

PEACE SUGGESTIONS.
It is stated from London that the President of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State have telegraphed to Lord Salisbury proposals of peace on the basis that the independence of the two republics shall be respected and that colonialists who have aided burghers are to receive amnesty, and following this comes the news that they have asked the intervention of the Powers to prevent further bloodshed in the South African war.

News from Berlin, Vienna and Rome, where official sentiment is favorable to Britain, state that there is no prospect of intervention. The attitude of other powers, including France and Russia, is uncertain. Both France and Russia are reported to be making active preparations for possible war.

In London there are reports that there is a difference of opinion among the Cabinet members as to peace terms. It is believed, however, that these terms will soon be formulated. The first proposal from President Kruger and Steyn, is now learned, was sent last Tuesday. The British Cabinet met Wednesday and decided not to accept the terms offered. These terms included Boer independence and, it is said, an offer to submit disputed points to arbitration.

The British war losses up to date as officially reported in London are as follows: Killed, 2,418; wounded, 8,747; died of disease, 1,029; missing, 3,483; total, 15,677.

A. R. DEFLUENT, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by T. E. Zimmerman & Co., Druggists.

BIG TIMBER BOOM.
A big boom in the lumber business is promised during the coming summer in Western Maryland and in West Virginia along the line of the B. & O. It is reported that contracts have been made which means the establishment of lumbering plants by a half dozen different companies. In Western Maryland about 30,000 acres will be developed, and in West Virginia one 300,000-acre tract has been secured, and about 100,000 acres of this property will be opened up this year. The promised development is due to the fact that the companies acquiring forest land up this way have about cleaned out the timber regions in Pennsylvania and are compelled to seek new regions. Poplar, oak, birch, beech, spruce and hemlock, are to be found in the timber sections of Western Maryland and West Virginia. These companies will erect sawmills and bring with them a large number of skilled lumbermen, and they will give a boom of business which promises to continue for several years.

Ask for Allen's Foot Ease, a powder to shake into your shoes. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen and sweating feet. At all druggists and shoe stores 25c. Sample FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

MARCONI'S system of wireless telegraphy will be placed on the North German Lloyd steamers between Baltimore and Bremen, to report the approach of the ships to the American and German coasts.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed for ever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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REV. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., writes, "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without benefit. I was persuaded to use Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and it helped me from the start. I believe it to be a panacea for all forms of indigestion." It digests what you eat. T. E. Zimmerman & Co.

GERMANY MAY REGRET IT.
WASHINGTON, March 14.—The State Department will arrange an extension of time for the ratification of the French treaty. It also hopes to secure its ratification by the Senate during the present session of Congress. The treaty will place in the hands of the Government a powerful weapon with which to meet the dangerous aggressions of the German Reichstag upon American commerce as evidenced in the action taken in that body upon the meat inspection bill. Our Government cannot ignore the fact that the agrarian element has defeated the German Executive, as in stands, and that the meat bill has been adopted in the most offensive form, from the American standpoint.

It may be stated that in the official mind there is now in contemplation the recommendation of legislation which will impose a heavy discriminating tax upon the shipping of any country that unjustly discriminates against American products.

"Safe bind, safe find." Fortify yourself by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now and be sure of good health for months to come.

THE Kentucky legislature adjourned sine die. Governor Taylor will continue to act as governor, and Governor Beckham and the Democrats will make no attempt to get possession of the State buildings until after the Court of Appeals has decided the gubernatorial contest.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cassaret's Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

THE inability of General Young to maintain garrisons in all the towns occupied by him on the Island of Luzon has had a demoralizing effect on the natives. The insurgents killed 68 Chinamen and 40 Spaniards at Calabanga, according to the statements of priests recently liberated by the Filipinos.

FOUR people were killed and a number injured by the explosion of a fuse factory at Pompton, N. J.

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No Boils Nor Carbuncles Now—A Good Blood Medicine.
"I became convinced of the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla when I took it myself as a blood purifier. So, when my husband had boils and carbuncles I urged him to take Hood's and the result was that when he had used but one bottle the boils had nearly all disappeared. He continued the use of the medicine and after taking two bottles he was completely cured, and, as he expressed it, felt as if he was on earth for the second time. He has never had any boils since. We take Hood's as a spring medicine and gladly recommend it." Mrs. A. E. STATA, Yonkers, N. Y.

Scrofula from Birth.
"I have found Hood's to be the greatest blood purifier I ever took, and I have tried many medicines. I was a sufferer with scrofula from birth. My eyes were so badly affected I would be almost blind for a week at a time. My neck began to swell so that I could not breathe freely. Medicines failed to do me any good until I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Today I have excellent health and my eyes give me very little trouble. I owe it all to Hood's, which I recommend to all suffering from any disease of the blood." Miss KETIE McGURK, Silver Creek, Ky.

That Tired Feeling.
"I cannot say too much for Hood's Sarsaparilla as a remedy for that tired and worn out feeling one has in the spring. As a strength builder and appetite creator it has no equal." Mrs. L. B. WOODARD, 285 Ballou Street, Woonsocket, R. I.

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ROAD NOTICE.
To the Honorable, the County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland. We, the undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of Frederick county, State of Maryland, hereby give notice that we intend to petition your Honorable Board, the County Commissioners of Frederick county, Md. after the expiration of thirty days from this date, being the sixteenth day of April, 1900, to open a public road on or near the bed of the old road, commencing for the same at the old Bull Frog road in the Fifth Election District of Frederick county, where a private road now intersects the said Bull Frog road, and running thence along said private road, on the lands of Samuel Ott on both the North and South, and lands of Wm. A. Snider, George S. Valentine, Richard S. Hill and Charles Eyer on the North side, and D. Washington Shoemaker on both the North and South sides; Charles Eyer on the same bed of the same private road to Stoner's Mill, on the Monocacy Creek. Said road not to be less than thirty feet wide.

A. H. BOWERBOX, D. W. SHOEMAKER, W. A. SHOEMAKER, CHARLES EYER, and others. MAR 9-5ts.

STEEL WORKS BURNED.
FLINT, MICH., March 14.—The Armstrong Steel Works were destroyed by fire between 3 and 4 o'clock today. The plant was established in 1889 and was employing 100 hands. Loss is estimated at \$150,000, partially covered by insurance. Golden's brewery and copper shop, adjacent to the steel works, were also destroyed. Origin of the fire is a mystery.

Two more hold-ups were reported in Norfolk. In one instance the footpad, Frank Williamson, was arrested by his intended victim, Mr. Parsons, and handed over to the police.

Arrest disease by the timely use of Tutt's Liver Pills, an old and favorite remedy of increasing popularity. Always cures SICK HEADACHE, sour stomach, malaria, indigestion, torpid liver, constipation and all bilious diseases. TUTT'S LIVER PILLS

Order Nisi on Audit.
NO. 7048 EQUITY.
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting in Equity.
MARCH TERM, 1900.
In the matter of the Auditor's Report filed the 5th day of March, 1900.

James M. Kerrigan vs. Jacob A. Lefevre and Catharine Lefevre his wife, et al.
ORDERED, that on the 24th day of March, 1900, the Court will proceed to act upon the Report of the Auditor, filed as aforesaid, in the above cause, to finally ratify and confirm the same, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown before said day; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick County, for two successive weeks prior to said day. Dated this 5th day of March, 1900. DOUGLASS H. HARGETT, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick Co. True Copy—Test: DOUGLASS H. HARGETT, Clerk. mar 9-3ts.

PUBLIC SALE.
BY VIRTUE of a power of sale contained in a mortgage from Jesse C. Clagett and Mary S. Clagett, his wife, to Vincent Sebald, bearing date the 10th day of December, 1898, and recorded in Liber D. H. No. 4, folio 450, etc., one of the Land Records of Frederick County, the undersigned, Mortgagee, will sell at public sale at the warehouse at Motter's Station, in Frederick County, Maryland,
On Saturday, April 7, 1900, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following personal property, viz: One Bay Mare, one walnut extension table, one walnut sideboard, 9 walnut leather chairs, one marble top side table, one walnut hall stand, one ber suit, one woven spring, one upholstered arm chair, 5 walnut upholstered chairs, one upholstered rocker, 55 stair rods, one mattress and pillow, two rockers, one mahogany folding table, one tapestry lounge, 4 wicker chairs, one oak chaffinier, one oak chamber suit, one bed spring, two hair mattresses, 1394 yards wilton Carpet, 38 yards velvet carpet, 52 yards Huggessels stair carpet, 44 yards wilton stair carpet.
Terms of sale as prescribed by the mortgage—Cash.
VINCENT SEBALD, Mortgagee. mar 10-4t.

PUBLIC SALE.
BY VIRTUE of a power of sale contained in a mortgage from Maria M. Gorley and John C. Gorley, her husband, to Vincent Sebald, bearing date the 4th day of September A. D., 1897, duly recorded in Liber J. L. J. No. 17, folio 219, &c., one of the Land Records of Frederick county, the undersigned mortgagee, will sell at the Western Maryland Hotel, in Emmitsburg, Frederick county, Maryland,
On Saturday, March 24, 1900, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following real estate: All that tract of land situated near the Upper Mechanicstown road, in Frederick county, Maryland, about 14 miles south of Mt. St. Mary's P. O., adjoining the lands of the heirs of Samuel Hemler, of the late John Theodore Pfeiffer and others, being known as the Seiss property, containing
16 ACRES, 1 ROOD
and 27 Perches of land, more or less, improved by a Log Dwelling House with Frame Weatherboarded Kitchen attached, a Log Stable and other outbuildings. An excellent well of mountain water is at the door, and a number of choice fruit trees are on the premises. About 4 acres of said land is under cultivation, the balance is in timber.
Terms of sale prescribed by the mortgage—Cash.
VINCENT SEBALD, Mortgagee. mar 2-4ts.

EMMITSBURG MARKETS.
The following market quotations, which are corrected every Friday morning, are subject to daily changes.
Corrected by E. R. Zimmerman & Son.
Wheat, (dry)..... 64
Rye..... 30
Oats..... 30
Corn, shelled per bushel..... 42
Hay..... 6 00 @ 9 50

Country Produce Etc.
Corrected by Jas. E. Hoka.
Butter..... 16
Eggs..... 10
Chickens, per lb..... 7
Spring Chickens per lb..... 7
Ducks, per lb..... 7
Potatoes, per bushel..... 50
Dried Cherries, (seeded)..... 8
Raspberries..... 7
Blackberries..... 8
Apples, (dried)..... 3
Peaches, (dried)..... 3
Onions, per bushel..... 40
Lard, per lb..... 8 @ 14
Beef Hides..... 8 @ 14

LIVE STOCK.
Corrected by Patterson Brothers.
Steers, per lb..... 4 @ 14
Fresh Cows and Bulls, per lb..... 24 @ 30
Hogs, per lb..... 6 @ 14
Sheep, per lb..... 4 @ 14
Lambs, per lb..... 5 @ 6
Calves, per lb..... 5 @ 14

BRONCHITIS
Bronchitis is very prevalent. It generally begins with a common cold, attended with cough, hoarseness, soreness of the lungs, tightness of the chest and difficulty in breathing. If not attended to, it becomes dangerous—thousands die from bronchitis annually. Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup is the best remedy for this disease; it relieves the cough at once, effects an easy expectoration, and cures in a few days.

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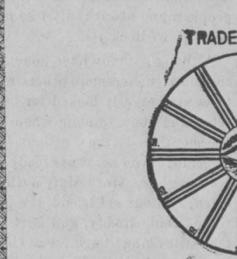
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In the early part of October, 1899, we made contracts with a leading Importer in Japanese Silks for an extraordinary quantity for Spring, which to our mind and by subsequent investigation has proven to be at very advantageous prices. Dame Fashion has recommended them as the proper silk fabric for

SILK WAISTS, for utility, beauty and comfort in hot weather, as well as (the novelties of which there are many) for Fancy Dress and Evening Waists. We place them on sale at once, in order to make a quick turnover at a small profit on goods that are now positively scarce in Importers hands and much higher priced than they were when we contracted. The style range includes every color in greatest variety of Corded, printed and Plain, The price is from 25c for the old Corded Kai Kais—in New Cords and Colors up to 50c and 75c for Novelties.
All washable, and serviceable beyond any other silk fabric known to the trade at the price.

New Fancy and Plain Silks.
Having every reason to believe that this Spring Season of 1900 will be the banner year for Silk Wearing—and seeing the tendency for some time past, of much higher prices we made our plans long ago to capture the silk selling for this community. Details are difficult because of the variety. We can only say that all the New Pastel Shades, as well as all the colors you are acquainted with are here.

Plain Taffetas, same quality and width as formerly—50c and 75c. Striped and Plaid Taffetas at 75c and 85c. Corded Taffetas—in richest of color combinations, stripes 75c and \$1.00. The Newest Lace Stripe Taffetas \$1.00 and \$1.25. BLACK SILKS Rich Satin Duchess in 22 to 27 in. wide, 70c, 80c, \$1, \$1.25, Black Taffeta, yarn dyed, will not cut, 21 in. wide, 90c—27 in Taffeta, rich, crispy \$1.—22 in. rich, lustrous and crisp, 75c.

Make comparisons with others after having seen these. THE LEADERS, G. W. WEAVER & SON.

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NOTICE.—All announcements of concerts, festivals, pic-nics, ice cream and cake festivals and similar enterprises, got-up to make money, whether for churches, associations, or individuals, must be paid for at the rate of five cents for each line.

Entered as Second-Class Matter at the Emmitsburg Postoffice.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1900.

TO-MORROW is St. Patrick's Day.

VERNAL equinox next Tuesday.

The equinoctial storms are about due.

The Potomac River is said to be 400 miles long.

Mr. Jacob L. Hoke is having his kitchen raised a story higher.

GARDEN making will soon be in order. Saturday is the day to plant potatoes.

This section of the country was visited with a slight snow storm on Sunday last.

Snow began falling at an early hour yesterday morning and continued all day.

A PENSION of \$6 a month has been granted to William F. Miller, of Rocky Ridge.

The first anniversary of the Hagerstown Masonic Temple was celebrated appropriately.

Rev. Dr. Flynn delivered the Lenten sermon at St. Joseph's parish church Wednesday evening.

Postmaster Hawley, of San Jose, Cal., is in Westminister examining the operation of the rural free delivery.

This is Rev. Mr. Sheldon's busy week. He is editing a Christian daily paper at Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. G. C. Naylor has been appointed postmaster at Fourpoints, this District, vice M. F. Saylor, resigned.

MISS SARAH CONWAY has contracted for the erection of a handsome colonial cottage at Blue Ridge Summit.

JOANNA OGDENBERG has been appointed postmaster at Roddy, this county, vice E. S. Colliflower, resigned.

The people of Cumberland are sinking artesian wells and thus obtaining their own water supply, independent of the city works.

The Excelsior Laundry started operation Monday under favorable conditions. We wish Mr. Baker success in his new enterprise.

It is stated the Cumberland Valley Railway will this spring erect a large grain elevator at Halfway, in Washington county.

WILLIAM GARDNER, of South River, Anne Arundel county, died from the effects of injuries inflicted by the accidental discharge of a gun.

Plans for the Frederick Female High School have been forwarded by Messrs. Wyatt & Nolting, of Baltimore, and will be given to contractors for bids.

The body of a handsomely dressed young white woman was found on Saturday in Magdohy River. The woman had on gold bracelets and a diamond ring.

WHILE boring a well on the premises of Mr. Chas. Wenschloff, near Fairplay, Pa., a copper rock was struck, and quite a quantity of chips of almost solid copper were brought to the surface.

A NUMBER of business men of Galena, Kent county, are organizing a savings bank, the capital stock of which is placed at \$20,000. The major part of the stock has been subscribed.

SENATOR WELLINGTON has been elected president of the electric light company at Cumberland. He is already president of the street railway company there, and the two will work in harmony.

The stone pier for the new steel bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad over the Monocacy is nearly completed, and a force of workmen is now engaged in constructing piers for a new bridge over Pipe Creek, near Bruceville.

FARMERS and fruit growers are much pleased at the outlook for fruit this year. A peach crop is confidently expected by most growers, and that there will be plenty of small fruit is not doubted.

ALBERTUS SANDERS, of Waynesboro, Pa., purchased in Washington county, three fine bulls for shipment to Glasgow, Scotland. He bought one weighing 2,200 pounds from J. H. Reeder.

THAT bright and newsy weekly journal, The Valley Register, published at Middletown, by Mr. G. C. Roderick, appeared last week in a new dress of type. It now presents a clean, neat typographical appearance.

THE Frederick City Hospital Association at its annual meeting elected officers, including: Miss Emma J. Smith, president; Mrs. J. H. Markey, vice-president; Miss Nannie Routhanz, recording secretary; Mrs. U. A. Sharratt, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Hammond Urner, treasurer.

STILL MORE COUNTERFEITING. The Secret Service has unearthed another band of counterfeiters and secured a large quantity of bogus bills, which are so cleverly executed that the average person would never suspect them of being spurious. Things of great value are always selected by counterfeiters for imitation, notably the celebrated Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has many imitators but no equals for indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, nervousness and general debility. The Bitters set things right in the stomach, and when the stomach is in good order it makes good blood and plenty of it. In this manner the Bitters get at the seat of strength and vitality, and restore vigor to the weak and debilitated. Beware of counterfeiters when buying.

SCHOOL Trustee Kreitz and some friends erected a new flag-staff on the district school house at Mt. St. Mary's, and the Stars and Stripes floated gloriously once more over the building, on Wednesday last.

THE Eastern Shore Telephone Company has put on record at Easton a mortgage for \$100,000 to secure the payment of 200 \$500 5 per cent. gold bonds that are to be issued to obtain money for extensions and betterments.

By the terms of the will of the late Samuel Seibert, who died suddenly on the street in Hagerstown, the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, will receive \$8,000 and Pennsylvania College, at the same place, will receive a donation of \$4,000.

The closing session of the legislature at Annapolis promises to be unusually interesting. It has been rumored that a lobby has been at work at Annapolis in behalf of telephone legislation. A committee has been appointed to investigate the charge.

D. E. OPELT & SOSS have purchased a large tract of coal and timber land about three miles west of Oakland. A five foot vein of coal has been operated on the tract for several years, and at one time the engines of the Baltimore and Ohio were supplied with coal from this mine.

ALFRED F. GEORGE, Fish Commissioner for the Western Shore of Maryland, will make a distribution of nearly 1,000,000 brook trout eggs this spring. In the vicinity of Oakland last week 75,000 trout fry were distributed, and an equal number placed in the streams about Swanton.

The Franklin Mills waterwheel, near Thurmont, built in 1885, collapsed and the mill is now idle. The shaft is twenty-two feet long, and was put in more than twenty-eight years ago. This was the second wheel the shaft had served.

A DORCHESTER man presented to United States Treasurer Roberts a box that was buried on his farm eight years ago, containing \$750 in notes, which had become mouldy, soft and otherwise in a very bad condition. The treasurer promptly redeemed them, giving new currency in their place.

Mr. Isaac C. Anderson, of the second district of Anne Arundel county, has received a patent for 19 1/2 acres within four miles of Annapolis. About a year ago Mr. Anderson found that this land was unoccupied and not assessed, and he had a warrant of survey issued from the Land Office.

THE jury in the case of Thomas DeLaney, who sued the Norfolk and Western Railway Company for \$10,000 damages for injuries sustained by drinking concentrated lye at the water cooler in the station at Shenandoah Junction, W. Va., one night last December, brought in a verdict for \$2,500 for DeLaney.

THOMAS DAVIDSON, a Scotchman aged 32 years, was held up just below the South Cumberland viaduct by four negroes who held a lighted from a freight train. He was badly used and was robbed of \$15 and a silver watch. County Physician Charles H. Brace dressed Davidson's wounds. He was very weak from loss of blood.

THE remarkable oak tree at the top of Lloyd's Hill, Talbot county, was cut down last Tuesday. At or near its base it measured 39 feet in circumference. No one knew its age, but 100 years ago it was known as an old tree, and stood as a landmark. It was perhaps 300 years old. It was within a quarter of a mile of the intersection of Caroline, Queen Anne and Talbot counties.

OIL has been discovered on the land of John Kennedy, at Bedding, along the Cumberland Valley Railroad, across the river from Williamsport. The exact spot is at the famous Sulphur Springs, and it is stated, that indications of oil have been seen on the surface. There is a plan afoot, backed by New York capital, it is stated, to bore the land to ascertain the value of the discovery.

ALEXANDER SMITH, fourteen years old, who lived with his parents at 722 West Ostend street, Baltimore, was crushed between cars on a freight train of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad while riding on one of the cars, and died shortly after he had been taken to the Maryland University Hospital.

MISS ROSA CROWE, of Borden Shaft, who was with Walter Wade when he fired the shot that killed Owen Edwards, his rival, has been taken to Cumberland and placed in jail in default of \$1,000 bail, as a witness. She is a pretty girl, aged seventeen years.

GEORGE KOON, who was arrested in Hagerstown a few days ago and taken to Frederick by Sheriff Troxell on a charge of assault with intent to murder, was taken before Judge Motter Wednesday and released in \$200 bail for the August term of court. Koon was indicted by the last grand jury upon two charges, but was not captured. It was learned that he was in jail at Hagerstown.

The machinists' strike at the Cumberland steel mills was settled by a compromise reached between Howard H. Dickey, president of the company, and the machinists' committee. The men to receive \$2.40 a day. Monday afternoon the shearmen and the boys who assist them went on strike in the same plant. It is understood that the boys demanded an increase, which was refused. Other boys were put in their places, and it is claimed the shearmen then quit. The millmen do not anticipate much trouble, and think the boys will soon be at work again.

MAYOR HAYES appeared before the committee appointed by the House to investigate the charge that there was a lobby at work in connection with the Telephone Conduit bill. He presented photographs of a letter written by Delegate Samuel H. Hoffacker, of Carroll county, to his brother in Baltimore, intimating that cash was floating around. Mr. Hoffacker admitted writing the letter, but declared it was a joke. Evidence of Engineer Phelps and Delegate Real was also taken. The committee met at night and decided to wait until Thursday before making a report. Other witnesses may be summoned.

PERSONALS.

Misses Rith Agnew and Bruce Morrison are visiting relatives in York, Pa.

FOUND DEAD.

The lifeless body of Dr. J. J. Collier, of Jefferson, a prominent physician of that place, was found in a field near his home Tuesday afternoon by George Lewis, who happened to be passing. The body was taken to his home, where it was ascertained that he died from an attack of heart trouble, from which he had been suffering for some time. He was 77 years old and leaves a widow.

A HORSE'S FATAL KICK.

Mr. William U. Lambest, a young farmer residing near Tyrone, Carroll county, was fatally injured by the kick of a horse last Thursday.

The horse was a vicious animal and as Mr. Lambest was about to take him out of the stall to water him the horse planted both feet in his right side below the ribs. Mr. Lambest died from the injury. He was about 33 years old and was unmarried, his two sisters, Misses Mary and Missouri Lambert, living with him. Two other sisters survive him; Mrs. William Phillips and Mrs. Charles Marquart.

HAGERSTOWN'S LIBRARY.

Hagerstown seems at last to be sure of getting the free public library made possible by the gift of \$50,000 by Mr. B. F. Newcomer, of Baltimore, a native of Washington county. Mr. Newcomer gave the \$50,000 provided the public raised \$20,000 for the building, and the city of Hagerstown and county of Washington levied for the running expenses. Mr. Edward W. Mealey donated a valuable site opposite the court house. Those who have subscribed to the building fund have been requested to pay. Architects are drawing plans for the building and it is stated, work will begin shortly.

War Claims.

Rev. J. C. Koon, rector, and the vestrymen of St. Thomas' Episcopal church Hancock, Md., have put in a claim for damages to the church sustained during Civil War by the shelling of Hancock by Stonewall Jackson from West Virginia hills. It seems that the church was the target and that it was badly damaged. Repairs on the church to the extent of several hundred dollars, however, have obliterated all traces of cannon balls. The interior decorations just completed make the church one of the most beautiful small churches in the diocese.

The large bank barn on the farm of Michael Walsh, about one and a half miles from Carrollton, in Carroll county, was destroyed by fire, including all its contents, excepting the live stock, which was saved. The farm is under cultivation by the son of Mr. Walsh, William Walsh, and the fire was started in the barn floor by the explosion of a lantern. Although several young men were there, nothing could be done to check the flames, which spread rapidly. Farming implements, wagons, harness, binders and twelve to fifteen tons of hay were consumed. The barn was a new one, having been erected three years ago, and nearly all the farming implements were new. The loss is estimated at about \$1,200 and insured for \$300.

Many School Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colic in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all drugists. See Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmstead, Lefroy, N. Y.

Inquest Over the Death of an Infant.

An infant child of Annie M. Davis, colored, was found dead in its bed at its home in DeGrange street, Frederick, on Wednesday morning of last week, under peculiar circumstances.

The story of the child's death as told by the mother and other persons who knew of the circumstances were very conflicting. The mother said that at 5 o'clock that morning the child was alive and well and Dr. Long says that the child had been dead four or five hours, at least, when he saw it. Coroner White summoned a jury of inquest, which rendered a verdict of death from natural causes.

OPPOSE A SCHOOL APPROPRIATION.

The County Commissioners, after considerable discussion, at a special meeting last Thursday afternoon, resolved to use every effort to defeat a bill now before the Legislature appropriating \$500, to be paid by Frederick county, for creating scholarships at the Neighbors' Normal School, at Buckeystown, in this county.

The board authorized their attorney to draw up a petition to be signed by members of the board, members of the School Board, who are opposed to the measure and by residents of the city and county protesting against this measure, which is objected to because the county, and not the State, is asked to make the appropriation. The members of the board say that the money could be used to better advantage in the public schools.

DEATH OF JOHN EIKER, SR.

Mr. John Eiker, Sr., died at his home in York, Pa., on March 7, aged 68 years, 10 months and 13 days. Paralysis was the cause of his death. He suffered from a paralytic stroke in 1898, from which he never fully recovered. Mr. Eiker was born in Liberty township, Adams county, Pa., and was well-known in Emmitsburg and the surrounding vicinity. He removed to York, Pa., eight years ago, where he lived up to the time of his death. The deceased is survived by a widow, two sons and a daughter, viz., John V. Eiker, of Greenmont, Pa., T. W. Eiker and Mrs. Ella M. Boyd, of York, Pa. Mr. Jacob Eiker, of Liberty township, is a brother of the deceased.

The interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery, Gettysburg, Pa., on March 9.

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DROWNED HIMSELF.

W. K. Davis, of Galena, Kent county, committed suicide last Saturday afternoon by drowning. He had been suffering very much lately from bladder trouble and was heard to make the remark that if there was a river close he would drown himself. Saturday morning he was suffering greatly and arose about 3 o'clock and went to W. A. Hyland's machine shop and stayed there until breakfast. He left Galena in the morning after telling Mrs. Ruth, with whom he boarded, not to wait dinner for him if he was not back in time. He was seen walking around the river shore at Raisin's wharf early in the afternoon. This was the last seen of him alive.

Not returning home by night, a general alarm was given, and searching parties scoured the river shore and woods bordering on it. About 10 o'clock an object was noticed about 20 feet from the shore on the Constable farm, occupied by H. C. Gray, distant three miles from Galena, which was at first supposed to be a log, but which proved to be the body of Mr. Davis. Attached to the corpse was a stone from a rope around his waist. The stone weighed 41 pounds. Further search revealed his hat, covered with leaves, in a hollow stump and his cane near by.

It is supposed he had been all day trying to drown himself, but so many people were around that he could not do so without being seen. He was tracked all around the river and creek shore into the woods, where there was a pile of stone, from which he selected one. From there his tracks led directly to where his body was found.

Mr. Davis was about 65 years of age and was foreman of Hyland's machine shops for 30 years.

CHURCH BUYS A CHURCH.

St. James' Lutheran Church, which disbanded several weeks ago, on Wednesday sold their church property on West Second street, in Frederick, to the United Brethren Church, Rev. C. W. Stinespring, pastor, for \$4,400. There was a floating debt of \$2,900 on the property, but the creditors agreed to accept 33 per cent. in settlement of their claims.

Mr. Stinespring says his congregation intend in June to erect a more elaborate building, which will be used as a church, and the present building will be converted into a Sunday-School room.

The new building will be erected as a memorial in commemoration of the centennial of the first meeting of the general conference of the church on Peter Kemp's farm, near Frederick city, 100 years ago, and which will be observed in Frederick in May 1901.

The congregation sold their present church on East Third street to James H. Harris for \$2,400. It will be razed and two modern dwellings erected on the site.

Mr. Stinespring is making active preparations for the general Conference, which will send over 500 delegates from all portions of the United States, Canada, Germany, Africa, Japan, China and will be in session from four to six weeks. In connection with the conference the church will have a pilgrimage to the site of the church's origin, which is expected from reports to bring about 50,000 people to Frederick.

GIRL'S BODY WASHED ASHORE.

The body of an unknown girl was washed ashore near the Magdohy narrows, Lake Shore Beach, Anne Arundel county, Saturday morning. The body was discovered by a colored man, who notified the county authorities. A jury was summoned and, after investigating the case, decided that the death was accidental. The girl was about 5 feet 2 inches in height and appears to have been about 16 years old. A cut was found on her forehead, thought to have been caused by her head coming in contact with a log that was lying on the beach. Most of her hair was missing. She had on a light tucked plaid waist and a gray underskirt and a plaid overskirt. Her overskirt appears to have been torn from her. A lot of sticks and other debris were entangled in her clothing. She had on two rings and a breastpin, but nothing could be found by which she could be identified. Her body was not decomposed, and looked as if it had not been in the water very long. Her body was buried in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

ESCAPED FROM JAIL.

Thomas Briscoe and John Ross, the latter colored, broke Cambridge jail last Saturday night about 8 o'clock and have not been heard from since. Briscoe was from Baltimore and Ross from Somerset county. Both were under charges of larceny and were to have been tried at the April term of the Dorchester County Court. Briscoe was charged with stealing a watch and Ross a bicycle. They have now stolen a march on the Sheriff. They are each about 27 years old and weigh about 150 pounds. A half hour before time to lock them in their cells Saturday night they succeeded in removing the cap covering the register and went down through the register, tearing up the flue pipe, and escaped through the jail cellar. Their escape was discovered a few minutes after ward and tracers were sent in all directions for them.

OIL EXCITEMENT AT ROUZERVILLE.

As a result of the excitement over the presence of oil, at Rouzerville, in Franklin county, Pa., not far from the Frederick county line, the price of land in that section has made a big jump. Ezra Miller, who owns twelve acres, refused \$5,000 for his tract, and other land owners say they have been approached with equally as liberal offers. The oil from the Monagan well has been pronounced good, and it is probable the work of sinking other wells will be started in a few days.

MR. GEORGE MARKELL DEAD.

Mr. George Markell, one of Frederick's oldest and most prominent citizens, who sustained a stroke of paralysis on Sunday, March 4, affecting his right side and speech, died Tuesday afternoon aged 84 years, at his home on West Patrick street, Frederick.

He was a son of John Markell and one of a family of six children. His father was a lifelong resident of Frederick and was quartermaster of a Maryland regiment in the war of 1812. His mother was Miss Catharine Mantz, daughter of Major Peter Mantz, who was a surveyor and served a term as Judge of the Orphans' Court. Mr. Markell was the oldest child of the family and has one brother living in Baltimore, Mr. Charles Markell.

He was educated in the public schools and at Frederick College. He entered his father's store when 21 years old and when his father retired he and his two brothers, Lewis and Frank, continued the dry goods business for a number of years, when he retired from active life having obtained wealth. He was one of the largest land owners in the county. During his active life Mr. Markell was connected with many financial institutions of Frederick, being a director of the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank, and was president of the Mutual Insurance Company of Frederick when it erected its handsome brownstone building on Market street. He was universally respected and esteemed. He was interested in all public enterprises and doing much to promote the general prosperity of the community. He was an active member of the Reformed Church and was noted for his many acts of charity.

In 1840 he married his second cousin, Miss Sarah Markell, who survives him. They had four daughters and one son. The oldest daughter married J. S. Dietrick, of the firm of Harvey & Dietrick, of Baltimore; the other daughters are Mrs. J. Davis Byerly, Mrs. James E. Walker and Miss Bettie Markell, of Frederick. Their son Louis Markell, died several years ago.

SMITH FREE.

Daniel Smith, of Wolfsville, who had been confined in jail at Frederick, for three weeks because he was suspected of having poisoned his wife, was released Monday afternoon, nothing having been discovered to confirm the suspicion. Mrs. Malinda Smith, wife of the released prisoner, died suddenly on the morning of February 14 last, having been taken with a vomiting spell on the previous evening after eating a hearty supper, which consisted partly of pudding, which had been brought home by her husband. The stomach, brain and other parts of Mrs. Smith's body were sent to Prof. W. P. Toney, state chemist, who, after a complete analysis, reported to State's Attorney Worthington that he could find no trace of poison of any sort.

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MR. McCintock Young, inventor of the machines used by the Palmetto Fiber Company, of Frederick and Chicago, for making brushes, is arranging to ship six of his latest machines to the Paris Exposition.

M. B. SMITH, Butternut, Mich., says, "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the very best pills I ever used for constiveness, liver and bowel troubles." T. E. Zimmerman & Co.

PROF. W. G. Johnson and Prof. C. O. Townsend, of the State Horticultural Department, have been visiting the orchards of the western part of the state, devoting their attention to sections which are affected with insect destroyers.

To secure the original witch hazel salve, ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous. T. E. Zimmerman & Co.

SALE REGISTER.

March 17, at 10 a. m., Y. C. Harbaugh will sell at his residence near Ryer P. O., on the old Lantz farm, 4 1/2 miles west of Emmitsburg, 3 horses, 3 head of cattle, and farming implements.

March 17, at 2 p. m., Annan, Horner & Co., will sell at public sale on the premises in Fairfield, Pa., a lot of ground improved with a two-story Dwelling House, barn, and other buildings. Known as the S. W. Clark property.

March 19, at 10 a. m., Albert Datterer will sell at his residence on the old Frederick road, about 2 1/2 miles south of Emmitsburg, horses, cattle and other property.

March 21, at 10 a. m., John M. Roddy & Bros., will sell at their residence at Motter's Station, horses, cattle and farming implement.

March 22, at 10 a. m., Samuel J. Willhite, agent for W. A. Willhite, will sell at public sale, on the old Reim farm near Ginnell's Mill, horses, cattle, farming implements, and household goods.

March 24, at 9 a. m., L. M. Fisher, agent, will sell at Motter's Station, horses, cattle, wagons, buggies, plows, repairs for machinery, etc.

March 24, at 2 p. m., at Hotel Spangler, Vincent School, Mortgages, will sell real estate, the property of Maria M. and John C. Georje.

March 31, at 10 a. m., at Mr. G. P. Beam's stable, in this place, John Groff, agent, will sell 13 horses, a lot of buggies, surreys, wagons, etc.

April 7, at 11 a. m., Vincent Sebald, Mortgagee, will sell at Motter's Station, a lot of personal property.

LETTER FROM ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

EDITOR CHRONICLE:—I had intended writing a letter to THE CHRONICLE for some time, but neglected doing so. I am glad to say I am getting along nicely, and like my western home. Rock Island is situated along the great "Father of Waters," the Mississippi river, and at this time the river is full of ice. Rock Island is also in the middle of two other cities, Moline, Ill., and Davenport, Iowa. The latter is right across the river from Rock Island. The government has a bridge across the river between the two cities, which is one of the finest structures in the United States. The electric cars run to and fro every seven minutes, which makes it very convenient for traffic.

I receive THE CHRONICLE every week from home, and always look forward to its arrival with pleasure, as it is always full of news, and the reading of which is a source of great pleasure. One of the government arsenals is situated here, on one of the finest and largest islands in the river. Here is manufactured some articles which are sent all over the United States, and also to the Philippine Islands. Rock Island is a beautiful place in the summer. One of the famous resorts is the Watch Tower, formerly called Black Haw, after an Indian Chief, who is supposed to have camped and lived here, and owing to the height of the hill and the surrounding country, it reminds one very much of the picturesque scenery of Pen-Mar. This famous resort is reached by electric cars and on a hot summer evening is a very delightful ride.

Having written about all that is of interest at this time I will close this letter, with kindest regards to you and all inquiring friends, I remain,

Yours very truly,
LEWIS M. ANNAN.

Rock Island, Ill.

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DEATH OF SAMUEL SEIBERT.

Mr. Samuel Seibert, one of Hagerstown's best known citizens, dropped dead while walking near the postoffice on South Potomac street, Hagerstown, last Thursday.

He was 87 years old and a native of Berkeley county, West Virginia. He went to Hagerstown about 70 years ago from Martinsburg and for many years was engaged in business in Hagerstown. He had been a carpet weaver, but built the block on the corner of Potomac and Antietam streets and for years conducted a grocery store in the building. He was also engaged in the second-hand furniture business. He accumulated an estate valued at from \$50,000 to \$75,000. He married Miss Matilda Bentz, daughter of John Bentz, of Funkstown, who died about fifteen years ago. His nearest surviving relatives are several grandnieces, living near Sharpsburg.

For many years he was treasurer and an elder in St. John's Lutheran Church, Hagerstown. He was a liberal contributor to the church. For the last five years he made his home at the Franklin House.

Thursday morning he started to take a walk and was seized with a fainting spell, caused by failure of the heart to act, and he fell over on the curb. He was carried into the tobacco store of Wm. S. Huntzberry, where he expired before physicians could reach him.

GREENMOUNT ITEMS.

Mrs. Jessie Guinn is having a new board fence put up on her farm near the ridge.

Mr. Cal. Heagy is digging a well. Mr. Calvin Fair has moved to his new home, the John Harner lot, which he bought last fall.

Mr. H. P. Bigham has the gripe. After spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Hoffman, of Hanover, Miss Carrie Herring has returned home.

Mrs. Henry Reck is spending some time with her brother and family, near Emmitsburg, Md.

A very pleasant evening was spent at Mrs. A. E. Woods' this week. Mr. George Steiner rendered some choice selections on the violin, accompanied by Miss Katie Plank on the organ.

Miss Jessie and Helen Wood, of near Emmitsburg, Mr. George Steiner and wife, and Miss Katie Plank spent a day with Mr. Samuel Dabbs and family, this week.

Mr. John Shank intends moving to Emmitsburg in the near future.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN.

A tramp giving his name as Herbert Andrews, and claiming Harper's Ferry as his home, was arrested and lodged in jail at Ellicott City Monday by Chief of Police James E. Vansant, on the charge of attempting to wreck a way train of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, near that place. Conductor Weltjen, in charge of the westbound way train, drawn by engine No. 524, was shifting his train to another track, and at the lower switch, saw the man run to the upper switch and throw it out of place, which caused the approaching cart to jump the track. Conductor Weltjen fortunately saw the man's act in time to avoid greater damage to the train, and probably loss of life. The switch was thrown up and one of the cars considerably broken. The man was found after the occurrence on the Rock Hill College premises, where he said he had gone to get something to eat. He declared to the authorities that his object in changing the switch was not to cause but to obviate an accident.

WANT CLASSIS DIVIDED.

At the bi-monthly meeting Monday of the Reformed Ministerium of Frederick county, composed of the Reformed ministers in this county, a committee consisting of Rev. Dr. E. R. Eschbach, of Frederick; Rev. J. W. Pontius, of Middletown; and D. J. Wolf, of Walkersville, was appointed to prepare an overture to be presented to the Maryland Classis, with a view to dividing the classis into two bodies. There are now over forty ministers in the classis, and that number is considered too large. It is proposed to form a separate classis of the ministers and congregations in Frederick and Washington counties, where the Reformed church is particularly strong, and to have the other classis consist of the balance of the counties of Maryland, east of Frederick and the cities of Baltimore and Washington. Allegany and Garrett counties are included in a Pennsylvania classis. The overture will be presented at the next annual meeting of



A Newspaper Holder.

Here is a strong, useful holder for newspapers or music. Any one can make the framework, which is of deal. Two uprights are made for each side, with a crossbar about three inches from the ends; one side should be made just a trifle narrower than the other so that it may be set inside the wider one, and firmly fixed by screws each side where the bars cross. Sandpaper the wood to make it quite smooth and varnish as desired. The ends are of art serge, cut the same depth as the opening, and wide enough to allow of a box-pleat; slope the ends down so that there is not much fulness at the lower part; fold the box-pleat and stitch it firmly, then nail along the edge with a piece of furniture gimp or braid. A rosette of ribbon ornaments each side where the uprights are joined.

Women As Census Enumerators.

Women will be employed both as enumerators and as clerks in the compilation of the census of 1900, and the bureau expects that numbers of women will be first employed in this labor in 1880. In 1890 women again found employment as clerks and as census takers, though then, as now, the fact that women were eligible to these positions was not as widely known as it should have been.

There are many reasons why this employment for women is most suitable. In the first place, as the work only lasts for a few weeks or months and then ceases absolutely, it has not been found necessary to find the best men for this position. Women were first employed in this labor in 1880. In 1890 women again found employment as clerks and as census takers, though then, as now, the fact that women were eligible to these positions was not as widely known as it should have been.

The number of persons who will be employed in securing the facts for the census of 1900 reaches up into the tens of thousands. It is to be hoped that many women will find remuneration for their labor in this most suitable occupation.

Hints About Soup.

In making soups of all kinds, not boiling, must be observed as an essential to the good result. The French say that the soup should be only simmered, that is, should never show any bubbles on the surface, but should cook slowly, in an even heat just below the boiling point. It is because our cooks and housewives can not, or rather will not, understand this rule, that the soup of the average American household is a mere pretender to the name. It is not enough as certain blunderers seem to fancy, to keep the constituents of the broth hot for several hours; it must cook incessantly, never stopping for a moment's time. Furthermore, all the water needed for the soup should be put into it at the beginning; a serious loss of flavor is risked if more water has to be added during the process of cooking.

A Woman's Work.

It is not much over twenty years since a retired San Francisco teacher named Miss Audin conceived the idea that she could make the then barren plains of Fresno blossom like a rose and bear fruit abundantly. Under the inspiration of that belief she began the cultivation and curing of the raisin grape. As a direct result of the efforts of this woman Fresno county last year produced in one industry alone to the extent of \$1,000,000, which is equal to the value of the entire seasonal crop of grapes there. Almost all of the other industries which have since been developed in Fresno county have been the indirect outgrowth of the successful experiment made by Miss Audin in raisin-making.

Mrs. Hannah Halsey of Binghamton, New York, has willed her large farm to her son on conditions that he shall give his sister so long as she may live eight dozen eggs, twelve pounds of butter, one ham, what milk she can use and all the vegetables she may want each year.

"Doesn't it make you weary to have your partner blowing a mouthful of crackery crumbs in your ear every day?" asked the lady.

"It's a bit tiring," said the funny comedian of the burlesque troupe, "but one must endure these inconveniences for the sake of art."—Lillian Press.

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HAY AND STRAW.

They Were Profitable Crops Last Year and Will Be This Year.

Both long rye straw and good, clean, bright timothy were profitable crops last year, and the farmer owning a lot of each can get satisfactory prices for either. The demand for straw and hay for the new colonies and for South Africa has stimulated the trade considerably, but there is a legitimate demand from livestock and private stables. It is a fact though that only the best grade of either hay or straw pays good profits. The farmer who raises inferior hay on his place had better keep right home and feed, and not attempt to send it to market. It certainly does not pay to keep any but the best hay for late winter markets, for the shrinking of poor hay is greatly increased by the weight of the heavy loads of poorly grown hay, weighing it beforehand and then attempt to sell it in the winter. The weight will be so much less than when it was harvested that it will be hard to think that all the difference is due to shrinkage.

Wheat and oats straw hardly pay to ship to long distance markets, but they can enter into the food economy of the farm very satisfactorily. I do not think we feel enough good straw in connection with bran and grain. The animals seem to like it, and it must have a fair percentage of nutriment in it. So much of it is wasted in bedding that the animals will not touch it, but feed it to them chopped up, mixed with grain and steamed. Very few will refuse to eat it. Long rye straw pays well enough to ship it to most any good market. The West has not deluged the Eastern markets with long rye straw, and good, fine, bright straw of this kind is sure to find good customers.

Hay farmers in New York need to stir themselves in regard to improving their hay crop. We used to think of the hay crop as a matter of course, but the hay of the better class from Michigan and Wisconsin is equal, if not superior, to the same grade raised in the east. On the new lands of those states it thrives naturally, and produces a splendid straw and large crops. We have sometimes had the advantage of better methods of cutting but it looks as if some of the Western farmers have been taking lessons from the Eastern men in hay raising, and they sometimes improve on their work. We have the advantage of transportation rates in the Eastern markets, but that does not always determine the question of profit. We must consider the cost of raising and the price of land. Hay with \$15 to \$18 per ton, however, in New York and Boston we can expect to make a pretty good living if the middlemen do not take all of the transportation companies leave.—Exchange.

How a Windmill Pays.

It is sometimes questioned whether the windmill is a practical power. I live on a hill farm three miles from town. Two years ago I bought a 16 ft. geared windmill and placed it upon a 70-ft. wooden tower strongly anchored. Since then father and I have saved our own wood and ground all of our grain and have been better satisfied with our own grinding than we used to be with that of the village miller. I often grind 1 or 2 blis. of grist while doing chores. Let me break last, or while taking my morning walk in the house which must be visited as the calls are made during the hours when men are away on business.

The number of persons who will be employed in securing the facts for the census of 1900 reaches up into the tens of thousands. It is to be hoped that many women will find remuneration for their labor in this most suitable occupation.

A new wrinkle about shoveling dirt into a ditch, is to turn the shovel over, having a man on one side of the ditch to push the shovel and on the other side of the ditch to pull the shovel by means of a pole fastened by a wire to the base of the shovel handle. The picture makes it very plain. The old ditcher who got up this idea is an Illinois man and finds it a great help, especially where the soil is heavy. He is a man who does ditching by contract, and who therefore knows what he is talking about. He says that two men working in this way will accomplish as much as three men working with shovels in the ordinary manner.

Grass, leaves, leaves and fence corners winter over hosts of destructive insects. Where such places can be burned over, many can be destroyed. It will also pay to go over the orchard and remove cocoon and dried leaves.

The best market pens for the cringing trade are White Marrow, Alaska and Triumph. French Canner is a fine table pen.

Old Party—Well, well! Nature works wonders. Manager—Yes, an' me—the wonders works the public.—New York Press.

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DOCKING.

Why the Barbarous Practice Is Becoming Unpopular.

A New York man who is actively interested in all that pertains to light harness horses recently said that "when fashion decreed that it was correct to drive horses with as short a tail as it was possible to make, everybody who wanted to be in the swim followed the foolish idea, and the unfortunate horses suffered accordingly. Now that a large number of the dock-tailed horses have been worn out and broken down, they have become common in the ranks of hard working horses, and delivery wagons, express wagons, and even peddlers' horses so that diminished candle-clipper is no longer confined to the ranks of the light-tonged brigade. Whenever any fad (and the dock-tailed horse was only a fad) becomes common the leaders of society drop out and it then naturally goes out of fashion. It was so with the bicycle. As long as the price of bicycles was held up to a point that kept them out of reach of the common people they were popular among the society folks, but when Mrs. Bon Ton found that she could daily spin with her wheel she was liable to encounter her washerwoman, the grocery boy, her own servant or any other of the working classes, she soon became disgusted with the wheel. Now that the short-tailed horse is common, the exclusive set have gone back to the long-tailed class, and many a fine pair are now to be seen in the fashionable quarters. The shrewdest dealers quickly caught on, and while many horses are shown with their tails tied up, they are not docked except by order of the purchaser. While every one of the dock-tailed true lovers of horses will be glad to dock, it is inhuman in this country of files and carrel treatment of animals. We are glad to see that the President's horses wear long tails, and probably this has had some influence on the fashion. Bang's fall is less objectionable. It was the former custom, and may prevail with coach horses.—Exchange.

SKIM MILK.

Its Food Value in Combination With Grain.

The Utah station made a continuation of experiments to study economy of feeding pigs on skim milk alone and in combination with various kinds of grain. The animals used were Berkshire or Berkshire grades and quite young at the beginning of each experiment. When fed in combination with grain, skim-milk has sixty-three per cent. greater feeding value than it has when fed alone. 10 pounds of skim milk taking the place of 23.2 pounds of grain in the former case and 14.2 pounds in the latter. The hogs fed on the milk and grain ration made much more rapid gains than either those fed on milk alone or grain alone. It was required to make 100 pounds of gain in 70 days for the hogs fed on milk and grain, 116 days for those fed on grain alone, and 147 days when the food was milk alone. When the skim milk and grain were fed in the proportion of three pounds or less of skim milk to one pound of grain the return for the skim milk was greater than when a large proportion was fed. When fed in the proportion of two pounds of skim milk to one pound of grain 130 pounds of milk took the place of this one pound of grain, but when fed in the proportion of four pounds of skim milk to one pound of grain it took twenty-four pounds were displaced. Hogs fed on skim milk alone gained very slowly and did not keep in good health. In some cases they were off their feed so frequently that a change had to be made. The milk and grain fed hogs, however, without exception kept in good health.

A Good Farm Hog.

The American stockman has developed no distinct breed of hogs. Although we have breeds called American, they have been developed from foundation stock brought over from Europe. The nearest to an American hog is the Cheshire, which was probably produced by crossing Berkshires, Yorkshires, Suffolks and Essex. This breed was first recognized in 1859 and has certain qualities which make it adapted to farm conditions in the U. S. While not unusually large, they attain a good size, often reaching 500 to 600 lbs. During recent years they have been bred more for beauty of form and quality than for size, and consequently the Cheshires of today are smaller than those of 40 years ago.

The one good quality that the Cheshire admirer claims above all others for his breed is early maturity. In this respect they surpass all other breeds. Many instances are known of hogs reaching 400 lbs. when nine months old. For pork purposes no pig should be kept more than nine months, consequently the Cheshire produces a larger animal at this age than other breeds and is more profitable. Another claim is that the flesh is exceptionally solid and firm in texture and of very fine grain. It has a larger proportion of lean meat than any other breed, which of course is very desirable. If the feeder wants fat pork, all he has to do is to keep the Cheshire a little longer. The meat is also noted for compactness as well as the lean. Buyers are not often able to guess the weight of Cheshires, because of this quality. They are usually much heavier than their size indicates.—New England Homestead.

Many stallions are being placed in the hands of companies of farmers at the present time. The plan is not a new one, but is in much more general employment by stallioners this season than ever before.

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Not Always.

"I am sorry to disappoint you young man," said the great railway magnate to the reporter who had called in for the purpose of writing him up. "I did not get out of the bottom and work my way up. I never backed the boots of the engine wipers and never carried beer for the janitor or of the roundhouse. I was kicked through college by my father, inherited a fortune, which I invested in railroad shares, and I hold this job because I have votes enough to control it. It is too bad, my young friend, but we can't all be self-made men. We would become tired men." And he bowed the caller out.

Uttered His Sentiments Anyhow.

The leader of the brass band was a British sympathizer. "Any member of this band," he said, "who stands up for them bar-barens, had better keep it to himself. The first man that raises his voice for old Kruger will get his 'walk-in' papers. That's all I've got to say." Five minutes after the band was playing, and the fierce-eyed old German shouting into it: "OOM-Paul! OOM-Paul! OOM-Paul!"—Chicago Tribune.

Sayings and Syings.

The boy having freely admitted that he cut down the cherry tree, is amazed to observe his father coming at him with the trunk strap. "What!" exclaims the boy. "Do you not propose to exemplify the saying that honesty is the best policy?" "No," replies the saying that children and fools speak the truth!" retorted the old man, with a readiness of wit scarcely to be expected in one of his mature years.—New York World.

Partners in Crime.

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Logging in Maine. After many discouraging years, with prices low and trade slow, spruce is up again, and once more the light of old-time prosperity shines upon the lumbermen of Maine. This has been a busy and profitable year on the Penobscot and all over the state. Prices have been high, the demand is brisk and when the river freezes there will be a few logs and little lumber left of all the millions of feet that were cut last winter.

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