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BY WM. M. BRESLIN.} LEBANON, PA., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1857. {TERMS—$1,50 A YEAR.

Darius J. Seltzer,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
OFFICE, in Cumberland Street, nearly opposite Brua's Hotel, Lebanon, Pa. Aug. 26,'57.

LEVI MEILY,
DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
WILL attend to all his official business: also, all other legal and professional business entrusted to him will be promptly attended to.
OFFICE—In Cumberland street, second door east from Market st. [Lebanon, July 22,'57.

ISAAC HOFFER,
SURVEYOR AND CONVEYANCER,
OFFICE in Cumberland street, opposite the "Eagle Hotel," Lebanon, Pa.
Lebanon, April 22, 1857.–1y.

REMOVAL.
DR. WM. M. GUILFORD has removed his Office to his new residence on Market Street, a few doors North of Raber & Oves' Store, and between it and the New Lutheran church.
Lebanon, Dec. 10, 1856.–tf.

Don't forget to Call at
ATKINS & McADAM'S, and examine their stock of Boots, Shoes, Trunks, Traveling Bags.

Revolvers, Pistols, Pocket-Knives.
A BEAUTIFUL assortment and Cheap, at aug. 19,'57. REIZENSTEIN & BRO.

German Smoking Tobacco,
PORCELAIN and Clay-Pipes, Cigar-tubes, at aug. 19,'57. REIZENSTEIN & BRO.

Gum-Elastic Belts.
PATENT-Leather and Gum-Elastic Belts for Ladies & Children; also belt-clasps very low, at aug. 19,'57. REIZENSTEIN & BRO.

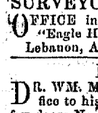
Flutinas, Accordeons, Violins,
BANJOS, Guitars, Harmonikas, Fifes, Guitar and Violin Strings, at
REIZENSTEIN & BROS'
aug. 19,'57. Cheap Jewelry & Variety Store.

Watches and Jewelry.
JUST received, a large assortment of Watches and Jewelry of the latest styles, Cameo Breast-pins, Finger-rings, Ear-drops, Gentlemen's Breast pins and Studs; for sale cheap at
REIZENSTEIN & BROTHERS,
aug. 19,'57. Opposite the Court House.

For Sale.
A Second-hand Steam ENGINE, 10 horse power. It is to be sold to make room for one of a larger size. Apply to
A. MAJOR & BROTHER.
Lebanon, July 1, 1857.

HAMS, SHOULDERS,
SIDES, Whitefish, Mackerel, Herring, Cheese, Vinegar, Tobacco, Segars, Flour, Feeding, &c. &c., for sale by J. C. REISNER.
Lebanon, July 30, 1856.

Leather, Leather, Leather!
HENRY W. OVERMAN, Importer of French Calf Skins, and general Leather Dealer, No. 6, South 3d street, Philadelphia.
A general assortment of all kinds of Leather, Morroccos, &c., Red Oak Sole Leather.
Feb. 25, 1857.–1y.

To Persons about to Visit
PHILADELPHIA!

TRY the new WESTERN HOTEL, Market street, below 9th street. Every attention given, with a desire to please. Boarding $1 per Day.
A. M. HOPKINS,
July 22,'57–1y. Proprietor.

CARPENTERS WANTED.
12 GOOD JOURNEYMAN CARPENTERS wanted immediately at the Steam Planing Mills of the undersigned, in this borough. None but the best of hands required, to whom liberal wages will be given. Apply to
BOAS, GASSER, & GETTLE.
Lebanon, Feb. 18, 1857.–tf.

Bunker's Hill Sand.
A very superior SAND for Building and other purposes, is offered for sale by the undersigned, in Swatara township, at Bunker's Hill. It is sold at reasonable prices and delivered by the undersigned personally. Sand hauled and delivered by other persons is not the genuine article.
April 22, 1857.—tf. J. C. COOTER.

Wood! Wood!
THE undersigned, residing in North Lebanon Borough, offers for sale cheap,
600 *or* 700 *Cords*
(estimated) good Wood. It may be seen at "Finnigan's dam," on the Union Canal, near Jonestown. [may 27,'57. DAVID BOYER.

NEW BARBER SHOP.
DALY & WILLIAMS would respectfully inform the citizens of Lebanon that they have opened a first class SHAVING AND HAIR DRESSING SALOON, in Market street, opposite the Lebanon Bank. They would solicit a share of the public patronage.
Lebanon, May 20, 1857.—tf.

FOR RENT.
A STORE ROOM AND CELLAR, in the new brick building in Market street, north of Water, adjoining Jacob Weidle's property, in the borough of Lebanon. It is calculated for a Dry Goods and Grocery Store, and is in a thickly populated neighborhood. Possession will be given immediately if desired. Apply on the premises to
JOHN H. SNAVELY.
Lebanon, Aug. 5,'57–tf.

Estate of GEORGE HEMPERLY, dec'd.
NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the estate of George Hemperly, deceased, late of Londonderry township, Lebanon county, have been granted to the undersigned.
All persons indebted to said estate will please make payment, and those having claims will present them without delay.
JOHN HEMPERLY, Londonderry tp.
JOHN EARLY, North Annville tp.
August 19,'57–6t.

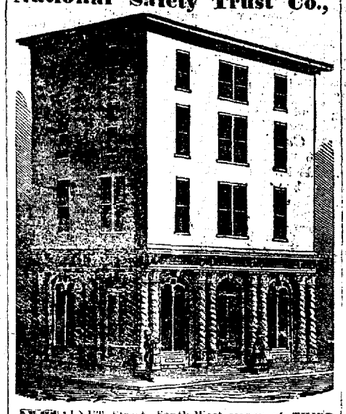
P. G. WIKEL.
Bricklayer and Jobber,
Union Deposit, Dauphin county, Penn'a.
I AM prepared, at all times, to put up Brick Work, in all its branches, and on the shortest notice. Also, BRICK BUILDINGS, Boilers, Inn-walls, Boshes, Hearths, and all work connected with a Furnace done. ☞ A gang of Stone Masons always ready to put down foundations, and do stone work of every description.
July 1, 1857.—tf. P. G. WIKEL.

WATCHES AND JEWELRY.
ANOTHER NEW LOT OF
WATCHES AND JEWELRY,
JUST RECEIVED BY
J. W. ACKER,
In Cumberland street, next door to Dr Lincaweaver's.
Oct. 22, '56.

CLOCKS.
Thirty Day,
Eight Day,
Thirty Hour,
CLOCKS,
Just Received at
J. J. BLAIR'S Jewelry Store,
Lebanon, Pa.

LOOKING GLASSES.
G. W. Dewees,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL Manufacturer of Ornamental and Plain Gilt Looking Glasses, Portrait and Picture Frames of every style; a large stock of the above always on hand, which I will sell from 10 to 15 per cent. less than any other establishment in the city.
☞ PAINTINGS AND ENGRAVINGS, &c. Old work regilted, &c. A liberal discount to the trade. G. W. DEWEES.
No. 154 North 2d street, below Race, west side
April 29, 1857.—6m. Philada., Old No. 102

SAVING FUND
—AND—
National Safety Trust Co.,



WALNUT Street, South-West corner of THIRD Street, Philadelphia.
INCORPORATED BY THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
MONEY is received in any sum, large or small, and interest paid from the day of deposit to the day of withdrawal.
The office is open every day from 9 o'clock in the morning till 7 o'clock in the evening, and on Monday and Thursday evenings till 9 o'clock.
INTEREST FIVE PER CENT.
All sums, large or small, are paid back in gold on demand without notice, to any amount.
Hon. HENRY L. BENNER, President,
ROBERT SELFRIDGE, Vice President,
WM. J. REED, Secretary.

DIRECTORS:

Henry L. Benner,	C. Landreth Munns,
Edward L. Carter,	F. Carroll Brewster,
Robert Selfridge,	Joseph B. Barry,
Samuel K. Ashton,	Henry L. Churchman,
James B. Smith,	Francis Lee.

This Company confines its business entirely to thereceiving of money on interest. The investments amounting to over
One Million and a Half of Dollars!
are made in conformity with the provisions of the Charter, in REAL ESTATE, MORTGAGES, GROUND RENTS, and such first-class securities, as will always ensure perfect security to the depositors, and which cannot fail to give permanency and stability to the institution. m27,'57.

Lebanon Valley Bank.
Located in Market street, nearly opposite the United Hall, one Door North of the Post Office.
WILL pay the following RATES of INTEREST on DEPOSITS, on, and after, the 1st day of March, 1857, viz:—
For 1 year, and longer, 6 per cent, per annum.
For 6 months, and longer, 5 per cent. per annum.
For 3 months, and longer, 4 per cent. per annum.
Requiring a short notice of withdrawal, and affords a liberal line of accommodations to those who may favor it with deposits, payable on demand. Will pay a premium on SPANISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, and also on OLD AMERICAN DOLLARS AND HALF DOLLARS. Will make collections on and remit to all parts of the United States, the Canadas and Europe; Negotiate Loans, &c., &c., and do a general EXCHANGE and BANKING BUSINESS. G. DAWSON COLEMAN, President.
GEO. GLEIM, Cashier.

THE, undersigned, Managers, are individually liable to the extent of their Estates for all deposits and other obligations of the co-partnership filed in the Prothonotary's Office of Lebanon County, trading under the name and style of the "LEBANON VALLEY BANK."

SIMON CAMERON,	G. DAWSON COLEMAN,
GEORGE SHULLER,	LEVI KLINE,
JAMES YOUNG,	AUGUSTUS BOYD,
Leb., je 17,'57.]	GEORGE GLEIM.

Lebanon Mutual Insurance Company.
INCORPORATED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF PA.
CHARTER PERPETUAL.
Office at Jonestown, Lebanon County.
GUARANTEE CAPITAL $55,000.
THIS Company is now fully organized and ready to make Insurance on all kinds of property in town or country and on as favorable terms as any well-governed and safe company, either on the Mutual or joint stock principle.
President—JOHN BRUNNER, Esq.
Vice President—D. M. KARMANY.
Treasurer—GEO. F. MEILY.
Secretary—WM. A. BARRY.
Directors.

John Brunner, Esq.,	Daniel Brown,
D. M. Karmany,	Napoleon Dosh,
Geo. F. Meily.	John Arndt,
W. A. Barry,	John Meily,
S. U. Shirk,	L. R. Walker,
Daniel H. Biever,	D. M. Rank.

☞ A. S. ELY is the Agent for Lebanon. He may at all times be found at his office in Walnut Street.
Jonestown, July 15, 1857.—1y

Indemnity Against Loss by Fire.
Franklin Fire Insurance Co.
OF
PHILADELPHIA.
OFFICE 163½ CHESTNUT STREET, NEAR 5TH STREET.
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, $1,827,186.
JANUARY 1ST, 1857.
Published Agreeably to an Act of Assembly,
BEING

First Mortgages, amply secured,	$1,519,932 73
Real Estate (present value, $109,000) cost,	82,783 36
Temporary Loans, on ample Collateral securities,	89,114 18
Stocks, (present value, $83,881 12, cost,	71,232 97
Cash, &c.,	64,121 56
	$1,827,185 80

PERPETUAL OR LIMITED INSURANCES made on every description of property, in
TOWN AND COUNTRY.
Rates as LOW as are consistent with security.
Since their incorporation, a period of twenty-eight years, they have paid over THREE MILLION DOLLARS LOSSES BY FIRE, thereby affording evidence of the advantages of Insurance, as well as the ability and disposition to meet, with promptness, all liabilities.
LOSSES BY FIRE.
Losses paid during the year 1856, $301,638 84
DIRECTORS.

CHAS. N. BANCKER,	MORDECAI D. LEWIS,
TOBIAS WAGNER,	DAVID S. BROWN,
SAMUEL GRANT,	ISAAC LEE,
JACOB R. SMITH,	EDWARD C. DALE,
GEO. W. RICHARDS,	GEORGE FALES,

CHARLES N. BANCKER, President,
CHARLES G. BANCKER, Secretary.
Feb. 25.–1y.

DAGUERREOTYPES.
WHO takes the best LIKENESSES in Lebanon? Why J. H. KEIM, in the
EAGLE BUILDINGS.
He has the best room, best light, best fixtures, and has made it his entire business for the last five years. He always gets the latest improvements; he has always the latest style of cases on hand; he takes pictures in every style of the art; his STEREOSCOPE PICTURES are wonderful to behold. All his pictures are sharp, correct, and of the highest finish. Give him a call and you will not regret it. His terms are very moderate.
☞ His rooms are open every day (except Sunday,) from 8 o'clock, A. M., till 6 P. M.
Lebanon, June 3, 1857.

FARMERS, LOOK TO YOUR INTERESTS!
A NEW FIRM!
In North Lebanon Borough.
NEW PRICES!
100,000 BUSHELS WHEAT,
100,000 Bushels RYE,
100,000 Bushels CORN,
100,000 Bushels OATS,
Clover Seed, Flax Seed, Timothy Seed, for all which the highest market prices in cash will be paid by HOFFMAN, IMMEL & Co.
North Lebanon, July 29, '57–tf.

NEW YORK ADVERTISEMENTS.
HEALTH DEPENDS ON PURE BLOOD.
Brandreth's Pills purify the Blood;
NO DISEASE CAN RESIST THEIR JUDICIOUS USE!
☞ Mild operation with successful effect are the peculiarity of Brandreth's Pills.☜
OUR race are subject to a redundancy of vitiated bile, at this season, and it is as dangerous as it is prevalent, but Brandreth's Pills afford an invaluable and efficient protection. By their occasional use we prevent the collection of those impurities, which, when in sufficient quantities, cause so much danger to the body's health. They soon cure liver complaint, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, pain in the head, heart burn, pain in the breast bone, sudden faintness and costiveness. In brief, Brandreth's Pills work their way to the very roots of the disease, cleansing in their passage, removing every unhealthy accumulation till the blood is purified, the whole system renovated, and the functions and duty of life become a pleasure, where before they had been sad and weary burdens. Often when nothing has relieved vomiting of the most serious character, whether from sea-sickness or otherwise, where the retching has been appalling, a single dose of four Brandreth's Pills has at once cured and the patient has fallen into a sweet sleep. When the mind cannot collect itself; when the memory fails; when it is an effort to fix the attention; when our sleep is broken and our waking hours harassed with forebodings of evil, then Brandreth's Pills should be used. If these warnings remain unheeded, rheumatism, consumption, disease of the heart, bilious affections, jaundice, dropsies, piles, appoplexies and costiveness will suddenly present themselves. These Brandreth's Pills would have prevented, but nevertheless these they will also cure. Use them at once; do not let prejudice prevent the use of this simple but potent remedy.
Brandreth's Theory of Disease.
Never extract blood. Blood is the life. By abstracting it in painful diseases you may occasion the patient ease, but remember, this case is only the reduction or lessening the power to feel. And by thus taking away nature's tools, you may prevent her from fully repairing the ravages of inflammation, & convert what might only have been the sickness of a few days or weeks into a chronic affection of months and years.
Brandreth's Pills accord with Nature!
Nature's remedy is fact. When sudden, acute or continued pain occurs from any cause, then to insure a quick return to health, you must use Brandreth's Pills, which will soon relieve every organ from undue pressure, and remove those humors whose presence often occasions such terrible suffering.
BEFORE THE WORLD 106 YEARS!
☞ Twenty million boxes sold, and the sphere of their usefulness still extending. Ask for almanack and pamphlet of cures. Agents will supply gratis.
BEWARE—all pills with "241 Broadway" on side lable are counterfeits. Get the genuine and they will never deceive. Sold at Dr. ROSS' Drug Store, opposite the Court House, Lebanon, Pa. [July 15,'57–3m.

GUANO! GUANO!! GUANO!!!
ALL KINDS.
Leinau's Super Phosphate of Lime.
7,000 TONS.
FARMERS, ☞ for your WHEAT CROPS, use LEINAU'S Super Phosphate of Lime, at 2¼ cts. a lb. or $40 a Ton; or use
Leinau's American Fertilizer!
at $3,50 a bbl. or $25 a ton. One barrel of either is sufficient for an Acre of Wheat. These are
PERMANENT MANURES,
made of reliable Chemical Elements, and have been in successful use for the past Six Years, improving the soil and increasing the value of the land.
Four Diplomas from the State Agricultural Society of Pennsylvania; New Jersey; Delaware; and the Crystal Palace Association of the City of New York, have been received for these Valuable Fertilizers.
Pamphlets in the English and German Language can be had by application at the Office.
☞ A liberal discount to wholesale dealers.
The above Fertilizers, delivered FREE of Cartage to any wharf in the old City proper.
Orders sent by Mail accompanied with Cash or Drafts, will be promptly shipped to any part of the world. GEO. A. LEINAU, *Proprietor,*
No. 19 South Front street, Phila. City.
July 29, '57–4m.

The Cheapest Soft?
Are sold by DUNDORE & OVES.

NEW YORK ADVERTISEMENTS.
FROM
ALBERT G. RICHARDSON'S
Advertising and Correspondence Office, 360 Broadway, New York.

A New and Important Discovery in the Science of Medicine.
PATENT OFFICE SEAL OF GREAT BRITAIN, DIPLOME DE ECOLE DE PHARMACIE PHARMACIEN DE PARIS and IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, Vienna. Sold wholesale and retail by Dr H. A. Barrow, member of the Imp'l College of Vienna, and Royal College of Surgeons, London, who may be personally consulted at his residence, 157 Prince street, few blocks west of Broadway, New York, from 11 A. M. till 2 P. M. and from 4 till 8 P. M. (Sundays excepted, unless by appointment.)
Triesemar No. 1,
Is a remedy for Relaxation, Spermatorrhœa, and all the distressing consequences arising from early abuse, indiscriminate excesses, or too long residence in hot climates. It has restored bodily and sexual strength and vigor to thousands who are now in the enjoyment of health and the functions of manhood; and whatever may be the cause or disqualifications for marriage, they are effectually subdued.
Triesemar No. 2,
Completely and entirely eradicates all traces of Gonorrhœa, both in its mild and aggravated forms, Gleets, Strictures, Irritation of the Bladder, Non-retention of the Urine, Pains of the Loins and Kidneys, and those disorders for which Copaiva and Cubebs have so long been thought an antidote.
Triesemar No. 3,
Is the great Continental REMEDY for Siphilis and Secondary symptoms. It also constitutes a certain cure for Scurvy, Scrofula, and all cutaneous Eruptions, removing and expelling in its course all impurities from the vital stream, so as altogether to eradicate the virus of disease, and expel it by insensible perspiration through the medium of the pores of the skin and urine.
It is a never failing remedy for that class of disorders which English Physicians treat with Mercury, to the inevitable destruction of the patient's constitution, and which all the Sarsaparilla in the world cannot remove.
TRIESEMAR No. 1, 2 and 3, are prepared in the form of a lozenge, devoid of taste or smell, and can be carried in the waistcoat pocket. Sold in tin cases, and divided in separate doses as administered by Valpeau, Lalleman, Roux, Ricord, &c., &c. Price $3 each, or four cases in one for $9, which saves $3, and in $27 cases, whereby there is a saving of $9.
None are genuine unless the Engravings of the seals of the Patent Office of England, the seals of the Ecole de Pharmacie de Paris, and the Imperial College of Vienna, are affixed upon each wrapper, and around each case.—Imitations are liable to the severest penalties of the law.
Special arrangements enable Dr. Barrow to forward immediately, on receiving a remittance, the $9 and larger size cases of Triesemar free of carriage, to any part of the world, securely packed and properly addressed, thus insuring genuine European preparations and protecting the public from spurious and pernicious imitations.
Attendance and Consultation from 11 a. m. till 2 p. m. and from 4 till 8 in the evening. 157 Prince street, a few blocks west of Broadway, New York.
May 6, 1857–1y.

Cristadoro's Hair Dye!
Within a nut-shell all the merits lie,
Of Cristadoro's never-equalled Dye:
Red it makes black, to brown transforms a grey,
And keeps the fibres always from decay.
THIS matchless, re-vitalizing Hair Dye, still holds its position as the most harmless and efficacious Hair Dye in THE WORLD. Prepared and sold, wholesale and retail, and applied in ten private rooms, at CRISTADORO'S, No. 6 Astor House, Broadway, New York, and by all Druggists and Perfumers in the United States.
Jan. 14, 1857.—1y.—1eq.
Agent—George H. Keyser, 140 Wood st., Pittsburg, Pa.

Costar's Rat, Roach, &c, Exterminator
Put up in 20c., 35c., 65., and $1, Boxes.
Costar's Bed Bug Exterminator.
Put up in 25c., 50c., 75c., and $1. Bottles.
Costar's Electric Powder, for Ants, Insects, &c. Put up in 25c. and 50c. Boxes.
Principal Depot, No. 338 Broadway, New York, and sold by DRUGGISTS and DEALERS everywhere in the United States, Canadas, West Indies and South America. ☞ Full particulars by Mail.
august 19, 1857.—2sqs.–1mo.
For sale by Guilford & Lomberger, agents for Lebanon county, at their wholesale and retail establishment, opposite the Market, Lebanon, Pa.

Poetry.

WHAT IS HOME WITHOUT A SISTER.

What is home without a sister?
What are all the joys of youth
If in infancy we miss her,
And her prattling tales of truth?
Sweet affections may surround us,
And a mother's tender care,
But the magic fails to charm us
If no sister's love be there!

In her childhood
Spring around her
Hallowing each
Prompting to the better;
And when sorrow's deep emotion
Glides upon our stricken years,
O! what kindness and devotion
Doth she breathe to quell our fears!

Much we love a gentle mother,
Much we prize a father's tear;
And we love a kindly brother,
But a sister's love most dear!
Death and changes never ceasing,
Oft our parent bears away,
While a sister's love increasing,
Growing stronger day by day.

TO AN ABSENT FRIEND.

All, gentle hope! shall I no more
Thy cheerful influence share?
Oh, must I still thy loss deplore
And be the slave of care?

The gloom which now obscures my days,
At thy approach would fly,
And glowing fancy would display
A bright unclouded sky.

Night's dreary shadows fleet away,
Before the orient beam,
So sorrow melts before thy sway,
Thou nymph of cheerful mien.

Ah, seek again my lonely breast,
Dislodge each painful fear;
Be once again my heavenly guest,
And stay each falling tear.

A Pretty Story.

HUGGED BY A SERPENT.

BY A CANADIAN SETTLER.

I was brought up near the Canadian line in Vermont. My father owned a large farm, though an iron worker by trade. I think he made some of the best rifles ever used. Not far from his farm was quite a lake, where we used to enjoy ourselves at fishing and sailing; for we had one of the best boats ever put into fresh water. We knew that there were plenty of snakes about the lake—especially around one part of it—a wide piece of flats, where the water lay most of the year, and where the tall grass and reeds grew thickly. It was a sort of bay making up into a cave on the opposite side of the farm. We had seen some large snakes in the water there, and I had tried to shoot them as they swam with their heads up, though I never happened to get one of them in that way.—I am sure I hit some of them, but they managed to get away into the grass; and I had no desire to follow them, especially into such a place. Most of those that I saw were the common black water snake, but they were not all alike.—Some of the larger ones had a light colored ring around the neck; and I was told by those who knew that these latter were by far the strongest and most dangerous.

However, I was destined soon to have my eyes open. One afternoon I saw a flock of black ducks fly over the house, and I was sure they landed on the lake, so I seized my double barreled gun and ammunition, and started off. When I reached the landing, I saw the ducks away off by the opposite shore. I at once cut some green boughs with my knife; and having rigged up the bows of a small flat bottomed scow we kept on purpose for such work, I jumped in and started off. There was a hole in the stern through which we could put the oar, and thus cull the boat without sitting up in sight, so from where the ducks were my contrivance had only the appearance of a simple mass of boughs floating upon water.

I had got near enough for a shot, and had drawn in the scull, and was in the act of taking up my gun, when the ducks started up. As quickly as possible I drew one hammer and let drive. I hit two of them, but they didn't fall into the water. They fluttered along until they fell among the tall grass up in the cove. The water was low, and the place saw dry where they were. I pulled as far as I could, and then got out and waded up. I knew very near where one of the ducks had fallen, and very soon had my eyes on it. As I ran up to take it I saw the head of a black snake pop out and catch it by the wing. I saw only the head and neck of the reptil, and had no idea how large a one it was; or, if I had, probably I should have done just as I did—or I had no ider of fearing such a thing. So I just runs and snatches the birds away. I had left my gun in the boat, and had notheig to kill the chap with; but as I took the duck, I just put my foot on the thief's neck.

The ground was moist and slimly, and as the snake had his body braced among the roots of the stont reeds he took his head out from under mp about as quick as a man could comfortably think. I thought I'd run back to my bout and get my gun and try to kill this fellow, and I had just turned for that purpose, when I felt something strike my leg as though somebody had thrown a rope around it. I looked down and found that the snake had taken a turn around my left leg with his tail, and was in the act of clearing his body from the grass. I dropped the duck and gave a smart kick; but that did not loosen him; so I tried to put my right foot upon him and thus drew my left leg away; but I might just as well have tried to put my foot on a streak ef lightning!

And hadn't I been deceived? I had forgotten the proportionate size of the head of this species of blacksnake. I had expected to see a snake four or five feet long; instead of that he was nearly eighty feet and a half! I tell ye, I looked ten ways for home about that time. Still, I hadn't yet any great fear, for I supposed that when I came to put my hand on him, I could easily take him off, for I was pretty strong in the arms. In a few seconds he had his body all clear, and it was then that the first real thrill shot through me. There he held himself by the simple turn around my leg, and with his back arched in and out he brought his head just on a level with mine. I made a grab for him, but missed him; and then as quick as you can snap your finger, he swept his head around my arm—clear around my body, and then straightened up and looked me in the face again. I gave another grab at him—and another as quick as I could, but he dodged me in spite of all I could do.

I next felt the snake's body working it's way up. The turn of the tail was changed to my thigh, and the coil around my stomach commenced to tighten.—About this time I began to think there might be some serious work, and the quicker I took the snake off the better. So I just grasped him as near the head as possible, by taking hold where he was around me, for he couldn't dodge that part, you know—and tried to turn him off. But this only made it worse. The fellow had now drawn himself up so high, and stretched himself so, that he slipped another turn about me. His tail was not around my left thigh, and the rest of him turned twice around my body—one of them being just at the pit of my stomach—and the other about it. All this occupied just about half a minute from the time he first got the turn around my leg.

The snake now had his head right around in front of my face, and tried to make his way to my mouth! What his intention was I cannot surely tell, though I have always belived that he knew he could strangle me in that way. He struck me one blow in the mouth that hurt me considerably; and after that I got him by the neck, and there I meant to hold him—at least, so that he could strike me again. But about this time another difficulty arose. The moment I grasped the snake by the neck, he commenced to tighten the folds about my body. It wasn't over a few seconds before I discovered that he would soon squeeze the breath out of me in that way and I determined to unwind him. He was wound in this way:—the turn around the thigh was from the left to the right—then up between the legs to my right side, and so on with the second turn—thus bringing his head up from under my left arm. I had the snake now with the left hand, and my idea was to pass his head around my back until I could reach it with ny right, and so unwind him.—I could press the fellow's head down under my arm, but to get it round so as to reach it with my hand I could not. I tried—I put all my strength into one arm, but I could not do it. I could get it just about under my arm-pit but here my strength was applied to a disadvantage, and I could do no more.

Until this moment I had not been really frightened. I had believed that I could unwind the serpent when I tried. I never dreamed what power they had. Why only think—as strong as I was then—and could not put the ssnake's head around my back. I tried it until I knew I could not do it, and then I gave it up. My next thought was of my jack knife; but the lower coil of the snake was directly over my pocket, and I could not get at it.

I now for the first time called for help. I yelled with all my might, and yet I knew the trial was next to useless, for no one could easily gain the place where I was, except with a boat. Yet I called out, hoping against hope. I grasped he snake by the body and pulled—I tried to break its neck. This plan presented itself with a gleam of promise—but it amounted to nothing. I might as well have tried to break a rope by bending it forward and back. A full minute had elapsed from the time when first I tried to pass the snake's head around my back. His body had become so elongated by his gradual pressure around my body, that he had room to carry his head around in a tree and symmetrical curve. He had slipped from my grasp, and when I next caught him, I found myself weaker than before. I could not hold him The excitement had prevented me from noticing this until now.—For a few moments, I was in a state of frenzy. I leaped up and down—cried as loud as I could—and grasped the snake with all my might. But it availed me nothing. He slipped his head from my weakened grasp, and made a blow at my face, striking me fairly upon the closed lips. This made me mad, and I gave the infernal thing another grasp with both hands, trying once more to twist his neck. The only result was that I got another blow upon the mouth.

But the moment of need was at hand. I felt the coils growing tighter and tighter around my body, and my breath was getting weak. A severe pain was beginning to result from the pressure, and I saw that the snake would soon have length enough for another turn. He was drawn so tightly, that the centre of his body was no bigger than his head The black skin was drawn to a tension that seemed its utmost, and yet I could tell by the working of the large scales upon the belly that he was drawing himself tighter still.

"For God's sake!" I gasped, stricken with absolute terror—"what shall I do?" What could I do? The enemy from whom I had at first thought so little of, was killing me, killing me, slowly, openly, surely—and I had no help! I a stout, strong man, was being actually held at the deadly will of a black snake. My face was now growing purple. My hands and arms were swollen, and my fingers numbed. I had let go of the snake's neck, and he now carried the upper part of his body in a graceful curve, his head vibrating from side to side with an undulating motion of extreme gracefulness.

At length I staggered. I was losing my strength rapidly, and the pain of my body had become excruciating. The snake's skin where it coiled about me was so tight that it seemed almost transparent. He had found me, for I had found him in a state of hunger, his stomach free from food, and his muscular force unimpaired. A second time I staggered, and objects began to swim before me. A dizzy sensation was my in head, a faintness at my heart and agonizing pain in my body. The snake had now three feet of body clear. He had drawn himself certainly three feet longer than before. He darted his head under my arm, and brought it up over my shoulder; and pressing his under jaw firmly down, there he gave a sudden wound that made me groan with pain. Each moment was an age of agony! each second a step nearer to death.

My knife! Oh! if I could reach it! Why not? Why not tear it out? My arms were free. Mercy! why had I not thought of this before, when my hands had some strength in them! Yet I would try it. I collected all my remaining power for the effort, and made the attempt. My trousers were of blue cotton stuff, and strong—I could not tear it. I thought of the stitches. They might not be so tenacious. I grasped the cloth on the inside of my thigh, and gave my last atom of strength to the effort. The stitches started—they gave way! This result gave me hope, and hope gave strength. Another pull—with both hands—and the pocket was laid bare! with all the remaining force I could command—with the hope of life—of home, of everything I loved on earth, in the effort. I caught the pocket on the inside and bore down upon it There was a breaking of the threads—a sound of tearing cloth—and my knife was in my hands!

I had yet sense enough to know that the smallest blade was the sharpest; and I opened it. With one quick, nervous movement I pressed the keen edge upon the tense skin, and drew it across. With a dull, tearing snap the body parted, and the snake fell to the ground in two pieces! I staggered to the boat—I reached it, and there sank down. I knew nothing more until I heard a voice calling me by name. I opened my eyes and looked up. My father stood over me with terror depicted upon his countenance. He went up and got the duck I had taken from the snake—the other he could not find—and also brought along two pieces I had made of my enemy. He told me he had heard me cry out, and at once started off in a large boat after me, though it was a long while ere he saw my boat. I had lain there over half an hour when he found me.

When we reached home the snake was measured, and found to be eight feet four inches in length. It was a mouth before I fairly recovered from from the effect of that hugging; and to this day there is something in the very name of *snake* that sends a thrill of horror to my heart!

☞ LADIES' FAVORITES.—There is too much truth in the following remarks of Addison: "I have found that the men who are really the most fond of the ladies—who cherish for them the highest respect—are seldom the most popular with the sex. Men of great assurance—whose tongues are lightly hung—who make words supply the place of ideas and place compliment in the room of sentiment—are their favorites. A due respect for women leads to respectful action towards them; and respect is mistaken by them for neglect or want of love."

FIDELITY.—Never forsake a friend. When enemies gather around—when sickness falls on the heart—when the world is dark and cheerless—is the time to try true friendship. They who turn from the cry of distress betray their hypocrisy, and prove that interest only moves them. If you have a friend who loves you and studies your happiness—be sure to sustain him in adversity.—Let him feel that his former kindness is appreciated and his love was not thrown away. Real fidelity may be rare, but it exists in the heart. Who has not seen and felt its power? They only deny its worth and power who have never loved a friend or labored to make a friend happy.

☞ "Pa, didn't you whip me for biting Tommy?"

"Yes, my child, you hurt him very much indeed."

"Well, then, pa, you ought to whip mamma's music teacher too, for he bit mamma yesterday right in her mouth, and I know it hurt her, because she put her arms round his neck and tried to choke him."

☞ "There is no place like home," says the poet.

"That's so!" unless it's the home of the young lady you're after. This is, of course, an exception: Future poets will please to note it.

☞ A certain gallant editor thinks when a single gentleman can't pass a clothes-line without counting the long stockings, it is a sign he ought to get married, and the sooner the better.

COURTSHIP.

Annie sighed, and Jamie seized her
Pretty little trembling hand.
Then with outstretched arm he clasped her
Hail reluctant form, and —— and ——!

"Loose me!" but he clasped the tighter—
"Annie, say, wilt thou be mine?"
Then her bright face grew much brighter,
Then she whispered, "I am thine!"

Then they clasped each other fondly,
Close together as two bricks;
And they kissed each other soundly,
And I left them in this fix.

BEAUTY EVERYWHERE.

We all of us, in a great measure, create our own happiness, which is not half so much dependent upon scenes and circumstances as most people are apt to imagine; and so it is with beauty. Nature does little more than furnish us with the materials of both, leaving us to work them out for ourselves. "Stars and flowers, and hills, and woods, and streams, are letters, and words, and voices, vehicles, and missionaries," but they need to be interpreted in the right spirit. We must read, and listen for them, and endeavor to understand and profit by them. And when we look around us upon earth, we must not forget to look upward to heaven; "Those who can see God in everything," writes a popular author, "are sure to see good in everything." We may add with truth, that they are also sure to see beauty in everything and everywhere. When we are at peace with ourselves and the world, it is as though we gazed upon outward things through a golden-tinted glass, and saw a glory resting upon them all. We know that it cannot be long thus; sin and sorrow, and blinding tears, will dim the mirror of our inmost thoughts; but we must pray and look again, and by-and-by the cloud will pass away. There is beauty everywhere, but it requires to be sought, and the seeker after it is sure to find it;—it may be in some out-of-the-way place, where no one else would think of looking. Beauty is a fairy; sometimes she hides herself in a flower-cup, or under a leaf, or creeps into the old ivy, and plays hide-and-seek with the sunbeams, or haunts some ruined spot, or laughs out of a bright, young face. Sometimes she takes the form of a white cloud, and goes dancing over the green fields, or the deep blue sea, where her misty form, marked out in momentary darkness, looks like the passing shadow of an angel's wing. Beauty is a coquette, and weave herself a robe of various hues, according to the season—and it is hard to say which is the most becoming.

A GOOD MAN'S WISH.—I would rather, when I am laid in the grave, that some one in his manhood should stand over me and say, 'There lies one who was a real friend to me, and privately warned me of the dangers of the young, no one knew it, but he aided me in time of need. I owe what I am to him.' Or would rather have some widow telling her children 'There is your friend and mine. He visited me in my affliction, and found you, my son, an employer, and you, my daughter, a happy home in a virtuous family.' I would rather that such persons stand at my grave, than to have erected over it the most beautiful sculptured monument of Parian or Italian marble. The heart's broken utterance of past kindness, and the tears of grateful memory shed upon the grave, are more valuable in my estimation, than the most costly monument. —*Dr. Sharp.*

NOT TO BE FOUND.—A business man, howsoever great his hurry, who would not stop to watch feminine ankles climbing in and out of omnibuses

A bachelor whose carpet did not wear out first in front of the looking-glass.

A doctor who had not more patients than he could attend to.

A school-teacher whose interest in his or her pupil was not graduated by the standing of their parents or the length of their purse.

A married man who could give the right hand of fellowship to a wife's old but sweet lover.

A milliner who could be bribed to make a bonnet to cover the head.

An old maid who was not so from her especial choice.

POLITICAL.

☞ There is a place in Pennsylvania near Towanda, Bradford county, which has been described as being covered with stones, and under each stone there were fifteen rattlesnakes, and nothing but hemlock knots and huckle berries were produced in addition to stones and rattlesnakes. Fremont had a majority there last fall.

☞ A Black Republican politician was boasting in a public speech that he could bring an argument to the pint as quick as a Democrat.

"You can bring a quart to a pint a good deal quicker," replied a youth of six!

The Black Republican was most ingloriously drunk ever.

☞ Two Black Republicans contending very sharply on matters regarding the coming election, got to rather high words when one of them said—

"You never catch a lie coming out of my mouth."

The other replied—

"You may well say that, for they so fast that nobody can catch 'em ambi.

☞ Gerrit Smith says it beat the tion of the Democratic Doyle *Dem.* d——l. To which we it is. They *ocrat* replies—that coordinates, now have beaten all they come on himself, let his Satanic if he isn't