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Jan 1, 1868.

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THE DRUG STORE

Kilgore & Cureton Has been removed to the Store in Granite Row, next

to the Express Office. A large assortment of Fresh Drugs, Chemicals, Paints, Oils, Dye Stuffs, Perfumery, &c., will be found at this new establishment, and will be sold at as low prices as any other house. B. F. KILGORE, M. D.

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Coffee, Molasses, Cheese, Flour, Bacon, Corn, Meal and everything else in the Grocery line I will sell as cheap as any house in Charlotte, and respectfully request persons wishing to buy to give

ceries bought at my Store. A good lot of Castings and Hollow-Ware for sale A. BEERRYHILL. Under Mansion House

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If your Watch needs Repairing. Don't get mad and go to swearing: Just take it into HALES' shop, He will fix it so it will not stop. He warrants his work all for a year, When it is used with proper care. He will do it as low as it can be done, And do it so well it's sure to run.

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OFFICERS AND INSTRUCTORS:

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JAS. F. ALEXANDER & CO., (In the Basement Store of Springs' Building.) Keeps a general assortment of Family Supplies and Groceries, such as Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Rice. Flour, Meal, Fish, Bacon, &c-anything usually kept in the Grocery line.

Prices will be made reasonable, and everything done to please and accommodate customers Give us a call at the Store under the City Bank J. F. ALEXANDER & CO. March 20, 1868.

GROCERIES.

B, OOO LBS. BACON, (Country-cured and Western,) 10 Barrels Pickled Pork,

200 Bushels Corn. 15 Barrels Irish Potatoes, (Goodrich and Pink Eye.) Mackerel in Kits and Barrels. Sugar, Coffee, Nails, Iron, Salt, Cotton Ties, Bagging and Rope,

MILLER & BLACK. March 16, 1868

Foreign Exchange.

We draw directly on the principal cities in the following countries at New York rates; England, France, Switzerland, Holland, Russia, Sweden, Norway, Italy, Spain, Portugal and South America; also in 130 cities in the German States. It is now unnecessary to order Foreign Exchange from New York. A. G. BRENIZER, Cashier,

French Method of Raising Tomatoes.

As soon as a cluster of flowers is visible, the stem is topped down to the cluster, so that the flowers terminate the stem. The effect is that the sap is immediately impelled into the two buds next below the cluster, which soon push above eighteen inches high. In order to prevent and father of the four children. their falling over, sticks or strings are stretched The two sons and half brothers had lived that have no flowers, and after the fifth topping. to do so afterwards. The old gentleman at his all laterals, whatsoever, are nipped off. In this death willed all lris property, money and lands, way the ripe sap is directed into the fruit which valued at \$4,000,000, equally among his four acquires a beauty, size and excellence, unattained children. Shortly after his death the younger by other means.

TO FARMERS Of North and South Carolina.

GROUND PLASTER

For sale cheap by Kilgore & Cureton, Charlotte Ground Plaster attracts ammonia from the atmosphere and retains it for the use of vegetation. Its action as a manure is twofold. In the first place, it serves directly for the fooder several of our culti-vated plants; and secondly, it fixes and retains certain soluble substances in the soil, which are necessary to their growth and nutrition. Nor is this all To the same property is to be ascribed its action of fixing ammonia, when scattered over stable floors dunghills manure tanks, &c., by absorbing it, there-

by preventing its escape. Plaster may be applied to grass lands by scattering it broadcast over the surface, or over cultivated ground, harrowing it in at the time of sowing the seed It may also be applied in the hill at the time of planting beans, peas, Indian corn or tobacco; or it may be applied to the plants of these crops at their first or second hoeing. For grass lands it is recommended to sow it in the spring, even when the grass is 5 or 6 inches in height, and, when sown in August, after harvest, upon clover leas, a fine aftermath may be cut, and the crops of the year following will experience surgeons. Popular clamor was so strong that

nearly the whole of its good effects. The best time of applying plaster is in the evening or morning upon the dew or in calm and cloudy weath er, just before or after a slight rain; for if the weather be very rainy, its effects will be lessened if not altogether destroyed. When sown with grain, its ordinary dose is equal in bulk to that of the seed, say Toilet Articles, which he is determined to sell at the | 200 or 300 lbs. to an acre; but to grass lands, or crops of legumes, potatoes, and Indian corn, 5 or 6 bushels to the acre are commonly employed in Europe. Used in a compost of earth or dung, or combined with other manures, such as guano, rape dust, &c., it has been applied to turnips with marked effect. It: little plaster be strewn over barnyard dung, while being turned over, before using, its activity is very

much increased. This cheap fertilizer has been imported from Nova Scotia, and is now being ground fresh and pure, at the Union Car Works Mills, at Portsmouth, Vu , and is sold in large or small quantities, at greatly redu-KILGORE & CURETON,

ced prices, by Wholesale & Retail Druggists, Charlotte, N. C. April 20, 1868.

Fresh Arrivals AT THE ELEPHANT STORE. Just received a full and complete assortment of

Groceries, embracing every article in that line, together with THOMASVILLE MADE SHOES

for Men, Boys, Women and Misses. Also, Plow Moulds, superior Iron and a splendid lot of Wilson's Family Flour,

And the whitest Meal in the City.

I deliver all articles purchased from me free of charge at any place within the corporate limits B. M. PRESSON. March 30, 1868.

Bank Notes. Highest market price paid for Southern Bank Notes at the Banking House of

THOS. W. DEWEY & CO. Revenue Stamps,

For sale at the Banking House of THOS. W. DEWEY & CO. Deposits

Received and interest allowed at the Banking House THOS. W. DEWEY & CO. Gold and Silver Coin

Bought and sold at the Banking House of THOS. W. DEWEY & CO. THOS. W. DEWEY & CO.,

Bankers and Brokers, Hours of business to suit dealers and customers February 17, 1868.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY,

At Tiddy & Bra's Brook Store, near Scarr's Drug Store, Charlotte, N. C.

Bingham's English and Latin Grammars. Mitchell's and Cornell's series of Geographies. Sterling's series of Books. Davies' series of Algebras and Arithmetics, with

Emerson's series of Arithmetics. Quackenboss' series of School Books. Botanies of various kinds "Brick" Pomercy's Books-Sense and Nonsense.

St. Elmo-another lot of that popular Book just in. Surry of Eagles Nest, a few left, call and get one. Four Years in the Saddle-by Harry Gilmor. A large lot of Paper, Envelopes, Ink, Pens and Are always found at Springs' Corner, and polite and Holders, and in fact everything usually found at a attentive Salesmen are in readiness for the GREAT attentive Salesmen are in readiness for the GREAT all time to come \$10,000 per year; and we unhesi-

first class Stationery House. Music.

We are Agents for a large Music House, and can furnish any piece of music published in the United States at publishers price, by giving ussix days time. Wrapping Paper,

18x28 for \$1.60 per Ream and Paper half that size for 90 cents. Rags! Rags!!

100,000 pounds of clean Cotton and Linen Rags wanted, for which the highest price in money will

TIDDY & BRO. March 16, 1868. At "the New Book Store." Landreth's Garden Seed,

Received and for sale at the Drug Store of KILGORE & CURETON.

Burnett's Cocoaine for the Hair At the Drug Store of KILGORE & CURETON. Kerosine Oil

At the Drug Store of KILGORE & CURETON. Kerosine Lamps

Story from Mexico. The Monitor Republicana, of the city of Mexi-

co, gives the following: D. M. E., a gentleman of great wealth and worth, and a widower, seventy years of age, a naparte. few years since resided near this city, and owned strongly and produce another cluster of flowers | nearly all the lands of the surrounding country. each. When these are visible the branch to He had two married daughters. At this advanwhich they belong is also topped down to their | ced age he married again, and with a very young level; and this is done successfully. By this lady by whom he had two sons. His second means the plant becomes stout dwarf bushes, not | wife died, and was soon followed by the husband

horizontally along the rows, so as to keep the entirely separ. t from their senior half sisters plants erect. In addition to this, all the laterals | before the death of their parents, and continued and died in great misery shortly afterwards.

Although no measures were taken to discover the cause of the boy's strange demise, suspicions were aroused that he had been foully dealt with The high standing of the family, and their immense wealth and influence, had partially caused the smothering of suspicion, when the elder boy and heir of one-third of the estate was likewise

He was in his eighth year at this time. The isters sent for him one evening to come and dine at their home. He went with the servants as invited. The occasion was one of family festivity, and there were present a large concourse of people. After a visit of four hours the feast being ended, the boy started for his home. While on the way he was seized with a griping, and after a few moments of intense agony and pain. he fell dead in the street, in the place where he was attacked. The friends of the sisters had him buried, but the public became furious over the event, and demanded that the body be discntombed and examined by a junta, commission of the demand was complied with, which resulted in corroborating the worst suspicions. Strychnine had been administered in large quantities. The two sisters and their servants were arrested and sent to prison, and will be tried for murder."

To the Ladies.

Miles' Congress Gaiters and Laced Lasting Gaiters, Bradley's Duplex Hoop Skirts, extra fine Corsets, French Purcale Skirting at BARRINGER, WOLFE & CO'S.

Alamance Plaids,

Fancy Wax Beads, Fancy Combs, Hair Brushes of Peter Lorillard, (since dead.) every kind, Lace Collars, Linen Collars of every description, and White and Colored Alpaccas at BARRINGER, WOLFE & CO'S.

As for prices it will be better for all who are C V S Roosevelt, anxious to get rich to trade with BARRINGER, WOLFE & CO.

Ready-Made Clothing.

And a large stock of Hats, Umbrellas, Gentlemen's Cloths and Cassimeres. Also, Vogler's Salem Siocs

B., W. & CO.

Hardware. Everything almost in the Hardware line; Chiseels, Augers, Hammers, Door Locks, Hinges, Axes, Hoes, tron and Blacksmith Tools. B., W. & CO. Iron and Blacksmith Tools.

Notice. We thank our friends for past favors and hope they will continue them. We beg those indebted to come forward and pay up at once, as we need money. April 20, 1868. BARRINGER, WOLFE & CO.

Infallible Cure for Piles!

TRY IT. As far as heard from this Ointment, with two exeptions, when tried, has been accompanied with certificates acknowledging a speedy cure of this lifewasting malady. There being different stages of this disease, 2 oz. and 4 oz. bottles will be sold, suit- you, you young rascal!" ing the condition of the afflicted. Where the discase has become chronic, 4 oz. bottles are recommended; when only felt occasionally get the 2 ez. bottles at half price, and nip this disease in the bud, as it will, like consumption, steal life away. Those wishing this Ointment will address the undersigned. Price,

2 oz. bottles, \$1.50, 4 oz. bottles, \$3. For sale in Wadesboro, at the Drug Store of Messrs. Smith & Coppedge, W. M. PICKETT,

April 20, 1868 6t Wadesboro, N. C Great Inducement to Farmers.

We have made arrangements by which we can furnish Loose Lime by the Ton at \$11. Certainly every Farmer will not fail to use it at this low price. HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO., April 20, 1868.

\$20,000 WORTH OF GOODS, Are now offered to the public at Springs' Corner. These goods are bound to sell themselves by reason of their adaptation to this market. EXCELLENCY,

BEAUTY, NEATNESS, CHEAPNESS. In every variety and style of Dry Goods,

I am prepared to suit all enstomers. In Notions, Millinery and Dress Trimmings, I offer the most attractive inducements. THE VERY LATEST STYLES

RUSH of customers which the inducements I offer April 20, 1868. A. SINCLAIR.

DRESS MAKING AND MILLINERY. In all their branches, at Springs' Corner. A. SINCLAIR. April 20, 1868.

Interest! Interest!! Interest on deposits of currency, gold and silver allowed at the City Bank of Charlotte, Trade street | Great Inland Air Line safely, direct your consignors A G. BRENIZER, Springs' Building March 30, 1868.

Just Received at S. Grose & Co's, BARRELS EXTRA C SUGAR.

" Yellow coffee Sugar, 10 " Soda Crackers, .. Butter " Cream " 100 Pounds Turkish Prunes, 5 Dozen Brooms, 5 " Painted Buckets. 10 Sacks Rio Coffee, 100 " Family Flour, 10 Boxes Cheshire Cheese, 10 " Best State "

April 20, 1868

The End of Four Great Men.

The four great personages who occupy the most conspicuous places in the history of the

heights of his ambition, and with his temples millions of miles too great, was reluctantly ad- I go to it, and pass my hands down its face, along bound with chaplets dipped in the blood of countless millions, looked down upon a conquered world and wept that there was not another world determined the sun's distance even within this to accustom it to being handled, a thing which for him to conquer-set a city on fire and died in apparently enormous range of error. But none cannot be commenced too soon. Foals are ania scene of debauch.

Hannibal, after having to the astonishment they had largely over-valued the accuracy of and are more tractable and easily taught than and consternation of Rome, passed the Alps, and their calculations-or rather of the observations any other animal; so whatever you want them lafter having put to flight the armies of the mis- on which their estimates had been founded. to learn, commence before they are old enough tress of the world, and slipped "three bushels of That astronomers should have been in error upon to make resistance, and depend upon it, they golden rings from the fingers of the slaughtered this point, and yet that astronomy should be will never forget it. Put a halter on it, and lead knights," and made her foundation quake, fled spoken of as the most exact of the sciences, may it about, but be careful not to let it break away from his country, being hated by those who seem perplexing to those who are not familiar from you. Be very careful and gentle to it, but once exultingly united his name to that of their with the true quality of that exactness which is show that you are its master. elder half sisters, partook of some refreshments of and called him Hina Baal, died at last in sought after by astronomers. It resembles in I next proceed to the horses' feet. Horses' a foreign country, by poison administered with a sort the accuracy of the horologist's art. But hoofs are things of the greatest importance, for his own hand, unlamented and unwept.

> cities, and dveing his garments in the blood of one million of his foes, after having pursued to death the only rival he had on earth, was miserably assassinated by those he considered his dearest friends; and in that very place the at ainment of which had been his greatest ambition. Bonaparte, whose mandates kings and popes

beyed, after having filled the earth with the terror of his name-and after having deluged Europe with tears and blood, and clothed the world in sack-cloth-closed his days in lonely banishment, almost literally exiled from the of the Greenwich Observatory, was led by the taken off until the next summer, when they world, yet where he could sometimes see his country's banner waving over the deep, but which did not and could not bring him aid

Thus these four men, who seem to stand the epresentatives of all those whom the world calls reat-these four men, who each in turn made he earth tremble to its very centre by their simple tread, severally died-one by intoxication, or as supposed, by poison mingled in his wine-one by suicide, one murdered by his friends, and one a onely exile. "How are the mighty fallen!"

Taxes in New York City.

An examination of the tax books of New York city (for 1866-'67) shows that already ten men own one-tenth part of the whole taxable property

of the city, as follows: \$16,114,000 Wm B Astor, 7.745,000 Wm C Rhinelander, 6.091.500 A T Stewart. Peter and Robert Goelet. James Lenox, 4.245,0003.997,000 John David Wolfe, 1,690,000 M M Hendricks, Rufus L Lord,

\$51,405,500

The total of the taxable property in this same year was \$555,442,012. So that it appears that ten men already own about one-tenth of all; and one hundred men might own the whole of the city, had their fathers, and they, done as these have done. The highest tax paid on the list amounted to \$358,140, and the lowest to \$22,670 Either of them very pretty fortunes in most quarters of the habitable globe. Together, these ten paid taxes to the amount of \$1,182,326.

A gentleman was chiding his son for staying out late of nights, or rather early of next mornings-and said :

"Why, when I was your age, my father would not allow me to go out of the houseafter dark?" "Then you had a deuce of a father, you had, sneered the young profligate.

"I had a confounded sight better father than A sweet young lady says the males are of no

Whereupon the father very rashly vociferated:

account from the time the ladies stop kissing them as infants until they commence kissing them as lovers.

Bacon and Sugar. LBS. BALTIMORE BACON

7,000 Pounds dry, salted and Country Bacon, 30 Boxes dry Havana Grocery Sugar, for sale by STENHOUSE, MACAULAY & CO.

April 27, 1868. No Delay at Weldon or Raleigh. TO SHIPPERS.

North Carolina all State Railway Lines THE OLD RALEIGH AND GASTON RAILROAD, The Shortest, Quickest, Safest and best Line, North and South, to be left out in the cold,

unless Shippers specially say via R. & G. We inaugurated and are the Great Through Inland Air Line Route to all the Northern markets, and have successfully worked the Line to the entire satisfaction of Shippers, North and South, for the last ten years, as the ten thousand Shippers in North and South Carolina will testify. We paid the State near Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars for her interest in this

all time to come \$10,000 per year; and we unhesi-

NOTICE. GREAT INLAND AIR LINE FREIGHT ROUTE, Via Raleigh & Gaston Railroad,

quired so to direct your Freight, or they will be taken by another route. To insure your freight being carried over this

to mark or order your freight, via Raleigh & Gaston Railroad, and to ship as follows: of Central Wharf, E Sampson, Agent. FROM NEW YORK-Old Dominion Steamship Co. Shipping Point Pier 37, North River, Foot Beach St.,

President. FROM PHILADELPHIA-(Via, Annamessic,) Phila., Wilmington and Baltimore Depet, or Clyde's Line of steamers, 15 N. Delaware Avenue, W. P. Clyde, Agent. FROM BALTIMORE-Bultimore Steam Packet Co., C. B. ALLEN, Gen. Freight Agent, Raleigh, N. C.

Distance of the Sun.

covery made, not many years ago, that the ac- that noble animal. Alexander after having climbed the dizzy cepted value of the sun's distance was some three mitted by astronomers. It was easy, indeed, to its back, and down its legs to the hoofs, hind and show that they might justly be proud of having fore, not to mesmerise or charm the animal, but the less, it was unpleasant to have to admit that mals that, when quite young, have more sagacity, other miles. Winnecke and Stone, from obser- shoe should never be on longer than three

miles less than the greatest estimate. The Silver Highwaymen.

Twenty-five plateados entered the town of Tulancingo the other day, and took off horses belonging to Gen. Rojo, the military commander of the place, whom they were after, but failed to

find .- Mexican Standard. The plateados are a band of brigands or highwaymen whose origin dates further back than the beginning of the present century. The name signifies "the silver-plated," and was given them on account of their display of silver-plated arms, dress, and horse equipments. Every piece of metal, such as buckles, stirrups, buttons, bridle bits, and even to the horses' shoes of this band,

are either made of solid silver or are plated. They are the dread and scourge of the valleys of Mexico, Toluca and Puebla, and stories of their operations are as numerous as those of our Indian wars. Their standby resort is the moun tain fastnesses of Mount Melincha, situated north-east of Puebla, a mountain the diameter of whose base is seventy-five miles long. Although they have been outlawed by every conservative administration, they have always been found in the Liberal army. Juarez pardoned them in 1867. They then joined Diaz's army, fought at Puebla, and in front of Mexico until that city fell, when they returned to Mount Melincha and

There are about six hundred Mexicans in the bands, but they operate in small divisions. The instance of their entrance to Tulancingo, as quoted above, is a sample of their daring. That city has from 15,000 to 20,000 inhabitants, yet twenty-five of the plateados went, into it, hunted for the commandante, and, not finding him, car-

ried his horses to their resorts. Kidnapping people and holding them for ransom is their principal source of revenue. Ladies of wealthy families are taken by them and held until ransomed, but no instance of their receiving personal harm or insult while in their power is known. In 1853 they kidnapped a wealthy widow of the city of Puebla, and demanded and received \$50,000 ransom money for liberating her. Their recruits are mostly from the wealthy families of the cities of Mexico, Puebla, and Toluca. They live a jovial, extravagant life and are free from prosecution as long as the Liberal administration is in power .- Brownsvite (Texas) Runchero.

NOT GENERALLY KNOWN .- Martin Van Buren is the only man who held the offices of President, Vice-President, Minister to England, Governor of his own State, and member of both houses of Congress. Thos. H. Benton is the only man who held a seat in the United States | battles which man has waged against his fellow member of the House of Representatives.

debts as soon as you get any money in your pock-FROM BOSTON-Merchants' and Miners' Line, end et. Do without what you don't need. Speak nineteen hours a day, and seven days in a week, your mind when necessary; hold your tongue at the rate of six thousand per hour, it would when prudent. Speak to a friend in a seedy occupy that person three hundred and thirty-six Office 187 Greenwich St., Cor. Dey, N. L. McCready, coat. If you can't lend a man money tell him why; if you don't want to, do the same. Cut hundred and fifty thousand pipes of human blood any acquaintance that lacks principle. Bear have been spilt in battles! Who would not exwith infirmities, but not vices. Respect hones claim with Bishop Hall-"Give me the man who ty, despise duplicity. Wear your old clothes can devise how to save troops of men from kill-FROM BALTIMORE.—Baltimore Steam Packet Co., 20 Light Street Agent, or Powhatan Steam Boat Co., 90 Light Street comfort and propriety, not fashion. Acknowledge your ignorance, and don't pretend to know-ledge you haven't got. Entertain your friends, victory over many enemies."—Ir. Thomas T. S. MORTON, Soliciting Agent. but never beyond your means.

Care of Horses.

After about twenty-two years' experience as a A new estimate of the sun's distance reminds us that this important astronomical element still | horse owner, I undertake to set down a little of world, are Alexander, Hannibal, Cæsar and Bo- remains unsatisfactorily determined. The dis- my experience concerning the management of

Commencing when the foal is a day or two old,

the astronomers of the present day, using a who would want to follow a lame horse to either Cæsar, after having conquered eight hundred variety of delicate methods, into whose nature work or pleasure? Many things ruin the feet of we need not here enter. have arrived at more horses, which I cannot pretend to touch on, but trustworthy results. It is hoped that during the I will try to point out a few errors which any transits of Venus in 1874 and 1882 these results man can see and correct, the greatest of which may be improved upon. Yet, even now, we may is leaving their shoes on too long. This hurts note as a great achievement of modern science | the hoof, strains the legs, and causes lameness in the following series of values, differing little (pro- every shape. In the winter this has a worse portionately) among themselves, though well effect than in summer, as then the feet are more separated from the old determination, 95.274,000. dry and clean, whereas in summer they are wet, The German astronomer Hansen, making use of and the mud and heat of summer will rot the a peculiarity in the moon's motion as a guide, hoofs and cause the shoe to fall off. I have was led to the value 91.700,000 miles; Stone, known horses' shoes nailed on in the fall, and not same means (only instruments,) to the value would fall off in the pasture, a practice which 91,409,000 the peculiarity was estimated by seldom fails to bring on lameness. A horse's

vations on Mars, obtained, respectively, the values | months, and two months are very often too long. 91,300,000 miles and 91,500,000 miles. Esti- Horses' hoofs were meant by nature to go bare, mates founded on a comparison of the velocity of and run on the earth in their natural state, and light as determined by the experiments of Fizeau as we drive them on such, they need no shoeing; and Faucault with the astronomical determina- but when we drive them on paved streets, hard tion, give a value of 91,500,000 miles. A method roads, etc., we have to shoe them, and stop the employed by Leverrier, and founded on a pecu- wear that nature meant should be on their hoofs. liarity of the earth's motion, gives 91,600,000 The consequence is that the shoe binds the hoof, miles. And lastly, the new estimate obtained by and often causes contraction and many other Mr Simon Newcombe (U. S.) founded on obser- evils, when nailed too far to the heel, left on long, vations of Mars in 1862, makes the sun's dis- or when the hoof is not sufficiently pared down tance 92,400,000 miles. The mean of these between shoeings. See that the shoe is not nailed values is 91,771,000 miles, or nearly 630,000 too far to the heel. Any intelligent man can see when a shoe has been on long enough, and take it off, when it may be left off a day or two longer, as the case may be. A drive over soft snow, a few days plowing or harrowing, or the like, would spread the foot and help to counteract the effects of shoeing. Always see that the hoof is properly pared before the shoe is again put on. I have never seen the hoofs of old horses greatly improved by being left bare a few weeks in pasture. There are many other things that hurt horses feet, as too poor feed, too high feed, too hard

> The most natural feed for the horse is what he can pick for himself, but as we cannot let him run and pick his own living, let his feed he as near natural as possible. Too high or too low feed have both a bad effect, but as different individuals will form very different notions of what high and low feed are, I will try and point out what I consider the middle course to be. Hay alone, be it ever so good, is not fit feed for horses, whether working or idle. They need grain, with an occasional feed of roots, bran mash, or something to keep their bowels open. Horses need regular feed. The feed I generally find best for horses is about twelve pounds of hay and from nine to twelve quarts of oats, given in three regular feeds, with a feed of raw potatoes once a week when idle, or at gentle work; and a small increase when at hard work. The practice of feeding horses all the hay they can eat when idle, has many bad effects; whereas if they get three small feeds, they will stamp about in the stall and take exercise between feeds, which will keep their legs from swelling, etc.

But remember, I do not advocate small feeds of hay without grain. A very cheap way of feeding horses, and not a bay way, is on straw, with a fair allowance of oats. I have tried a great many experiments, and have found horses always do better on straw than horned cattle. Horses will do better on straw, provided it be good, than they will on hay only, without grain in both cases; but of course they must not be stinted. The main point with a farmer who keeps horses, is to use them in such a way as will give them all the strength and agility the animal is capable of, and to work them all they can stand without injuring either. The poor, half-starved horse is an animal any man ought to be ashamed of; but on the other hand, the pampered and over-fed and half-worked horse, though he may look very nice to some, is an animal I would advise the farmer not to keep, as such animals are more liable to loss than any other .- Colonial Farmer.

Horrors of War. Since the creation of the world fourteen thou-

sand millions of human beings have fallen in the Senate for thirty consecutive years. The only creatures-man. If this amazing number of instance of father and son in the United States | men were to hold each other by the hand at arms Senate, at the same time, is that of Henry Dodge, length, they would extend over fourteen millions, Senator from Wisconsin, and his son, Augustus five hundred and eighty-three thousand, three C. Dodge, Senator from Iowa. General James | hundred and thirty-three miles of ground, and Shields is the only man who ever represented would encircle the globe on which we dwell six two States in the United States Senate. At one | hundred and eight times? If we allow the tatingly declare that we can and will give more dis- time he was Senator from Illinois and subse- weight of a man to be on an average one hundred patch to all points, North and South, than any other quently from Minnesota. John Quincy Adams | weight, (this is below the mark,) we shall come held positions under the government during to the conclusion that six millions, two hundred every administration from that of Washington to and fifty thousand tons of human flesh has been that of Polk, during which he died. He had mangled, disfigured, gashed and trampled under been Minister to England, member of both foot. The calculation will appear more striking Is the shortest line for Shippers, and you are re- houses of Congress, Secretary of State, and Presi- when we state, that if only the fore-fingers of dent of the United States. He died while a every one of those fourteen million of human beings were to be held in a straight line, they would reach more than six hundred thousand WEAR THIS IN YOUR HAT .- Pay your miles beyond the moon; and that if a person were to undertake to count the number, allowing years. And, awful is the consideration! three

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