine the lonely pathway of our lives with its effulgent rays and to brighten the circle of our home-life and our home joys with its never waning brilliancy, and to guide us safely through the checkered channels of this mid-world existence, let us strive to dispel the fogs of adversity in the firmament of hope that it may never glimmer nor pale before the uprising vapors of resisting planets. Want the compass is to the mariner, let *this* star be to us, to guide and direct us on our onward march to the goal in the distance.

And as the grange has for one of its aims, the cultivation and enlightenment of its members, let us not forget that as we bring with brains, and strive to cultivate every talent with which nature has endowed us. Let us learn to *think*, and *reason*, and *judge* and *compare* our thoughts and sympathies and motives and actions with those of our brethren. Let us not lose sight of the Golden Rule, but promptly lay aside from our thoughts every impulse of wrong doing toward one another, and earnestly endeavor to substitute a spirit of thankfulness, charity, gratitude and cheerfulness. To make the grange what it ought to be, and what it could be if evidently intended it *should be*, we must studiously guard by thought and deed and action, every interest of our brethren with the same spirit and motive that we shield our own households from the ambitious intrusions of interlopers and enemies. We must put aside from us every instinct and every impulse of cardidness or selfishness, and strictly impress upon our minds the fact that we are members of one family, united in a bond of union as sacred as the covenant of the Cross. If we diverge from the first establishment of this principle and permit the grosser impulses of our nature to overrule the finer susceptibilities that should guide our action, at the end, we had as well close our gates and sacrifice our altars to the destructive emblem of the devouring flames; dismiss the material of our organization and go back to the old tread mill gee haw, yellow boy, cow bell old fogyishness characteristic of former years. We should constantly impress our thoughts with the fact that this is the nineteenth century, and that *mind must* rule or *muscle will*.

It would be a sad picture to contemplate indeed, to behold the grand genius who first conceived and matured the plan of our noble order and set it on its feet—sitting cross-legged on a gate-post, or a corn stone, with his hair all down in his eyes, and his old slouch hat set back on his cerebellum at an angle of 45 degrees, lamenting the downfall of the Patrons of Husbandry, and shedding tears so briney that a July sun wouldn't cook the pork that they fall upon.

Now my fellow patrons, I do not want to see this, for I am earnest in this matter. I have espoused the cause in concert with my two millions of sisters and brethren in these union of States, and I intend to wield the Patron's cudgel with all the vim and power at my command. It is a grand cause; it is a cause in which every one of us feel a living and lasting interest—it is a cause that every man and every woman whose home-life is cast in midst the surroundings of the farm and the stage, should well feel proud of and ambitiously exult over the glories that will yet crown its earnest devotees, in the near future. It is a cause which will yet make the very earth quake with the tumult of its power. It is a cause that is destined to obliterate every vestige of cruelty and oppression from the face of the earth, and will cause Monarchs and Kings to tremble for the very safety of their thrones. The ball is in motion, and it will gather force as it continues to roll on until the gross ignorance and corruption of the times will leave no mark of their former existence, save the scrawl and impressions in the dust of the past, as it rolls onward burying beneath it the crumbling idiosyncrasies of Kingdoms and nations.

To the unthinking mind which sees nought but the petty and trivial surroundings of a lifetime, in its glance, this fact may not be apparent, but it is, nevertheless, true. It needs not the tongue of inspiration or the eye of the seer to foretell the history of this unwritten event or to point the observer to the ultimate result.

And now fellow patrons, in conclusion, allow me to exhort you to dedicate your thoughts to the formation of those kindred sympathies and ties and motives and actions, by the exercise of which we shall prosper as an order in the land and bequeath to posterity a heritage more enduring than the stars of the universe or the ages of time. Let us bend all our energies in the direction of self-improvement, cultivate our minds and enlighten our thoughts, and above all strive to begat feelings of harmony among ourselves and do away with the old-time, single-handed, one-sided and narrow-minded selfishness which has kept the agriculturist imprisoned in his ignorance for generations upon generations in the past. Remember that *harmony* (don't forget the word) holds the grand universe of matter and the worlds encircling it, in their proper orbits. Disarrange this harmonious action of the finite elements and we would be instantly plunged into utter darkness and chaos, for all time. And so it is with the grange, if we do not learn to balance our thoughts and to correctly weigh our aims, our temple will assuredly totter and fall, and *great* will be the fall. Then let us nerve ourselves to accomplish the great work before us, and ere we shall witness many seasons of seed time and harvest, this beautiful land we inhabit shall bloom as the rose, and the profusion of its fragrance shall fill the senses with sensations of delight, exquisite and beautiful.

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Plymouth Church Advisory Council.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23—In the morning session of the Plymouth Church advisory council Dr. Bacon, on the behalf of the special committee to which was referred the letter from the Andover Seminary Church calling for a council to try the case of Mr. Beecher, presented a report in which the committee say that Plymouth Church would not accept the invitation. They commend very highly the Andover Seminary, but regret that it should have put forth such a call. It is held that one church should never, according to Congregational usage and polity, call for the trial of the pastor of another, especially after an investigation had been held by the latter and the pastor had been declared innocent. The report is said to be a very exhaustive one. The discussion of the first resolution offered at last evening's session by committee No 6 was then resumed. The council finally decided that the investigation held in 1874 was adequate and that Plymouth Church had done its whole duty in the matter. The discussion on the second resolution was then commenced, but was not concluded when the council adjourned.

Several leading members of the advisory council gave as their opinion to-day that the council would not be able to conclude their labors before Friday night. It is understood that the council to-day appointed a committee of three to report what action shall be taken in regard to Moulton's letter offering to furnish oral and documentary evidence of Beecher's guilt.

ANOTHER TURN TO THE BEECHER SCANDAL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—A letter from F. D. Moulton to Benj. F. Butler, and the reply of the latter, are published here this evening, according to which it is shown that both of them labored and counseled for the suppression of the Beecher scandal, and to prevent its disastrous consequences; that if their advice had been heeded the unhappy consequences would long since have been settled; that before Beecher attacked Moulton the latter, believing in Beecher's contrition and repentance for crimes confessed by him, tried honestly to save him; that Beecher, through Gen. Tracy, first sought Butler as counsel; that Tracy was repeatedly guilty of duplicity and concealed as much; that Moulton surrendered into Butler's hands all documents that they should never be accessible for the purposes of the controversy, not in lack of charity towards Mr. Beecher and faith in Tracy, but in friendship to Theodore Tilton; that in the interview between Butler, Moulton and Tracy the guilt of Beecher was the expressed and concluded fact upon which they proceeded, and that the only labor was to save him, the sorrowing mother, the innocent children and society from the publication of Beecher's transgressions.

THE COMING P. MARK BILL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The democratic finance caucus committee have intructed to Senator Thurman the duty of preparing a bill to be presented to the committee to-morrow. Mr. Thurman was not in his seat in the Senate to-day, being busily engaged in getting up a bill setting as a foundation the modified bill of Mr. Payne. He will report to the full committee to-morrow. A member of the committee said to-night that he was satisfied a majority if not all of the committee would come to an agreement, but did not expect to be reached to-morrow. He said the fundamental principle of the bill would be no further contraction and no forced resumption. If contraction was put off a hundred years it would not work if forced by pushing the people.

Origin of Paul Jones's Name.

An Outline of His Life—The Reason Why he Changed his Name—His Naval Career.

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"Victory or Westminster Abbey" is as familiar and full of high and soul-stirring significance on one side of the Atlantic as the other. But while the grave of Nelson is a shrine, and Trafalgar an inspiration; while the devotion of a great nation perpetuates the memory and heroism of illustrious dead in immortal verse and immemorial marble, the greatest of America's naval heroes fills a forgotten grave in strange lands, and a name which chronicles the most daring and splendid of his victories, a name with which not quite a hundred years ago the whole world rang and thrilled, is to-day repeated in the 'Serapis,' and comes with no higher suggestion, to the countrymen of Paul Jones than it draws from its association with a descendant of George the Third.

This is scarcely to be wondered at when we remember that while no revolutionary biography can boast more public events of vivid and intense than that of Paul Jones none is so bare and meagre in personal detail. Even the fact that he has immortalized a name which was his only by selection and adoption is slurred over in history with a calm statement that he changed his name for unknown reasons. As the reasons were not unknown, and however difficult to obtain later, were then easy accessible, it appears to have been rather a lack of careful and intelligent investigation than of facts which caused their suppression. They are now, for the first time, given to the public.

The outline of his life is briefly told. John Paul, son of a gardner, was born July 6 1747, at Arbingland, Scotland. At the age of twelve years he went to sea. In 1773 the death of his brother, in Virginia, whose heir he was, induced him to settle in America. It was then he added to his name and thenceforth was known as 'Paul Jones.' This was done in compliment to one of the most noted statesman of that day, and in the love and gratitude it shadows forth is a scathing reproach and a touching example to a people who could neglect in life and forget in death.

It appears that before permanently settling in Virginia, moved by the restlessness of his old seafaring life, he wandered about the country, finally straying to North Carolina. There he became acquainted with two brothers, Willie and Allan Jones. They were both leaders in their day and wise and honored in their generation. Allan Jones was an orator and silvertongued; Willie Jones, the foremost man of his State and one of the most remarkable of his time. A short sketch of his public services will not be out of place.

Educated abroad, a profound and elegant scholar, he was a thinker and actor rather than a speaker. Like Franklin and Jefferson he, perhaps, owed his uncompromising republicanism to the abuses of royalty he had seen in the old world. He served as Governor in 1776, *refusing compensation*; was in the Continental Congress of 1780-81, and, in fact, filled every office in the gift of the State. He is especially memorable now for his refusal to act as delegate to the convention which framed the constitution and for having caused the rejection of that constitution by North Carolina in 1788.

His home, The Grove, near Halifax, was not only the resort of the cultivated and refined, but the home of the homeless. Mrs Jones having sometimes twenty orphan girls under her charge, and it was here the young adventurer, John Paul, was first touched by those gentler and purer influences which changed not only his name, but himself from the rough and reckless mariner into the polished man of society, who was the companion of kings and the friend and poet of Parisian salons. The almost worshiping love and reverence awakened in his bitterly wild and untamed nature by the generous kindness of the brothers found expression in his adoption of their name. The truth of this account is not only attested by the descendants of Willie Jones, but by the nephew and representative of Paul Jones, Mr. London, of Charleston, S. C. This gentleman in 1846 was in Washington awaiting the passage of a bill by Congress, awarding him the land claim of his distinguished uncle. Paul Jones, which had been allowed by the executive of Virginia. Hon E W Hubard, then member of Congress from Virginia, had prepared a report on Virginia claims, in which the committee indorsed the claim of Paul Jones. This naturally attracted Mr. London to him, and learning that Mrs. Hubard was a descendant of Willie Jones, he repeated to both Col. Hubard and herself the cause of his uncle's change of name, and added that amongst his pictures hung a portrait of Allen Jones.

Mr London was a cultivated and highly intelligent gentleman, but exceedingly delicate health, and the suspense and anxiety of his long waiting on the action of Congress no doubt hastened his death, which occurred before he had received the reward of the splendid genius which has made our arms as famous on sea as on land. He left one child, an interesting little girl.

But what of the Serapis of a hundred years ago? Let us see. The 23d of September, 1779, round Flamborough Head, swept into sight his majesty's man-of-war the Serapis. Newly built, thoroughly equipped, superbly manned, with a reputation of unrivalled speed, she moved majestically to the south with a fleet of forty sail and a convoy. Awaiting her was a battered Indiaman, owned by the King of France, commanded by a man whose hands had been the first to raise our battle flag (a pine sader which coils a rattlesnake, with colored head ready to strike, and the motto, "Don't tread on me.") who in his first cruise of sixteen weeks as captain gained sixteen prizes, who after many delays in a ship "crank and slow" had crossed the ocean, and bring the shipping of Whitehaven, made his name a terror in the British coast, and who now, still neglected by Congress, owed his valued to Louis and his small squadron to the efforts of Franklin. Of this squadron but two were with him. Of these one put out to sea as soon as she had ascertained the force of the enemy, and the movements of the other were vacillating and uncertain.

But there was no vacillation or hesitancy on board the Bon Homme Richard. The hour for which Paul Jones had labored for years was at h