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Devoted to Politics, Literature, Agriculture, Foreign and Domestic News.

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To Travelers

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

The New and Elegant Iron Steamer
ENOCH PRATT,
For Baltimore, Oxford, Cambridge, East New Market, Denton, &c.

The Maryland Steamboat Company's new and elegant Iron Steamer Enoch Pratt leaves Easton for Baltimore, at 2 P. M. every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, arriving in Baltimore at 4 A. M.

Returning, leaves Baltimore from Pier 3 Light-street wharf every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, arriving in Easton at 4 A. M., and continuing trip to Oxford, Cambridge, East New Market, and intermediate landings to Wolfe's Wharf—extending Saturday trips to Denton.

Leaves Denton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1 P. M., and Cambridge at 5 P. M.

☞ Freight taken at low rates.

WM. LAMDIN, Agent, Easton.
ROBERT H. DIXON & SON, Agents, Baltimore.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

For Baltimore from Miles River Ferry and St. Michaels.

The Maryland Steamboat Company's splendid Steamer CHAMPION, every TUESDAY and FRIDAY leaves St. Michaels at 11.30 A. M. and Miles River Ferry at 12.15 P. M. for Baltimore, stopping at Annapolis, and arriving in Baltimore at 6 P. M.

For St. Michaels and Miles River Ferry, the Steamer leaves Baltimore from Pier 3, Light St., every Monday and Friday at 7 A. M., stopping at Annapolis.

Fare to or from Baltimore, $1 00.

☞ Freight taken at low rates.

HOWARD BLAKEMAN, President,
98 Light-street, Baltimore.
ROBERT B. DIXON, Agent at Easton.

St. Michaels and Wye Rivers Steamboat Line.

THE STEAMER OLIVE

is now running on St. Michaels and Wye Rivers as follows:

For Baltimore every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, leaving Public Landing at 2 P. M., Wye Landing at 4, Tuckahoe 5, Claiborne 6, Tunis's Mills 7.30 and St. Michaels 8 P. M.

From Baltimore every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, leaving Pier 12 Light st., at 11 P. M., for Claiborne, St Michaels and Tunis's Mills; extending the Tuesday and Thursday trips to Trimble's, Wye Landing and Public Landing, and Saturday's trips to these points on Monday morning.

R. O. DODSON, General Agent.

St. Michaels, April 22, 1879.

Delaware & Chesapeake RAILWAY.

Fall and Winter Arrangement.

ON and after Monday, Sept. 23d, 1878, trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	No. 1.
Easton, Leave,	7 30 AM
Woodland,	7 45
Jordova,	7 55
Hillsboro,	8 10
Ridgely,	8 25
Greensboro,	8 45
Goldsboro,	8 55
Henderson,	9 05
Marydel,	9 20
Slaughters,	9 40
Kenton,	9 55
Clayton, Arrive,	10 10
Wilmington,	12 37 PM
Philadelphia,	1 45
Baltimore,	3 35
New York,	5 45

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	No. 2.
New York, Leave,	4 25 PM
Baltimore,	9 15 AM
Philadelphia,	8 00
Wilmington,	9 15
Clayton,	11 20
Kenton,	11 35
Slaughters,	11 50
Marydel,	12 05 PM
Henderson,	12 15
Goldsboro,	12 30
Greensboro,	12 40
Ridgely,	1 05
Hillsboro,	1 20
Cordova,	1 35
Woodland,	1 45
Easton, Arrive	2 00

All Freight must be at the various stations at least Thirty (30) Minutes before starting of trains, otherwise it will lay over twenty-four hours.

J. N. CALDWELL, Supt.

Easton, Sept. 17th, 1878.

Notice to Travelers

The omnibuses of the subscriber run regularly from the hotels in Easton to the cars and steamboats, to convey passengers to any place they may desire to go. Passengers at private residences called for at any hour by leaving word at Dodson's, on Baltimore Avenue. Horses and carriages for hire at all times at my livery stable. Travellers conveyed to any part of the county or peninsula. Handsome turn-outs always on hand.

LUTHER W. COVEY.

Easton, March 25th, 1879.

Farmers and Merchants Packet Line.

The Schooners Clara M. Leonard and Annie M. Leonard.

THE above boats are making weekly trips between Easton and Baltimore, and will do all kinds of freighting as cheap as any other line. Every effort will be made to give satisfaction. Our boats are NEW and built out of the very best material. Orders left with Messrs. G. W. Bowdoin & Co., Commission Merchants, corner of Bowley's Wharf and Pratt st., Baltimore, will be promptly attended to. Grain bought or taken at the lowest freight rates. All Grain stored in our Warehouses, in case of fire will be at the owners risk. Agricultural Lime delivered at the lowest cash price. Feeling thankful for past favors, we hope by strict attention to business, a continuance of the same.

C. R. LEONARD & BRO.

Office in same room with R. B. Dixon on Dover street, Easton.

may8,77

COTTAGE BOARDING HOUSE!

(formerly Mrs. Nellie Smith's.)

THOS. L. SUTLIFF, Proprietor.
TALBOT STREET, ST. MICHAELS

Transient and Permanent Boarders Accommodated.

Every attention will be paid to the comfort and entertainment of guests, and charges to suit the times.

Terrapin, soft crab, oyster, and game suppers furnished specially to order.

Passengers conveyed from the steamers free or their fare deducted from their bills.

dec3,78 THOS. L. SUTLIFF, Prop.

Rattan Rocking Chairs.

Handsome and Light,
Durable and Cheap

Just received and for sale by John Mason.

Sweet Oranges, at 30 cents per dozen, just received and for sale by
Henry & Goldsborough.

Lumber Business.

A. H. WORDEN,

Manufacturer and Dealer in all kinds of

BUILDING MATERIALS,

EASTON, MD., at Railroad Depot.

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Doors, Moulding, Lime, Hair, Nails, &c.

Buy Your LUMBER OF E. E. JACKSON & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail

LUMBER DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

Office and Yards, 18 West Falls Avenue, Near Pratt Street Bridge.

BALTIMORE, MD.

We have all the concentrated Facilities, Conveniences, Capital and Experience for the conversion of our timber into lumber and supplying through first hands from the stump.

☞ See our lumber and learn our prices before buying elsewhere.

Home Office, Salisbury, Md. | Washington Yard, 13th St. & Ohio Ave. | Suffold Lumber Co., Suffolk, Va.

February 11, 1879-1yr

OAKLAND STEAM SAW & PLANING MILLS.

PINE, HEMLOCK, CYPRESS AND OAK

LUMBER

SHINGLES, LATHS, PICKETS, MOULDINGS, CASINGS, FRAMES, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, LIME AND HAIR,

LOCUST AND CEDAR POSTS.

We have always on hand a full supply of MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, GEORGIA and WHITE PINE, and HEMLOCK

Timber,

with facilities unequaled in the State for manufacturing and filling orders promptly and delivering anywhere. We invite a comparison with city or other dealers.

Our constantly increasing business is an evidence of fair prices

We have also BUILDING HARDWARE and a full line of General Merchandise for country trade.

W. W. TUNIS & BRO.,
OAKLAND MILLS. EASTON, MD.
January 14, 1879-1yr

LUMBER!

--AND--

Building Materials,
Shingles, Laths,
Lime, Hair, &c.

DOORS, SASH, BLINDS.

and Mill Work generally.

PRICES LOWER THAN EVER.

My long experience in the Lumber trade should be a guarantee to purchasers of my ability to suit them both in quality and prices.

Prime articles of No. 1 White Pine and White Hemlock Fencing now in stock.

Principal office in Easton and Yard at Easton Point connected by Telephone.

Deliveries made on navigable water free of freight.

Comparison of Quality and Prices Solicited.

ROBERT B. DIXON,
Dover Street, EASTON.

Business Advertisements.

Market Space Taking the Lead.

Immense Attraction and Great Bargains

Jacob Williams & Co.

Have now in store one of the largest and most complete stocks of

DRY GOODS, Groceries,

AND

General Merchandise

to be found in Easton, to which they call the attention of the public. They have selected their goods with unusual care and having purchased to good advantage can afford to offer special inducements to their customers. They would also call particular notice to their assortment of

Boots and Shoes

for Gentlemen and Ladies, Youths, Misses and Children, which they will sell positively at city prices. All these goods are guaranteed as represented and cannot fail to give satisfaction.

They do not propose to indulge in bombastic praise of their goods, preferring an impartial public to call and examine for themselves and purchase their wares on their own merits, assuring them in the meantime that they will find in every case their goods to be as

Good as the Best and as Cheap as the Cheapest.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

If you are looking for Prime Early Rose Nova Scotia Potatoes, call at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Vegetables of all kinds constantly on hand at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Poultry, dressed and undressed, at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Oat Meal and Wheaten Grits at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Pressed Corn Beef in cans or by the pound at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Sour Kraut at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Prime article of Dried Beef and Beef Tongue at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Go to R. N. Best & Co. for anything that you may want for the table, and you will find it prime and fresh.

The best 40 cent syrup in the state is to be found at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Prime New Orleans Molasses just received at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Groceries in endless variety can be had at low figures at
R. N. BEST & CO.

Go to R. N. Best & Co.'s and save your money.

Poultry and Vegetables wanted at all times by
R. N. BEST & CO.

Your Marketing is always delivered at your homes FREE, by
R. N. BEST & CO.

Cheap! Cheap! Cheap! Calico! Calico!! Calico!!!

JUST received and for sale by JAMES T. ROBINSON, opposite Bayside road, Calico in variety.

NOTIONS.

of all kinds. A general assortment of

DRY GOODS,

and a fine line of

Groceries.

Country Cider Vinegar, (2 years old)

Pop and Cider on Ice.

A very large stock of

Boots and Shoes.

very cheap, from 75 cents per pair and upwards

Ready-Made Clothing

and clothes made to order.

Dried Beef and Ham, very nice. Call and buy. You will never get goods cheaper than at present. James T. Robinson.

BOOTS & SHOES!

JESSE HUGHES

Has just brought home and has now open and on exhibition at his Boot and Shoe Establishment. There is no need to go out of Easton to buy cheap goods, as my stock has been purchased at bottom prices. Those in need should call and get Boots and Shoes at their own prices, as I am determined to sell goods. All I ask is a call, and I am satisfied that I can suit all who want articles in my line, both in quality and price.

Ladies' wear very cheap.

Gentlemen's Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, &c.

A heavy stock of Fall and Winter Boots and Shoes for Men, Boys, Youths and Children, and will be sold at Panic Prices. Call and get a Bargain.

Manufacturing still carried on. Call and leave your measure.

Repairing done with neatness and dispatch.

Feeling thankful for being sustained in the past, I still beg to be sustained by my friends and the public in general in the future.

sep10 JESSE HUGHES.

The best thing out—Aquathauma For cleaning silks, laces, gloves, carpets, &c For sale by Henry & Goldsborough.

Valencia Oranges----

New crop, fresh and sweet, just received and for sale at 30 cents per dozen.

G. W. Minnick, opposite the bank.

Miscellaneous.

DE WITT'S PILE REMEDY.

Positively cures Blind, Bleeding, Uncurated, Protruding and Itching Piles. When all other means have failed we guarantee it will cure. Unlimited has been the success since its introduction in this country. A trial will convince it is the surest Remedy in use for the Piles.

Sold by dealers in medicines, 50 cents per bottle.

Mailed on receipt of price, by JACOB WALTZ, General Agent for U. S., 130 Franklin Street, Baltimore, Md.

☞ All genuine have Trade Mark and Signature of J. W. De Witt on wrapper.

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Headquarters for the

BOOT AND SHOE TRADE,

Of the Eastern Shore!

Competition Silenced!

We still Lead in Low Prices!

ELLIOTT & RATHELL respectfully ask the public to call and examine their large stock of Boots and Shoes just opened, and see if they do not eclipse anything ever offered before in the Shoe trade. Just think of it. We can sell a Fine French Calf Stitched Gaiter, for men, made by hand, for the sum of $5.00, heretofore selling readily at $6.50 and 7.00 and an excellent walking shoe for $2.50, worth $4.00, and for Boys, the nicest article of Calf Stitched Shoes for $2.50, worth $4 00, that has ever before been exhibited in this market, and also Boys Pegged Work, finest quality from $1.25 to $2.00, and for Ladies and Misses we can sell a Superb Foxed Gaiter from $1.25 to $2.50 that we defy any city establishment to surpass, if equal. We do not throw this out as a bait, but we ask you to call and convince yourself, that we have not misrepresented anything. We have also Ladies Lasting Gaiters (heel) at $1 00 $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2. We have Ladies Button Gaiters at $2 00, $2.50, $3 00, $3.25 and $3.75.

We have ladies' Slippers at 40 cents, 50, 75 $1.00 $1.25, $1 50, $2.00, and $2.50 and Children's shoes at any price from 50 cents upward. We mean business, and our stock is complete and adapted to the wants of everybody. We can get up the finest and cheapest dress shoe for ladies or gentlemen anywhere to be found on the Shore.

cut shoes, sewed, both calf and morocco, a perfectly beautiful article from $2.00 to $2.50. Then to cap the climax we have men's calf boots from $2.50 to $4.00.

Manufacturing and repairing done at the lowest rates and quick despatch. Leather and shoe findings constantly on hand for sale.

The public's obedient servants,
ELLIOTT & RATHELL.

FASHIONABLE DRESSMAKING.

MISS FANNIE EDGAR, announces to the ladies of Easton and vicinity that she is prepared to cut, and make dresses in all the latest styles. Pleating and machine stitching done to order. Residence near Mr Fountain's carriage factory, one door from Washington street.

Easton, Md., April 29th, 1879-3m

Horses and Carriages for Hire.

The public are notified that I again have horses and carriages to hire, and will take great pleasure in hiring to my old customers, or any new ones that may want a nice team. At the old stand—Star office building.

apr22,79 F. G. WRIGHT.

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TUTT'S PILLS!

INTRODUCED, 1865.

A TORPID LIVER

is the fruitful source of many diseases, prominent among which are

DYSPEPSIA, SICK-HEADACHE, COSTIVENESS, DYSENTERY, BILIOUS FEVER, AGUE AND FEVER, JAUNDICE, PILES, RHEUMATISM, KIDNEY COMPLAINT, COLIC, ETC.

SYMPTOMS OF A TORPID LIVER.

Loss of Appetite and Nausea, the bowels are costive, but sometimes alternate with looseness, Pain in the Head, accompanied with a Dull sensation in the back part, Pain in the right side and under the shoulder-blade, fullness after eating, with a disinclination to exertion of body or mind, Irritability of temper, Low spirits, Loss of memory, with a feeling of having neglected some duty, General weariness, Dizziness, Fluttering at the Heart, Dots before the eyes, Yellow Skin, Headache generally over the right eye, Restlessness at night with fitful dreams, highly colored Urine.

IF THESE WARNINGS ARE UNHEEDED, SERIOUS DISEASES WILL SOON BE DEVELOPED.

TUTT'S PILLS

are especially adapted to such cases, a single dose effects such a change of feeling as to astonish the sufferer.

TUTT'S PILLS

are compounded from substances that are free from any properties that can injure the most delicate organization. They Search, Cleanse, Purify, and Invigorate the entire System. By relieving the congorged Liver, they cleanse the blood from poisonous humors, and thus impart health and vility to the body, causing the bowels to act naturally, without which no one can feel well.

A Noted Divine says:

DR. TUTT:—Dear Sir: For ten years I have been a martyr to Dyspepsia, Constipation and Piles. Last Spring your Pills were recommended to me: I used them (but with little faith). I am now a well man, have good appetite, digestion perfect, regular stools, piles gone, and I have gained forty pounds solid flesh. They are worth their weight in gold.

REV. R. L. SIMPSON, Louisville, Ky.

TUTT'S PILLS.

Their first effect is to Increase the Appetite, and cause the body to Take on Flesh, thus the system is nourished, and by their Tonic Action on the Digestive Organs, Regular Stools are produced.

DR. J. F. HAYWOOD,

OF NEW YORK, SAYS:—

"Few diseases exist that cannot be reached by restoring the Liver to its a real function, and for this purpose no remedy has ever been introduced that has so happy an effect as TUTT'S PILLS."

SOLD EVERYWHERE, PRICE 25 CENTS.

Office 35 Murray Street, New York.

☞ Dr. TUTT'S MANUAL of Valuable Information and Useful Receipts" will be mailed free on application.

TUTT'S HAIR DYE.

GRAY HAIR OR WHISKERS changed to a GLOSSY BLACK by a single application of this DYE. It imparts a Natural Color, acts Instantaneously, and is as Harmless as spring water. Sold by Druggists, or sent by express on receipt of $1.

Office, 35 Murray St., New York.

For Sale.

A Nicely Located Farm on the Salt Water, in Talbot county. Enquire of the Editor of THE STAR. jul23tf

The Truth is Mighty

and will prevail. Thousands who have used and been cured are living witnesses to the truth of our statement, that SELLERS' LIVER PILLS WILL CURE the worst cases of Liver Complaint, Biliousness, Headache arising therefrom, Costiveness, Constipation, Dizziness and all disorders resulting from a diseased liver. For sale by all Druggists. Price 25 Cents. R. S. SELLERS & CO., Prop'rs, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Henry & Goldsborough, Agents, Easton.

Something New on Dover Street.

If you want your Boots and Shoes repaired go to H. S. Cooper's Sewing Machine office on Dover street, and there you can get a good job done cheap for cash. Also Boots and Shoes made to order. If you want a good Sewing Machine, he will furnish you any kind or style you want at very low figures, but he thinks the "New Home" is the best one that he has ever worked on. Also, Needles, Oil and Attachments furnished for all the principal machines in use. If you have a machine that has loose wheels or rattles, he has the Patent Journals, which he will put in at a small cost, and your machine will run as steady as a new one. Also Sewing Machines cleaned and repaired. All kinds of Sewing done to order. H. S. COOPER.

jan7,79

J. L. WOODCOCK

(Late of the American Watch Factory,)

Now established in Easton, Md., Washington street, opposite the Court House,

MODERN WATCH MAKER,

Gold & Silver Watches,

Jewelry of Every Description, Silver and Plated Ware, Clocks, Spectacles and Eye Glasses to suit all ages. Repairing of

Fine & Complicated Watches

attended to with accuracy.

Good Work at Low Charges.

Call and see him. Don't fail if you wish satisfaction sep10

Still Alive.

I am determined not to be undersold by any one.

Prices Lower than Ever!

My Overcoats,
Dress Suits,
Business Suits,
Furnishing Goods,
Shirts,
Drawers,
Neck Wear, &c., &c.

Can't be Beat on the Shore.

Come and be convinced of the bargains offered at the old reliable store of

nov12 MOSES HERZ.

Feed and Provisions.

HUBBARD has for sale at his Provision Store, on Dover street. Buckwheat for seed, Corn, Oats, Seconds, Oat Meal Corn Grits, Corn Chops, Middlings, Bran, Oil Cake Meal, Rye, Bacon, Lard, and Salt Fish of all kinds known to this market.

Notice.

Those wishing to feed at my stables, will please call at my office—the old place next to the STAR office—as mistakes have been made by gentlemen stopping at the Brick Hotel stables.

Apr. 15, 1879. F. G. WRIGHT.

Croquet, Base Balls & Bats.

Large stock just received and for sale cheap, a headquarters of G. W. Minnick, opposite the bank.

H. MYERS, JEWELLER, &c.,

Dover St, Easton, Md.

BEGS to announce that he has received another invoice of the celebrated Waltham Watches, all sizes and grades. These watches are now used on the principal railroads in England in preference to any other make, being more reliable time keepers. They are the most popular watch in the market. Two years guaranty with each watch. Patronize home-made watch s, they are both better and cheaper than foreign make. may21,78

W. R. MEREFIELD,

THAINING AND SALE STABLES,

Hambleton Park Fair Grounds,

HAMBLETON, Talbot Co., Md.,

Horses entrusted to his care will receive the best of attention.

CHARGES—$25 per month for training and feed; $15 for training where the owner finds feed. Sales made on 10 per cent. commissions.

He returns his very sincere thanks for the liberal patronage received during the past year. feb11,79yr

Beef Cattle and Lambs WANTED.

The highest cash prices paid for

Beef Cattle, Veal Calves & Lambs,

and Sheep of all descriptions.

WM. B. TOWNSEND.

feb4,79-yr

Salt Fish for Sale—

All kinds, at the Provision Store of J. H. Hubbard, on Dover street.

MARTIN & CO. Bake daily all kinds of cakes and bread. Country stores supplied by Steamboat, Rail, or their wagon which runs regularly.

Preserve Your Teeth—

A fine lot of Imported Tooth Brushes just received by Henry & Goldsborough.

Select Poetry.

Spring Voices.

All the air is full to-day
Of happy Spring-time voices,
From the valleys to the hill,
Everything rejoices.
Trees from wintry sleep are waking
Ice is in the rivers breaking;
And the birds in field and grove
Sing with happy voices.

April breezes o'er the hills,
Tell of Summer coming,
And their whispers sweetly join
With the bees' love humming;
Children in the woodland bowers,
Seeking for the early flowers,
Sing and shout in noisy glee,
For the bright days coming.

Through the fields the brooklets run—
Just listen to their singing.
As they rouse the grasses small
On their borders springing.
Hear their gentle murmur swelling,
Summer and its joys foretelling,
Sunny fields and shady wood
Full of birds glad singing.

Miscellaneous.

For The STAR.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

In a recent issue of the *Gazette* appeared a communication, in which it was affirmed that many of the teachers of the public schools owe their positions to favoritism, while the motives which induce *all* to seek such appointments are, in substance, necessity, convenience, or love of the profession. It is not the design of the writer to join issue with "a friend to the public schools," whose object is merely to state grievances and complaints, but to point out in a supplementary manner how suspicions are aroused, conjectures formed, and conclusions reached, unfavorable to the reputation of the teacher, and to consider what further legislation may be required to meet public expectations and relieve the teacher from undue responsibility.

It is needless to refer to the various motives which induce any one to desire an appointment to a public school. It may be safely asserted, that the expectation of being paid for services rendered, is not a secondary one, a fact not inconsistent with a faithful discharge of duty. When a person assumes the position of instructor, it is not to be supposed that he necessarily becomes different from others; he breathes the same kind of atmosphere, feels similar impulses, and requires the same amount of exercise, recreation or amusement to fit him for the labors of the coming day, and usually feels the same degree of love for his work that is generally entertained by bank clerks or Government officials with fifteen hundred dollars a year.

The successful applicant who undertakes to manage a school, is beset with difficulties. He becomes a target at which are recklessly hurled the poisoned shafts of criticism. Charges are often made with specifications omitted, and usually tried, in the absence of the supposed culprit, before an inquisitorial Court of *ex parte* investigators, invariably without notice to the victim to attend. Youthful indiscretions, when magnified by pupils, whom a wholesome correction has provoked, or a gentle sway has failed to conciliate.

Complaints against teachers may be easily traced to rash judgments based upon insufficient facts. It is frequently asserted that they take little interest in the prosperity of their schools. However earnest they may be in their work they are seldom classed among those, whose *secondary* motive, even, is the love of their profession. Parents are often imperfectly acquainted with them. Patrons seldom enter the school room; written invitations have been sent, inviting them to attend examinations, but other engagements have been too exacting. The remedy proposed is a simple one. Let all interested in the moral and intellectual training of children pay frequent visits to the school-room. In this way both parties will become well acquainted. Grievances may be easily settled and distrust banished, while the teacher may be observed in his daily routine, and the minds of parents be no longer influenced by hearsay evidence of lax discipline or excessive severity.

There is a strong feeling in every community in favor of corporal punishment. It is generally conceded that good discipline cannot be maintained in a school, at times without a free application of the rod. This sentiment has extensively prevailed for nearly three thousand years, ever since the time of Solomon, who firmly believing in the doctrine of original sin, has delared that *Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.*

Many educators of the present day have considered this doctrine adverse to the kind and mild teachings of the new dispensation, and have preferred to follow "moral suasion" to accomplish similar results. However efficient it may prove in practice, it seldom has due credit given to it by the public; and however well the children may learn under it, this circumstance will have but little weight in fixing an average estimate of a teacher's standing, unless he resort occasionally to the use of the rod, the ancient and well-known symbol of magisterial authority. There is more virtue in three feet of birch well laid on than in fifty square feet of moral maxims spread on the school-house walls, or "moral suasion" frequently poured into the listless ears of a boy, whose chief delight is to plot mischief or annoy his teacher.

It would, therefore, seem to be a matter of principle as well as of policy, to follow the counsel of the wisest of rulers. It may, indeed, be laid down as a sound maxim that undue lenity is not properly appreciated by an unruly child, and that forbearance is apt to be mistaken for timidity or indecision, which is mentioned at home with certain embellishments, calculated to exalt the pupil and humiliate the instructor. On the other hand it is presumable that physical suffering, judiciously inflicted, will make a more permanent impression, while the teacher will establish his authority, and teach the virtue of concealment.

It would be well for the next Legislature to pass a special act to empower a teacher to use specified modes of punishment for breach of discipline, rendered necessary by neglect of home-culture, making it compulsory to inflict corporal punishment for higher grades of offenses, of which a noisy demonstration is to be considered the chief, under the penalty of suspension for non-compliance, providing each teacher with a *suitable* instrument to be used, so that he may not, by an unfortunate selection of his own, incur the animosity of some "friend to the public schools," and suffer like the Stuart of 1649, if not actual, at least *official* decapitation for a too free exercise of high prerogative.

In order that the charge of partiality in the future may not have a foundation in fact, the law should be so amended, at the coming session of the Legislature, as to take away from the trustees of schools the power of electing teachers, and transfer it to the school commissioners, who may be considered the more capable of making impartial selections, in the same proportion that they are "unimpeachable." They will certainly be free from the pernicious effects of friendly suggestions, and will not be likely to form a triumvirate, conspiring to make appointments to indulge personal preference, or to make substitutions without notice, to gratify feelings of resentment.

In addition to the duty of signing reports, any one of the trustees, or a constable in the school district, in the new order of things might be commissioned to aid any teacher, under the mere physical weakness, to administer the requisite punishment, as prescribed by the supreme power of the State. Such assistance would not be in frequent request, as it would be soon understood that the teacher is acting under legal compulsion and that willful disobedience must submit to the majesty of the law.

Neither parents nor pupils could feel resentment for an involuntary act, and teachers would have cause to rejoice that the necessity for punishment would be diminished in proportion to its certainty. This harmony the State has the right to effect by suitable legislation, for the power that contributes a fund for a particular purpose has the right of prescribing the terms upon which it shall be applied.

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April 28th, '79.

COMMUNICATED.

MR. EDITOR:—"Granger" in the *Ledger* attempts to convey the idea that the merchants are responsible for "hard times," and says that they fixed the hare at "five dollars in Baltimore and back." Where is the evidence of this? Not in any of the statements that he quotes. The merchants say they did not fix the fare; that their action was confined simply to remonstrating against the past low fare, and to intimating that it by advanced, they may, one of the same boat companies would do the same, and the other would do the like proposal. Such has been the fare, to fix it, we have remarked, so low, that it has been fixed at 25 for passage and 10 cents for state rooms—the identical fare proposed by the Grange.

Both the Chopticank Grange and "Granger" insist that the purchasing power of money has been doubled. That may be true in some respects, but not in all. Labor has certainly not been reduced one half, nor have rents. Election matches are no lower than formerly. Stock whiskey as cost $1 at wholesale before the war now brings $2. Mechanics and clerks wages have been very little reduced, in some cases, if not at all. Beef has certainly not fallen fifty per cent, and hams continue to fluctuate between 18 and 20 cents per pound. The merchant pays the same now for his license he has paid for years, and taxes are no lower on the average. Shad are bringing old prices, and so are oysters, in fact nearly all kinds of marketing, particularly Irish potatoes. Life and fire insurance are the same as they were years back, and interest on money has certainly not fallen fifty per cent.—Muslin and calico have declined in price through a depressed market, and lumber, and flour and a few other articles of merchandise, and that is about all, and in most cases where the price of dry goods has fallen the quality has depreciated, making them cost as dear as formerly, taking into consideration the short time they wear. There never was a greater fallacy than is attempted to be palmed off on the people by those who insist that money will purchase now twice as much as formerly. While money is so scarce and hard to get, many important family necessities, especially imported goods, maintain their old prices. Silks are apparently lower, but are so mixed with jute that there is little wear in them.

"Granger" says, "the granger is a wonderful animal." I will not dispute the proposition with him; he is one of them and ought to know. I have no doubt the animal in him is largely developed.

"Granger" insinuates that the charges of lawyers and doctors in Easton are not "equitable." Before accepting his proposition as true, I must call for a bill of particulars. I cannot decide without the items. Judged by the amount of time and capital spent in an educational preparation for the bar, the amount of time and labor devoted to research, and the amount of physical and intellectual labor performed in particular cases, I think it will turn out, when the bill of particulars is forthcoming, that the charges of the Easton lawyers will compare favorably with those of others elsewhere, and will be found as "equitable" as the charges in other professions, and other departments of business. But the lawyers are able to defend themselves.

"Granger" says "unlike all these other classes the farmer has always been compelled to take what the purchaser is willing to give." This is not a fair statement of the matter. The farmer is engaged in raising wheat, corn, rye, oats, cotton, tobacco, hemp, flax, barley, rice, wool, beef cattle, horses, mules, mutton, lambs, fruit, vegetables, etc. These are the commodities that constitute the bulk of the world's commerce. Their prices are regulated by the demand and supply. England is the great market for grain. She consumes largely more than she raises, and buys the surplus of other nations. When she grows a large crop, she imports less; when her crops are short, she is a larger importer. Hence the price of grain in Liverpool regulates the price of grain the world over. She is also the largest manufacturer of cotton goods, and regulates the price of cotton the world over. Now, the produce of the farmer is *sold in an open market*, and he gets for it the highest market price on the day he elects to sell it. There is nothing unfair in this. He is not "compelled to take" only "what the purchaser is willing to give," but actually gets what it is worth, and if one buyer is not willing to give for it what it is worth, another will, and competition among buyers bulls the market for him much better than "Granger" can bull it in the grange.

In this respect no other class of men stand on so safe and desirable a plane as the farmers, and if they are "poor," it is traceable to other causes than this, the chief of which is over production at the West, caused by the artificial expansion of our railroad system, which has suddenly opened up too much of the public domain to agriculture. This evil has been greatly stimulated by the land grants made by Congress to western railroads within the last twenty years, and the low freights on eastern bound grain, brought about originally at the dictation of grangers, and now gone past control of even Chopticank Grange and the redoubtable "Granger" who has opened the campaign against the merchants, lawyers, and doctors of Easton, and issued his proclamation to cry aloud and spare not, until he "uproots the dens of extortionists, now feasting and fattening upon the little financial vitality remaining in outlying [illegible] and self interest, the proper and most wholesome regulators of all business.

ANTI GRANGE.

THAT CHECKER-BOARD.

Up to three evenings ago such a thing as a checker-board was never known in Mr. Grattan's house. He and his aged partner had managed to pass the long evenings very pleasantly, and he supposed they were happy enough until a friend from the East paid them a flying visit and asserted over and over again that the game of checkers was not only all the rage there, but that it served to quicken the perceptive faculties, enlarge the mind, and render the brain more active. After giving the subject due thought, Mr. Grattan walked down town and purchased a checker-board, and when evening came he surprised his good wife by bringing it in from the woodshed and saying:

"Well, Martha, we'll have a game or two before we go over to the Social. I expect to beat you all to flinders, but you won't care."

"Of course not, and if I beat you why you won't care," she replied.

They sat down, and he claimed the first move. She at once objected, but when he began to grow red in the face she yielded and he led off. At the fourth she took a man, chuckling as she took him in.

"I don't see anything to grin at," he sneered as he moved a man backwards.

"Here! you can't move that way!" she called out.

She saw a chance to jump two more men and gave in the point, but as she moved he cried out:

"Put them men right back there! I've concluded not to move backward, even if Hoyle does permit it!"

She gave in again, but when he jumped a man her nose grew red and she cried out:

"I didn't mean to move there; I was thinking of the Social!"

"Can't help the Social, Martha—we must go by Hoyle."

In about two minutes she jumped two men and went into the king-row shouting:

"Crown him! crown him! I've got a king!"

"One would think by your childish actions that you never played a game before!" he growled out.

"I know enough to beat you!"

"You do, eh? Some folks are awful smart."

"And some folks ain't!" she snapped, as her king captured another man.

"What in the thunder are you jumping that way for?"

"A king can jump any way!"

"No he can't!"

"Yes he can!"

"Don't talk back to me, Martha Grattan! I was playing checkers when you wepe in your cradle."

"I don't care! I can jump two men whichever way you move!"

He looked down on the board, saw that such was the case, and roared out:

"Y ou've moved twice to my once!"

"I haven't!"

"I'll take my oath you have! I can't play against any such black leg practices!"

"Who's a black-leg? You not only cheated, but you tried to lie out of it!"

Board and checkers fell between them. He could get on his hat quicker than she could find her bonnet, and that was the only reason why he got out of the house first. A Woodward avenue grocer found him sitting on a basket of cranberries at the door as he was closing up for the night, and asked him if he was waiting for his wife to come along.

"Well, not exactly; I stopped here to feel in my pocket for the key of the barn. I shall sleep on the hay to-night and see if it won't cure this cold in my head!"

The following is the Chinese version of Mary and her lamb:

Was gal name Moll had lamb
Fleas all same white snow.
Evly place Moll gal walkee,
Ba Ba hoppe long too.

We heard a son of Erin trying to surround Mary and her little lamb the other day, and this is the way he understood it:

Begorry, Mary had a little shape,
And the wool was white intirely;
An' wherever Mary wud stir her stumps,
The young shape would follow her completely.

[*Council Bluffs Globe.*

The date of the establishment of Sunday Schools in England, was the year 1784.