## The Busincess Guide.


The Industrial Interests of our People are Paramount to Every Other Consideration.
It is earnestly hoped that all readers of this Paper will gield gently to its doctrines and aid in its circulation. If you have any grievances consult a physician. If you have no business of your own get married or go to work:

If you are pleased with the Paper, aid t ; if you do not like it, hand it to a sensible neighbor. Be serious, and help in advancing the interests of your community.

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## In The Twilight.

In the shadow of the twilight, trees are waving to and fro,
In a rhythmic measure, keeping time to thoughts of long ago.
Thoughts that swell like far-off music, thrilling me with subtle pain,
Thoughts that Nature, in her musings, echoes in a sad refrain.
$O$ beloved! do thy heart-strings quiver in this dreamy eye?
Can'st thou not, in all thy splendor, for the past one moment grieve?
Hast thou grown more cold than Nature, and forgot the happy days,
When with faith and hope we could not see the parting of our ways?
Moist with dew, this vine its clustering arch of tangled fragrance rears;
Sreaks it not of love and spring-time, Sweeter through a mist of tears?
$\angle$ nd these mosses gray and clinging, Fragments caught from twilight's veil,
Tell they not of sorrows twining all our life with memories pale?
Was it right or was it wrong, thus to Let our different spheres
Hold us severed, bound in misery, through such weary length of years?
Let it pass, O, my beloved; see, I stifle all my pride;
Tis not yet too late to finish our short journey side by side.
There the dark-robed clouds are sweeping to the quíet sunlit west? Shall not thus our past all vanish in Esternity of Rest ?

Mrs. A. C. Vogler, mother of Mr. Frank H. Vogler, died at her home in Salem on Monday morning. The faneral and brrial took place on Tuesday afternoor.

## Compliments of New Hope.

New Hope school honse is one of the most beautiful and upto date public school buildings in Rockingham county. It has a beautiful location on the East fork of the ridge road. This building was established in 1904. And since that time has become a very useful place in many ways. The first place it is a public school building, where the many boys and girls may gather together day after day and fit themselves for coming life. 2nd. The young men's Literary Society meets every Thursday night. 3rd. The Farmers Association meets every other Saturday evening.
Bro. John Knight will preach at this place the first Sunday evening at 3.30 o'clock.
I will close, with best wishes to the Guide. Reporter.

## Rat Killing Time.

On last Saturday Messrs, Ed Crater, Bill Boyer, A very Brewer and the two Evans boys, the great possum hunters of Muddy Creek, killed 233 rats at Mr . Lewis Fishels inside of two hours. This is the greatest single rat killing recorded in history. Never heard anything to equal this, when we reflect that it was
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## Vienna Again.

Mr. J. C. Mock, of Polkton was in town last week negotiating the sale of his personal property.
A spelling is billed for Saturday night, Feb. 10, 1906, at Brookstown. Everybody invited.

Mr. W. H. Spease is hurrying up to get his new house done before good weather sets in.

Bill Joe Goslen is afraid of Mr. George Ziglar.
Luther Binkley was up in our town last Sunday.

Walt Faryington and Bud Hicks are at their old trade, mink hunting.

The telephone people are very fortunate in getting Mr. C. G. Hunter as their lineman as he doesn't need any ladder to tie the wire to the poles.

Omer Conrad was out last Sunday night and didn't get back until next day. Good for him that he found a place to stay all night.
Charley Dull is working hard to get married, or at least he is building him a honse and dcing round wonderfully of late.
Little Frank is preparing to jump the broom stick about sometime soon.

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