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Let those admire and love who can This malice-mongering dame, Who sees in this the progress man Must surely be to blame.

HOW THE CAPTAIN SURRENDERED.

"Rub the horse down, and don't feed him 'til he is perfectly cool." The words were addressed to the hostler of a hotel at Brighton by a handsome, middle-aged gentleman, dressed in the height of fashion, as he alighted from an elegant black horse and tossed the reins to an attendant.

"A well-dressed man, who rides a handsome nag, is always sure of a welcome at a public house all the world over. Our friend soon found himself in a neat parlor with flowers and vases on the mantelpiece, and the blinds (for it was a summer afternoon) carefully closed, while the open windows provided the free current of air to circulate through the apartment.

The waiter remained standing near by the door. "Any orders, sir?" "No, your honor," who came in that handsome pation I saw standing in the yard?" "A lady, sir."

"A young," he followed: "I am certainly very fortunate to have attained this position of forty without any famous attachment. Peculiarly independent, yet I should think I must admit that I should like to have what those busy-bodies, matchmakers, call a grand catch. But, thank me, I have happily preserved my content and independence so far, and I'm not likely to succumb now. No! not Jack Champion was born to live and die a bachelor. And now for the newspaper."

In the meantime another horseman had come to the hotel, his horse reeking with sweat, and literally unable to place one foot before the other. The same hostler now made his appearance. "Well, sir, the fashionable attire of your horse is very nice, but the stable boy has the best you can get for her."

"I am afraid so to." "Ah! what made you grow her so?" "No matter, is my sister here?" "Yes, sir, show the gentleman into the ladies' parlor." "Ah, Bell," said the young man, "you are here?" "Yes," replied a beautiful young woman, rising to meet him, "but what is the matter with you?" "Nothing, Bell; nothing." "Something is certainly the matter. You look flushed and excited." "That's not all."

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OUR OILS.

Fish expressed if not implied—C. O. D. Trading on tick—Swapping a watch for a bed.

Epitaph on a waiter: "He is gone; he could wait no longer."

What beats a good wife? A bad husband. There are fifteen and a half miles of gas-pipe in the new Paris Opera House.

Ching-ling, an ancient Empress of China, was the inventor of silk.

The best cough drop for young ladies is to drop the practice of dressing thin when they go out in the night air.

The following words, if spelt backwards are the same, Name no one man. The shah of Persia has a son, That makes him pa-shah.—Boston Com. Bulletin. Oh! psalm!

Vinco Ream sings. She should be a great singer, since it takes twenty choirs to make one Ream.—Boston Post.

"Who was the author of the Psalm?" asked a Sunday-school teacher of a little girl. "I know ma'am, it was Sam.—Albany Argus.

A barking dog never bites, but the same measure of confidence isn't to be placed in a barking bee, even if he does go to war backwards.

Why does the blacksmith seem the most dissatisfied of all mechanics? Because he is continually striking for wages.

You can generally tell how popular you are with a lady, by the length of time she keeps you waiting whilst dressing to receive you.

In marriage, prefer the person before wealth, virtue before beauty; and the mind before the face—then you will have a friend and a companion.

A lady sent to the Philadelphia Sun man to borrow a newspaper containing something pretty and interesting. The fellow wrapped himself up in a paper and toddled off to see her.

The Republicans to the nation: You must either hush up about the present fraud or take back Grant and all the old friends. Now choose, you blockheads.—Courier Journal.

Grant says the Inter-Ocean occupies a place in the hearts of his countrymen, The Ocean might have added, He has long occupied a place in their pockets.—Courier Journal.

"My dear," said a husband, in starting tones, after awakening his wife in the night, "I have swallowed a dose of strychnine!" "Well, then, do for goodness sake life still, or it might come up."

A young lady of Clinton, Ill., sent twenty-five cents and a postage stamp in reply to advertisement of "How to make an impression," and received for an answer, "Sit down on a pan of dough."

"Well, what I hope, then, dear, that at some future time I may have the happiness of making you my wife?" "Yes, I hope so, I'm sure," she replied, "for I'm getting tired of using fellows for breach of promise."

Peach brandy is used in the manufacture of the postage with which postage stamps are gummed. Gentle reader if you see any of your fellow townsmen staggering, don't say they are drunk; they may have just mailed some letters.

One Scotchman complained that he had got a ring in his head. Do you know the man o' that? asked his worthy neighbor. Na, I'll tell you—it's because it's empty. And have ye never a ring in your head? quoth the other.—No, never. And you ken the reason? It's because it's cracked.

She stepped out of the cars a few minutes, leaving a book in the seat, but on returning went to the wrong car, and inquired of a placid old lady: "Are you grating on 'That Husband of Mine'?" "Good gracious! No!" exclaimed the old maid, jumping and scanning the seat with rigid scrutiny.

"Habit is hard to overcome. If you take of the first letter it does not change a bit." If you take of another you still have a bit left. If you take of still another, the whole of it remains. If you take off another it is not 't' totally used up. All of which goes to show that if you wish to be rid of a 'habit' you must throw it off all at once.

A girl up town who has a swivel or screw eye, looked so long and affectionately on a gin bottle, that she actually drew out the cork! An apt instance of the power of true love.

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der myself. Now, Bell, if your pony will take me to your uncle's in five minutes, I am your man."

"Poor Charley couldn't do it," answered the lady.

"Then I will make other arrangements. By and by, I will meet you at the villa."

From the drawing-room the young man rushed to the stable.

"Pat," said he, "give me a horse—a good one."

"Sorra the horse we've got in the stable except the black, and he belongs to a gentleman that comes just before you. Och, but he's good one, your 'anner—2.50 to a cent."

"I will borrow," said Traverse, jumping on his back, "Tell Bell to drive the gentleman to the villa, and he shall have the horse again."

"But yer 'anner!" remonstrated the hostler.

In rain. Traverse put spurs to the horse and was off like a thunderbolt.

"Oh, wirra, wirra, what will become of me! I am ruined intirely!"

Shortly after Mrs. Leslie rang for her phaeton, and at the same time Mr. Champion, the old bachelor, rang for his horse. The pony phaeton came round to the front, and at the same time the young widow stepped lightly into the phaeton.

"All right," she said to Pat, with a smile, nodding and taking the reins.—"Give him his head."

"Och, it's all wrong," said Pat, keeping a tight hold on the reins.

"Your carriage can take two inside."

"Very well, but I came alone."

"You've got to take a passenger."

"What do you mean?"

"Oh, wirra—your brother has been stealing a horse."

"Stealing?"

"Yes; this gentleman's, and he said you was to take him to the villa, to get his horse back again."

"Very singular," said the widow; "but William was always eccentric."

"At this crisis Mr. Champion appeared. "My horse ready?"

"Jump in, sir."

"I didn't come in a carriage."

"In wide 'ye," shouted the hostler.

"Take a seat be-side me, if you please, sir," said the widow, with her most fascinating smile.

Mr. Champion approached the step to inquire the meaning, when the hostler seized him with a vigorous hand and thrust him into the phaeton, while the pony, started by the movement, dashed off at a run.

Poor Captain Champion! Here was a situation! A confirmed old bachelor, bodily abducted by a fascinating young widow. The captain had to lend his assistance to the young lady in managing the pony, who was shortly resigned to his usual slow and quiet gait; for his assistance Mrs. Leslie told him that in a few minutes he should be in possession of his horse, which had been borrowed by a gentleman. This was all the explanation she vouchsafed. She required in turn to be made acquainted with the name of her companion after giving her own.

In a few minutes the captain began to be somewhat at ease—in fact he began to like his position. He had never sat so near a pretty woman in his life. He began to ask himself whether in the proximity was so pleasant for a few moments, a constant companionship might not prove agreeable. While her attention was engaged on her pony, he had an opportunity to survey her features. Her large, dark and luminous eyes seemed to be literally swimming in soft and blooming as the sunny side of a peach. Her mouth was strictly Grecian, and her parted lips showed a row of pearly teeth as white as snow. The most delicate tapered fingers, encased in French kid, closed upon the reins, and the varnished tip of a dainty boot indicated a foot that Cinderella might have envied.

After an hour was spent in this manner his host excused himself, and then the bachelorette was left alone.

A dreary reverie was interrupted by the sound of voices in the hall. The Captain easily recognized the widow's, and a glance through the half-open door showed him that her companion was a handsome young gentleman.

"There, dear Bell," said the young man, "don't scold me any more. I will do so on a fine day and give me a kiss."

A hearty smack followed. It was a veritable genuine kiss—the captain saw and heard it. A pang shot through his heart.

"I only wish I could ever love," said he to himself, "and she is engaged!"

The widow tripped into the room. If she was pleasing in her carriage, dress she was perfectly bewitching in her drawing-room attire.

"My dear sir," said she, "your horse is at your service now."

Champion arose.

"But," she added, "if you will stay and take dinner with my uncle will be very much delighted, and I shall be very highly pleased."

"The coquette!" thought Champion. "I am obliged to you, madam, but I have an engagement," he said.

"Then we cannot hope to detain you, sir, but you must allow me to present you to my brother."

The handsome young man made his appearance, and shook hands with the bachelor.

"That is the horse thief, captain," said the young widow, laughing.

The young man apologized and explained the circumstances which impelled him to take the liberty.

"I am sorry," he added, "that we cannot improve the circumstances thus casually made by enjoying your company at dinner. I am, sorrow you are otherwise engaged."

"Why, as to that," said the captain, drawing off his gloves, "your offer is too tempting, and I feel compelled to accept it."

So his horse was returned to the stable, and he stopped to dinner. After dinner they had music, for Mrs. Leslie played charmingly. Then he was persuaded to stay to tea, and in the evening secured a ten minutes *tele a tele* with the widow, in a summer house overgrown with Madeira vines, and inhabited by a spider and six earwigs.

It was 10 o'clock when he mounted his horse to return to Boston, but it was a bright moonlight, and he was quite romantically inclined.

The next morning he repeated his visit, and the next, and the next. In short, the episode of the borrowed horse produced a declaration and an acceptance, and though years have passed away, the captain has had no cause to regret his ride with the widow in the pony phaeton.

Fidelity.

Desert not your friend in danger or distress. Too many there are in the world whose attachment to those they call friends is confined to the day of their prosperity. As long as that continues, they are, or appear to be, affectionate and cordial. But as their friend is under a cloud, they begin to withdraw and separate their interests from his.

In friendship of this sort, the heart is assuredly, has never had much concern. For the great test of true friendship is constancy in the hour of danger—adherence in the season of distress. When your friend is culminated, then is the time openly and boldly to espouse his cause. When his situation is changed, or misfortunes are fast gathering around him, then is the time to afford prompt and zealous aid. When sickness or infirmity occasions him to be neglected by others, that is the real opportunity which every real friend will seize of redoubling all the affectionate attention which love suggests. There are the important duties, the sacred claims of friendship, which religion and virtue enforce on every worthy mind. To show yourselves warm in this manner in the cause of your friend, commands esteem, even in those who have personal interests in opposing him. This honorable zeal of friendship has in every age, attracted the veneration of mankind. It has concentrated to the latest posterity the names of those who have great up their fortunes and have exposed their lives in behalf of the friends whom they loved; while ignominy and disgrace have even been the portion of those who deserted their friends in the hour of distress.

You look as though you were beside yourself, as the wag said to a fellow who stood beside a donkey.

One little garden patch of ours has been very profitable, very this season. The bugs ate up the cucumbers, the chickens ate up the bugs, the neighbors ate the chickens, and we are now in search of something that will eat the cats. Can any of our agricultural friends aid us?

The Falling of a Pin Heard n Hundred Miles.

We appear to be only at the beginning of discoveries in the line of the telephone and the phonograph. An entirely new field of science has been opened; the limits cannot even be guessed. An instrument has been devised that bears a relation, our capacity for hearing, similar to that which the microscope and telescope does for vision. The new device magnifies sound. It is a profoundly called microphone. By its sounds so faint that they have never before been heard by human ears may be made of any degree of loudness. A feather's edge brushed over the sound-board of this instrument has been made to crash upon the ears of the listeners. The touch of the tip of a camel's-hair brush was the occasion of a crackling noise, of which the intensity was almost painful to the ear. The faintest whisper of the human voice can be reproduced in the loudest tones. "The maiden's sigh may roar like the cataract of Niagara."

Prof. or D. B. Hughes has given a full account of the microphone to the Royal Society of London, and described the steps by which he was led to the invention. He is most widely known in England as the inventor of a type-printing telegraph instrument which is general use in that country. Although he is an accomplished electrician, the apparatus which he has employed for his new experiments is of the simplest character and the most trifling cost. With it he has made the most delicate of house fly distinctly audible; and all these sounds after being intensified, are transmitted to any needful distance by the ordinary telephone. At a recent exhibition of these experiments to a few scientific friends in London all the astonishing effects that have been referred to were easily produced, except the fly performance.

The philosophy of the new invention is more difficult to explain than is the telephone itself. The discovery has been made by Professor Hughes that the vibrations of sounds are reproduced with the greatest delicacy and increased force by certain materials interposed in an electric circuit. The reproduced sounds gain their increase of power doubtless at the expense of the current. After a large number of experiments he gives the preference to carbon for this purpose; especially to pieces of charcoal that have been heated to whiteness and then plunged in mercury. These pieces, in one of his experiments, he placed in a glass tube, and brought a pressure upon them that squeezed their ends together. This apparatus was made part of a closed electric circuit of three small cells. A Bell telephone was then introduced into the circuit, and the whole thing was complete. All that was necessary to do was to talk to the tube, even at a respectful distance from it, and the telephone repeated the sound, with any distance yet tried, with a loudness dependent only on the pressure in the tube.

This discovery of once of the fear that the telephone was nearing the end of its usefulness as an instrument for conveying the speech. It is only at the beginning. With such means there will be no obstacle to reporting a public speaker or singer—no difficulty, in fact, in hearing whispers inaudible to unassisted ears. All that has ever been imagined as among the possibilities of the phonograph or the telephone seems now certain to be outcome. Since the falling of a pin can now be heard at the distance of a hundred miles little will be needed to realize Hood's metaphor that Sifone herself may be making a row.—New York Tribune, 38th.

A Discovery.

The seed of broom corn, which has hitherto been considered useless, except for planting and inferior article of food for cattle, has been discovered to be valuable for breadstuff. It was first used as a substitute for wheat in 1870 and 1871, but like many other good things, was lost sight of, and its manufacture was never carried to success, and after being even partially known until about three years ago. The yield of flour is about one-half in place of two-thirds from wheat. The bran is also a valuable as wheat bran as food for animals. The flour cannot be told from wheat flour, and the bread, cake, etc., is delicate, inviting and delicious, and easily digested. The yield of broom corn seed is also enormous, a single acre often producing a pint of seed, and the yield has reached five hundred bushels to the acre while it is safe to estimate the average at one hundred bushels.

A man got up the other night, and took, as he supposed, a card of matches, and began to break off one by one trying to light a light, until the whole card was used up without accomplishing his object, when he discovered he had used his wife's comb!

Planting Potatoes.

The advent of the Colorado beetle, destructive and voracious as is the swarming pest, has not proved to be an unmitigated evil, for it has set farmers to using more care and skill in the selection and preparation of the soil and seed. At no time has potato culture received more attention than since the Colorado beetle spread 'elf over the country. New and improved varieties of seed have been introduced, and the best methods of cultivation carefully studied. In selecting the seed, it is found better not to plant large potatoes whole. Botanically, a potato is not a seed, but a tuberosity enlargement of an underground stem. Each eye is a bud from which a distinct plant may shoot. A few eyes in a hill are better than many, if size instead of numbers is wanted in a crop. Potatoes of moderate size, cut up and prepared by partial drying and rolling in dry plaster, are best for sowing. Drill culture will produce more in the end than when grown in hills. The drills can be opened and the potatoes covered by the plow without resort to the hoe. In subsequent culture it is the better way to stir the soil early and often so to give the weeds no chance to show themselves. The smothering harrow is invaluable for this purpose. It is set with short, recurved teeth, which stir up the soil without tearing out the potatoes. It may be run over the rows until after the tops have grown to the height of several inches. Various opinions are held as to the respective merits of flat culture and drill culture. Where the latter method is followed the furrows between the rows should never be struck lower than the potatoes were originally planted, unless it is in very low, damp ground.

A Revolutionary Rele.

Bridgeton, N. J., boasts of a negro inhabitant named Jeremiah Wells, who is 112 years old. He was born in 1766, to the old slave merchant, Gen. Wells' Bridge, on the Appomattock Creek, in St. George's Hundred, Newcastle county, Del., and when a mere babe was sold as a slave by his father to the proprietor of the tavern. At the age of nine he was sold to a Mr. Abey Cole, with whom he lived in bondage for twenty-six years. He remembers the breaking out of the war of the Revolution, and has a perfect recollection of many occurrences of those stirring times. During his slavery days with Cole he married and raised four children, three of whom are living now. In 1839 he married a Miss Susannah Duck, he being seventy-three and she eighteen years of age, by whom he had one daughter. With this daughter, who is thirty-five years of age, he now lives. The old negro shows the marks of his great age in his shriveled skin and attenuated body. Although he has drunk whiskey and used tobacco all of his life he does not betray any mark of dissipation. He has a deep chest, strong limbs and a strong, clear voice, while the grasp of his hand is as firm and as steady as it was half a century ago. His eyesight, however, is very poor. Twelve years ago, the one hundredth anniversary of his birth, he was made a citizen of the United States.

Instinct of Birds.

Notwithstanding many opinions to the contrary, it seems certain that birds do die a natural death. One reason why their bodies are so rarely found is, that on the approach of death their instinct prompts them to creep away to some hole or under some cover, where they would be least liable to fall a prey to their natural enemies. It is doubtful if any of the game birds, like the pigeon and grouse, ever die of old age, or the semi-game birds, like the bobolink, or the century-living crow; but in what other form can death overtake the humming bird, or even the swift and the barn-swallow? Such are true birds of the air; they may be occasionally lost at sea during their migrations, but so far as I know, they are not preyed upon by any other species.

Capt'n Boydton has written to a French paper a most amusing account of his swim across the Straits of Gibraltar. He says the feat was far more difficult than it is commonly supposed. The sea was so rough that he was obliged to take a long and arduous journey. He had a saw several sharks, but none of them made a meal of me, and I owe them much to a acknowledgment. I suffered quack on the sea and the sea water, which came to my eyes, and I was almost blind when I landed. As I was expected at Tangiers I blew my horn as I approached the town. Some Moorish guards came down to know what the noise was about, and seeing me immerse in the sea, they ran back to arouse the town, declaring that Satan had just come ashore. I left the same day by steamer.

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The Hunt After Fraud.

The Committee appointed by the House of Representatives, under the Potter Resolutions, to inquire into the alleged frauds in Louisiana and Florida has commenced its labors. The good to be derived from the investigation is altogether problematical, while the evil results may plunge the whole country into a state of anarchy and confusion.

We do not propose to apologize for fraud of any sort, but in this case it strikes us that it would have been better for the peace and quiet of the country, if the question of the title of his Fraudulency R. B. Hayes could have been held in abeyance for the present, at least. We suppose that nine-tenths of the people in the United States believe that there was a fraudulent count of the vote in Louisiana and Florida, and any evidence that the committee may be able to get hold of can only strengthen that belief. And in that, we fear, consists the real danger to be apprehended. Suppose that the committee, now sitting, should ascertain, by the most indisputable evidence, that there was fraud in the election, and that, in point of fact, the Democratic candidates for President and Vice-President were fairly elected in 1876; what then ought to be done. Some may say—our friends say, We do not propose to attack the President's title, we only want to provide against a repetition of such an infamous proceeding hereafter. And in this we believe they are perfectly honest and sincere; but can they stop there? There is the rub. Tilden undoubtedly got a large majority of the popular vote, and if we go to work now and prove, to a legal certainty, that he was elected out of his election, will the American people remain quiet under the knowledge of such a fact? It is only a matter of suspicion now. And Hayes is in office by virtue of the action of the Electoral Commission, which the people had agreed to accept as final and binding. But got the whole question fresh before them, and prove to them that they have been cheated, and we do not believe they will be satisfied to permit, Hayes to quietly retain his present position and power.

The masses are honest—no matter to what political organization they belong—they mean to do right, and it is only when they are urged on by their leaders, and are acting under the impulse of passion and excitement that they sometimes do wrong. Prove to them the wrong that has been done, and we fear they will insist upon taking steps to undo what has been done, and they may insist that Tilden shall occupy the place now usurped by Hayes. Of one thing we are satisfied, and that is, that any attempt to oust Mr. Hayes means civil war, with all its accompanying horrors. Now, as a matter of principle, believing that Tilden was elected, the Democratic party was undoubtedly right in insisting that he should be inaugurated, regardless of consequences, up to the time when the whole matter was referred, in solemn form, to the Electoral Commission for arbitration. The question has been decided against us, and however much we may be dissatisfied with that decision, the best interests of the country require that we should be the end of it.

James E. Yates, of Rappahannock county, is grazing one thousand head of cattle for the market this year.

Postmaster-General Key appears to have entrenched himself firmly in the hearts of the Republicans at last.

A new telegraph line has been completed and opened between Norfolk, Va., and Elizabeth City, N. C.

[Correspondence of the Star.]

Letter from Middlesex.

LAYING THE CORNER STONE OF THE NEW BAPTIST CHURCH—LECTURE-COURT—WHEAT—CORN—THE NEXT MAN FOR CONGRESS—THE PLACE FOR HOLDING THE NEXT CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

SALUDA, MIDDLESEX CO., VA., May 29th, 1878.

Messrs. Editors:—Our quiet village was very much enlivened on the 21st instant, on account of the occasion of laying the corner stone of the Baptist Church recently erected here. The stone was laid with masonic ceremonies, which were very interesting and impressive. The Rev. Mr. Wiatt of Gloucester acted as master on the occasion. The ladies of the church had on the ground a sumptuous dinner and an abundance of lemonade. The crowd spent their money freely, and the ladies were well rewarded for their trouble by making over ninety dollars which they design to aid in completing the church. Professor Holmes and Mr. A. Palmer, Jr., also gave at night a very interesting concert from which an additional sum of money was raised.

On the 23d instant the Rev. Mr. Booker of Gloucester circuit lectured at the Methodist Church, Forest Chapel, near this place on the "Girl of the Period." The lecturer showed himself master of his theme, which he made exceedingly interesting by interlarding his words with good sense and humor. The ladies had dinner, ice-cream and cake on the ground. They net about eighty-five dollars from the whole, which they propose completing the church with.

Last Wednesday was our County Court day. There were very few persons present, and nothing done in court. Wheat has the rust very badly. But with this exception it is doing very well. To what extent it has been injured by the rust it is difficult to say, but it is hoped that a fine crop will be made.

Corn is doing well. The question is sometimes asked "who is the next man for Congress?" This is not easily answered, as there are so many aspirants. Nearly every citizen in the district has a candidate. Middlesex is not particularly ambitious in the success of any of the many aspirants, but will support any good man. Of course we are interested in having the best man, one that is not hereafter to make a reputation, but one that comes before us with mature thought and tested abilities.

Urbana has been suggested by the Virginia Star as the most suitable place for holding the next Congressional Convention. We think, too, it is a convenient place. It is certainly more convenient to the people on this side of the Rappahannock and to those on the Eastern Shore than Tappahannock and equally as convenient to those on the other side. And besides we cannot see why Tappahannock should claim the convention every time. Urbana has all the conveniences necessary for the convention. A large hall has just been built that will seat two or three hundred persons, and the boarding accommodations are sufficient. We hope therefore it may be the pleasure of the committee to select Urbana as the point.

Yours truly, R. N.

[Correspondence of the Star.]

Base-Ball—Wheat Crop—Court House Fair.

KING WILLIAM C. H., VA., June 1st, 1878.

Leaving the Court House, to-day, in company with the handsome and entertaining Captain of the Champion "second-nine," we arrived on the base-ball grounds, located on the farm of Mr. William Edwards, where arrangements had been made to play a match game between the Blue Stocking club, and the "second-nine" of the Champions.

The time for commencing the game was 10 o'clock; but owing to the rain, the Blue Stockings were absent at the appointed hour, but later in the day a few of the recreant boys arrived, when they were taken to dinner by the Champions, who had been fortunate in the selection of Mr. Edwards as host of the day.

The weather cleared up in the evening, when many farmers assembled, and discussed the propriety and prospects of the expected Colt Fair, to be held at King William Court House, this county-day. The programme is this:—Those who enter colts shall pay a small entrance fee, which shall be applied to paying a premium to the owner of the finest colt, and three judges shall be selected to pay upon the quality of the stock thus exhibited.

It seems to me to be a most excellent idea, and just what King William needs. It will act as a stimulant to the farmers who will have a new reason for making efforts to raise fine horses. We hope it will prove a success.

The boys had a nice time passing jokes and playing a game of ball; but from the fact that the Blue Stockings did not come up to the challenge, the game was indefinitely postponed.

The wheat crop is still improving; but most of the farmers have their hay in a bad fix, since it was cut, and is now on the ground. VALE.

A Noble Gift to Virginia.

With characteristic generosity and a fine sense of patriotism, Mr. W. V. Corcoran of Washington, has presented to the State of Virginia his superb painting by the eminent French artist, Lami, of the Storming of Yorktown, which until recently, has been on exhibition in the Corcoran Art Gallery. In his letter to Governor Holliday, bearing date of the 22d of May, begging the acceptance of the gift, Mr. Corcoran declares himself impressed with a conviction of the propriety of locating the work permanently in the State where the event it represents occurred, and now offers it to that State as an evidence of his "admiration for the 'Old Commonwealth,'" Governor Holliday replies that the painting will be gratefully received by all the people of the Commonwealth, and that they will cordially unite with him in returning thanks. The picture itself is eleven and a half feet high and sixteen feet in width, with a frame eight and three quarters in breadth. Although it has not yet been definitely determined where the painting will be hung, it is likely, owing to its size, that it will be suspended in the Senate chamber, at the State Capitol of Virginia, on the wall directly facing the president's chair. Such a treasure as this, we need hardly say, will be prized as much in honor of its estimable giver as for the sake of the precious memories which are embalmed in its canvas. Baltimore Sun.

[Correspondence of the Star.]

Base-Ball Match.

A challenge having been accepted by the Rappahannock Base-Ball Club of Essex Co., from the Atlantic Club of Aberdeen King and Queen Co., to play a match game of Base-Ball at Millers on Saturday June 1st, 1878. Although the day was inclement both parties came. Score resulted as follows: 87 to 38 in favor of the Atlantic. Both sides played well. Score ran high on account of a very high wind, the fielders were prevented from doing their part effectually and very heavy batting being done on both sides.

After the game refreshments were taken at Lieut. S. P. Latane's. T.

American Counterfeits in Germany.

Forty thousand dollars in counterfeit fifty-dollar bills were found in possession of German emigrants on a Pennsylvania railroad train going from New York for the West, last week. Before leaving Hamburg they had been tricked into exchanging their gold for the notes. McDonald, the English forger, now in prison in England is supposed to know who the counterfeiters are. It is supposed, however, that the work was done in this country and the counterfeiters taken over to Europe, where a fine did for swindling ignorant emigrants is constantly open.

TOBACCO-TAX DECISION.—A decision rendered by a United States district judge in Jefferson City, Mo., in the case of a "dealer of leaf tobacco who had not paid the special tax," has been affirmed by the Internal Revenue Bureau. The provision of the statute is construed "that a person who takes tobacco cannot dispose of it to consumers, but can sell to persons only who have paid a special tax to the Government. A person making a single sale may not be said to be a dealer, nor can such an one be said to be engaged in the business of selling leaf tobacco; yet a single sale may be sufficient if the person, besides making the sale, holds out his crop for sale to consumers desiring to buy."

A portion of our county, south of Dan, was visited by a very severe hail storm on Saturday afternoon last. The storm, after sweeping over a portion of North Carolina, where it is said to have been quite destructive, struck our county where the Hyco crosses the line between Virginia and North Carolina, and was very destructive, especially to wheat along the course of that stream and of Aaron's Creek. Some report the stones as large as goose eggs.—Herald Record.

A woman says very few men have the slightest idea how to hold a baby. "And we don't suppose one man in a hundred has the slightest desire to hold one. If it is a female baby he is willing to hold it after it reaches the age of seventeen years, we've been told. The best way to hold one under six months is to hold yourself aloof from it."—St. Louis Evening Post.

Dr. J. J. Moorman and D. B. Strouse, Esq., were elected trustees of Hollins Institute at the meeting of the Board of Trustees last week.—Saluda Conventive.

Capt. J. M. Byers of Washington county, has just received a drove of 155 head of Texas cattle, and intends grazing and fattening them on his farm at Glade Spring.

S. T. Grubbs killed last Friday, near Howellsville, a moccasin snake which was 11 feet 4 inches long and 21 inches in circumference, and had swallowed 19 frogs.—Warren Sentinel.

There will be a meeting at Lunenburg, June court for the appointment of committees for the reunion of Company "G," 7th Va. cavalry.

Mr. L. M. Blackford, principal of the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria, will leave in July for Europe.

EMPEROR WILLIAM.—Another attempt upon the life of this venerable ruler, argues a condition of things in Germany we were not prepared for. We supposed the attack of a few weeks ago was that of a deranged man. This renewed effort in the same direction looks more serious. The man assigns no other motive for his action than that he thought the Emperor's removal would be a public benefit.

The annual commencement of Hollins Institute will take place on Wednesday, June 10th.

WE WOULD call the attention of our readers to the advertisement, in another column, of the Fame Manufacturing Co., of 833 Broadway, New York. They are advertising a full size first-class sewing machine, at the exceedingly low price of Eighteen Dollars; they desire male and female agents everywhere, and offer extraordinary inducements. Read their advertisement.

Three Rappahannock fishermen caught 116 trout one day last week.

Commissioner's Sale of HOUSE & LOT, IN WEST POINT.

PURSUANT to a decree of the Circuit Court of King William County, entered, on the 3d day of June 1878, in the suit of J. Henry Mottague vs. J. H. Hill, Sr. Comtee, &c., the undersigned, as special Commissioners acting under said decree, will offer for sale, at PUBLIC AUCTION, in the town of West Point, in front of Captain Kirby, 12 o'clock M. on SATURDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF JULY 1878, that desirable property, in the town of West Point, belonging to the estate of T. J. Hill, Jr., dec'd., and now occupied by Captain Kirby, being lot No. 844 of which are valuable buildings. THIS PROPERTY CONSISTS OF A WELL LOCATED LOT and one of the NEAREST and MOST DESIRABLE DWELLINGS IN THE TOWN.

TERMS OF SALE.—A sufficient sum to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale will be required in cash. For balance of purchase money purchaser will be required to secure a good personal security, bearing interest from date, and payable in six, twelve and eighteen months and the title will be retained till all the purchase money is paid and conveyance ordered by the court.

W. E. LIPSCOMB, THOS. P. BAGBY, Commissioners.

Commissioner's Sale of VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

PURSUANT to a decree rendered in the cause of Wiley vs. Wiley and Puller vs. Wiley's administrator &c., pending in the Circuit Court of King William County, the undersigned, as special Commissioners acting under said decree will offer for sale, at PUBLIC AUCTION, at KING WILLIAM C. H., on MONDAY, the 24th day of June, 1878, at 10 o'clock a.m. the real estate of Reuben M. Wiley died seized consisting of two tracts, One Hundred and Sixty-seven acres, on which are a dwelling and necessary Out Houses in Good Repair.

The other tract contains about TWENTY-FIVE ACRES. These tracts of land lie near together, adjoining the lands of T. A. Webb and others, on the main county road from West Point to the county Court House, about ten miles from each place and about two miles from Sweet Hall Station on the Richmond York River Chesapeake Bay road.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash to pay cost of suits and expenses of sale—balances of purchase money upon a credit of one, two and three years, purchaser to execute bond, bearing ten per cent. interest from date, with good personal security and title retained till whole purchase money is paid and conveyance order by court.

W. M. E. HART, J. N. STUBBS, JNO. D. FOSTER, THOS. P. BAGBY, Commissioners.

Sale of Steam Saw AND GRIST MILL!

BY VIRTUE of a deed of trust executed to me, by John L. Niece, on the 19th day of May 1876, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of King & Queen County, to secure a bond for six hundred dollars, payable to Brown, Graves & Co., of Baltimore, I will sell to the highest bidder at KING & QUEEN COURT HOUSE, on THURSDAY THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE, 1878, the following valuable STEAM SAW AND GRIST MILL, now located on the farm of Col. B. L. Farnholm, known as "Piney Park" near Bluff's Bridge.

TERMS.—A sum sufficient in cash to pay the expenses of sale and the sum of \$564.84 with interest thereon from the 31st day of July 1877, being amount due to Brown, Graves & Co. on said bond, and as to the balance of the purchase money upon such terms as James W. Mitchell may direct.

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IN VACATION.—In King William Circuit Court, Clerks Office, May 28, 1878.

Della P. Mill, who sues for herself as well as all other creditors of James I. Littlepage, Plaintiff, against Thomas P. Bagby committee of the Estate of James I. Littlepage a covinor, Mary J. Littlepage and Geo. E. Littlepage an infant child of said James I. and Mary J. Littlepage, John L. Littlepage, S. G. Littlepage, Trustee, in a Deed of Trust from said James I. Littlepage, bearing date on the 31st day of June 1872. B. A. Littlepage, in his own right and as Trustee in another Deed of Trust from James I. Littlepage, bearing date on the 1st day of July 1873, and Robert H. Burton—Defendants.

IN CHANCERY. The object of this suit is to enforce a judgment lien held by the Plaintiff, James I. Littlepage, against the Defendant, J. Littlepage was seized and possessed or to which he was entitled on the 22d day of November 1876, to set aside and annul the Deed of Trust from said James I. Littlepage, bearing date on the 1st day of July 1873, and require the Defendants, John L. Littlepage, S. G. Littlepage, and Robert H. Burton, to discover the amount of the several debts alleged to be due to them from said James I. Littlepage; and to satisfy the same out of the proceeds according to law that the above named Defendants, John L. Littlepage and Robert H. Burton are non-resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they appear here within one month after the publication of this notice and do what is necessary to protect their interest herein.

Teste, O. M. WINSTON, Clerk.

JAS. POLLARD, P. Q. W. M. R. AYLERT, H. R. POLLARD, ju 6-4v.

IN VACATION.—In King William Circuit Court, April 23d, 1878.

Della P. Mill, who sues for herself as well as all other creditors of James I. Littlepage, Plaintiff, against James I. Littlepage, Defendant, IN CHANCERY. [Extract from decree.] "And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that James W. Smith who is hereby appointed special commissioner for the purpose, take an account of the transactions of the said James I. Littlepage as agent for the said Della P. Mill, from the 1st day of July, 1873, to the 1st day of March, 1878, and the said commissioner is directed to enquire and ascertain what amount, if any, was paid by said Della P. Mill on account of the purchase of 'Lily Point' by said James I. Littlepage, and as to thereof, made by John P. Johnson, trustee, that he also take an account of the personal property and its value, taken possession of by said James I. Littlepage, under and by virtue of the receipt of the said mentioned, bearing date on the 9th day of October, 1868, and that he enquire and ascertain how much of said property, if any, now remains in kind, its present position, and its present value, and the said commissioner is directed to take an account of the rents and profits of the real estate contained in the deeds from the said Della P. Mill to James I. Littlepage, from the time said Littlepage took possession thereof to the time the same was taken possession of by John W. Taylor, Sheriff of the county, and it is further ordered by the court that the said John W. Taylor, sheriff and receiver, render before the commissioner an account of his transactions as such receiver."

The parties interested in the decree, from which the foregoing is an extract, are hereby notified that I have fixed upon the 25th of June next, at 10 o'clock A. M., in the Circuit Court of King & Queen County, for making the enquires and taking the accounts thereby directed.

Given under my hand this 27th of May, 1878. J. W. SMITH, Special Commissioner.

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Commissioner's SALE OF LAND!

BY virtue of the provisions of a decree of the Circuit Court of King William County, rendered, on the 23d day of April 1878, in the chancery cause of Downer and wife vs. Cooke, the undersigned, as commissioners appointed thereby, for the purpose, will offer for sale, at PUBLIC AUCTION, at KING WILLIAM C. H., on MONDAY, JUNE 24TH, 1878, (that being county court day), at one o'clock P. M., the following TRACTS OF LAND to wit: The tract of land held by Mrs. Harriet Cooke, for her dower in the real estate of her deceased husband, which lies near Enfield, in King William, adjoining the lands of W. W. Dabney and others, and containing seventy-five acres.

The tract owned by Mrs. Cooke, at her death, in fee, which lies adjacent to the above described tract, and contains one hundred and forty-four acres.

The said tracts will be sold in lots, if desired.

TERMS.—One fourth cash, one other fourth, in six months; one other fourth in twelve months; and the remaining one fourth, in eighteen months; the purchasers to execute bonds with good personal security, for the redemption of the same, carrying interest from the day of sale.

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LICE ON CATTLE.—There are several kinds of lice that infest farm stock. Some confine themselves wholly to the horse and ass, others to the cow and while another is particularly troublesome to calves. All the kinds may be safely treated by rubbing a strong wood ashes into the hair, or with sulphur ointment. No parasites can withstand the fumes of sulphur, and it is very easy to rub down a quantity of flower in kail tub, or even common lard. But while the lice on the animal is only a temporary relief, unless the buildings, sheds and yards, where the cattle sleep are also thoroughly cleansed.—Scatter wood ashes freely about the stable in dry weather, and use sulphur in the same way, as a diase's worth will cover quite a large surface. Stock cannot thrive when tormented by lice or other parasites, but cleanliness is a eradicator of such enemies.

SNOW FLAKE Pudding.—Half a box of gelatine, the whites of three eggs, sugar and vanilla to the taste. Soak the gelatine in cold water to cover it for an hour; then add a tea-spoonful of boiling water. After it is dissolved, add enough cold water to make a pint of it altogether. Strain this on a platter, put the whites of three eggs in it, and beat it until it is a stiff foam. When half beaten sweeten with white sugar, add the vanilla to this, and finish beating; then put it in cups. When molded in the cups turn them out and eat with cream.

HORSES.—Now, with hard work, teams require good care. Horses will team the field in much better condition if they are protected from worry by the flies. The best protection is a thin sheet made to fit the neck, with holes for the ears, and to buckle under the throat, and to cover the back, hanging loosely at the sides to give access of air beneath. It should be held by a crupper band beneath the tail. Too much corn fed now, is apt to produce irritation of the skin, and make an animal restless. Cleanliness will be found a great comfort to them.

NEW PEST.—A new agricultural pest has appeared in Montgomery County, Kentucky, in the shape of a little green bug, which is playing sad havoc with the blue grass. Reports are made of fifty-acre pastures ravaged by the insect, which seems to destroy the vitality of the grass, and make it appear as if a long drought had visited it.

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FOR A COLD.—Drunk tea made by steeping together equal parts of the spearmint, and sassafras. Steep, but do not let the tea boil; put the feet also into hot water.

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It is not any of them, old fellow. The defect is like Kitty—like to look at, and talk with her—but any closer relationship I could not endure. Her nose is too odd or no-n-s."

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An elderly maiden lady writes to a friend: A widow with ten children has proposed, and I have accepted him. This is about the number I should have been entitled to, if I had been married at the proper time.

A diminutive young swell was complaining a few days ago that he could not keep his bootmaker's bill under a hundred a year. A sympathizing friend remarked, That's a good deal—but, he added pensively, certainly your feet are large.

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VEGETINE.

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