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Mid scenes of sorrow or of mirth,  
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Should woe's dark cloud thy brow entwining,  
Woe would'st thou find a heart of love  
Eternal as Jehovah's shrine;  
Neath thy brows, faithful as the dove.

Remember days may severance bring,  
You in another's smile may look,  
Mine of blessing, broken hearts to sing,  
In its gloom-crowned midnight task.

Love! what thrilling raptures note,  
Long hast thou wrought thy magic spell,  
In hearts as tender, too, I wot,  
So! I must place, I know full well.

### The Last Deal.

"I never dealt again!"  
The words fell from the lips of a gentleman well known in Leadville, yet few recognized in the elegant, easy-going man who now commands the respect of his fellow citizens the once cool-headed, imperturbable gambler, who in his day figured prominently along the Pacific coast, and was almost universally recognized as the shrewdest faro-dealer in the West.

"As for the game's morality, that's neither here nor there. If dealt upon the square it is much like any other game. It is not to be thought that the law will hinder men if they want to play, and often they are forever cured of playing when they find it doesn't pay. I dealt the game for twenty years, but I have quit it now. I made nothing, nor lost anything, and but for a sight I once saw I should probably be a gambler still. Thereby hangs a tale. Let me tell it:

"Some three years ago I ran a high-toned game at a certain place you probably know, for it strikes me I saw you there. It was a square game, as I will leave any one to say; a thriving game for I dealt for half the blood in town, and often I had as many as five lay outs at a time, with too much business on hand to even get time for a rest. One evening a young chap strolled in, with a sort of curious stare on his face, and I concluded right there that he was a green. He was fair-haired, and had a pair of blue eyes and clear-cut features—an innocent-looking young fellow, if ever I saw one. It only required a glance to convince you that he was a stranger in the gambling business. He was soon at home, though, for I saw in his blue eyes a love of play, and after that evening he was a constant visitor. He had lots of money. I think from the day he began he must have dropped a cool \$100,000 on the game, and he never growled. We both quit gambling the same night—the poor lad, for sufficient reasons, and because I loathed the game. It was in this wise:

"His coin gave out in a deal or two, and he put up a diamond ring just to see his luck out, just know. The chips soon went. He had a pin, a flaming stone in a massive metal. He passed that in without a word and drew \$500 in gold. So help me God, I wished him luck as heartily as any player there, but no—his last stake went my way on a losing ace. He drew \$300 more, I think, on his watch and chain, and tried his line of bets again, but his luck was gone—

"My God! I'll never forget the pale, haggard look that thronged his face, but he was game. "He never uttered a word, but kept his eyes fixed on the table as he turned, but he seemed to be dazed at his reverses, but suddenly his eye caught the thin, worn circle of gold on his little finger. He looked at it a while and a dark wave of hot crimson blood passed over his face, for this circlet seemed to cling even faster than the flashing gem he had passed in before. He at last stripped it off his finger and handed it to me. It came reluctantly, this worn old ring. "What can I have for this?" he asked. "I don't know what its value is, but I'll redeem it first of all." It might have cost \$5 when new, but it was worthless then.

"Still I passed out a fifty stick in return, just to let him try again. He plunked it down in the pot, and then low upon the table he laid his face on his folded arm. Well, for a wonder, his luck changed, and he won three times. He took no notice of me when I told him when the limited barrel, and so we played \$250 on each card. Would you believe it, the pot ran out and he never lost! And still he lay with his face hid in his arms. The deal was out and I shook him up, but not a muscle moved, and, raising his face, I started back in horror at the ghastly expression of his eyes, for the boy was dead!

"I've often wondered to myself since that night what thoughts were flitting through his brain as he bowed his head and his face from our sight—what pledges of a better life—regrets for a fortune he had thrown away with a lavish hand; and loathing of his irrevocable course! Who can tell! This brief game, years of hell endured in that brief game, but it was not until the Coroner's jury sat that I learned all. Before them was developed the fact that the ring which had changed his luck, as it did his existence, was one given him by his dear dead mother years before. Poor boy! I never dealt again."

### Emerson and His Lecture.

One evening, when Ralph Waldo Emerson was engaged in preparing his new lecture, Mrs. Emerson, who had that moment flattened her finger while trying to drive a nail with the smoothing iron, thrust her head into his study, and said:

See here, sir! I want you to drop that everlasting pen of yours for a minute or two at least, and go down to the grocery and get a mackerel for breakfast.

My dear, replied Mr. Emerson, looking up from his work, my dear, can't you go. You see, I'm billed in a dozen places to deliver this lecture on "Memory," and it isn't half finished yet.

And that's what you call your infernal lecture, is it? said Mrs. Emerson, sharply. A nice party you are, to deliver a lecture on "Memory."

And why not, my love? said Mr. Emerson, meekly.

You never go out of the house that you don't forget to put on your hat or boots, and you never take a letter of mine to mail that you don't carry it in your pocket for six months or a year unless I happen to find it sooner. During the past thirty days you have carried out of the house and forgot to bring back no less than seventy-five or eighty umbrellas; and you know the last time you went to church, you took out your false teeth, because, as you said, they hurt your corns, and came away and left them in the seat. I say you are a nice man to talk to a cultured audience on "Memory," and if you don't trot right off to the grocery, I'll expose you before you are twenty-four hours older.

Mr. Emerson started on a jump for the grocery, and when he got there he couldn't for the life of him recollect what he had come for.

### Go Bang.

It is about time something was done toward rescuing our young girls from the frightful demon of "bangs" and "frizzes." When a maiden acquires a taste for this soul-destroying fashion her head first appears with a couple of modest little curls, which fondly cling to her temple; but pretty soon her downward career becomes more marked; the blood is poisoned, the whole system permeated with a vitiated taste for bangs and frizzes, and she boldly promenade the street with her forehead garnished with the corrupting bangs from one ear to the other, and reaching down to her eye-brows! And if this terrible passion is not checked in its first stages, before it seizes hold of the girl with such a vice-like grip that she cannot shake it off, the victim is carried to a "changed" and "frizzed" grave with all her imperfections upon her forehead, and her parents are plunged in a sorrow that will not be comforted. Girls! look not upon the bang when it curlth over the brow like a viper! Shun the first friz as you would a hoppersgrass at a picnic! for at last it stings like a steel-blue wasp and keeps the sensible young man aloof. Mother! where is your daughter to-night? Is she in her chamber preparing the baneful quince-seed Juice with which to fresco her forehead with the demoralizing bangs in the morning?

### Charles Lamb to Young Men.

The waters have gone over me. But out of the black depths could I be heard, I could cry out to all those who have set a foot in the perilous flood. Go! the youth to whom the flavor of his first wine is delicious as the opening scenes of life, or the entering upon some newly discovered paradise, look into my desolation, and be made to understand what a dreary thing it is when a man shall feel himself going down a precipice with open eyes and a passive will—to see his destruction, and have no power to stop it, and yet feel it all the way emanating from himself; to see all goodness emptied out of him, and yet not be able to forget a time when it was otherwise: to hear about him the piteous spectacle of his own ruin. Could he see my fevered eyes—feverish looking for to-night's repetition of the folly; could he but feel the body of the dead out of which I cry hourly with feeble out-cry to be delivered—it were enough to make him despise the sparkling beverage to the earth in all the pride of its mantling temptation.

A FOND mother wants to learn some way to tell how her son will turn out. That is easily done. If he is wanted to go out and weed the garden, he will turn out slowly and reluctantly and be two hours dressing. If he is called to see a circus procession go by, he will probably turn out quick and hort himself trying to come down stairs and put on a boot at the same.

A CATTLE breeder in Ohio says the only advantage which the Texan steers possess is this, that their flesh, when the bones are taken out, can be packed in their horns.

WHAT the milkman said when he found a fish in the milk: "Good heavens! that brindle cow has been swimming again."

### Modern Scepticism.

A hired man who had been employed on a farm for several months entered suit against his employer the other day for balance of wages, amounting, as he claimed, to \$52. The suit was on trial in Justice Alley yesterday, and it looked at first as if the plaintiff had a clear case. He gave dates and figures in a straight forward way, and seemed a very honest young man. When the farmer took the stand he said:

"I claim an offset for that \$52. No man need sue me for what I honestly owe."

"What is your offset?" asked the lawyer. "He's an unbeliever."

"In what?"

"Why, in the Bible."

"What has that to do with your owing him \$52?"

"It has a heap to do with it. I had six hands in my employ, and we were rushing things when I hired this man. He had been with us two days when they stopped the reaper in the middle of the forenoon to dispute about Daniel in the lion's den, and in three days we had a regular knock down over the whale swallowing Jonah. The man who ran the mower got to arguing about Sampson and drove over a stump and damaged the machine to the tune of \$18, and the very next day my boy broke his leg while climbing a fence to hear and see the row which was started over the children of Israel going through the Red Sea. It wasn't a week before my wife said she didn't believe Elijah was fed by the ravens, and hang me if I didn't find myself growing weak on Noah and his flood. That's my offset, sir; and if he was worth anything I'd sue him for a thousand dollars besides." The court reserved his decision for twenty-four hours.

### Big Words.

Big words are great favorites with people of small ideas and weak conceptions. They are sometimes employed by men of mind, when they wish to use language that may best express their thoughts. With few exceptions, however, illiterate and half-educated people use more "big words" than people of thorough education. It is a very common, but egregious, mistake, to suppose that the long words are more genteel than the short ones—just as the same people imagine that high colors and flashy figures improve the style of dress. They are the kind of folks who don't begin, but "commence." They don't live, but "reside." They don't go to bed, but mysteriously "retire." They don't eat and drink, but "partake," of "refreshments." They are never sick, but "extremely indisposed;" and instead of dying at last, "deceased." The strength of the English language is in the short words—chiefly monosyllabic of Saxon derivation; and people who are in earnest seldom use any other. Love, hate, anger, grief, and joy express themselves in short words and direct sentences; while cunning, falsehood, and affectation delight what Horace calls "verba assequenda"—words a foot and a half long.

### How Dry It Was.

An honest old farmer from the country gave his recollections of the hot spell as follows:

"It was so dry we couldn't spare water to put in our whiskey. The grass was so dry that every time the wind blew it flew around like so much ashes. There wasn't a tree shed at a funeral for a month. The air dried up all the cattle, and burned off the hair till they looked like Mexican dogs; and the sheep looked like poodle puppies, they shrank up so. We had to soak all our hogs to make them hold still, and if any cattle died in the morning, they'd be dried like a stick. The woods dried up so that the farmers chopped seasoned timber all through August, and there ain't a match through all the country—in fact, no wedding since the widow Glenn married old Thomas, three months ago. What few grasshoppers are left are all skin and legs, and I ain't heard a tenkettle sing for six weeks. We eat our potatoes baked, they being all ready, and we couldn't spare water to boil 'em. All the red haired girls were afraid to stir out of the house in daylight; and, to tell you the truth, I was afraid the old fellow with the cloven foot had moved out of his old home, and settled down with us for life. Why, we had to haul water all summer to keep the ferryboat running, and—say, it's getting dry yet! take something, all round."

DO NOT wait for the assistance of others in your course through life; you will grow hungry, depend upon it, if you look to the charity and kindness of others for your daily bread. It is more noble and praiseworthy to give up your lives and meet the troubles and difficulties of human life with a doubtless courage.

"I wish I could settle this confounded coffee," said an impatient traveller, at a railway restaurant. "Try a broomstick," said a sobby man with a searated nose, "that is what everything is settled with at our house."

### The Dying Poet.

The story of Henry Timrod, as told by his sister-in-law, seems to me inaffably touching. As he recovered consciousness and calm in one of his last convulsions, he said quietly, "I am dying." "Yes, dear," whispered his sister; "you will soon be at rest." "True," he replied in struggling tones of intense pathos, "but love is sweeter than rest." The parting with his adored wife was his final supreme agony, after which a crown of calm descended upon him, and his brows wore a light-like inspiration. He partook for the first time, of the Holy Communion, and then as the shadows gathered closer, he said, in a cool, clear voice, like some philosophical dissector, "It seems like two tides—two tides advancing and retreating—these powers of Life and Death. Now the dark wave recedes; but wait—it will advance again in triumph." After a little, he murmured, "So this is death! How strange! Where I a metaphysician, I must analyze it; but as it is, I can only watch."

The long slow night wore through; and his wife, in the gray of the morning, took his sister's place at the bed-side. The sufferer was burning with thirst; but the lead spoonful of water she gave to him he could not swallow. "Never mind," he whispered, "I shall soon drink of the River of Eternal Life." And so with love to the light of faith, the spirit of Henry Timrod went out calmly, beautiful in the Unknown Dark, just as the sun was coming forth to his eternal task of glory and good. The slumber of the poet softened into death at the very hour which he had long foretold—the hour when nature seems most to rejoice; when birds sing highest, brooks run faster, and flowers look sweeter.

### Can You?

Can any one tell you men who can not pay small bills can always find money to buy liquor and treat when among friends?

Can any one tell how young men who are always behind with their landlords can play billiards, night and day, and always be ready for a game of cards when money is at stake?

Can any one tell how men live, and support their families, who have income and no work, when others, who are industrious are half-starved?

Can any one tell why four-fifths of the young ladies prefer a bridleless fox, under a plug hat, with tight pants and a short coat, to a man with brains?

Can any one tell why it is that some mothers are always ready to sew for the distant heathen when their own children are ragged and dirty?

Can any one tell why a man who is always complaining that he cannot afford to subscribe for the local newspaper, and every week borrows it from his neighbor, can afford to attend every traveling show that comes into town?

### Couldn't Stand It.

While on the Peninsula, during the war, an officer one day came across a private soldier belonging to one of the most predatory companies of the Irish brigade. The fellow had the lifeless bodies of a goose and hen tied together by the heels, dangling from his musket.

"Where did you steal those, you rascal!" the officer demanded. "Steal, is it! Faith I was marching out with Color Sergeant Maguire, and the goose had cuss to it—came out and hissed at the American flag, and befuddled I shot him on the spot!"

"But the hen, sir! How about the hen?" "It's the hen, is it? Bad luck to the hen! I caught her laying eggs for the rebel army, and as a federal soldier I couldn't stand that anyhow, and I give her a lick that stopped that act of treason."

### A Beautiful Thought.

When the summer of youth is slowly wasting away on the nightfall of age, and the shadow of the path becomes deeper, and life wears to its close, it is pleasant to look through the vista of time upon the sorrows and felicities of our early years. If we have had a home-soft sister, hearts to rejoice with us, and friends have gathered round our fireside, the rough places of wayfaring will have been worn and smoothed away in the twilight life, and many dark spots we have passed through will grow brighter and more beautiful. Happy, indeed, are those whose intercourse with the world has not changed the tone of their holier feelings, or broken those musical cords of the heart whose vibrations are so melodious, so touching in the evening of their lives.

The wire of the Detroit Free Press telephone got tangled up with that of a butcher's shop, and every time the foreman of the composing room calls for copy lately, he gets a Detroit beefsteak. This accounts for some of the tough stories printed in that paper. Exactly. And if we loved beefsteak there would be some tougher, toughest ones in the STAR.



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Our Last Appeal for Hancock, English and Garrison.

With all the earnestness we are capable of, we urge our Democratic readers to forget petty jealousies and factional quarrels, and prepare to work as patriots from now until the sun goes down on Tuesday next for Hancock, English and Garrison. Vote the May ticket now, and give a vigorous blow in behalf of Virginia for the Union and the Constitution, and leave the debt question and all similar minor matters to be settled next fall. Virginia's vote is of the utmost importance in the present crisis for it may decide whether Garfield or Hancock shall occupy the presidential chair for the next four years.

To you who are cast down because of our reverses in Indiana, we say cheer up and be brave men. Gen. Hancock declares that he never yet gave up a battle as lost just because a portion of his pickets were driven in, and Senator Bayard says that we have a splendid prospect of winning next Tuesday. To defeat Radicalism, Sectionalism and Centralism with their joint corruption, however, requires the strongest effort the Democratic party is capable of making. Remember, too, that our party is made up of individual members each of whom must do his whole duty. Now, while a vote in Indiana and New York is of great importance, a vote in this District is not of less value. Bear this in mind and go to work. See that not only your personal friends all vote, but urge every Democrat in your neighborhood to go to the polls early.

While your Presidential candidate is a statesman and a hero, your candidate for Congress, Judge George T. Garrison, is worthy in every way to be on the ticket with him. He possesses not only ability, experience and culture, but he has a noble heart and is beloved by his neighbors and all who know him. His defeat may lose your party the House. Don't, as you value Democratic supremacy in Congress leave a stone unturned that may contribute to his election. Again we say work! work!!! work!!!! until sun-down Tuesday.

The Democratic statement of the North are appealing to the hopes of the people while the Republican orators, including Messrs. Conkling and Blaine are appealing to the fears of the capitalists. The one want the North and South united the other would keep them divided. Northern Democrats are the friends of the South, and Northern Republicans its enemies.

The National Democratic Committee has recognized the May electoral ticket as the only regular ticket in the field. Now, Virginia, will you vote the July ticket in the face of this?

The Northern Neck News says "there are some friends of Judge Critcher who cherish the hope of seeing him in Congress again, and who have fondly believed that he would receive enough Republican votes to elect him, owing to the bad odor in which the Republican nominee is held even in his own party. Two years ago he (Criticer) received the Republican vote in two or three counties and he doubtless thought at the outset of his canvass that owing to the tremendous clamor raised against Woltz, that a large number of Republicans would flock to his standard, who, together with the Readjuster vote of the District, would be sufficient to elect him. In this expectation he has been woefully disappointed. The Republicans think they see a chance of electing their candidate, and, not having succeeded in getting rid of Woltz, they are making an effort to elect him simply because he is their nominee and, if elected, will obey the behests of his party. Many Readjusters who would be delighted at an opportunity to vote for Judge Critcher if they saw the least chance of electing him, will not do so simply because they know he stands no chance of election and to vote for him would be to aid Woltz. Many would probably vote for him as between Garrison and himself on political as well as personal grounds if Woltz were out of the field, but like good and true Democrats they will not give Critcher a complimentary vote when that vote may elect Woltz. Judge Critcher's candidacy is a forlorn hope, and his defeat—his overwhelming defeat—a forgone conclusion. This no sane man doubts, and of all Judge Critcher himself. He knows how desperately hopeless are his prospects, and he knows, no one knows better, what a lasting disgrace, what a burning shame it would be to the District to have it represented by a man who has been branded as John W. Woltz has been by his own political friends. Can it be possible that he desires the election of Woltz over that sterling Democrat, Judge George T. Garrison, who, all will admit, is well worthy to represent the old First District? We cannot believe it. We believe that in his secret heart of hearts, as matters now stand he would prefer his friends to vote for Judge Garrison, whom we know he must respect. To doubt it would be to reflect upon his intelligence as well as his patriotism.

The Regular Ticket Recognized. The following telegram was received in Richmond at 10 o'clock Thursday night: NEW YORK, October 21. A. M. Keiley, Chairman: "The National Democratic Committee have decided to recognize the regulars, and an address will be forwarded to you to-night." WILLIAM H. BARNUM, Chairman. Now let every man who claims to be a Democrat, rally to the support of the straight ticket Democratic ticket, and Virginia will be found, as of yore, true to the principles of Democracy. Fail in Democrats, and dress on the recognized Democratic colors!

The Electoral Vote.

Alabama, 10; Arkansas, 6; California, 6; Colorado, 3; Connecticut, 6; Delaware, 3; Florida, 4; Georgia, 11; Illinois, 21; Indiana, 16; Louisiana, 8; Maine, 3; Maryland, 8; Massachusetts, 13; Michigan, 11; Missouri, 15; Mississippi, 8; Minnesota, 5; Nebraska, 3; Nevada, 3; New Hampshire, 5; New Jersey, 9; New York, 35; North Carolina, 10; Ohio, 22; Oregon, 3; Pennsylvania, 29; Rhode Island, 4; South Carolina, 7; Tennessee, 12; Texas, 8; Vermont, 5; Virginia, 11; West Virginia, 6; Wisconsin, 10; Iowa, 11; Kansas, 5; Kentucky, 15. Total, 269.

READER, is there a Democrat in your neighborhood who intends to vote for the non-descript Critcher? If so tell him that he will seek thereby to defeat the regular Democratic nominee—Judge Garrison—and elect to Congress the man Woltz. Away with State issues! What have they to do with National affairs?

CAN it be possible that there is a Democrat, who, from personal attachment to Judge Critcher, is willing to throw away upon him a vote which might secure the election of Judge Garrison and secure the defeat of Woltz.

Mrs. Wm. Tippet, Oswaco, N. Y., says: I have worn an Improved Excelsior Kidney Pad, about three weeks, and have received great relief from it for pain in the back. See advertisement.

You will fail in your duty unless you work earnestly until the night of November 2nd for our gallant standard bearer. And don't you forget Garrison.

RALLY Democrats and organize for the great political battle to be fought next Tuesday. Vote together now like brothers and settle the State debt, next fall.

DEMOCRATS we appeal to you as fellow party men and patriots to save Virginia from Radicalism. Don't let Heaven's sake by reason of your quarrels place the mother Commonwealth where she was in 1869.

Don't you forget the Underwood convention and the efforts made by the Radical members of it to disfranchise every Virginian, native and adopted who sympathized with the Confederate cause.

Judge George T. Garrison is the man for whom you should cast your vote. He is the regular nominee of the regular Democratic party.

GIVE the whole of 2nd of November to work for the 19th of May electoral ticket, and our next Representative in Congress, Judge Garrison.

BOSTON, October 21.—Inquires among leading business men in Lynn shows that no such man as H. L. Morey, to whom Gen. Garfield is alleged to have addressed a letter on the Chinese question, ever lived there, nor has such a labor union as the "Employers' Union" ever existed there.

VIRGINIANS, see that Virginia's vote is cast for Hancock and English and all will be well.

VOTE the regular May ticket and strike a blow for your country and your State.

**DIED.** At Bluff College, King William County, Va., on the 13th of October, 1890, Mrs. SARAH G. KEALE, in the 66th year of her life.

"My dear little girl, cheerful, loving face—will give, but fear 'Tis well, for her recent life—faithful wife, devoted mother, true friend, and Christian sister: she loved the Master, and was ever working in the vineyard. Ready for the Reaper, her life has closed like the summer's sunset; golden with the promise of a brighter tomorrow."

"Waiting her eternal state, She is calmly sleeping now, But how little now can know." J. T. E.

### R. H. SPENCER.

I beg leave to call the attention of my friends and the Public Generally to the fact that I have **JUST ARRIVED** FROM THE NORTH WITH A **Large and Well Selected Stock of FALL & WINTER GOODS,** AND EVERYTHING IN THE **GROCERY LINE,** WHICH WILL BE SOLD AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE FIGURES FOR **CASH OR PRODUCE!**

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and I ask a call and trial order from every one before going elsewhere, and you shall be satisfied that the above assertion is true, and I will convince you that it is to your interest to BUY OF ME. Quick Sales, Small Profits, and Satisfaction to every one shall be my motto. Give me a call at the **OLD STAND OF R. H. WILLIAMS, ON D STREET, BELOW THE TOWN HALL.** **Come Quick and Get THE BARGAINS!** oct-29-3m

**Commissioner's Sale of** FOUR VALUABLE TRACTS OF LAND.

IN execution of decrees of Court, I shall sell at the times and places here designated, the following tracts of land, to-wit:

1st. A farm of 323 acres called "Demigh," in King William County lately owned by A. T. Ward, deceased, three miles from Aylett, land well improved by lime and fertilizers and good buildings and live orchard. Sale at 12 1/2 cts. on the price, on Saturday the 4th day of December 1890.

2nd. At the same time and place a little farm of 57 acres called "Eubanks," bounded by the land of Harvey Pollard and others, 4 miles from Aylett.

3rd. At the same time and place a tract of land of 48 acres, part of the "Greenway" farm of A. Scott, deceased, now in the company of Henry Hill.

4th. At Miller's, in the county of Essex, on the 11th day of December, 1890, a tract of land of 88 acres, bounded by Essex, and 8 1/2 miles from Miller's, wood and arable land, about equally divided, and 3 or 4 cabins now occupied by tenants on the premises.

TERMS—As to each tract, cash enough to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale. Notes at one, two and three years for balance, bearing six per cent interest, with good security and the retained bill and payment in full.

W. R. AYLETT, Commissioner.

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1:30 P. M. Arrive at West Point daily except Sunday.

10:30 A. M. Arrive at West Point Sunday.

5:00 P. M. Leave West Point Sunday.

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I want to buy several feet Bananas. Also Sweet and Irish Potatoes, dried Fruit, Lemons, and any quantity of good Irish Butter; for all of which I will pay cash. Apply to

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OF VALUABLE LOTS

IN THE TOWN OF WEST POINT.

By virtue of a decree of Circuit Court of King William County, in a suit therein pending, styled Lewis trustee for &c., vs. Hart et al., the underage of trustee and special Commissioner will sell at public auction, in town of West Point, in front of STAR office,  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 12 M.

Lots No. 611 and 612 in town of West Point. Take note front on "C" street corner of "H" in the heart of the Town, and are very valuable.

TERMS: Cash. At the same time and place the undersigned trustee in Deed of Trust executed on 21 day of August, 1878, by William E. Hart for the benefit of John (George) will sell the office furniture of Wm. E. Hart, and lot of bricks in Town of West Point. Terms cash. oct-14, 90-4. Special Commissioner.

### Commissioner's Sale

OF A VALUABLE FARM OF SIXTY ACRES.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of King William County, in a suit therein pending, styled Slaughter vs. Slaughter et al., the undersigned special commissioner will sell at public auction at  
KING WILLIAM COURT HOUSE,  
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BRILLIANT ILLUMINATION.

THE LADIES.

Those who expected our Democratic rally, held for last Monday night, to be the greatest event of the campaign in this section...

EDITOR WEST POINT STAR. DEAR SIR:

In your issue of 21st a reference to myself, and be leave to say my faith in the Garfield and Arthur cause is strengthening daily...

THE PENALTY FOR PAYING THE CAPITATION TAX OF OTHERS.

The law punishing the payment of the capitation tax of others, with even an indirect understanding that they are to vote a certain way...

MAJOR J. N. STUBBS ABROAD.

The Fredericksburg Star of the 23rd instant, in speaking of a large and enthusiastic Hancock, English and Garrison meeting...

PERSONAL.

We were more than pleased to have a call from Col. W. S. Gilman, of the Richmond Dispatch, on Tuesday last...

IS ONE AILE?

We heard the other evening that a marriage would come off at an early day in West Point. Well, let her come!

WE GIVE IT UP.

"Kiss me in the Dark," is the title of a new piece of music, written by a young lady.

A STAR ON FIRE.

According to astronomers, one of the fixed stars has been blotted out of the firmament by the action of fire.

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Night Life Of Young Men.

One night often destroys a whole life. The leakage of the nights keeps the day forever empty. Night is sin's harvesting time. More sin and crime are committed in one night than in all the days of the week.

Young men, tell me how and where you spend your evenings, and I will write out the chart of your character and future destiny, and blanks to insert your names. It seems to me an appropriate text would be, "Watchman, what of the night?"

Proclamation By The President.

Fault-finding is so seldom indulged in by those who use the medicines manufactured by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, that the President of that corporation, the Hon. R. V. Pierce, M. D., has issued a special request or proclamation to any and all persons, if there be any such, who may have taken or shall hereafter use any of the family medicines now made and sold by the said Association, in all countries of the world, and who have not derived full benefit from said medicines, that if they will write the said Association a description of their maladies the Faculty of the Dispensary will advise them with respect to the Golden Medical Discovery is guaranteed to cure, all humors from the common blotch, pimple or eruption, to the worst scrofula or lark in the system as a sequel or secondary affection resulting from badly-treated or neglected primary diseases.

What The Country Needs.

Fewer fences and more pastures. Fewer bar-rooms and more schools. Fewer scrub cattle and more good ones. Fewer wire pullers in popular conventions, and more industry. Fewer men who seek office and more men who the office seeks. Fewer loafers about railroad stations, stores and taverns. Fewer impetuous young gentlemen, eager to rush into print and raise the devil generally. Fewer juvenile statesmen, who are eager to rush into the places their seniors and betters ought to occupy. Fewer "leaders" to knuckle to popular prejudices when wrong. Fewer great men made to order and of small material, and thrust in front of men who have capacity for greatness.

Mr. John Jones

Mr. JOHN JONES (one of the Jones family, of course,) says he wishes he could hear of some place where people never die; he would go, and end his days there. Mr. Jones is the same eccentric individual, who, attending divine service in a church where the people came very late, observed that it seemed to be the fashion there "for nobody to go till everybody got there."

A Star On Fire.

According to astronomers, one of the fixed stars has been "blotted out" by the action of fire. This startling event is, however, of less consequence to any inhabitants on our planet than the loss of a dear friend or relative by consumption. Whoever is threatened with such a bereavement should be immediately supplied with a copy of the new and powerful agent it strikingly manifested. Sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents and \$1.00 per box. See that you get the genuine. C. N. CRITTENDON, sole proprietor, No. 12 Fulton street, New York, dealer in all genuine Patent Medicines and Druggists Fancy Goods. Orders solicited from druggists and country storekeepers throughout the country.

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MARKING all suffer alike, but some know how to conceal their troubles better than others.

A Father Who Melted.

The other evening a citizen of Detroit beckoned to his 12 year old son to follow him to the woodshed, and when they arrived there he began: "Now, young man, you have been fighting again! How many times have I told you that it is disgraceful to fight?" "Oh, father this wasn't about marbles or anything of that kind," replied the boy. "I can't help it. As a Christian man it is my duty to bring up my children to fear the Lord. Take off your coat!" "But, father, the boy I was fighting with called me names."

"Shakespeare enumerates 588 species of organic forms in the air we breathe." "Golly! Just think of it! Every time you draw a breath a whole zoological garden slips down your windpipe, and no free tickets to the press."

There's one thing you may put down in your note book: Say what you will about women, we never knew a woman who could keep a secret half so well as a man could tell it.

It is said that sharks will not bite a swimmer who keeps his legs in motion. If you can keep kicking longer than a shark can keep waiting you'll be all right.

She was plump and beautiful, and he was wild with fond of her; she hated him, but woman like she strove to catch him. He was a flea.

Lovers of honey will be gratified to learn that Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is a much sweeter article in winter and much better for a cough.

A friendship that makes the least noise is very often the most useful; for which reason prefer a prudent friend to a zealous one.

The more tender and delicate the brands of joy, the purer must be the hand that will call them.

Those men whose brains are few but active, are the most successful in business.

How To Make Soap for a Cent a Pound.

Shave into small pieces five bars of Dobbins' Electric Soap, and boil in three quarts of water until the soap is thoroughly dissolved, so that upon straining through a sieve nothing remains; add to the solution or "suds" a three gallons of cold water; stir briskly for several minutes to mix, and set it away to cool. Though it will look like nothing but soap-suds while warm, a chemical reaction will take place, and in twenty-four hours time will develop forty of fifty pounds of magnificent and white soft soap, costing about five cents to make, and many of less than one cent a pound, and as many of the adulterated compounds called soap, and sold at seven to ten cents a pound. How long would it take for any other soap to become anything but "soap-suds"? Any housewife knows that it can not be done with any soap she has ever used. See if it can be done with Dobbins' Electric. Sole Agent, JOHN S. DeFARGES, WEST POINT, VA.

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