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Labit Cloth do., Linen Drilling do., Tweeds, te., &c., together with a great variety of Boys' Clothing.

onsisting of Sack Coats, Polha Jac ... ts, Money Jäckets, Vests and Round Jackets made of weed, Linen Drilling, Cloth, Alpacea, Kersaier, Docskin, &c., &c.

Particular care has been taken to procure the ew styles for Men and Boys' Summer Coats, antaloons, Vests, &c., to which he would invite Furnishing Goods.

onsisting of Shirts, Stocks, Hundkerchiefs, &c. of which are offered at the lowest Possible sh Prices, and as cheap as any other Clothing ore in the Union. Parents who desire Boys' CLOTHING are car-

stly invited to examine the Stock. 16 IOh ! ntry Storekeepers can be accom-

From the Louisville (Ky) Journ at. THE STARVING BOY. BY MISS ZERELDA EASTEUNE. Round and round the moon was turning, Coldly shining on the earth, Far away the stars were burning, Coldly looking on the earth. Winds were moaning, snow was drifting Round a dwelling desolate ; Through the roof the snow was sifting, Drifting in the fireless grate. O, the floor the moon was sleeping,

Cold and bright the stars were peeping Through the window dim and patched. With the moon a boy was sleeping

And his mother sat there weeping, Dosty cobwebs choked the ceiling,

Dump drops down the walls were stealing-Grim starvation brooded there. Did I say the boy was slumbering

Now he opes his eyes once more.

Bread was all he wanted, mother, Which the wealthy might have given ; Pain is here and bliss in Heaven.

Just now I was sweetly dreaming. Of my brother dead and gone-"Twas a place with glory beaming, And he stood there all alone.

And I heard his feeble cry,

Heard my little brother's cry---He who marks the falling sparrow Saw my little brother die.

Straight the golden portals swinging, Ringing sweetly opened wide, And I heard a heavenly singing--Praise to Him who for us died."

Then a being came to brother, Bright and glorious as the sun--Twas a heavenly sight, oh mother--And I wished that I was one. Why this weeping, little stranger,

In these realms of endless rest ; This is Heaven--here dwells no danger--Souls immortal here are blest."

. they sent me starving hither, Starving for a little bread--Mother, brother, all together, Starving for a little bread.

afticipated championship in her defence, | 'em; guess Black Jack nebber let 'em go, crawled cautiously up the broad stair-way in the hour of perilt. Nor was the coura- soon !" answered the negro.

geous and ponderous African long in sus- "Then you shall have a hand pense to show his courage and devotion to work-be my body guard. You look as his poor master's widow; for one evening, brave and honest, as stout and formidable. said Col. Barton in a low whisper, to the a scouting party of the enemy made a de- Act well your part in the hour of danger, negro. scent upon the farm of Seth Wilson, and and your country and friends will not be under pretence of his having made himself ungrateful. Follow that man," said the voice within. eminently serviceable to the rebel cause, Colonel, pointing out a sergeant of the and hence dangerously obnoxious to "the guard, "he will equip you and direct your King," and commander of his valiant for- future duties."

"Yes, sir," responded the happy slave ces, they captured the farmer, his mother, sister, wile, and some four or five slaves, -happy because he saw a strong ray of whom, after pillaging and burning the hope to succor, and perhaps rescue his behomestead, they carried off as trophies, to loved mistress and friends. the head-quarters of the commander-in-

the command of Col. Barton, approached chief General Prescott At the approach of this party of the ene- so near the quarters of General Prescott, they had been pasteboards, and appearing some indolent-but all had slept well and my, Black Jack gave the alarm, of which that they saw the camp-fires of the enemy however, Wilson could not avail himself and when the guard of escort left the Brit- tleman could jump out of bed and defend to any great extent, and in hopes of escap- ish camp to convey Wilson to New York, himself! He was not only mentally eming any very serious injury, he made no a small party of Col. Barton's command, barrased by the tiger-like gripe of Black resistance against the approach or action of with which was the chivalrous negro, were Jack, who crushed the burly Englishman the marauders. Black Jack, fearing seri- drinking at a spring, near a cross-road, and ous injury to himself, if captured, and trust- seeing the approach of the British, hid usually scarlet face assumed a deep purple ing to the chances of being more beneficial themselves near by. The British came up, hue. to his mistress and friends, by being at lib- but discovering their number to be two to the English General caught a glimpse of impressive incidents of Sir John Moor's diserty, than by accompanying them in their one of their own, the Lieutenant in com- Col. Barton's face and coat, and managed astrous retreat to Corunna in Spain, not the bondage, he concealed himself near the mand of the American party of scouters, to gasp: house until the enemy, having executed deemed it imprudent to attack them; but his commission, fired the buildings and was when black Jack saw it was his mistress' you ?" retiring. The taithful negro, as he saw his brother the British were carrying off, perweeping mistress borne off by the rude sol- hans to death, he begged the Lieutenant to ble servant of the Continental Congress and diers, came from his concealment, and cry- attempt a rescue ; and Black Jack's appeal

ed outbeing seconded by the rest, the Lieutenant | the Colonel. "Nebber mind, missus, don't be afraid, gave the word-I'se not gwione to desert you! Keep good "Charge them, boys, charge-follow sperrits, massa Seth; I'll appear to you

me." Panic-stricken, the guard took to their afore long-fotch you all back from dem cursed Britishers; dat's a fact, I will heels and horses, without firing a gun .-shugh is Wilson was rescued, and none evinced

A few balls whistled about the faithful greater joy at the event than the slave. servant's head and body, as he concluded Making their way with all haste to the his speech and fled.

Wilson and his female companions, with of the little victory ; and knowing the Brithe slaves, were duly taken to the head- tish would send out strong detachments to ton. quarters of General Prescott, and no sooner intercept the handful of "American rebels," had the rustic loveliness of the young wid- the Col. thought it prudent to move off to to the boats !" ow caught his eye, than he decided the a greater distance for the present, and fate of her brother-he was at once destin- which he did, so that some ten days were sir," said the herculean negro as the British approached cautiously. Many birds and ed to be sent to New York as a dangerous allowed to pass, by the Americans, in re- Commander fought, struggled, and tried to beasts of prey take their repose in the day man-there to await the slow process of connoitering the enemy's camp and move- cry out. "I'se got to take you, sir, to de time. When kept in captivity this habit subduing the rebels at large and try and ments. condemn them in a squad ! The ladies and Not

Not a day passed but Black Jack gave you off safe-shunh !" slaves were retained; the former being ten- some new proof of his courage and intelli- And dashing his military great -see dered the hospitalities of the British Gen- gence, or intrepidity ; and finally, one over his nearly with his burden, and eral's mansion-the property of an afflu- dark and stormy night, he approached so with the speed and fury of the tempest he ent family that had find upon the approach of the "King's English." The slaves were retained as servants to his lordship and tel-words with him. This interview fornish-

the British to permit them to seek their in which part of the house Gen. Prescott freeognized their fellow Jack, as well as forms us, sleeps at noonday, in the open forms us, sleeps at noonday, in the open their master, Wilson aroused their mistress, their master, Wilson aroused their mistress, plain; and the eagle and condor, which the section of the American camp, and possessed to the American camp. the General had other motives in view; Colonel Barton of the mformation, and at to the door, Mrs. Wilson was in the arms poise themselves on the most elevated pin- of Spain was called very religious; he, during

to the chamber at the head of the stairs. this where Gen. Prescott slept. "The door is secured on the inside,"

"Who's there P said a half slumbering

"Speak quick, or Pil fire upon you!" the speaker in the chamber cotinued. "Ha! no time to be lost," cried the Colonel. "Force the door, Jack-dash in-I'll defend the passage."

"Yes, master, I'll do that-shuah !" said to the terrified British General ere that gendown upon the bed choaked him, until his By the tapers burning in the room,

"A citizen soldier-a rebel, sir; an hum-"Do you intend to murder me in cold

blood ?"

main party, Col. Barton was soon apprized You are our prisoner !" "You lie, you rebel !" yelled the Bri-

"Away with him, Jack -to the boats-

"Oh, dar's no use in gwine on dat way,

ed the daring negro with the situation of course the household was alarmed-the It was in that the women implored his mistress and her friends, and also to see three slaves were on the move, and at once

PHENOMENA OF SLEEP. Dr. Dickson, of South Carolina, has recentpublished a work on Life, Sleep, Pain, and Death, which contains some curious facts and speculations. The following facts are given the repose of the mind :

one-third. Sir John Sinclair, who slept prayer. eight hours himself, says that in his research-

es upon the subject of longevity, he found the slave, and with one mighty dash of his long life under every circumstance and every The next night this gallant party, under tremendous head and shoulders, Black Jack course of habit-some old men being abstidashed in the panels of the door as though nent, others intemperate, some active, and long. Alfred the Great slept eight hours a day-Jeremy Taylor but three. Bonaparte, during the greater part of his active life, was content with four or five hours sleep -Old age and infancy sleep much.

Some boys slept, on board of Nelson's ship, at the battle of the Nile. Among the least striking is the recorded fact that many "Are you a robber or a soldier ? what are of his soldiers steadily pursued their march

while fast asleep. Borduch, however, affirms that this is not uncommon among soldiers. Franklin slept nearly an hour swimyours," was the quick and quiet reply of ming on his back. An acquaintance of Dr. D., travelling with a party in North Carolina being greatly fatigued, was observed to be "No sir !" was the prompt response of asleep in his saddle. His horse, being a

the brave patriot : "though you have fur- better walker, went far in advance of the nished us with such precedents, we spurn test. On crossing a hill, they found him on them; we are not base enough to tarnish the ground snoring quietly. His horse had our arms and God-like cause by shedding fallen, as was evident from his broken unresisting and defenceless life and blood knees, and had thrown his rider on his head on a hard surface, without waking him.

Animals of the lower orders obey peculiar laws in regard to sleep. Fish are said to sleep soundly ; and we are told by Aristotle, that the teach may be taken in this state, if boat; I was gaged for de job-got to carry you off safe-shuch !" undergoes a change, which make the whether is more may they should take advantage of the darkness, silence, and the menagerie at Paris, even the hyena sleeps Of at night, and is awake by day. They all, the British to permit them to seek their in which part of the house Gen. Prescott recognized their fellow Jack, as well as the exception of the lion, who, Burdach in-

THE MOTHER OF A PRESIDENT.

Mrs. Polk, the mother of the late President of the United States, died last week at Columbia, Tennessee. She was a member in relation to sleep, which is described to be of the Presbyterian church ; regular in her attendance upon the services of the sancta-"The necessary amount of sleep differs in ary ; humble and exemplary in her deportthe various tribes, as well as in differant in- ment and esteemed and beloved by the dividuals. The average proportion of time whole community. Her venerable form thus employed by our race, is estimated at might be seen every Sabbath in the house of

> It is known that while Mr. and Mrs. Polk were in the Presidential mansion, their example, so far as the Sabbath and attendance upon balls, &c . was concerned, was decidedly favorable to the cause of religion, Mrs. Polk being a member of the church, and consis, tent in her profession.

We may here venture to make a statement of no great interest perhaps, but going to show the power of maternal influence .---When Mr. Polk was President of the U. States, we were introduced to him at the White House, and he remarked, "I have long been a subscriber to your paper for my aged mother, who still lives and reads it with great interest and attention every week."

We said to him, that his respect for the Sabbath day had been gratifying to the religious sentiment of the country. He replied. "I was taught by a pious mother to fear God and keep his commandments, and 1 trust that no cares of a government of my own, will ever tempt me to forget what I owe to His government."

We have often re-called that remark, as worthy of being repeated publicly; and now that the mother and the son have both gone to their final account, it is proper that this fact should be put on record. Mothers may teach lessons to their sons which they will not forget when they become Presi-

We have heard it said that Mr. Polk lived a mile or two from his mother, but never failed to visit her every day --

while he was in + CLEEGYMEN AND FANATICS .- A sharp correspondent, writing to the Journal of Commerce on the Temperance question and its ungarded state of their victims. In the elerical leaders, utters the following truths: "In almost all cases where clergymen take an active part in matters of this kind, they behowever, seek, as favoring the purpose, a come fanatical, and call it religion. Religion certain degree of seclusion and shade, with means anything or nothing, but piety is Godliness. For example, Charles the Fifth was Colonel barton of the information, and at to the door, and, while Colonel Barton nacle of rock in the clear, blue atmosphere, his administration, murdered 100,000 human

ry low rates. GLORGE CULIN. E. Corner

of Second & Market Sts Phila. April 19, 1851 .--- ul.

LIGHTNING RODS.

THE subscriber has constructed a LIGHT-NING ROD on true Philosophical princi-es, by which buildings supplied with them are adered perfectly secure against destruction by latning. The connection and insulation of the , as well as the preparation of the ground rod, on an entirely new plan, making a more perit conductor than any heretofore in use. Measures have been taken to secure Letters

Pt stent for the improvement. Persons desirous of securing their lives and property from destruction by lightning, can have conductors put up to their buildings in the most conductors put up to manner, by applying ei-perfect and substantial manner, by applying ei-ther personally or by letter, to the undersigned, at the following prices:

at the following prices: For 40 ft, with a good silver plated point \$10,00 For 40 ft, with gold plated point, plati. and twenty cents for every additional foot over

T. S. MACKEY. Milton, Sept. 6, 1851.-1y.

Alden's Condensed Reports of Penna. UST Published, and for sale by the subscri-her-the Second Volume of Alden's Condensed Pennsylvania Reports, containing the fast three folumes of Yeates' Reports, and two first volumes of Binney's Reports. The first volume of Alden, containing Dallas' Reports, 4 volumes ; and Yeates' Reports, volume 1, is also on hand, and for sale. The above two volumes are complete within themselves, and contain all of Dalias' Reports, 4 volumes, and all of Yeates Reports, 4 volumes, besides the two first volumes of Binney's Reports. The third volume is ready

and will be put to press immediately. H. B. MASSER, Agent. Sunbury, Aug. 16, 1851 .--

NATIONAL HOTEL. SHAMOKIN, Northumberland County, Pa.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he has open-ed a new Hotel in the town of Shamokin, Norberland county, on the corner of Shamokin and Commerce streets, nearly opposite to the House he formerly kept. He is well prepared to House he formerly super-second module his guests, and is also provided with good stabling. He trusts his experience, strift sitention to business, will induce persons visiting the coal region to continue the libsral patronage he has heretofore received. WILLIAM WEAVER.

Shamokin, April 19, 1850 .- uf.

JAMES H. MAGEE AS removed from Vine street, to No. 52 Dillwyn St., (bet'n Cal'hill & Willow,) where he has constantly on hand, BROWN STOUT, PORTER, Ale and Cider,

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION OR SHIPPING. N. B .- Coloring, Bottling, Wire and Bottles, Vinegar, &c. For sale as above. Philadelphia, April 12, 1851.- 1y.

Lycoming Mutual Insurance Company D^{R. J. B. MASSER is the local agent for the above Insurance Company, in Northumber-and county, and is at all times ready to effect} nsurances against firs on real or personal pro-perty, or renewing policies for the same. Sunbury, April 26, 1851.---tL

INK-Boureau's celebrated ink, and also Consres ink for sale, wholesale and retail by December 28, 1850. H B MASSER.

Pity dimmed those eyes of Heaven, And the angel dropped a tear-

To our boy a crown was given --Bright like them he did appear. Then the gates shut in my brother, And the the lovely vision fled-am dying dying mother, Give me but one crumb of bread."

Vain--no mother's ear did hearken--Bread, bread he no longer cried --Straight a cloud the moon did darken-Both in silent gloom had died.

Hand in hand, they fied together Fied from hunger's drear abode--Mother, children, stood together In the presence of their God.

> A Chrilling Story. From the New York Dutchman BLACK JACK,

Or the Heroid Slave.

But that historians were scarce and time precious, the early settlers of this vast country and continent, could have given posterity never-ending, never-flagging, but thrilling and truthful narrative and stories Jack's late master, a young man of intrepid that now must risk oblivion, or find their address and approved patriotism, as appears way, through the mysterious aid of Providence, to the public eyes and ears of this and future ages. One of those thrilling and noble deeds, so protusely scattered through the blood stained but glorious pages of the American Revolution, I learned,

in a garbled and piece-meal manner, from an old, old citizen of Rhode Island, whose father, I think was a participant in the little drama which I shall endeavor to

to the present age at least. During the dark days of our countrythe ever memorable Revolution-the British forces were in possession of Long Island, and devastating the country around. Repeated drafts upon the able-bodied men of the neighborhood, had so thinned out the of children, women and the slaves, not on-

assaults, but enact deeds of valor and hero-General Prescott commanded the British forces on Long Island, at the time now in question ; he was represented as most British officers were, as a dissipated or lewd

hesitation in putting patriots to the sword, foe. or assaulting the honor of defenceless women. In the vicinity of Tiverton, Rhode widowed sister-a lady of rare intelligence beauty and most amiable deportment. The

young widow, upon his death, fell heir to several slaves, the property of her husband; among the rest, was one staltwart fellow of fine disposition-about the age of his late master, and raised with him-boys togeth-

win the widow to his purpose, and was the making the hold attempt of liberating the catching up the young widow, and one of win the whow to his purpose, and was the making the bold alternation of noerating the catching of the young who her the and dazzing sonight. Drus, nowever, are beings, because they did not believe in the more persevering as he found in her the American women-capture the British the soldiers seizing the nimble mother, furnished with a nietating membrane genergreater obstinacy to listen to viper-like pro- General, or be cut off and seized themselves sans ceremonie, this queer transportation testations; and when at last, his patience in the execution of this dangerous enter- party fled to the shore, and ere the English was exhausted, as well as his stock of fine

saying, anger usurped other passions and he determined to effect by lear and compulsion, that which soft, soothing words none knew "the lay of the land" better bay.

than Black Jack, and the precise location had failed to accomplish. appy commement at the bruten head-quarters had elapsed, and the spirits of the the scene of action. It was midnight when way of trade of the liberty and person of the libert captured women began to droop beneath Col. Barton and his party arrived at the the old and fat British General for more ontposts of the British camp. The Gener- valuable property and captured citizens in last detention, but the hated importunities ai's quarters were in the mansion, some teh hands of the foe. The fame and prowof Prescott and his "staff." They had al- half mile from the regular camp, and round ess of Black Jack spread far and near, and he most forgotten the poor slave's parting this building were posted tour sentinels.-- enjoyed this glory for many long years, for words, but he had not forgotten his prom- On the shore of the bay, which the Colo- he died at an advanced age near the scenes nel's party had crossed, they left their boats of his darling exploits. ise; and no time was lost by the taithful under strong guard, and accompanied by fellow in seeking means to perform some valorous act that might convince his mistress of his affection and integrity, if it did not procure herselt and friend's freedom. the still quarters of Gen. Prescott.

soldier found himself prostrate, and in the

iron grasp of the huge black fellow, and far

too frightened to speak, even if able, from

the sudden handling he had received, to do

so. Col. Barton was equally prompt and

four sentinels were all hushed, bound, and

firmly gagged, and conveyed to an out-

house, and left to their quiet meditations,

under the guard of two men, while Colo-

and dangerous part."

nel Barton and Black Jack approached the

"Now, Jack, we come to the difficult

to face de danger,"-was the quick re-

"Wilson and Jones," continued the of-

ficers, addressing the other two men, "you

remain here-be cautious-be firm-make

no noise or alarm, and see that none be

made by others, on the outside of the house.

Now, my fine fellow, we'll enter," said he

to Black Jack, as he raised the latch of the

sponse of the slave to the Colonel.

Near by, in the neighborhood of How-Slowly and stealthily they approached land's Ferry, a small body of Americans their victim, until the sound of the sentiwere encamped, and under the command nels' feet smote upon their wary ears. The of one Col. Barton. Barton was a man of exigency of the time made it entinently nesurpassing courage and great ardor in the

cause of his country. To this camp, Black | cessary to have done what was to be done, well done and quickly. Col. Barton was Jack the slave, bent his hurried steps .a quick and impulsive man-he had well Among the Americans, was a brother of weighed all the dangers of his enterprise. and fully determined to carry it through. to have been a common trait in the char- He depended greatly upon the courageous negro for the success of the issue, and as

acters of the men of the Revolution. To these gallant men did the slave communicate this last act of sacrilege and oppression, on the part of the invaders-who Black Jack, who was at his side-gave the peaceful farmer's roof to the flame and carried off the unoffending occupants of the homestead to captivity and the quarters of armed and ruthless invaders.

"By heaven " said young Wilson, it I clothe in a garb of interesting recitative- had command of this company, Pd hesitate ness, that may preserve it from being lost not to plan and execute a foray that should

"What!" asked Col. Barton, who over- the next !" reard the exclamation.

"Rescue my brother's wife and friends, or add my own dead body to the British conquest " was the spirited reply. "Then tollow me," said the Colonel, available population, that it fell to the lot "and these brave men, and before a fortnight, at farthest, we will not only rescue ly to protect themselves from insults and your triends, but seize their very captors' commander, and bear him off to an Ameri-

isin unsurpassed in the annals of history- can camp or prison." A "hurra" graced this speech of the Colonel, who charged the men to keep silent -be steady, firm, and rely upon his judgment and the smile of God and liberty, to gain a decisive victory over the insolent and brutal, overbearing man, who made no

"Come here, my fine fellow," said the piazzo of the house. All was quiet within. Colonel, viewing the immense proportions Island, lived a young farmer named Seth of the burly slave, as he stood at a respect-Wilson ; with him resided his mother and ful distance, awaiting a recognitory smile or commision. "What's your name, sir 1" continued the

Colonel. "John, sir; dey allers call me Jack Black Jack, sir." "Well, my fine fellow, how would you

like to help to take this brave British comer. Deprived of his master, the faithful mander. who shows his courage in burning slave transferred his love and allegiance to farm houses and carrying off women ?" "Gorry, I wish I had a chance to grab old fashioned door, and with bare feet the mistress, and was proud of the honor of

The next night was dark and gloomy, party was far out of harms way, on the a rock, or a woody bank. Of domestic ani- ligious when he directed Cajiton, his legate of

This coup d'main of the Yankees gave ture. three others of the most powerful and brave in rustic peace and prosperity. The wi- which opens the instroment and serves to of his party, Col. Barton advanced upon dow soon after re-married, as charming keep the blade in a line with the handle. widows generally do, and became the foun-

der of a large and patriotic Rhode Island family.

CONSEQUENCES OF ADVERTISING.

A London paper not long since related the following ease of a great rush of widows, in answer to an advertisement, to the great consternation of a staid and respectable citizen, and the amusement of the rabble :

"Mr. Strond having oceasion for a house-

keeper to superintend his domestic arrangements, advertised for 'a widow and her they crawled along, within a few feet of daughter, to take charge of the upper part of the first sentinel, Col. Barton whispered to a tradesman's house, and to cook fir him.'-"Now, my fine fellow, show yourself a The wages were stated to be £30 per annum, man ; do not, upon any emergency, use with coals, candles, &c., and application was your pistols without my order; if life is to directed to be made between eleven and three be taken, use silent means first-but spare o'clock on Tuesday, at No. 68 Tower street. life and bloodshed, if at all possible. You Before the clock struck eleven the widows see there-almost near enough to hear us began to arrive, and soon the street was renbreathe-the guard; can you seize that dered impassable by the number of fair ones fellow, and stop his tongue, while I seize crowding towards the house and in a few minutes Mr. Strond's shop and parlour were "I'll try, sir; guess I can," was the filled with women, struggling to gain the atprompt and quiet answer of the brave netention of the advertiser, and clamorously "Then ssize him !" hoarsely whispered setting forth their qualifications for the situathe Colonel, and in an instant the stalwart

"A report soon got wind that Mr. Stroud had advertised for a wife, and people flocked from all quarters to see the ladies in search of a husband. The widows, young and middlesuccessful, and so, with two of his men, the aged, the thin and stont, the dark and the fair, some in their weeds, others gaily attired, and many poorly but decently clad, continued to arrive, and were greeted with langhter and shouts by the mob, who gave free vent to their jokes and ribaldry as the widows arrived and departed. At length the confusion and noise became so great that "I'se here, master; Black Jack's ready a posse of the city police were sent for, who preserved a little better order, and afforded free ingress and egress for the applicants.32

> Cowinthep .- A young gent, in Baltimore, on Monday. Cause-Sending a valgar Val-

entine Verdict of Community-Served right.

Hz that wears a tight boot is likely have a parrow undesstanding

prefer to retire to sleep under the shadow of religious ; and Leo the Tenth was mighty rewell befitting the work in hand. But, as placid and deep bosom of the Naraganset mals, the horse seems to require least sleep, Germany, to sell indulgencies. I have con,

commissioned to flead' the Americans to my, affording them "great bargains" in the nished with a well adapted mechanism, fearful that it will injore the cause of temperof the claws is so arranged as to be tightened by their weight when the thighs are bent, thus contracting closely, and grasping the bough or perch. In certain other animals which sleep erect, the articulations of with his family to his homestead which the foot and knee are described by Dumeril Who sang those songs through summer he re-built, and where he ended his days, as resembling the spring of a pocket-knife,

. It has been prettily said, that, without Hope and Sleep, man would be inconceivably wretched. The circumstances favoring

sleep, besides a quiet conscience, a mind unexcited, and a body free from pain, are a recumbent posture, silence, and darkness .-When Ptolemy demanded of a soothsayer-"What would make one sleep well in the

night 12 "The best way," he replied, "was to have divine and celestial meditations, and to use honest actions in the day time." Muller says he could go to sleep at will, on assuming a recumbent position .--Bonaparte, during his grand career, required no other condition but darkness ; yet, at St. Helena, he suffered from sleeplessness among his other tortures. Habit exercises an omnipotent influence in this matter. A distinguished watchmaker, having retired from business, was in danger of phrenitis for want of sleep. After several miserable weeks of this privation, some one suggested a return to his old place of abode. The experiment succeeded perfectly, for he fell asleep in his former workship at once, re. joicing in the loud ticking of scores of clocks and watches.

Of contrasted impressibility is the case of an old harpist given by Brandis, who slept the instant he left off playing ; bat, although undisturbed by other sounds, woke up imnediately when any one touched the string of his instrument.

Deprived of sleep, man is mexpressibly vretched, and eager and ceaseless has ever been in search after the means of procuring this inestimable blossing. Narcotics are ev-ery where instictively sought and eagerly employed; and stimulants, as indirectly narcotic, have unfortunately become familiar beverages. Alas ! when a picture of life is presented to us in the fact that unconsciousness of and insunsibility to care and anguish constitute the best boon that can be offered to suffering humanity ! If Sancho Panza had reason for the heartfelt blessing he bestows upon him who first invented sleep,

surely all nations will rise up and call him blessed who shall discover the means of prochring sheep at will, without counterbaudte cing consequences of an unpleasant nature. The waters of Lethe, which possessed the power of obliterating all remembrance of sorrow and of orime, would not be more de-sirable," - Boston Journal, caring sleep at will, without counterbalan-

perance, and they sincerely regret this Jesu-Birds that rest in a sitting posture are fur- itical fanatical, political measure. They are

> From Knickerbocker's Magazine. LINES TO KATE.

> > BY FRANCIS COPCUTT.

Taught her by Nature 'mid the flowers. Or 'neath the vine's o'er arching bowers ' Katy-did.

Who made the scene so dear to me ? Who gave new life to every tree ? Who spoke so gently, frank, and free ? Katy-did.

Who made the hours pass swift at night, Turned solitude into delight, And made stars seem still more bright ? Katy-did.

Then, dearest fairy ! let me say, Ere next returns your natal day, Who vowed to 'love and to obey ?'' Katy-did.

CURING HAMS. - Messis. Schooley & Hugh, of Cincinnati, obtained the prize medal at the Great Exhibition last year, for cured hams. The Cincinnati Gazette gives the following as their process of curing. "The process is called 'dry salting,' and of course is much more troublesome than the plan now in use. The hams are first allowed to remain in the salt a certain length of time, after which they are washed in warm water and hung separately on racks to dry, where they remain until a mouldy tinge is apparent, when, after having been carefully tried in regard to sweetness, they are ready for the smoke house. Messrs, S. & H. state that the demand for their hams is greater than they can at all times supply, which is attributed o their peculiar and excellent plan of curing.

KNITTING MACHINES .--- A short time since we published an account of a knitting-machine in Philadelphia, which, by the simple operation of turning a crank, would knit 60,000 stitches per minute. The Hartford Courant is informed that the Griswoldville Knitting Company, in Wethersfield, have a machine which will knit one hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and sixty stitches per minute, or nearly double what the Philadelphia machine will do -Boss ion Journal.

PROTESTANTISM IN INCLAND .--- The progress of Protestantism in Ireland must be ra-pid, for the Bishop of Tuam declares (says the Dublin Journal.) his readiness to testify