

where from a supply can be obtained—men who have a character at stake, and who feel that their success depends upon their good reputation. These barbers who go about the country desiring us here to-day and to-morrow; they seek patronage but none.

Our advice to all parties who desire to purchase trees, seeds, plants, or flowers—anything pertaining to horticulture in which friends are or can be committed—is to place their orders in the hands of men whom they know to be trustworthy. Reliable tradesmen are well known, and those of them who have traveling agents provide them, or should provide them, with the requisite testimonials with which they may give the fullest satisfaction to those whose patronage they solicit. On this head a right inquiry should be made. No statement should be listened to that appears anywise suspicious.—Horticulturalist.

Railroad Lyrics.

It was a grand old evening, When the moon was shining bright, And the stars were twinkling down, As the train was whistling on.

Woman's Rights.

An act of the last legislature covers the whole ground, we think, of married women's wrongs, and places her upon entire equality of authority with the husband, touching her children and her property. It also imposes a just restriction relative to devising property, and places the husband in the same position that existing laws have placed the wife, by providing that her power to bequeath her property will "shall be restricted, as regards the husband, to the same extent as the husband's power so to dispose of his property is restricted, as regards the wife—namely, so that any surviving husband, against her will, elect to take such share and interest in her real and personal estate as she can, when surviving, elect to take against his will in her estate—or, otherwise, to take only her real estate—as decreed by the courts." This is expressly declared, however, as not to affect the power of the wife to devise as herebefore any property held in trust for her sole and separate use.

Its most important provision relates to her power, which is now given, in case of the neglect or refusal of the husband to provide for her, to enjoy all the rights of a free sole trader under the act of 1718, and her property, real and personal, however acquired, shall be subject to her free and absolute disposal during life, or by will, without any liability to be interfered with by her husband; and in case of her intestacy it shall go to her next of kin as if her husband was previously dead.

When husbands, from intemperance, profligacy, or any other cause, neglect or refuse to provide for their children, the mother of such children, if of suitable character, shall have all the rights and be entitled to claim, and be subject to all the duties reciprocally due between a father and his children, and she may place them at employment and receive their wages, or bind them to apprenticeship without the interference of the father, the same as he can now do by law. In case the mother is not of suitable character—the law doubtless referring solely to moral character—or dead, the proper court may appoint a guardian of such children, who shall apply their earnings for their maintenance and education.

The proceedings necessary to declare a married woman a free sole trader are—to present her petition to the court of common pleas, setting forth under affidavit the facts, and if sustained by the testimony of at least two respectable witnesses, the court may grant her a certificate that she shall have the power to transact business independent of her husband; and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of her authority until revoked by the court. The law also provides that no husband who has willfully neglected to provide for his wife for one year or upwards before her death, shall have the right to claim any right or title in her real or personal estate after her decease, as tenant by the courtesy or under the intestate laws of the State. And no father who shall for one year or more prior to his death willfully neglect to provide for his children, shall have the right to appoint testamentary guardians.

The last section of the law provides for the adoption of children, changing their names, and enabling them to enjoy all the rights of children and heirs of such adopted parents, and be subject to all the duties of children. In order to do this, it is only necessary to present a petition to the court declaring such desire and that all the duties of a parent will be performed to the child, and the court may, with the consent of the parents or next friend of such child, or the guardians or overseers of the poor, decree that the child shall assume the name of the adopted parent and enjoy all the rights of a child and heir. This law is an important one, and none will deny the general correctness of its provisions.—Chimney.

University Notice. THE First Session of the present College year closed on the 15th inst. The next session will commence on the 17th of May.

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