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RECENT IMPROVEMENT IN THE BREEDING from the light of the blessed day, uttering OF HEAVY HORSES terrible groans as he toiled his life away for the enrichment of the bloated and pampered

From the carliest times to the present day, capitalist. Other men, again, are drilling, it has been a great misfortune and loss to loading, and tamping for the 'shots,' which mankind that so little attention has been are to tear the rock in pieces ; and you will are to tear the rock in pieces ; and you will probably remember a pressing engagement to paid to the breeding and rearing of a more 'meet a man' at some distance from the mine, A Spring and Good Well of Water, a LARGE NEW Powerful race of horses for heavy farm and road work, and the use of the city dray and and induce Mr. Thornton to ring for that large expresses and truck wagons. Poets moist car, and take you up before they light from the sublime Job down to the highthe match -A. A. Hayes, Jr., in Marper's spirited Byron, have been profuse in their Magazine for February.* descriptions and praises of the horse for

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the different breeds of horses should, with. few exceptions, be ignored and passed by

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One afternoon, about four o'clock, three this respect has taken place within the past Dutchmen were ont hunting and came upon few years in Europe as well as in America. a large herd of elephants. They fired at the

A numerous society, composed of noble eader, and instantly the entire heard fiedmen, the landed gentry, and farmers of Scot-The leader rushed on and on, thinking be hand, has recently been formed for the pur- was on the right track to escape; but the pose of improving the breed of their larger the elephants were in a valley and only ran sort of horses. This society takes the name round and round it, in a circle perhaps of Clydesdale, and that distinguished nothree-hundred vards in diameter, and were bleman Earl Dunmore has been devoting a shot down from four o'clock in the afternoon considerable part of his time during the until eight in the evening, when darkness Inst two years to editing a Stud Book of their prevented the Lutchmen from taking aim horses, classed also as Clydesdale. The first any longer. But the three men rose at volume of this has already been published, break of day, and found the poor elephants and the matter for the second is collecting. still going round and round. It was several England is now zealously following the hours before a new leader, breaking out of laudable example set her by Scotland for the beaten track, led off the remainder of what has long been known as the Shire and of the herd in safety.

other of her best large breeds of horses, The Dutchmen whose names where Boths The Prince of Wales, Earl Ellesmere, and and Potgeiter, two being brothers, counted and other noblemen are giving no little at- the slain. Ninety elephants by dead in tention to the getting out of their Stud the valley; and as their valuable tusks of Book, and the whole landed interest of the ivory were divided equally among the three United Kingdom is fast waking up to the Dutchmen, you can beleive that each man's importance of improvement of this most share was considerable. useful of all their breeds of horses,

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mon price in Great Britain for select heavy horses for breeding purposes, and even 1500 guineas (\$250 to \$400) is the ordinary price all caused in the first place by habitual con of those for farm and dray work alone. In stipation, which has no doubt finally caus-France, Belgium, Holland, and a few districts ed deranged Kidneys and Liver. The sure of Northern Germany, prices have also ad- cure for Constipation, is the celebrated Kidvanced considerably, and greater attention ney-Wort. It is also a specified remedy for is given than formerly to the improvement all Kidney and Liver diseases. Thousands of their horses, all of which shows the rapidly are cured by it every month. Try it at increased interest in the subject abroad. Nor has this matter been neglected in America, particularly in the past four years, during which large numbers of powerful heavy at imals have been imported into Canada and the United States from Great Britain and France, with a few also from Flanders. The Clydesdale breed have been more generally preferred for Canada, while the Percheron and Norman have taken precedence in our own country,

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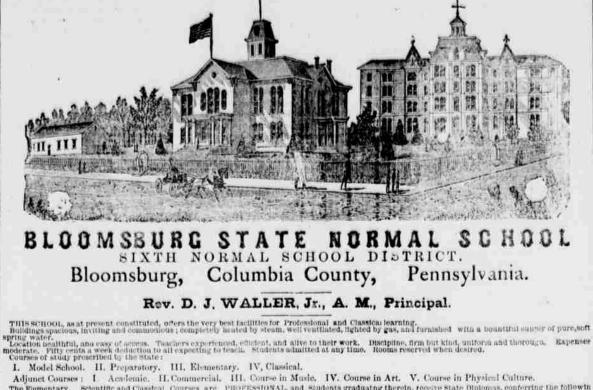
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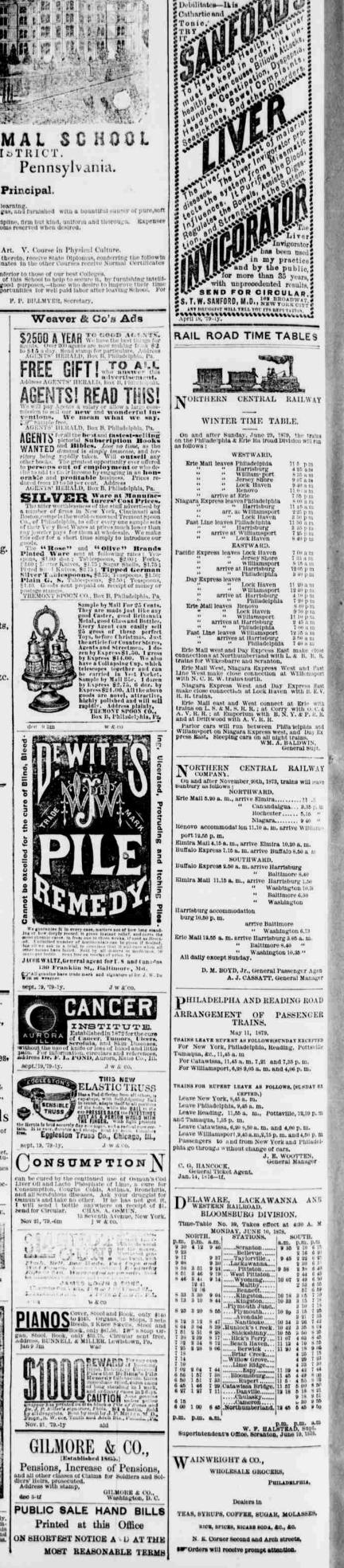
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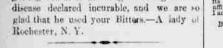
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