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"Be true to God, to your Country, and to your Duty."

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☞Postmasters are authorized to act as agents.

BELTS! BELTS!! BELTS!!!

From the Boston Belt Company.

At Manufacturers' Prices;

CASH PRICES:

2 inch	12½ cts.	per	foot.
2½ "	15	"	"
3 "	17	"	"
4 "	22	"	"
5 "	27	"	"
6 "	32	"	"
7 "	38	"	"
10 "	60	"	"
12 "	72	"	"
12 " 4 ply	92	"	"

☞SEAMLESS BELTS manufactured to order at short notice.

CONNECTING HOSE of all sizes, for water or steam pressure, ordered direct from the Manufacturers.

—ALSO—

PACKING of all descriptions at **55** cents per pound.

J. B. F. BOONE.

May 31, 1858. 12tf

Variety Store.

Fresh Confectionaries, Fruits,

&c., &c.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country, that he has on hand and is constantly receiving from New York,

Confectionaries, Fruits,
FANCY GROCERIES, CIGARS
TOBACCO, SNUFF, TOYS,
Musical Instruments,
FIRE WORKS HOBBY HORSES,
Velocipedes, Willow Wagons,
Chairs, Work-Stands, & Bird Cages
of every variety.

J. D. PALMER.

Dec. 15, 1857. 42tf

P. S. Having secured the services of a first rate Baker, I am prepared to furnish superior CAKES at short notice.

Teas! Teas!!

A FINE ASSORTMENT OF GOOD TEAS for Family use, consisting of Hyson, Young Hyson, Imperial, Gunpowder, English Breakfast, and many other varieties, for sale at

H. M. PRITCHARD'S
Family Drug Store.

Removal.

THE subscriber informs his friends and the public generally, that he has removed his shop to the old stand of Moore & Byerly, under I. S. Williams' Store, on Trade street, where he is prepared to attend to all orders in his line. He has still a few articles on hand such as

Golden Cock, Golden Star, Planter's and Premium
COOK STOVES,
and a variety of
PARLOR STOVES.
Also a good assortment of
Tin and Hollow-ware, &c.

All of which I will sell cheap for CASH or Country Produce.

D. H. BYERLY.

Jan 11, 1858. 43tf

Try It! Try It!

HELMBOLD'S *Concentrated Extract of* BUCHU the best medicine in the world for the class of diseases it proposes to treat. Try it. For sale at

PRICHARD'S DRUG HOUSE,
Irwin's Corner.

Dye-Stuffs, Dye-Stuffs!

THE very best of this class of articles, consisting in part of Solution of Tin, Extract of Logwood, Cochineal, Madder, &c., may be purchased low at

PRITCHARD'S
Drug Store, Irwin's Corner.

Varnishes, Varnishes!

A LARGE stock now on hand consisting of Damar, Copal, Coach Body, Furniture, Japan, &c., Which will be sold for *CASH* lower than any other house in Charlotte. By

H. M. PRITCHARD,
Wholesale and Retail Druggist,
Irwin's Corner.

Condition Powders!

FARMERS and others interested in STOCK, are assured that these preparations are unsurpassed as health giving remedies to Horses, Cattle, and all kinds of Stock. For sale at

PRITCHARD'S
Wholesale and Retail Drug Store,
Irwin's Corner.

Bathing and Surgeon's Sponge,

OF the best quality, at
PRITCHARD'S DRUG STORE.

Snuff.

SCOTCH, Maccaboy and English, Gentlemen's SNUFFS, just received, 600 lbs. in bladders and jars. Sold low for cash by

H. M. PRITCHARD,
Dec. 1, 1857. Irwin's corner.

Teeth and Ear Syringes,

JUST received at
PRITCHARD'S.

☞NEW FIRM.

THE undersigned having entered into Copartnership for the purpose of carrying on the

Confectionary, Bakery, Fruit,
AND
Retail Grocery Business,

Beg leave to call the attention of the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country to their New Stand on Trade Street, between Brem's and Frankenthal's, at Sprit & Daniel's old Stand, where they would be pleased to see all their friends and acquaintances.

MOODY & NISBET.

February 2, 1858. 46-tf

Physicians, Take Notice!

HAVING taken advantage of the pressure of the times, I am receiving, by cash purchases, an immense and select stock of Medicines, Chemicals, Instruments, Chests, &c., to which I most respectfully invite your attention.

All orders by mail or otherwise, put up with neatness and despatch.

H. M. PRITCHARD,
Dec. 1 *Irwin's Corner.*

☞Notice

THE FIRM of FULLINGS & CO. was dissolved by mutual consent on the 1st day of January last. In retiring from the Firm, allow me to return my sincere thanks to the citizens of North and South Carolina for the liberal patronage bestowed upon us, and to request a continuance of the same for Messrs. SPRINGS & HEATH, who have associated themselves with E. Fullings under the Firm of FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO., who will conduct the Clothing Business on the same terms and with the same advantages as heretofore.

The Notes and Accounts of Fullings & Co. will be found in the hands of W. A. Owens, for collection.

JOHN TOWNLEY.

NEW FIRM.

THE new Firm of FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO. beg leave to present themselves to the citizens of North and South Carolina; and in so doing, would earnestly solicit a continuance of the liberal patronage bestowed on the well known firm of Fullings & Co.

We would say with much assurance that we have the *Largest, Neatest and Cheapest*

Stock of Gentlemen's and Boys' CLOTHING.

Ever offered in this State!

It is a bold assertion but nevertheless true; because we buy the materials and manufacture our own goods, thereby saving the manufacturer's profit, which is at least 25 per cent. Moreover, every article of Clothing passes under the supervision of one of the firm, and if not well made it is not received. We can, therefore, warrant the making of all goods that go from our house.

FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

Raglans! Raglans!!

WE are receiving by every steamer, all kinds of latest style [illegible].

FULLING, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

CASSIMERE SUITS,

AT any price you may want—Another bold assertion, but nevertheless true. Nothing like being connected with a manufacturing house.

FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

Boys' Clothing.

TO Parents we would say, you can find an assortment of our Clothing Store, which we keep all kinds, which is well made.

FULLING, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

TRUNKS! TRUNKS!!

A GOOD Assortment of Ladies' and Gent's Trunks, Valises, Carpet Bags, &c. at low prices.

FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

Shirts, Shirts,

WHITE Linen, White and Fancy Marseilles, lower than the same kind can be [illegible] in the United States, at

FULLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.

May 18, 1858. 10tf

THE LIVER INVIGORATOR!

PREPARED BY DR. SANFORD,

Compounded entirely from GUMS,

IS ONE OF THE BEST PURGATIVE AND LIVER MEDICINES now before the public [illegible]

The **Liver** is one of the [illegible] **Liver Complaint** [illegible] **purifying the blood** [illegible] **Bilious attacks are** cured, and, what is **better, prevented,** by the occasional use of the **Liver Invigorator.** [illegible] **Sick Headache** [illegible] **Morbus** [illegible] **Cholic,** [illegible] **Cholera** [illegible] **Jaundice** [illegible] **Chronic Diarrhoea, Summer** and **Bowel** Complaints [illegible] **Worms** [illegible] **Dropsy** [illegible] **Fever** and **Ague, Chill Fever,** [illegible] **Dyspepsia** [illegible]

SANFORD'S LIVER INVIGORATOR.

All who use it are giving their unanimous testimony in its favor.

☞**Mix Water in the mouth with the Invigorator, and swallow both together.**

THE LIVER INVIGORATOR

IS A SCIENTIFIC MEDICAL DISCOVERY, and is daily working cures, almost too great to believe. [illegible] **Liver Complaint** [illegible] **Diseased Liver.** [illegible]

SANFORD & Co., Proprietors, [illegible] Broadway, New York.

Wholesale Agents: [illegible]

F. SCARR & CO.,
Charlotte, N. C.

☞Dissolution.

THE firm of Young & Williams is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The accounts of the firm will be settled by H. B. Williams.

W. A. YOUNG,
H. B. WILLIAMS.

Charlotte, Aug. 18, 1858. 24tf

MANSION HOUSE

UNDER NEW AUSPICES.

THIS Commodious & Magnificent ESTABLISHMENT has recently come under the personal supervision of the subscriber, who respectfully announces to his *friends* and THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC ESPECIALLY, that every effort will be made on his part, to please in *every particular* appertaining to the duties of "mine host."

W. W. ELMS.

Charlotte, Aug. 24, 1858. 24tf

Brass & Composition Castings.

I AM prepared to manufacture all kinds of work in the above line of business. I would call the particular attention of those that have mills or factories, or any kind of machinery that needs composition of durability for mill cogs, that I move one of my own, and I have never heard of any thing that would stand half equal to it. I will warrant them to run five years. There are some of my make that have been running fifteen and twenty years. I could furnish more than a hundred certificates of its durability.

To Persons needing Mill Irons and gudgeons I will furnish the set for eight dollars. Try them and save yourselves the trouble of stopping your mill when all else is right.

JOHN M. MASON.

June, 1, 1858. 12tf

Charlotte Machine Shop.

W. D. PINCKNEY & CO.

Engineers, Hydraulic Press Makers and Machinery in general,

HAVE commenced business in Charlotte, in the above line, and are prepared to make STEAM ENGINES of any form or construction, Hydraulic Cotton Presses and every other description of Machinery.

They also beg to inform the manufacturers and farmers generally, that they have recently added a

FOUNDRY

to their establishment, and are prepared to furnish castings in Iron, Brass, or any other metal, at a short notice and at reasonable prices.

Particular attention will be given to the making and repairing of Threshing Machines, Horse Powers, Cotton Gins, Mill Work, and Agricultural Machinery.

☞We also keep workmen for **Blacksmithing, Jobbing Work, Wagon Work and Horse Shoeing.**

☞OUR TERMS ARE CASH.☜

☞Shops on College Street, opposite to Jesse Rudisill's Steam Planing Mill.☜

Charlotte, March 30, 1858. 41

Dissolution.

THE firm of BECKWITH & BRITTAIN was this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm are requested to come forward immediately and make payment, as the business of the firm must be closed.

R. W. BECKWITH,
W. J. BRITTAIN.

June 10, 1858. 14tf

Notice.

HAVING bought the interest of [illegible] in Watches, Jewelry, &c., of Beckwith & Brittain, I shall continue the business at their old stand, where I shall be happy to meet my old friends and customers.

R. W. BECKWITH.

June 10, 1858. 14tf

J. A. ESTES. THOMAS DEGRAFFENRIED.

J. A. ESTES & CO.,

FACTORS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

FOR the sale of Cotton, Grain, Flour, and all kinds of Country Produce.

Office, North Atlantic Wharves, Charleston, S. C.

☞According to the terms of the Copartnership, we will not speculate, directly or indirectly, in any Produce shipped to our house.

REFERENCES—O. Mills, S. S. Farrar, Brothers & Co., Lanneau, Smith & Walker, Thomas J. & C. H. Moore, Charleston, S. C.; Col. R. Anderson, E. Hope, Columbia, S. C.; Thomas McLure, Sr., S. R. Eaves, A. Q. Donovant, Chester, S. C.; Col. F. Beall, Union, S. C.; Col. I. D. Witherspoon, J. W. Avery, W. A. Latta, Esq., Col. S. N. Stowe, Dr. J. R. Bratton, Yorkville, S. C.; Dr. [illegible], Salisbury, N. C.; J. L. [illegible], Knoxville, Tenn.

June 1, 1858. 1y

H. B. Williams & Co.,

DEALERS in GROCERIES,

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

ARE now receiving a large stock and will have weekly additions as their sales may require. They will sell to the wholesale trade at a small commission.

Our Terms are CASH or COUTRY PRODUCE.

We occupy the well known stand recently occupied by T. M. Farrow.

☞ORDERS attended to promptly and as low as at present.

H. B. WILLIAMS & CO.,
Trade Street, 3 doors from the West Corner.

Charlotte, Jan. 26, 1858. 47tf

Wm. A. Owens,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

CHARLOTTE, N. C.,

WILL practice in the Courts of Mecklenburg and the surrounding counties.

☞Office nearly opposite the Post Office.

Jan. 26, 1858. 46tf

SAM'L. P SMITH,

ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW,

MAY always be found at the office of William Johnston, Esq.

☞Prompt attention given to Collections, writing of Deeds, Conveyances, &c.

Feb. 2, 1858. 48tf

Fresh Braed!

FRESH BREAD for families, every morning at J. D. Palmer's Confectionery, one door above the Bank of Charlotte.

Jan. 29, 1858. 47tf

BONDS *for the Delivery of Property,*
FOR SALE HERE

To Church Builders.

THE undersigned invite proposals for building a METHODIST CHURCH in the town of Lincolnton. Building of Brick 42 by 74 feet with a tower of feet high.

Bids received until the 1st day of November—Building to be completed by the 1st of December, 1859.

Bids are solicited for the work entire.
" " " " " Brick work.
" " " " " Carpenter's work.
" " " " " Lumber.

Plans, with specifications in detail, may be seen at the counting rooms of W. H. Michal or J. C. Jenkins.

The committee will furnish, if desired, the clay to make the brick as also the wood to burn them.

SAM'L. LANDER,
JNO. E BOGER,
H. W ABERNATHEY,
J. C. JENKINS,
W. H. MICHAL,
Building Committee.

August 24, 1858. 123

3,400 ACRES OF LAND

FOR SALE.

I OFFER for sale my land in Union county, lying on Clear Creek and Crooked Creek, known as the Stuart Land. It has been surveyed into three tracts—one tract containing **2200** acres, one **500** acres and one **250** acres, all contiguous to each other. Said Land is well adapted to the cultivation of cotton, corn, wheat and other small grain, and well situated for grazing purposes. It is nearly all woodland and well-timbered, within a convenient distance of the Charlotte and Wilmington Railroad, and is situated in the gold region between Gold Hill and the Hearn Mine. Gold has already been discovered on that part of the Land known as the Little Mountain.

I also offer for sale a TRACT OF LAND lying in York District, S. C., on Big Sugar Creek, joining the Lands of Baxter Springs and others, containing **350** acres. Said Land has been considered one of the best Cotton Plantations in York District, and there is no better land for corn or wheat.

If desired, I will divide any of the aforesaid Land to suit purchasers, and the purchaser can have his own time to pay the money, provided he makes it secure.

Apply to me in Charlotte.

W. F. DAVIDSON.

June 15, 1858. 4tf

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

UNION COUNTY.

IN EQUITY—*Spring Term,* 1858.

Mathew Osborne et al. vs. Elizabeth Osborne et al. } Petition to sell Land.

IT appearing in this case to the satisfaction of the court, that the defendants, the children and heirs at law of William Osborne, dec'd, to wit: Elizabeth, Joseph, Marion, Jane, Lucinda, Mary Ann, John and Nancy, and one other, have since their removal to the state of Texas, and the defendants, the children and heirs at law of John Osborne, to wit: [illegible] reside beyond the limits of this state. It is therefore ordered, that publication be made for six weeks in the North Carolina Whig, a paper published in the Town of Charlotte, notifying the said defendants to be and appear before the Judge of our next Court of Equity, to be held for the County of Union, at the Court House in Monroe, on the 10th Monday after the 4th Monday of August next, then and there to plead, answer or demur to the allegations of said petition, otherwise judgment pro confesso will be taken against them and the same heard ex parte as to them.

Witness, C. M. T. McCauley, Clerk and master of our said Court, at office in Monroe, the 10th Monday after the 4th Monday in March, in the [illegible] year of American Independence A. D. 1858.

C. M. T. McCAULEY, C. M. E.

Sept. 6, 1858. Printer's fee $8. 132

Equity Cash Sale.

BY Order of Court on Monday the 15th November, being the Monday of our next Superior Court, at the Court-House in Charlotte, I will expose to public sale a

A Valuable Plantation,

about 5 miles from Charlotte, and lying **188** acres on Big Sugar Creek, joining the John M. Strong, Thos. Price and others, [illegible]

Valuable Chalybeate and Sulphur
SPRING,

which adds much to its value. Terms cash.

Any one wishing to examine the Land can apply to Stephen B. Turner, living on the premises.

D. B. DUNLAP, C. M. E.

Sept. 21, 1858. Prs. fee $7

WHEAT WANTED.

THE subscriber having purchased the Steam Flouring Mill in this place, is prepared to buy Wheat, for which he will give the highest market price in cash.

Flour, Bran and Meal for sale at the Mill, or delivered wherever desired in town.

JOHN WILKES.

Charlotte, Aug. 9, 1858. 23tf

BREAD! BREAD!!

AND

CAKES.

THE undersigned has commenced the Baking for the purpose of supplying the citizens of Charlotte with GOOD BREAD and CAKES. I will supply the stores at the desire of my customers every morning fresh.

JOHN DORAN.

Charlotte, Aug. 17, 1858. 24

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA,

MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

IN EQUITY.

W. R. Myers vs. Miss J. McCulloch.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that Miss J. McCulloch, the defendant in this case, are not residents of this State, *It is therefore Ordered,* that publication be made six weeks in the N. C. Whig, a paper published in Charlotte, notifying said defendant to be and appear at our next Court of Equity, to be held for the County of Mecklenburg, at the Court House in Charlotte, on the 11th Monday after the 4th Monday in August 1858, then and there to plead, answer or demur, otherwise said bill will be entered pro confesso, against her.

Witness D. R. Dunlap, Clerk and Master of our said Court, at office, in Charlotte, the 8th of September, 1858.

D. B. DUNLAP, C. M. E.

Sept. 14, 1858. Printer's fee $6. 132

Country Merchants

ARE respectfully invited to call and examine our wholesale prices of their DRUGS and MEDICINES, put up in any style to order, by

PRITCHARD,
Druggist and Apothecary,
Irwin's Corner.

SUBPENAS for sale at this office.

Poetry.

Old Friends Meet Together.

BY CHARLES SWAIN.

Oh, time is sweet when roses meet
With Spring's sweet breath around them;
And sweet the cost, when hearts are lost,
If those we love have found them!
And sweet the mind that still can find
A star in darkest weather!
But nought can be so sweet to see,
As old friends meet together!

Those days of old, when youth was bold,
And time stole wings to speed it,
When youth ne'er knew how fast time flew;
Or knowing, did not heed it!
Though grey each brow that meets us now,
For age brings wintry weather—
Yet nought can be so sweet to see
As those old friends together!

The few long known, that years have shown
With hearts that friendship blesses;
A hand to cheer, perchance a tear
To soothe a friend's distresses;
That helped and tried—still side by side—
A friend to face bad weather;
Oh, thus may we yet joy to see,
And meet old friends together.

LINES.

What are another's faults to me,
I've not a vulture's bill,
To pick at every flaw, I see
And make it wider still.

It is enough for me to know
I've faults of my own,
And on my heart the care bestow
And let my friends alone. S.

Miscellaneous.

THE WIFE'S MISTAKE.

The carriage stopped at the door, and in a few minutes Margaret Hale entered the apartment where her husband sat wholly absorbed in poring over day books and ledgers.

"These tiresome accounts still," she exclaimed, "will you never find time for anything but business Ralph! Have you no taste for anything beyond figures?"

"Margaret—" but the sadness of the tone was unheeded, as she continued.

"We had such a charming evening at Mrs. C's. Captain [illegible] related many interesting incidents of his residence in Egypt, and Mr. Warren the famous young poet, read, "Maud," and some of the most beautiful passages in "Aurora Leigh." I must read to you some of Romney's "Great Thoughts on Duty."

She went hastily to her chamber for the volume. When she returned, her quiet entrance was unheard by her husband, whose pen was rapidly moving over the almost interminable columns of figures. With an expression of impatience, almost of scorn, resting on her face, she hastily turned away.

"And this is the end of all my dreams of marriage," said she, as she reached her room. "He has a taste for drudgery—His pursuits and tastes are all commonplace, and I must go from home to find the sympathy I need, to find those who would appreciate with me the books I love, and the beautiful in art, for which he has no eye nor ear."

In the room she had left, Ralph Hale sat hour after hour, till his brain was weary and his eyelids drooped. Then, laying aside his books, he remained for a long time in deep thought.

"God bless my Margaret," he prayed, "and give me strength to bear all things. Give me power to make her happy."

Putting far away all thoughts of her husband's real nobleness of character, jealously preserving the memory of every slight difference in their tastes and pursuits, Margaret cherished the spirit of discontent till it imbittered every hour of her life, and sent suffering she had never dreamed of to the heart of her husband, who would gladly have sacrificed every earthly good for her happiness.

A sudden and severe sickness came to her while Ralph was in a distant city.—One day, during her slow recovery, the aged minister who had baptised her in her infancy, was sitting by her side.

"Margaret," he said after steadfastly watching her troubled face, "you are very unhappy: I have seen it for a long time.—I should not recognize in you my once cheerful, happy child. May I not know what great sorrow has come to you?"

Then with sobs and tears she told him all her unhappiness.

After a short silence the old man spoke again; and there was sadness almost sternness in his voice: "Years ago Margaret, a New York merchant became involved in a speculation, whose failure suddenly took from him the accumulated wealth of his years of commercial enterprise. There were a few years of weary, vain struggling to regain what he had lost; then deep despondency, a lingering disease, and death. His wife and four children were left penniless. The child a boy of sixteen, had finished his preparatory studies, and was about to enter college. By this stroke he found his prospects for the future clouded; but with a noble self-forgetfulness, he turned cheerfully into the way fate had marked out for him and walked resolutely in it.

"He obtained a situation with a merchant who had known his father, where his faithfulness and untiring devotion to his duties won the confidence of all who knew him. During the first years of her widowhood, his mother had taught a private school for young ladies; and it was the boy's highest ambition to relieve her of the necessity and give her the rest, her feeble health required. I cannot tell you all his privations, his willing sacrifice of every recreation, his continued self-denial, that he might lighten the burden of those so dear to him.

"Year after year success crowned his efforts. In the village where his mother had passed the years of childhood, and the first years of her married life, he purchased a pleasant residence for her; and then a lucrative business being opened to him in the west he came here.

"At the time of his removal here, accident revealed to him the fact that the widow and invalid daughter of one whose fortune was, by his father's advice, risked in that unfortunate speculation which had exchanged his own life were living in extreme poverty. To him they are indebted for the pleasant home that now shelters them, and for the delicate, thoughtful ministrations to their daily comfort.

"Now, when the commercial world is clouded and disasters crowd thick and fast upon him, as upon others, his anxious thoughts turn to the mother and suffering sisters, in their little village home, whose comfort depends upon him; to the other lonely fireside, to which his constant thoughtfulness imparts its only light; and to his own home, and to the young wife whose happiness is dearer to him than life. For this, Margaret, Ralph Hale gives his days to incessant toil and willingly sacrifices the social pleasures he is so eminently fitted to enjoy.

"I have been in these three homes.—With a love that is almost reverence, his mother and sister speaks his name and with full hearts thank God for his life, that life so filled with the beauty of self renunciation. The widow and daughter, whose hearts he has made glad, tell of his numberless acts of kindness, of his delicate and unceasing watchfulness; and daily they ask God's blessing on him whose life is a blessing to others.

"In his own home: the wife whose love should bless him, whose gentle ministry should comfort and strengthen him, turns coldly from him; because he prefers the happiness of others to his own gratification, because the pressing duties of life claim all his waking hours, leaving him little leisure for the claims of society, or for the high intellectual culture which few attain whose lives are not wholly devoted to it."

"O, Ralph, I have never known you! I have so cruelly misjudged you," said the weeping wife.

The old man continued; "Some men talk poetry, some write it in words, and some in their lives. The true heroism of which poets have sung, the beauty of self-abnegation and of ceaseless devotion to duty, which have been their inspiration, Ralph Hale has lived. The woman who has won the deepest love of such a heart, should reverently and gratefully cherish it as the richest blessing of her life."

In the twilight of that day, Margaret was waiting her husband's return. Amid the bitter self-reproaches that darkened the hour gleamed a new and holy light. Higher purposes were aroused within her. In the future she would make divinely real in her life the beautiful ideals which had filled her heart with unsatisfied longings.—She, too, would live for others, and, first of all, for him whom she had so misunderstood.

A hurried step in the entrance hall, then on the stairs, and the next moment she was clasped in her husbands arms.

AN ENGLISH BREACH OF PROMISE OF MARRIAGE.—In England lately, a suit for breach of promise of marriage was brought by a Fisherman's beautiful daughter against a captain in the English army, laying damages at $50,000. The love letters of the gallant captain were so numerous that they were printed for the accommodation of counsel, making in all a volume of one hundred and ninety-eight pages. The matter was finally compromised by the payment to the injured lady of the sum of ten thousand dollars, with the promise that the volume of letters should be burnt.

A NOVEL LUXURY.—The latest novelty from Germany is a musical bed, which receives the weary body, and immediately "laps it into elysium." It is an invention of a mechanic in Bohemia, and is so constructed that, by means of hidden mechanism, a pressure upon the bed causes a soft and gentle air of Auber to be played, which continues to lull the most wakeful to sleep. At the head is a clock, the hand of which being placed at the hour the sleeper wishes to rise, when the time arrives the bed plays a march of Spontini, with drums and cymbals, and, in short, with noise enough to rouse the seven sleepers.

AN APPEAL.

The Executive Committee of the American Tract Society, under a deep sense of responsibility to God, and with earnest desire for the salvation of men, are constrained at this juncture to present to the Christian community a brief statement of the means, work, and wants of this institution.

THE MEANS.

These are a house, machinery, printing materials, and books and tracts in the course of preparation or on hand or in the process of distribution, barely adequate to supply the pressing calls from purchasers, voluntary distributers, and colporteurs. Having no vested funds, nor capital accumulated beyond the present necessities of the Society, any material diminution in the income from donations immediately diminishes the means of usefulness, and if continued for but a few weeks must reduce the number of colporteurs employed, and the supply of publications for gratuitous distribution.

THE WORK.

To aid in diffusing throughout our own and foreign lands, especially to the poor and destitute, a pure evangelical Christianity, is, as it has ever been, the sole work of this Society.

This work it strives to accomplish by aiding foreign missionary boards with cash grants of about [illegible] per annum; by supplying with evangelical truth ships to every part of the globe; by making grants of books and tracts to thousands of individual Christians at home for voluntary distribution; by aiding feeble Sabbath-schools and home and domestic missionaries in the wide wastes of the South and West; and especially by sending out and sending forth humble, earnest, and intelligent Colporteurs, who, with the love of Christ "as a burning fire shut up in their bones, are weary with forbearing and cannot stay," and who, furnished with gospel truth in its most instructive and persuasive forms, press out into the destitutions of our land, seeking men in their homes, and placing in their hands that sanctified literature which God has blessed to the salvation of many precious souls.

By such means the Society diffuses a religious literature counteracting the destructive [illegible] a forerunning agency to the permanent establishment of churches, aids the evangelical ministry in leading the lost sheep to the great Shepherd, and aids the church of Christ in its mission of preserving the truth for men.

In prosecuting this work through the last year, there have poured in upon us, as never before, cumulative evidences of the divine blessing in numerous and wonderful conversions and revivals, and mighty [illegible] of His Spirit [illegible] the largest gifts in money for the destitute and perishing. But with tears we note the revelation, painful to every Christian heart, that notwithstanding all that has been done by this and other institutions to reach the outlying masses, fearful desolations still remain in "regions beyond," which can only receive the Bread of Life by an increase of laborers. In addition to one hundred and six students who labor for a brief term, the Society has four hundred and fifty-four [illegible] persons now in commission, located as follows; Northern and Middle states, 113, Southern and South-western states, 159, Western and North-western states, [illegible].—Of these, [illegible] are engaged among the hopeful but needy portion of our people, the Germans. Yet what is this band of laborers to probably 10,000,000 dispersed throughout our land, who, with all the efforts of the churches in every form, neglect the house? Nor can we forget the immense numbers pouring in upon us by foreign immigration, many of whom [illegible] of the Sabbath and [illegible] to God's word, press out into our new territories in advance of the gospel. These destitute millions now demand, and will continue to demand the self-sacrificing and prayerful labors of Christ's people until he shall come in his power to reign.

THE WANTS.

The present wants of the treasury, though administered with the most careful economy, forbid an [illegible], and even threaten a serious and disastrous diminution of current labor. We may not conceal from the friends of the American Tract Society that the deficiency of contributions in the first five months of the current year, as compared with the last year, amounts to $10,[illegible], and that unless relief be speedily afforded, we must turn away from many pressing calls of usefulness, and even forsake vast fields [illegible] upon the cultivation of which we have already entered. Shall this sad necessity be forced upon us? Are there not willing hearts and able hands ready to [illegible] Christ and the souls of men to meet this deficiency?

Convinced by a favored experience of more than thirty years, that this cause lies near the heart of the American churches, is approved of men and blessed of God, and has in it the elements of a vast power for his glory, hopefully but earnestly we make this appeal—to the [illegible]. Nor less earnestly do we plead for the earnest and constant prayers of all true Christians, that God's enlarged blessing may continue to rest upon our labors and publications in our own land, in the whole world, and its anxious [illegible].

To each pastor, church, and individual to whom this appeal comes, the Committee would present the perishing condition of thousands unreached by the ordinary means of grace, the preciousness of winning souls to Christ, and the large blessing of God upon this instrumentality, as motives impelling to a cheerful and liberal response.

By order of the Executive Committee,
THOMAS DE WITT, Chairman.
New York, Sept. 20, 1858.

Donations sent to O. R. Kingsbury, Assistant Treasurer, 150 Nassau street, New York, will be immediately acknowledged.