RATES LOW.

### DRM () () RAT

A PAPER FOR THE

E. E. HILLIARD. Editor and Proprietor.

WE MUST WORK FOR THE PEOPLE'S WELFARE.

(From Our Dumb Animals.)

There was a king long years ago:

He lived beneath Italian skies,

In a high tower he hung a bell.

The bell of justice, for the king

The subject of his royal care.

At first men rung it every day,

And, growing shorter by degrees,

For many a month midle hung,

No langua needed. No one rung

For justice; men had learned to fear,

At length a wandering grape-vine clun-

And firmly held it, sweetly grasped,

And dreaded now the bell to Lear.

Tight to the rope that ille hung,

As if one hand another clasped,

The bell of justice loudly rung.

Straightway a royal herald came,

He told the king who rung the bell,

The monarch answered: "It is well.

"The brute for justice doth appeal;

"Tio seek his owner's hut for me,

On oats and grass of his, Beware!

My wrath shall on his owner fall."

Would God to-day there were a bell

The story of their cruel wrongs,

And win the justice that belongs

For God their Maker loveth all.

To every creature, great and small;

-Robert L. Bangs, in the Independent.

The Wealth of Presidents,

Maryland Letter in Church Year.)

and left an estate worth \$300,000.

sixth of that sum. Jefferson died

That brutes could ring and thereby tell

"If he again for justice call

Long as he lives this horse must fare

And tell him this is our decree;

For starving brutes I pity feel.

A starwing horse, turned out to die, One summer day was passing by,

Swayed lightly to each passing breeze.

Rotted at last the rope away.

His name historian doth not know.

A noble monarch, just and wise.

That he might serve his people well,

He who was wronged had but to ring

Was bound to make the humblest prayer

The Bell of Justice.

VOL. VI.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1889.

## WHOLESOME EDUCATOR OF MILLIONS ...

SUBSCRIBERS d two dollars to the address below and

a Ledger will be sent to you FREE till /

entinued for a whole year from

the first of January, 1890, and then

THE LEADING WRITERS.

CELEBRATED ARTISTS.

SIXTEEN PACES

SPECIAL FEATURES. Herbert Ward, Stanley's Companion.

Herbert Ward, the companion of Stanley in his explorations in Africa, is the only white man connected with Stanley's African explorations who has ever returned alive from the "Dark Continent." Mr. Ward's articles running through eight numbers of the "Ledger" are of the most intensely interesting description, and cover five years of his adventures in Africa, and they will be illustrated by sketches made by Mr. Ward, and by the reproduction of photographs taken by him in Africa. These pictures will throw much light upon the manners and customs of the hitherto unknown cannibal tribes of Africa.

The Story of a Forsaken Inn, (A SERIAL STORY) By Anna Katharine Green. Life in British America, By Rev. E. R. Young.

Being the adventures and experiences of Rov. E. R. Young, the celebrated missionary, and his wife during their residence in the Polar region twelve hundred miles north of St. Paul, in which Dr. Young narrates how he tamed and taught the native wild Indians of the Northwest; how he equipped himself for and how he made his perilous sledging and hazardous cance trips when visiting all the Indian settlements within five hundred miles of his home.

Honorable Henry W. Crady

Contributes a series of six articles on the "Wonderful Development of the Industrial Pursuits of the New South." American Cookery, to seems or Astroles) By Miss Parloa.

Giving the reasons why it is imperfect, and some ways by which it may be improved.

Nihilism in Russia, By Leo Hartmann, Nihilist. Loo Hartmann, a fugitive from Russian authorities, has been connected with the most daring feats of the Russian Nihilists. Mr. Hartmann shows how the intelligent people of Russia are becoming Nihilists in consequence of the despotism of the form of reversitient. A participant in plats to kill the Czar, such as the blowing up of the Winter Palaco, he is able to give true information us to how this and other great rehemen were accomplished. The situation in Russia is sufficient to increase the

EXTRA SOUVENIR SUPPLEMENTS.

Among these beautifully illustrated four prig receivenirs, which will be sent free to every subscriber, will be a poem by John Greenienf Whittier, Mississed by Howard Pyle.

Written for the "Luiger" by Mr. Whittier in his Sind year. Another souvenir will be a beautifully illustrated poem written by

Monorable James Russell Lowell.

The Endger will engine the Pest Seeler and Short Stories. Historical and Biographical Sketches, Travels Wit tone House and everything bateresting to the Household.

Other Centributors for 1890 are: M. W. Hazeltine.

Mird. Frances Hedeson Burnett. Robert Louis Stevenson. Mrs. Margaret Deland. Anna Sheilds.

Wirs. Florence Howe Hall. Mrs. Madeleine Vinton Dahlgren. Mrs. Harriot Prescott Spofford. Mrs. Emma Alice Brown. Mary Kyle Dallas.

Clara Whitridge. Judge Albion W. Tourges. Marquise Lanza.

Marion Harland.

Josephine Pollard. Amy Randolph. Frank H. Converse. C. F. Holder. Dr. Felix L. Oswald. Rev. Emory J. Haynes. Julian Hawthorne. Prof. W. C. Kitchin. Robert Crant.

Thomas Dunn English. George F. Parsons. Col. Thomas W. Knox. Rev. Dr. John R. Paxton. Rev. Dr. James McCosh. Prof. S. M. Stevens. Prof. J. H. Comstock. James Parton. Rev. Dr. H. M. Field. Harold Frederic.

Subscription money can be sent at our risk by Post Office Money Order, Bank Check or Draft, or an Express Money Order, Send Six Cents for Sample Copy and Illustrated Calendar Announcement. ROBERT BONNER'S SONS, 165 William Street, New York City.

### DRY GOODS TIVERY AND SALT

Silks, Laces, Velvets, Dress Goods.

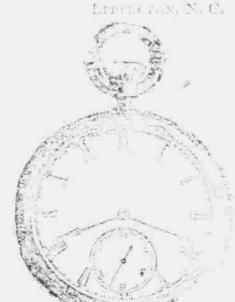
Linens, Flannels, Blankets, DOMESTIC COTTONS WHITE GOOLS, PRINIS, GINGHAMS, HOISERY, GLOVES, UNDERWEAR, TADIES, TZD AISSES, REALS TO

Every first-class article a Dry Goods House should have in Low. Medium and High-Priced Goods. One Price for every one; a child can buy of us as cheap as the hast judge of Dry Goods. The same price to those who desire to purchase by mail as to those who weit our Store. We have the largest Store in Baltimore, and carry the greatest variety of all kinds of Dry Goods. Orders for Samples will receive prompt attention. Customers, when ordering Samples, will please say it Black or tiolors are desired, and give us an idea point on or off the railroad. mar gard to Price.

of Dry Goods, not to be had from Jobs gre smed by the day or by the month bers, and cut any length to suit their at reasonable charges. on tomers at lowest Piece price. In business for the past 59 years.

New Nos. 23, 25 and 27 Baltimore St. NEAR LIGHT STREET, WHITE MARRIE BUILDING, BALTIMORE, MD.

H. J. CORDLE. WATCUSIARES AND SEWLER.



I am now getting a pice assortment of GOLD RINGS, GOLD WATCHES, GOLD SPECTACLES. Also SILVERWARE in sets and separate prices. Old Gold and Silver wanted.

frompt Attention given to mai 6 13 6m.

STOPPED FREE Insana Fers he hestored.

Dr. KLINE'S GREAT
NERVE RESTORER

NERVE INSENSE Only mre
foccions. First. Fullery, etc.
on as directed. Yo Fits ofter afflicted to Dr. KLINE. Stl Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.
See Druggists. BE WARE OF IMITATING FRAUDS. and Tuition.

11 21 1y.



ALWAYS READY FOR HIRE

GOOD TURN-OUTS

Cheap Rates. Passengers carried quickly to any of charge.

We supply Merchants the better class | Horses well fed and properly

Will always sell or trade, BRYAN & MORRISSETT. Main St., Scotland Neck, N. C. 1 31 6m.

COOKE, CLARK & CO Norfolk, Virginia.,

Successors to Luther Sheldon,

-- Dealers In ---WINDOWS, DOORS.

BLINDS, MOULDINGS BRACKETS, STAIR RAILS NEWELS, WOOD MANTLES, SLATE MANTLES. BUILDING HARD-WARE, TIN HINGLES.

PAINTS, OILS,

PLASTER PAPER, SHEET-ING PAPER, ROOFING PAPER, WINDOWS, DOORS AND SCREENS.

sep 23 ly.

### NORFOLK COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG LADIES,

NORFOLK, VA. Largest, Cheapest and Best

School in Tidewater Va. 250 students. 20 Teachers. Health record unsurpassed. ONLY \$42.50 A QUARTER for Board

7 25 tf. 6 27 tf.

ng and making Lig o Biscuits, Bread, OREW'S Pies, Muffins, Waffles Cake, Corn Brend, Shor YEAST! Pot Pies, Dumpling d Puddings and Buc & pound cans 5 cents Country Merchants. FALTIMERE, MA. 4 18 1y. SCUTHERN HOTEL,

HALIEAN, N. C. D. D. BRYAN, Proprietor. he desired. Location just in front of Court-House.

13 Stop at Southern Hotel. Hacks to and from depot free dition, and the Garfields enjoy a As they are singing now,

J. C. WILLIAMS. UNDERTAKER

salary.

A Safe In estment.

Dr. A. T. Shallenberger,

Respectfully yours,

For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

F. M. BROWN.



Coffins and Caskets. Chitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough Also a full line of wood coffins and Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and caskets. I shall make FOUR STYLES agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, of wood coffins and Two STYLES of and can always be depended upon. caskets, and guarantee them equal Trial bottles free at B. T. Whitehead to those of other manufacturers both & Co.'s drugstore. in style and finish, and at regular Associated Prices. ! shall give my entire attention to the un-WINDOW GLASS, CUT GLASS, dertaking business. And as I ther-CEYLOND GLASS, VARNISHES, loughly understand it, with many

> My stock will be complete. their support in the past, I trust by square dealing to merit their confid-

> I shall spare reader (abor nor money

ence in the future. CABINET DEPARTMENT I shall continue to work in this department, either special or regular

> Yours truly, J. C. WILLIAMS.

### XMAS SHADOWS.

HAPPY THOUGHTS PERTINET OF THE JOYUUS XMAS TIDE

BY SAMUEL M. SMITH.

State Chronicle.

If minor chords there be Blent with the pleasant strain, They do but tend To make it end

In fuller harmony Oh! the happy, happy, happy Christmastide; with lightness and early tomorrow morning, so -its brightness, with its music and its gladness and its joy! Where is disappointed look upon his face. the season that can compare with it in universality, in the abandon of its clerk. gayety? In the homes of the rich and by the humblest hearth of the Charley,

the very an? mind turns from the comprehensive distress. agines a lustreless, dull jet centre do you?" And saw the horse, half-starved and lame. dark symbol of mourning surround Trather not come." a border.

And thus I think of bearts in day,' which the depth of sadness is intensi-

There's a minor in the carol, And a shadow in the light. And a spray of cypress twining With the holly wreath to-night.

Ah! yes, full many a mother this night looks through mists-with a smile floating on the bosom of a tear -watching the fun and frolic of her children; she misses so sorely the patter of little feet, merry laughter wakens in memory the echo of the much loved voice that is stilled forever on earth.

Washington married a rich widow, Leaves have their time to fall, And flowers to whither at the north wind's breath but John Adams was not worth one And tears to set -- but all,

so poor that if Congress had not givoh! Death. And hence in many hom s this day? en him \$23,000 for his library he would have been bankrupt. Madison glad festival is a sad anniversary, was economical, and yet left but a all the sadder for the joy that seems small estate. Monroe died poor; almost like the sacrilege of treachery

John Quincy Adams left \$50,000, the to the memory of her loved one. result of prudence. Jackson left a May such not remember that large landed estate. Van Buren died Christmas with its star-herald and its worth \$300,000. It is said that dur- angels' song was, after all, but an ing his entire administration he incident, a means to an end? The never drew any portion of his salary, joyous birth was still the birth of the but on leaving took the whole \$100. "man of sorrows," but the prelude to 000 in a lump. Polk left \$150,006, the death that opened the gates of Gilmore was an economical man, heaven, into which gates those little and added to his wealth by his last feet have gone to the beautiful home marriage, Pierce saved \$50,000. of the blest. It was He who took Buchanan left \$200,000, Lincoln little children to his arms and said. \$75,000, and Johnson \$50,000. Grant, "Suffer the little children to come Polite servants, good accommoda- not withstanding the losses to which unto me, and forbid them not for of tions and every attention that may he was subjected, had a handsome such is the kingdom of heaven." Did apport in the fund provided for him he not say the same to you, when Livery attached. Terms reasons by his friends, and the sales of his the little one you mourn laid aside books earich the family. Haves is its toys and went home to God?

said to be in handsome financial con- "If we could but hear them singing,

2.7 ly liberal pension and the income from If we could but see the radiance Of the crown on each dear brow, a large fund contributed by the There would be no sigh to smother, putlic. Cleveland has, no doubt, No bidden tear to flow."

### saved \$50,000 from his Presidential An Unpardonable Deception.

An English and an Irish sailor were in an engagement together. Is one which is guaranteed to The former had his leg shot off, and boy. bring you satisfactory results. or in asked Pat to carry him below to the AT MY OLD STAND IN SCOT. case of failure a return of purchase doctor. Pat picked him up, and LAND NECK, ON THE 201H price. On this safe plan you can while carrying him off, another ball, to go back at all, DAY OF AUGUST, 1889, I SHALL buy from our advertised Druggist a unknown to Pat, carried off the Eng. The widow rocked herself to and OPEN IN MY NEW UNDERTAK. bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery lishman's head. Some one told Pat fro a vacant look upon her face. ING ROOMS A FULL LINE OF for Consumption. It is guaranteed it was no use carrying the man to to bring relief in every case, when the surgeon, for his head was off.

"By my sowl," said Pat, "the felused for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consump. low desaved me; he told me it was tion , Inflammation of Lungs , Bron- bis leg ."

### Merit Wins

that for years we have been selling ley solemnly said. I am greatly Dr. King's New Discovery for Coop- disappointed, but something better sumption, Dr King's New Life Pills, will turn up-now, see if there GRAYVILLE, ING., Feb. 2d, 1887. Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric doesn't. Bitters, and have never handled Rochester, Pa. Dear Sir: 1 remedies that sell as well, or that years of Practical Experi- have used your Antidote for Malaria have given such universal satisfacence, and teeling sure that my for over a quarter of a century and tion. We do not besitate to guar friends will appreciate the necessity have found it to be in every respect antee them every time, and we stand the hotel. of a Practical Undertaker, all that you claim for it. It not ready to refund the purchase price, for the successful prosecution of the only cures chills and fever of every if satisfactory results do not follow kind, but it is the best medicine I their use. These remedies have won ever knew to build up the system their great popularity purely on With thanks to my friends for when broken down from any cause their merits E. T. Whitehead & Co. aloud: Druggis's.

> There are times when a feel ng of Even the most vigorous and hearty | lassitude will overcome the most ro weariness and lassitude. To dispel pure blood, to furnish the elements 'Oh, yes, sir. A good hand, oththis feeling take Dr. J. H. McLean's of health and strength. The best ers say. Sarsaparilla; it will impart vigor remedy for purifying the blood is Dr. J. H. McLean's Sarsaparilla. For sale bysE. T. Whitehead & Co.

### One Boy's Experience.

'Here, Charley,' the clerk kindly

The elevator boy approached the desk, a pleased, expectant look upon his face.

Here are three dollars for you to me take bome to your mother,' the clerk said, as he laid three bright coins on the counter.

'Oh, thank you,' cried Charley , his eyes shining.

Now, be on hand bright and

"Why not to morrow!" asked the 'It is the Sabbath,' stammered

poor, its influence felt; what heart 'I believe it is,' said the clerk, Charlie could not cease sounding so crabbed, what pocket so niggard with a grin, 'But the elevator his employer's praises.

under the genial contagion that fills We'd soon hear from our guests,"

A gentleman stepp d into the office hote'. from the corridor,

is his name?" Charley Benson, replied the

'What is his addres."

discharging that boy,' he said,

All days are alike here." flat. The room was cleanly kept, pleasant sum of money every year, but that did not hide its meager ness. A look of surprise mingled with the palor of her face when Charlie handed her his week's wag-

dear?' she a ked

ed Charlie. Why, that's encouraging!"

troubled expression rested on his and said.

'I'm expected to work on Sunday,' the drink," he said, I'll not agree to that ."

'Yes, it resolves itself to that. If

'And are you not going back!' 'No, mother,' he resolutely said. 'All right,' she replied, with a could I have treated you more tike

and though our distress is great, I'll not advise you to the contrary. 'I am doing right, mother, and We desire to say to our citizens, the Lord will take care of us, 'Char

> And there did, early on Monday morning. A portly, genial gentleman enterel the room - the gentle man who has censored the clerk at

I wish to hire a boy,' he said. Mrs Benson's face brightenel What did I tell you, mother?

am I expected to do?"

'I am a lawyer; and want an office people have at times a feeling of bust, when the system craves for boy. You can write, I suppose?"

'What am I to get a week?' asked Barsaparilla.

Subscription. \$1.50 per Year

.Well, that's business ! Five dols lats a week."

"Ob, my exclaimed Charlie unconsciously bringing his hands together. "When am I to begin!"

'That's business, too,' said the visitor, I expect to take you with

You haven't asked for reference!

"Nor don't rates I to."

'Now give me your usme.' 'My name is Gilbert Farnsworth. Here is my card. He did not give it to Charlie, but to his mother,

'One thing more,' Charlie hest-'Tomorrow!' repeated Charley, a tatingly said. 'Am I expected to work on Sunday?"

"No!" replied the visitor explosively. 'If I thought you'd work on Sunday I wouldn't want you."

At the close of the first week

or so straitened, as not to relax iso't suspended for that reason. Mother, I told you that God would take care of us and that some But, sir, I wouldn't like to work thing better would turn up. Well But by some unbidden impulse, my on Sunday, said Charley in sincere didn't be and hasn't there? What do you think? ke heard my talk with And browsing where the grape-vine hung, cheer and wanders abitrarily away 'Oh, nonsense, boy! You are a the hotel cierk, and got our address to an elien theme, and fancy im. little Puritan. You think it wrong, from him. He's a kind, considerate, Christiau gentleman, A handsome set within a circlet of diamonds; the Yes, sir. And-please, sir-I'd office, short hours, light work, good pay, and promotion just shead. ! ed by the flashing points of light; 'Ob, well, suit yourself,' growled copied one document, and he de how the darkness enhanced by such the clerk. If you don't come on clared that my work pleased him. Sunday, you need not come on Mon- 'A good engrossing hand, that,' he said. No mistakes, no blots, no Charley sighed, picked up the crasures, no pig cars,' i am glad 1 fied by the surrounding and abound money and walked dejectedly away. concluded not to go back to the

I can see the Lord's hand in it That elevator boy is a bright, all his mother reverently said .polite little fellow, he said. What Charlen of Work.

### Small Things.

Economist. The clerk gave it, and the gentle | A rather irritable farmer annoved man wrote it down in his pass book, by the lowls on his grain mows, 'I think you made a mistake in picked up a club and slaughtered a dozen of the hens. To his wife's "I didn't discharge him," replied remoustrante he declared that the fowls were a great damage and of Then he'll discharge himself, so little value as to be of no account-He has convictions' and is not at all. The woman was however, afraid to voice them. Isn't there a able to show in reply a goodly coll-Thou hast all seasons for thine own, boy about the hotel who hasn't of bills she had stowed away as the scruples against working on Sun receipts from the poultry and leggs she had sold, Chickens, as a rule, are wasted to a great extent for Then let him run the elegator to want of the care that might enerly be given to them, and as regards I ain't bothering myself about the little food they may stead, this t,' retorted the clerk. I told Char is not one tenth as much as is atologley what he might expect. He is by rats and mice without any comthe one to feel worried, and not me, plaint or notice. More over, the waste of small grain and other food Charlie Benson's mother was a that might be turned into products, poor widow who lived in a topmost is sufficient to amount to a very

### Something to think of Christms Morning

We will call him J.m. for I do You think you pleased them, not remember his name. He had lost all respectability, and was a · The clerk said that I'm the best common gutter drunkard. His famelevator boy they ever had,' report- dy had disowned hum, and would not recognize him when they met him. Occasionally he would get a job at the stables where Dr Davis 'But what?' anxiously asked his kept his horse. One morning the mother, for he had paused, and a Dr. laid his hand on Jam's shoulder

"Jim, I wish you would give up

There was something very like h Then you'll be dismissed, my quiver of the man's lips as he an

"If I thought you cared I would; I do not go back to morrow I'm not but there is a great gulf between "Have I made may guit, Jim?

Think a raoment before you an-"No. you bayes't " "If you had been a millionaire,

sigh, I trained you up in that way, a gentlem in 22

er No, you couldn't." "I do care, Jim." "Say it again, won't rous"

"I do care, Jim ," with a tender ittle emphasis on the "Jim." "Dr. Davis, I'll never touch another drop of Liquor as long as I

live. Here's my hand on jt." This was fifteen years ago; and "Jim" is today the respectable and respected Mr. - ... Sacel by a kind word! Will you make an efort this week to win some one live kindness!- Christian Adem its.

The most delicate constitution can whispered Charne. Then he said safely use Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm.It is a sure remedy "I'll engage with you, sir. What for coughs, loss of voice, and all throat and lung troubles. For sale by E. T. Whitchead & Co.

If health and life are worth anything, and you are feeling out of sorts and tirelout, tone up your sys-'Then I'll put you to engrossing.' tem by taking Dr. J. H. McL. a.'s

For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

# All kinds of repairing.