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TRADERS' LICENSE. The amount to be paid by traders for a li-cense, (the amount of stock at the principal season of sale to be given under oath), is as

If the applicant's stock in trade does not 1,500 2,500 4,000.... 22 60 6,000.... 30.60 8,000.... 40.60 4,000 6,600 8,000 10,000.... 50 60 15,000 . . . 65.60 20,000.... 80.60 15,000 30,000 .... 100.6q 20,000 30,000

..... 150.60 The applicant must either make oath, as Court of the county where he is engaged in business, of the amount of goods kept on hand at the principal season of sale, or the oath may be administered by a Justice of the Peace, where the thing worth reheretofore, before the Clerk of the Circuit when the person wanting a license applies through an agent. Persons may sell salt to cure fish in March, April and May, without license. Venders of cakes and venders of beer and cider, who are

### the makers of such beer and cider, (lager beer excepted), are not required to pay license. LICENSES TO ORDINARIES AND TAV-ERN KEEPERS,

The license to ordinaries and tavern keepers to sell spirituous and fermented liquors, or lager beer, in quantities less than a pint, at any one time, are as follows, the applicant to make oath before the Clerk as to the rate of rent or annual value of the house at or in which the business to be authorized by the license may be done, or intended to be done:

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### OYSTER AND EATING HOUSES.

The license to be paid by the keepers of oyster and eating houses is \$50.60. Females vending millinery and other small articles, whose stock is not over \$500, pay a license of \$6.60; but if over that amount they are required to pay the same license as other persons—oath to be made as to the amount of stock at the principal season of the year.

### LICENSES TO OWNERS AND KEEP-

ERS OF STALLIONS AND JACKS. The owner or keeper of every stallion or jack shall, before being permitted to stand or station such animal, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of some one of the counties in this State, the highest sum which he intends to ask or receive for the season of one mare; and the receipt of the said Clerk, with the seal of his Court attached thereto for said sum, shall be the license for stationing or standing such stallion or jack from one year from the date thereof; provided, that in no case shall the sum directed to be paid by this section for such license be less than ten dollars; and that every stallion or jack upon which the said tax is paid shall be exempt from all other

G. W. CARR, Sheriff of Howard County. March 24-6ts.

- A Massachusetts gentleman, just re turned from over the Canadian border, ells us these stories: He was in the hotel general-accommodation room when two veterans of the (hotel) bar, laying schemes for a drink, began to tell stories to each other for his benefit. "These are awful hard times," said one. "I never steers, but they wan't earnin' nothing. But I lived right on the road the Western emigrants went over every day. So I dug a hole in that road at the foot o' the hill, near my house, turned a livin'

spring o' water into 't, and made a good doin' nothin', an' they would send up ac' git me to come an' help 'em out; an' I alwuz charged as much as \$5 a lift. Well, I kep' that mud-hole right up in good repair till I made \$25,000 out on't an' then sold it out for \$3,000, an' moved up here," Story number two was the other Munchausen's companion-piece for the yoke of steers. "When I was a choppin'-I could chop some, you know-an' folks used to ask me how much I could do in a day, 'Have you ever tried it?' says they. No, never,' says I; 'never but once, an' that wa'n't really a try.' You see, jest to show 'em what I could do, I got up one winter mornin' afore light an ground up my axe sharp, oh, jest as sharp, an' went into the woods. An' I chopped like sixty till about 3 o'clock in the a'ternocn, when I thought it was as much as I could pile afore sundown, an' I went to pilin'. Well, when I had it all piled up it measured twenty-seven cord. An' then I knew somethin' was wrong, for I knew at the rate I had been choppin' it oughter be more. So I went back an' begun lookin' 'round to see what the trouble was. An' there, right at the fast tree I cut in the mornin' was my axe-

-A trial recently took place at Pesth, Hungary, of an apparatus invented by a Hungarian officer for enabling a horse to swim a long distance with a rider withwas kept up handsomely.

helve." - Boston Advertiser.

### Soft Sawder and Human Natur. -- Romieu, of joyous memory, had no

Twas in a lighted parlor low, Of sense a feast, of soul a flow, Transpir'd. Into her liquid eyes Augustus gazed, and in this wise ALL PERSONS and bodies corporate or politic in Howard County, who are or shall be exercising any business, or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be in the occupation of any house or place for any purpose for which a license is made necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to obtain a License, or renew the same,

2 On or before the first of May, 1877,

Then added, with a thoughtful smile, "They say puffed sleeves will be in sty He spoke and said: "Upon your brow A pensive shadow resteth now; What troubled thoughts stir your sweet breast With you this deep, corroding care!' She smiled, and sighed, and soft confessed They say puffed sleeves will be in style

> Twas on the bounding billows, wet, Where once she and Augustus met:
> "Behold," he said, "the moonlight gleam
> Upon the dancing waves' fair green!" Yes, love," she said, while a sweet smile Played 'round her dainty lips the while:
> "Tis just exactly the same shade Of which my new spring hat is made."
> And then a sudden shadow fell
> Upon the face he loved so well.
> "What is it, Anesthusia dear?" "I wish that Madame Fuzz was here: Such foamy fringe would be too sweet For anything on a box-pleat!"

-Somewhere near a score of years ago I think I read the story, then fresh. I has been recalled to my mind by its telling in my presence to an English gentleman, who assured us that he could personally vouch for its truth, he having eye-witness, I deem the thing worth repeating. I think I remember it as it was told to me.

A bill of exchange for a large amount was drawn by Anselm Rothschild, of London. When the gentleman who held it arrived in London, Nathan was away, and he took the bit of paper to the Bank of England, and asked them there to discount it. The managers were very stiff. With haughty assurance they informed the holder that they discounted only their own bills; they wanted nothing to do with the bills of "private persons." They did not stop to reflect with whom they had to deal. Those shrewd old fellows in charge of the 'change of the realm should have known and remembered that that bit of paper bore the sign manual of a man more powerful than they-more powerful because independent of the thousand and one hampers

that rested upon them. "Umph!" exclaimed Nathan Rothschild, when the answer of the bank was ing at him. Now, I find"—Here his lecture on soft sawder was cut short by the postscript by the manager: repeated to him. "Private persons! I

they have to deal!" work. He had an object in view-to to close the consarn; no, I am wrong in And then Nathan Rothschild went to humble the Bank of England and he saying all, for I have just one left. Neigh-Continent, and through the United Kingdom, and three weeks were spent in gathering up notes of the smaller denominations of the bank's own issue. One morning, bright and early, Nathan Rothschild presented himself at the bank at the opening of the teller's department, and patent axles; it is a beautiful articleand now drew from his pocket book a five pound note, which he desired to have cashed. Five sovereigns were counted out to him, the officer looking with astonishment upon seeing the Baron Rothschild troubling himself personally about so trivial a matter. The Baron examined the coins one by one, and having satisfied himself of their honesty in quality and weight, he slipped them into a canvas bag, and drew out and presented another five pound note. The same operation was gone through with again, save that and weigh one of the pieces, for the law pound notes were presented and cashed. When one pocket-book had been emptied another was brought forth; and when a canvas bag had been filled with gold it was passed to a servant who was hour arrived for the closing of the bank; and at the same time he had nine of his employes engaged in the same work. So it resulted that ten men of the house of Rothschild had kept every teller of the

another customer had been able to get his wants attended to. do something original and piquant, and want to sell it; and, beside, it comes too dragging the figh toward the land When will are purchased a dragging the figh toward the land When the land would have purchased a dragging the figh toward the land would have purchased a dragging the land would have purchased a dragging the land would have purchased a dragging the land would have purchased a they will applaud even though their own flesh is pricked. So the peosaw such times before, except when I was eccentricity of Baron Rothschild, and rent surprise, looking at his watch; "why, along. Nothin' to do. I had a yoke of when the time came for closing the bank, as I'm alive, it is four o'clock, and if I

On the following morning, when the came along, every day there would be one ed again, accompanied by his nine faith- ered the key to the deacon with a sort of an' they would see my steers standin' out as far as the street entrance four heavy clock every Saturday night, which Mrs. two-horse brays for the purpose of carting officers of the bank smiled no more, and forget it. a trembling seized them when the banker monarch said, with stern simplicity and

directness:

cash the bills of Rothschild as as well as its own! - Exchange

-Prof. E. B. Taylor said, in a recent lecture "On the Philosophy of Languages," at the London Institution: "Should the head. You see, the thing was loose an' extraordinary increase of English speak-I had been choppin' all day with the bare ing people continue at the existing ratio, arms and ammunition to European they have a superstitious dread of touch to gamble it away. fair to overwhelm all others."

service.

said, in a confidential tone: "Why, I Romieu: don't care if I do tell you, for the market and human natur. But here is Deacon bugs in rugs." Flint's," said he; "I have but one clock left, and I guess I will sell it to him."

"At the gate of a most comfortable | we will see about it." looking farmhouse stood Deacon Flint, a respectable old man, who had understood the value of time better than most of his neighbors, if one might judge from the appearance of everything about him. Af- head." ter the usual salutation, an invitation to alight was accepted by Mr. Slick, who voked?" said "he wished to take leave of Mrs. Flint before he left Colchester." We had take you with me. I have just heard an 255,372,226 gallons, an increase of 22.960, hardly entered the house before the accusation against you that"-Clockmaker pointed to the view from the window, and, addressing himself to me, said: "If I was to tell them in Connecticut there was such a farm as this away down east here in Nova Scotia, and disgust, and fled. they wouldn't believe me-why, there ain't such a location in all New England. dike"—"Seventy," said the deacon, certain joyous Western city. His Pythias than in 1875, and further, that foreign was one of his operators, an enthusiastic dealers had in hands and going to them there is your fine deep bottom; why, I but not so capable a drinker as his chief. on January 1, 1877, some 50,000 barrels could run a ramrod into it. Then there Naturally the operator neglected his more than on January 1, 1876. is that water-privilege, worth three or work, to the scandal and detriment of the four thousand dollars, twice as good as office. One morning after the pair had what Governor Cass paid fifteen thousand spent a night of unusual intensity together, for. I wonder, deacon, you don't put up as the operator was comforting his head a carding-mill on it; the same works with wet compresses and staying his would carry a turning-lathe, a shingle stomach with strong tea, he received the going to that section which was assigned machine, a circular saw, grind bark, following note from the manager in his him. It was a secluded valley, where and-"Too old," said the deacon, "too old official capacity : for all those speculations." "Old!" repeated the Clockmaker, "not you; why, you are worth half a dozen of the young forms me that such occurrences have father," said the officer, "show me a field men we see now-a-days." The deacon

was pleased. "Your beasts, dear me, your beasts must be put in and have a feed;" saying which, he went out to order them to be taken to the stable. As the old gentleman closed the door after him, Mr. Slick drew near to me, and said in an undertone: "That is what I call soft sawder. An Englishman would pass that man as a sheep passes a hog in a pasture-without looking at him. Now, I find"-Here his lecrepeated to him. "Private persons! I will give those important gentlemen to know with what sort of private persons they have to deal!"

"I'm on it against the block of Mrs. Flint."

good bye, Mrs. Flint."

sold all your clocks?" "Yes, and very sold all your clocks?" low, too, for money is scarce, and I wish feller of it, that I sold Governor Lincoln. small trout stream about twenty-four General Green, Secretary of State for miles south of San Francisco: Maine, said he'd give me fifty dollars for this here one -it has composition wheels, a real first chop-no mistake, genuine

a gaudy, highly varnished, trumpery a large water-snake of the common valooking affair. He placed it on the chimtake a small pair of scales from his pocket ney-piece, where its beauties were poin- swam up the pool on the surface until Flint, whose admiration was about endtwenty—a hundred—five hundred five ling in a proposal, when Mr. Flintreturned in such a fashion that the jaws of the each time ascending the pile and turning clock; he, too, thought it a handsome one; its tail and fins, and could arag the snake amount of quenched intelligence may had a watch, he was sorry, but he had no in waiting. And so he went on until the occasion for a clock. "I guess you're in the wrong furrow this time, deacor; it ain't for sale," said Mr. Slick; "and if it changed somewhere about £22,000. Not pay his interest, without buying clocks out of the water and clasped around the several months three or four steamers to said Mr. Slick, "as long as he pays me, high; that clock can't be made at Rhode Island under forty dollars. Why, it ain't they were not a tenth part so much an | havn't been two hours here-how on airth noyed as were the customers from abroad, shall I reach River Philip to-night? I'll whose business had not been attended to. | tell you what, Mrs. Flint: I'll leave the The bank officials smiled that evening, clock in your care till I return on my way to the States-I'll set it agoing, and put it to the right time." As soon as bank opened, Nathan Rothschild appear- this operation was performed, he delivful helpers, this time bringing with him serio-comic injunction to wind up the Flint said she would take care should be away the gold, for to-day the Baron had done, and promised to remind her husbills of a large denomination. Ah, the band of it; in case he should chance to

"That," said the Clockmaker, as soon as we were mounted, "that I call human natur! Now, that clock is sold for forty "Ah, these gentlemen refuse to take my dollars-it cost me just six dollars and bills. Be it so. I am resolved that I fifty cents. Mrs. Flint will never let Mrs. cities of Central Asia is being talked of will keep not one of theirs. It is the Steele have the refusal-nor will the dear in Bombay and elsewhere in India. That house of Rothschild against the Bank of con learn until I call for the clock, that treasures like those at Mycena may be The Bank of England opened its eyes superfluity, it is difficult to give it up. possible. If tradition be of any value—a very wide. Within a week the house of We can do without any article of luxury tradition, too, which has persistently Rothschild could be demanding gold we have never had, but when once ob- clung to one locality through the lapse which it did not possess. The gentlemen | tained, it is not in human natur to surren- of centuries—the tomb of Ghengiz Khan at the head of affairs saw very plainly der it voluntarily. Of tifteen thousand that in a determined tilt the bank must sold by myself and partners in this pro- to be found (as Col. Prejevalsky was told go to the wall. There was but one way vince, twelve thousand were left in this by the Mongols) to the south of Lake out of the scrape, and they took it. No- manner, and only ten clocks were ever Tabasun Nor. Within the tomb lies a tice was at once publicly given that returned—when we called for them, they man who seems asleep. Every evening a henceforth the Bank of England would invariably bought them. We trust to sheep or a horse is tied near to the spot, population of 10,000 inhabitants, 309 with out of it."

arms and ammunition.

"Well," answered Romieu, embracing him rapturously, "come to-morrow and

Rousseau did, and found Romieu in "Alas! my poor Rousseau," he sobbed;

"all our fine projects are knocked on the "What! Has your commission been re-"No, but it is impossible that I should

"What is it?"

"They say you drink." gave an unphilosophical yell of horror

Romieu was not so loyal a boon-com-

this morning and the head operator inbeen frequent of late, owing to your where I can torage my horses?" immoderate indulgence in intoxicating liquors. This cannot longer be tolerated, and any repetition of the offense will be the signal for your instant and irrevocable discharge.

The operator could not believe his eyes. He had parted from the manager at 4 A. M. and at 10 came this letter, stern, official. In his confusion he turned over the sheet and there in pencil was this "I'm on it again ! Where'll you meet

-A. W. Chase, of the United States por Steele's wife asked to have the refu- editor of the Popular Science Monthly, a

"We had been fishing on the stream, looked a transparent pool of water about chest of mine over the way, at Tom in length -a very desirable prize for an Eastport." "That's a good man," said flies to secure him, a novel fisherman ap-Mrs. Flint," "jist let's look at it." Mr. peared, and so quick were his actions Slick, willing to oblige, yielded to these that we suspended our own to witness entreaties, and soon produced the clock - them. This new enemy of the trout was riety, striped black and yellow. He but the deacon was a prudent man; he from the surface; when near the bottom, sometimes lie concealed in a salad. however, the snake made use of its tail by winding it around every stone or root that it could reach. After securing this tail hold it could drag the trout toward killed the snake and replaced the trout weather will allow the locations to be in the water, as we thought that he de- reached. served liberty. He was apparently unhurt, and in a few moments darted off. That the water-snake of our California brooks will prey upon the young of trout, and also smaller and less active fishes, I have noticed, but never have seen an at-

having once indulged in the use of a found in the sands of Mongolia is at least is yet, with its fabulously rich treasures, soft sawder to get them into the house, and lo! in the morning the animals have and to human natur that they never come been eaten. In 300 years, say the Mon- tants, 249 with a population of 4,000 to gols, the sleeper will awake, and lead countless hosts of his children to victory and dominion. This old story is said to -There is one branch of American be circulating more and more widely evemanufactures that is not languishing. ry year. Then the Mongols say that con-Within the last ten years the United stantly the drifting sands disclose, here States have sold \$48,000,000 worth of and there, gold and silver treasures, which there will in twenty years be 860,000,000 arms and ammunition to European they have a superstitious dread of touch-of them, as against 80,000,000 of French arms and ammunition to European they have a superstitious dread of touch-nations. A vessel sailed from New York ing. The buried cities under the sands or them, as against 50,000,000 or French recently for Russia, carrying four hundred of the Gobi are affirmed to be mines of the English language bids tons of ammunition, and the Russian incalculable wealth, guarded by gnomes Government has contracted in this country and fearful spells, while all the deserts for 300,000 pounds of powder and 1,200 around the hidden ruins are peopled by tons of sheet copper for the manufacture myriads of howling ghosts. The sands of -A Springfield congregation was of cartridges. Russia has also purchased the deserts of Central Asia regularly move amused by a young woman who leaned shall arms from us aggregating in value and drift from east to west, and even now out sinking. The officer crossed the Danube at its broadest part, with a rapid current running, and the horse's head was shoulder and ate candy throughout the has bought very large supplies both of denuded widely of all soil that can be torn away by the violent winds.

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at the Lowest Rates.

-In reviewing the petroleum trade for more faithful companion in his riotings the year 1876, the Pittsburg Commercial In the course of a journey which Mr. than Rousseau, none so prompt to help says last year was one of the most pros-Slick performs in company with the reporter of his humors, the latter asks him how, in a country so poor as Nova Scotia. Rousseau read in the papers that Romieu couraging at the beginning of the year, he contrives to sell so many clocks. "Mr. bad been appointed to a sub-prefecture and so continued until August, when the Slick paused," continues the author, "as He had long wished to settle down, and Standard Oil Company of Cleveland, if considering the propriety of answering this seemed to offer him the coveted op- with its allies taking advantage of the the question, and, looking me in the face, portunity. He hastened joyously to general despondency, purchased or entered into association with nearly every "You are sub-prefect? Good! You outside refining interest in the country, is glutted, and I shall quit this circuit. will take me with you as your private and by this coup took effectual control of It is done by a knowledge of soft sauder secretary, and we shall be as happy as the whole refined trade, advanced its prices, quietly awaited the exhaustion of the small stocks of Europe, and finally, toward the end of the year, compelled the European consumer to pay the exacted price. The result was a large profit to the refiner. The arrangement was artificial-unnatural - but exceedingly profitable. The advance in price was from 101 to 11 cents per gallou, January 1, to 27 cents at the end of the year-an advance of 170 per cent. The total exports from the United States in 1876 were 409 gallons (or 10 per cent.) over the exports of the previous year. It is believed that this increase does not represent Rousseau gazed at him in stupefaction, actual consumption, but that most of the excess still remains on hand in foreign parts, or is still on its way thereto. The calculation is that the great advance in panion as a certain joyous manager of the price has checked consumption, and that The descon has a hundred acres of Western Union Telegraph Company in a less was really consumed abroad in 1876

> -In the last German war, a captain of cavalry was commanded to go foraging. He set out at the head of his company, nothing could be seen save woods. He Sin: You are again absent from duty perceived at the door of an humble cabin an old hern:it, with white beard. "My

"Directly," said the hermit.
This good old man, placing himself at their heap, recrossed the valley. After a quarter of an hour's march, they found a beautiful field of barley. "This is what I want," said the captain. "Wait a momet," said his conductor; "you shall be satisfied." They continued to march, and arrived, about a quarter of a mile further, at another field of barley. The troops immediately dismounted, reaped the grain, placed it upon their croups, and remounted. The cavalry officer then said to his guide: "My father, you have made us go too far unnecessarily; the first field was better than this." That is true, sir," replied the old man, "but it

-A striking instance of sagacity in a lebster is recorded by Mr. Barker, of the Rothesay aquarium, in a letter to one of the Scotch papers. It seems that three and came to a high bank which over- lobsters were placed in a tank previously occupied by flat fish, and in which inadten feet in diameter and four feet in vertently a flounder had been left buried superfine; but I guess I'll take it back; depth. This pool was fringed with wil- in the shingle, where it died. One of and, besides, Squire Hawk might think lows, and had on one side a small gravel the lobsters, "a veteran of unusual size," it hard that I did not give him the offer." bank. The trout at first sight was lying soon discovered the dead body of the "Dear me," said Mrs. Flint, "I should in mild-water heading up atream. It was, flounder, and dragging it from its resting as afterward ascertained, fully nine inches place, retired with it to a corner of the tank. Shortly afterward it was noticed Tape's store; I guess he can ship it on to angler. While studying how to cast our that the flounder was missing. It was impossible that the lobster could have eaten it in the time, and the handle of a net revealed the fact that upon the approach of the two lesser lobsters he had buried the flounder beneath a heap of shingle on which he now mounted guard. Five times within two hours was the ted out, and duly appreciated by Mrs. over the trout, when he made a dive, and flounder unearthed, and as often did the by a dexterous movement seized the trout wily lobster rebury it with his huge claws, from giving his directions about the core snake closed its mouth. The fight then a bold front to his companions. This of the horses. The deacon praised the commenced. The trout had the use of story shows conclusively what a vast

-Quartermaster General Meigs is having built a couple of light draft steamers was, I reckon neighbor Steele's wife the bank, but, on letting go, the trout for the use of the army on the Upper would have it, for she gives me no peace would have a new advantage. This bat- Missouri and its tributaries. Last sumabout it." Mrs. Flict said that Mr. tle was continued for full twenty minutes, mer and fall, during the Indian war, the when the snake managed to get its tail government was compelled to employ for for his wife. "It's no consarn of mine," root of one of the willows mentioned as transport supplies and troops, at an exoverhanging the pool. The battle was pense of \$850 per day cack. The amount then up, for the snake gradually put coil thus expended would have purchased a half its body was coiled it unloosened its the time navigation opens, and will be of first hold and stretched the end of its tail great use in supplying the forts which out in every direction, and finding another are to be built in the Sioux country. root, made fast, and now, using both, Congress provided for two military posts dragged the trout out on the gravel bank. at its last session. One will be located It now had it under control, and uncoil- on the Little Big Horn river, near the ing, the snake dragged the fish scene of the Custer massacre, and the fully ten feet up on the bank, and I other on the Yellowstone. Work will be suppose would have gorged him. We commenced upon them as soon as the

> -The Duke of Connaught's residence in Ireland, where for some time he has been quartered with his regiment, is likely to be attended with excellent effect. Of late years absenteeism has sensibly declined in that country, and even those proprietors whose chief property lies in England almost always spend some months of the year in Ireland. The visits of royalty will tend to make Ireland the fushion. Hitherto, Scotland has been almost exclusively favored by the Queen and her children. It is fortunate for Ireland that the member of the royal family who was christened Patrick, and had an Irish title bestowed on him, is the flower of the flock.

> -The census which has lately been taken shows that there are at present in France 73 towns with a population exceeding 20,000 inhabitants, 108 with a a population of 5,000 to 10,000 inhabi-5,000 inhabitants; and 581 of 3,000 to 5,000 in habitants.

-The latest law in regard to gambling passed by the Nevada Legislature makes it a misdemeanor for parties owing money

-That was a queer boy in Wayland, Ill., who went into the house, got into bed and fell asleep after seeing his mother fall into a well.

-The average salary of school teachers

in Italy is \$200 a year.