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sep 20—y

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Constantly on hand the choicest brands of
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VERY LOWEST PRICES.
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of every variety, constantly in store, and for sale at reasonable prices.
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IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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LIQUORS, GROCERIES, &c.,
IN ANY QUANTITY, and as cheap as they can be purchased elsewhere.
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JOHNSON'S IRON BEAM PLOWS and castings at a reduced price, by
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☞ Repairing promptly attended to.
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Dry Goods, Millinery, &c.

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OF
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DRY GOODS,
AT
POPULAR PRICES,
NOW OPEN AT
BENJAMIN MILLER'S,
101 *Bridge Street, Georgetown, D. C.*
THE LARGEST STOCK OF GOODS we have ever offered our customers. Consisting in part of
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OF ALL THE NEWEST STYLES, such as Black Silks, from $1.25 to 3.00 per yard, Silk and Wool French Poplins all colors, Irish Poplins, French Merinoes, Empress Cloth from 50 cents up, Mohair Poplins all colors, Colored Alpacas from 25 cts. up to 50 cts.
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A splendid assortment—embracing 700 of the very popular Striped Shawls in all the newest patterns, and very cheap.
Heavy Long and Square SHAWLS.
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50 Pair of Bed Blankets from 3 00 to $12 00 White Flannel from 25 cts up. Red Flannels, Table Damasks very cheap, Napkins, Towels, White Bedspreads large size $1.25, German Quilts, Bed Comforts, Carriage Robes with figures on them, Bleached and Brown Muslins at greatly REDUCED PRICES, 8-4, 9-4 and 10-4 Sheeting, Good heavy Brown Muslin full yard wide at 12½ cts. Bleached Ditto yard wide an excellent article 12½.
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Goods of all kinds for Ladies and Gents, a splendid stock of Kid Gloves, colored and black, at $1.00, Ladies' Merino Undervests and Drawers, Childrens' Merino Vests of all sizes, Mens' Merino and Lambs Wool Shirts and Drawers. Hosiery of all kinds, very cheap, Misses Corsets, Bustles, Coats' and Clarks' Spool Cotton, all numbers, 6 cents a spool, 12 doz. Shirt Buttons at 5 cents, and a large stock of Notions of all kinds.
Our Goods have all been purchased for cash in the New York and Baltimore markets, and we respectfully solicit all in search of GOOD and CHEAP GOODS, to call and examine our stock, promising them GOOD BARGAINS.
We would respectfully return our thanks to our customers of Montgomery county for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to us.
BENJAMIN MILLER.
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FOR THE
LADIES OF ROCKVILLE AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY.
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IN GREAT VARIETY.
I HAVE RETURNED from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore with a beautiful assortment of LADIES' and CHILDREN'S
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I will also state that by buying at 111 Bridge Street, you can save 20 cents on every dollar of investment. Please give me a call and convince yourself of it.
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I have Buttons of every description, Silk, Pearl, Gilt, Bone, Agate and Glass.
Infants' Caps and Bonnets; old Ladies' Dress Caps, and a great many other articles too numerous to mention.
☞ Particular attention paid to orders.—Country Stores supplied at Baltimore wholesale prices. Do not forget to go to
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FANCY AND STAPLE
DRY GOODS!!
STOCK NOW FULL AND COMPLETE
in all Departments for the Present and Approaching Seasons of
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☞ Northern and Eastern correspondents send us new supplies daily.
☞ Strangers and sojourners will inspect our stock at their pleasure.
☞ Our customers in Maryland, Virginia and other Southern and South-Western States are notified that we are amply prepared to fill their orders as usual.
☞ ONE PRICE ONLY, MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.
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Educational Cards.

MONTGOMERY FEMALE INSTITUTE.
The FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION of the Montgomery Female Institute will commence on Monday, September 16th, 1872, and close June 30th, 1873, the re-opening of the School being postponed from September 20, on account of the interruption occasioned by the Fair.
THE SCHOLASTIC YEAR is divided into two Terms of TWENTY WEEKS EACH, commencing respectively, Sept. 16th, 1872, and February 14th, 1873. Christmas week, being a holiday, is not included in the SESSION of FORTY WEEKS.
THE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION embraces the usual English Branches, Book-keeping, Mathematics, the Natural Sciences, Rhetoric, History and Literature, Mental and Moral Philosophy, Latin, Greek, French, German, Music (vocal and instrumental), Drawing, Composition, Penmanship &c. Special attention will be given to *Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic and English Grammar*, as constituting the *ground-work* of a liberal education, and the Principal alone, gives instruction in the *last two* branches, bestowing that care which they demand. Arithmetical and Geometrical Forms are used for illustration. Regarding the University of Virginia as a model of Southern Educational Institutions, the plan of study pursued, will be made to conform to that, as nearly as possible, with such modifications as are necessary in a course for young ladies. The object will be to furnish the advantages of a thorough, practical and accomplished education, and to promote the *moral* as well as the *intellectual* advancement of pupils; and with this in view, the Teachers will ever strive to imbue the minds of those entrusted to their care, with those principles which will secure this end. The great aim will be to teach the pupil *to think, to discipline her mind and to expand its powers. The pernicious Parrot-System whereby the memory alone is exercised, to the utter neglect of other and higher intellectual faculties, we entirely ignore!*
The DISCIPLINE will be sufficiently strict and regular to promote the uninterrupted progress of pupils. The Principal's family, with the resident teachers and pupils, constitute one household, and thus compose a *Home School*. Pupils, *always accompanied by some member of the family*, attend such places of worship as parents and guardians may desire, nothing of a *sectarian* character being introduced in the School. The young ladies boarding with the family are not permitted to pay visits, or to receive visitors except members of their respective families. They are required to walk every afternoon (the weather permitting) with one of the Teachers, and are encouraged to take all healthful exercise that is proper, and consistent with duty and discipline. Every care is taken to promote *physical culture*. The strictest attention is paid to the laws of health, and the results have been marked and gratifying. The number of boarding pupils is limited this year, to six; yet the Principal, who has established this School especially to meet the wants of the people of Montgomery County, confidently hopes, in the course of another year, to perfect plans whereby he can accommodate an increased number. A Graduate of the University of Virginia, he has been engaged in teaching since 1860, *except during the four years of the war*. He will be assisted by Teachers of *successful experience*.
The School, though a private enterprise, is emphatically a *permanent institution*. Being aided by no donation either public or private, it is dependent solely upon the individual efforts of the Principal, and relies upon *merit* for the patronage of a generous, enlightened and unprejudiced public. It aims to be an institution of *sound learning*. It is situated in a quiet part of the village, with no surroundings calculated to interrupt pupils in the prosecution of their studies. The building is large, commodious and well ventilated, and is provided with every thing necessary to insure comfort.
The TEXT-BOOKS used, are such as the experience of our most successful educators has found to be the best, and are furnished at city retail prices. Besides the daily examination of classes, there will be two REVIEW EXAMINATIONS, one at the end of each term of twenty weeks.
Monthly reports stating progress, &c., of pupils will be sent to parents and guardians, who are respectfully invited to attend the examinations. No deduction will be made for late entrance, nor for absence, except in cases of protracted illness or of death.
TERMS:
For board, fuel, lights, washing and full course of instruction (*including Languages*) for Term of 20 weeks $112.50
Music on Piano 25 00
NO EXTRAS.
Daughters of Ministers are not charged for *Tuition* except in *Music*.
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Address, COOKE & LUCKETT,
sept 20—y Principals.
THE 3d ANNUAL SESSION OF ROCKVILLE ACADEMY, WILL begin the 1st Monday in September, 1872. Students who intend to matriculate are urged to present themselves at the commencement of the session, as the classes are then formed and those who come later must expect to accommodate themselves thereto.
Terms same as heretofore.
J. D. ABRAHAMS,
1y26m Principal.

Poetical.

NEVER GIVE UP.

Never give up! it is wiser and better
Always to hope than once to despair;
Throw off the load of doubt's cankering fetter,
And break the dark spell of tyrannical care.
Never give up! or the burthen may sink you,
Providence kindly has mingled the cup,
And in all the trials or troubles bethink you,
The watchword of life should be—Never give up!

Never give up! there are chances and changes
Helping the hopeful a hundred to one,
And mid the chaos, high wisdom arranges
Ever success—if you'll only hope on.
Never give up! for the wisest is boldest,
Knowing that Providence mingles the cup,
And of all maxims the best as the oldest
Is the true watchword of—Never give up.

Never give up! tho' the grape shot may rattle,
And the full thunder cloud over you burst,
Stand like a rock and the storm of the battle
Little can harm you, tho' doing their worst.
Never give up! if adversity presses,
Providence has wisely mingled the cup,
And the best counsel in all your distresses
Is the stout watchword of—Never give up.

Selected Miscellany.

MANAGING A MAN.

Nellie Davis was the prettiest, sweetest, best and dearest little girl in Mass., and when Tom Carter fell head over-heels in love with her, nobody blamed him in the least. And when the parson gave his blessing, and they went to commence house-keeping in a cosy little house on the south side of the town, everybody prophesied all sorts of happiness for the pretty bride.

And truth to tell, Nellie Carter was very happy. It is a pleasant thing to go into housekeeping for the first time, with every thing new and shiny; and if you have somebody you love for a companion it is pleasanter. Now Nellie did love that great big, blundering Tom Carter with all her might and main; and there was only one thing to disturb his perfect peace. She was the very pink of tidiness, and Tom was the most careless fellow alive.

He kept his person very neat and nice, but he kept his personal belonging anything else. Tom would persist in tossing his slippers under the parlor sofa, to have them handy. In vain did she gently suggest the rack in the hall was the place for his hat and overcoat. Tom would fling his overcoat wet or dry, on her pretty, smoothly made bed, and drop his hat anywhere.

In vain did tidy Nellie make a place for everything, for Tom invariably tossed everything down in some other place. Now little Miss Nellie was only human, and Tom's slovenly ways annoyed her exceedingly. She was resolved not to spoil the peace of their cosy home by scolding, but how to cure him she could not tell.

She bore with him with all the patience of an angel, until, one morning, after he had gone to his office, she went into the parlor, and there lay Tom's heavy shawl right across the table, ruthlessly crushing beneath it the pretty trifles which lay upon the marble top.

"Now, I can't stand this, and won't!" said Nellie, as she carefully raised the shawl from the delicate treasures, and discovering the ruins of a favorite Bohemain vase.

"I don't know what to do, but this I won't have!" she continued, with a little bit of wiley snap, which every good wife must have if she expects to get on at all with that occasionally unreasonable animal—a man.

"Some way must and shall be discovered to cure Tom of such performances as this!" went on Mrs. Nellie, as she removed the ruins of the vase, and all morning she went about the house with scarlet lips closely compressed and a little flash in her brown eyes, which argued well for Master Tom's domestic subjugation.

Woman's wits, having a will, seldom fails to find a way. And when a determined little woman says "must" and "shall," masculine insubordination—might as well surrender at once. Before Mrs. Nellie had closed her eyes that night she had arranged her plans for the campaign against her liege lord, who slept the sleep of the innocent by her side.

But she meant to give him one more chance. So, after breakfast, when Tom drew on his boots and gave his slippers their usual toss under the sofa, she gently said, "Tom, dear, hadn't you better put your slippers in the passage or the bedroom?"

"No; let them alone, they'll be handy to-night," said Tom.

"But, Tom, dear, they look so untidy."

"Why, no, they don't. A thing looks as well in one place as another. What is the use of a man having a home if he can't keep things where he wants to?" said rebellious Tom.

"What's the use of keeping a wife and servant on their feet all day to pick things up after you?" asked Nellie, without the least show of temper.

"Don't pick 'em up at all. Just let 'em alone, and then I can get 'em when I want 'em," declared Master Tom, as he gave her a kiss, and took himself off.

And the moment the door closed on him Nellie's red lips compressed again, and her brown eyes wore the same look they had worn yesterday.

"War it is, then!" she said to herself, "Now, Master Tom, we shall see who wins the field."

She set quietly about the usual morning work of a house where only one servant is kept; and when Tom came home to lunch everything was in its usual good order. It remained so, and Nellie busied herself with her needlework until nearly time for Tom to return to dinner.

Then she arose, put away her work, and prepared, as she said to herself, to "open the campaign."

First she put Tom's slippers where he always left them, under the sofa. Then she tossed his shawl upon the piano, and and his hat on the table. Then she brought some of her dresses, and flung them across the chairs and on the sofa. Her fans repaired in Tom's own especial armchair, and her best bonnet kept Tom's slippers company under the sofa, while her own slippers lay upon the chiffonier.

And thinking that feminine ingenuity could make no greater sacrifice that her Sunday bonnet, she took a piece of crochet work and sat down.

Presently the door opened, and in walked Tom. He gave a low whistle of surprise as he glanced at the unwonted disorder, and at Nellie sitting calmly in the midst with her crochet work, and then came into the room.

"Hav'n't been putting to rights, Nellie?" he asked.

"No, no. Why?" said Nellie looking up in sweet unconsciousness.

"I thought may be you had been, that's all," remarked Tom, dryly as he looked for a place to sit down.

Nellie quietly pursued her work.

Presently Tom said, "Paper come this evening?"

"Not yet," answered Nellie.

Tom gave a half sigh.

"Nellie, I met Granger just now, and he said he would call around this evening."

"Very well. Probably he won't come before dinner. It will be ready soon," said Nellie, working away in demure innocence.

"Hadn't you better put things to rights before he comes? said Tom glancing uneasily around the room.

"Oh, no. Just let 'em lie," answered Nellie, sweetly.

"But they look so bad," said Tom.

"Oh, no they don't," said Nellie, as sweetly as before. "A thing looks as well in one place as another."

Tom's face reddened.

"I never saw your room look like this before," he said hesitatingly. "I shouldn't like to have any one to step in."

"Why not?" said Nellie. "We might as well keep things handy.—What's the use of having a house if you can't keep things where you want to?"

Tom's face got redder and redder.—He tried to look serious, and then broke out into a laugh.

"Oh, that's your game is it?" he said. "Trying to beat me with my own weapons are you little woman?"

"Well, don't you like the plan?" said Nellie demurely?"

No, by George I don't!" said Tom.

"Well, then, I'll make a bargain with you. As long as you will keep your things in their place, I'll do the same with mine, whenever you don't ——"

"Oh, I will!" interrupted Tom.—"Come Nellie, I'll confess like a man—you've beat me this time. Only just put things right in this awful room, and I'll never throw anything down again.—There now, let's kiss and make it up, as the children say."

Nellie rose, and laughingly held up her sweet mouth for a kiss of peace. And then under the magic influence of her deft fingers confusion was suddenly banished; and when Mr. Granger came round to spend the evening, he decided that nobody had a prettier home than his friend Tom Carter.

Wise little Nellie having gained possession of the matrimonial field, took good care to keep it until Tom was quite cured of his careless habits. Sometimes he seemed threatened with a relapse; but Nellie, instead of scolding, only had quietly to bring something of her own and lay it beside whatever he had tossed down, and it was sure to be put away immediately, for Tom seldom failed to take the hint.

HE COULDN'T DRINK WINE.—That was a noble youth, who, on being urged to take wine at the table of a famous statesman in Washington, had the moral courage to refuse. He was a poor man, just beginning the struggle of life. He brought letters to the great statesman, who kindly invited him home to dinner. "Not take a glass of wine?" said the great statesman in wonderment and surprise. "Not one simple glass of wine?" echoed the statesman's beautiful and fascinating wife, as she arose, glass in hand, with a grace that would have charmed an anchorite, and endeavored to press it upon him.

"No," said the heroic youth, resolutely, gently repelling the proffered glass.

What a picture of moral grandeur was that. A poor, friendless youth refusing wine at the table of a wealthy and famous statesman, even though proffered by the fair hands of a beautiful lady.

"No," said the noble young man, and his voice trembled a little and his cheek flushed, "I never drink wine," but here he straightened himself up and his words grew firmer, "if you've got a little old rye whiskey I don't mind trying a mixture."—*Saturday Night.*

When are rogues like old books?—When they are *bound over*.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The following pen picture of South Carolina politics, drawn by a correspondent of the *World*, will give our readers an idea of the *blessings* of a reconstructed government:

"The President of the Senate is a negro; the Speaker of the House is a negro; two-thirds of the members of both Houses are negroes; the chairman of nearly every important committee is a negro; doorkeepers, messengers, and other attaches are negroes, the Clerk of the House is a negro; the Lieutenant Governor is a negro (convict in the United States Court) the State Treasurer, and in fact all the State officials except two, are negroes; the members of Congress are all negroes except one, and the few whites associated with this ignorant and degraded black crew look meaner than the darkies themselves. There are members who cannot sign their names; others who have dabbled a little in the spelling-book; but are independent and original enough whenever they attempt to write, to spell every word in a way of their own, unlike any way known to Webster or the printing-office; others who figured in the criminal courts of their respective counties, and if they do not understand a demurrer they are by no means ignorant of bars, and the entire body may be considered (excepting the few Democrats) as a mass of ignorance and brutality.—One glance at the concern is enough to secure an indorsement of this verdict from any impartial and intelligent looker-on.

NIGGER IN THE WOOD-PILE.—One of the most powerful partisans whom Grant had in the South was Colonel Mosby, the Confederate guerilla. The course of such a hard fighting, uncompromising rebel, in turning his back upon so good a friend of the South as Horace Greeley, and allying himself with a party that was the author of all her political and other woes, subsequently to the war, was hard to understand. We always thought there was a nigger in the wood-pile somewhere, and it appears that our surmise was right.—The St. Louis *Democrat* "discloses the nigger" in the following paragraph:

"Colonel Mosby, of Virginia, owns a stone quarry, and is reported to be fishing for a contract to furnish headstones for the National Cemeteries. Having materially assisted in furnishing the corpses, Mosby now wants to see the graves handsomely decorated."

There is something almost ludicrously incongruous in the idea of a Southern officer, after killing off some thousands of Northern soldiers, fishing for a contract to decorate their graves with tombstones! Does every man have a price?

INFLUENCE OF MUSIC.—The tide of battle has been turned, even now, by the inspiring strains of military music, and fainting warriors have rallied to the charge in response to the clangor of their band. During that terrible struggle between the Irish and the Danes, which lasted for two hundred years, the minstrels of Ireland poured out their choicest melodies to rouse the people against their invaders, the Danes, who swept down upon Ireland with a harper in each boat, playing on his harp, the strains floating on the waves of the sea reddened with the blood of friend and foe. It was Queen Elizabeth who said, "We can never conquer Ireland while the minstrels live;" so she ordered every minstrel to be hanged. Her father, Henry VIII, during his reign, ordered every harper to be put to death. The politic sovereign understood the influence which music had upon these ardent sons of Ireland, and resorted to these cruel measures to extinguish their patriotic fervor and spirit.

AN IMPORTANT DOG CASE.—A hired B who owned a bad dog. C was passing by and without any provocation on his part was attacked and badly bitten by B's beast.—He sued, A, who defended himself on the ground that he was not responsible. But it was decided that inasmuch as A harbored upon his premises a vicious animal he was responsible for the misdoings of the brute, as much, for instance, as if he had suffered a bear or a tiger to roam around loose, for the destruction of his neighbors. He was accordingly assessed at $150 damages, which, with $100 costs added, cost him $250 for keeping another man's dog.—The case occurred in Baltimore city the week before last, Justice Garey presiding.

DITTO.—An honest old farmer received his grocery bill, which contained charges like the following:

"To one lb. tea—To one lb. ditto, &c.

"Wife," said he, "this 'ere's a pretty business; I should like to know what you have done with so much of this 'ere ditto."

"Ditto, ditto," replied the old lady; "never had a single pound of it in my life!"

Confident that he had been charged for an article he had never received, he went to the grocer in high dudgeon, and said—

"Mr. K., stan't stand this! wife says she hain't had a pound of this ditto."

The grocer explained, and his customer went home satisfied. His wife inquired if he had found out the meaning of that "ditto."

"Yes," said he, "as near as I can get the hang on't, it means that I am an *old fool*, and you're *ditto!*"

"Charles," said a young lady to her lover, "there is nothing interesting in the paper to-day, is there, dear?" "No, love, but I hope there will be, one day, when we shall both be interested."