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It has the least complicated, the most

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arranged that you can increase it or de-

crease it at will, and the shuttle from the

machine or disarrange the work.

All warp parts of the White are made

adjustable, so that any last motion incident

to long usage can be easily taken up, thus

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been dissolved by mutual consent. I have

associated myself with the old reliable firm

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Hogs and all kinds of country produce.

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country friends in the past, I respectfully

solicit the same in the future.

Very respectfully,

J. W. MONTGOMERY.

Nov. 18, 1886-y.

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practice, collection of claims, &c. Being

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April 1, 1886-y.

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Jan. 16, 1874-y.

R. C. COMBS,

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Leonardtown, Md.

Aug. 12-y.

B. HARRIS CAMALIER,

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Leonardtown, Md.

Has associated himself with B. Harris Cam-

alier for the trial of cases in the Circuit

Court for St. Mary's county. Office and

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DANIEL R. MAGRIDER,

Attorney at Law,

(late of the Court of Appeals)

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Court for St. Mary's county. Office and

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Manufacturers of High Grade Fertilizers

and agents for Dissolved Bone, Fine Ground

PRIVATEERS OF THE WAR OF '12.

THE YANKEE.

No privateer of the war of 1812 was

better known than the Yankee of

Bristol, R. I., and many were the

prizes with which she enriched that

port.

Previous to the war, and while we

were between the upper and nether

millstones of France and England, her

owner, Captain James De Wolf, had

suffered somewhat at the hands of the

British, who confiscated more than

one of his vessels, caught in the way

of trading with the French.

These confiscations were remembered

and revenged by the old merchant;

but it required several of the Yankee's

captures to set matters right. At

length, however, a large brig, which

she sent in, squared the long-standing

account; and, as new names were al-

ways given to the vessels taken, he

very appropriately called this craft

the Yankee.

The next—a also a brig—he named

the Prize; because a new leaf of the

ledger had now been turned, and the

capture was in excess of all demands,

—John Bull cr. by one brig.

These were days of marine enthu-

siasm and marine prosperity. On one

cruise of four months, the Yankee

cleared for her owner seventy-six

thousand dollars, and it is to be

remembered that, over and above this,

there were the shares of the officers

and crew. Her other ventures were

scarcely less fortunate.

Fully one-half of her prizes were

re-captured by the enemy before reach-

ing port, or her success would have

been still more remarkable than it

was.

Still, in spite of this drawback, the

sight of some heavy merchantman,

coming in from sea, with the Ameri-

can flag streaming above the English,

became common in Bristol Harbor.

A prize would always commence

with the capture of a cannon at sea,

so continue until she dropped anchor

off the wharves, making the town

shake with her British guns, loaded

with ammunition that cost nothing.

One such vessel came in on a fourth

of July, while the good people were

expending their patriotism in the

usual demonstrations of that day.

The name of this prize I do not

recall; but she brought a letter from

Captain Davol, of the privateer, tell-

ing of the Yankee's battle with the

Royal Bounty, a huge East-Indiaman,

which had been captured and burned.

Captain De Wolf read the letter to

a large assemblage on the common,

and the enthusiasm created by it was

great. One may imagine the stirring

old merchant, standing in his short

breeches and knee buckles, reading to

his towns-people a communication so

fresh from on board the Yankee, and

so in keeping with the spirit of the

time.

I remember to have seen him many

years afterward, when I was a child,

and he, who strikes blow at

John Bull, must look for coin re-

turn.

As the Yankee came down upon her,

the Royal Bounty opened fire, and

for a time, the action was spirited

indeed.

Above the heads of the American

sailors, there was a continual whining

of cannon-balls, while the grape and

canister came thick and fast, chipping

spars, and making eye-holes through

the sails. Even the flag, flying

as it did, from the mainmast, was

so riddled as to look as if a

whole cannon charge had gone through

it.

One of the fore-top-sail braces being

shot away close to the yard, a man

named David Barnaby went aloft to

repair the damage. While sitting

astride the yard, having occasion to

use his jack-knife, he discovered, up-

on feeling for it in his pocket that it

was gone; and a little further investi-

gation showed that the pocket itself

had been shot away. This was close

work.

The writer well remembers Barnaby,

as he appeared long afterward, when

an elderly man; and a more satisfac-

tory representative of the American

tar it would be hard to find.

In the mean time, such imperfect

glimpses of the Royal Bounty as could

be obtained through the smoke, show-

ed that the broadsides of the Yankee

were telling with great effect upon her

hull and spars. Her heavy, dark

side revealed a number of large holes

where the cannon-balls had gone

crashing through; her fore-yard had

been shot away in the slings, while

her mizen topmast had fallen forward

against the main.

Still, however, her commander kept

the cross of Old Albion at his sparker

gaff, and his guns going. Perhaps he

thought of Hawke and Howe and Dun-

more, and his place. At all events,

he was a brave man, and defended

his ship to the best of his ability.

But the English crew committed

the great error of firing too high; so

that, although the storm of bullets

was severe in the Yankee's rigging,

hardly a shot touched her hull. At

length, ranging ahead of the enemy,

she was enabled to rake him, while,

with his clumsy and half-disabled

ship, he could no longer bring to bear

a full broadside.

It remained to the merchantman

only to strike or sink; and, accord-

ing to the "meteor flag" at last came

fluttering down to the quarter-deck.

The ship proved a very rich prize,

but, as she was considerably crippled,

and at a great distance from the coast

of the United States, and as, more-