

Saint Mary's Beacon

A Rheumatism Cure.

Mr. Middlerib read in his paper a paragraph stating that the sting of a bee was a sure cure for rheumatism. Mr. Middlerib thought of the rheumatic twinges that gripped his knees.

He read the article several times. The bee was to be gripped by the ears and set down upon the rheumatic joint and held there until it stung itself stinging.

He contracted with Master Middlerib for a limited supply of bees. For the small sum of one dime Master Middlerib agreed to procure several, to wit: six bees, six and age not specified.

Evening brings all home, and the last rays of the declining sun fell upon Master Middlerib with a short, wide-mouthed, bottle comfortably populated with hot, ill-natured bees. The dime and bottle changed hands. Mr. Middlerib put the bottle in his coat pocket and confided his guilty secret to none of his family. He had his bees in his bedroom, and as he looked at them he wished the bees did not look so hot and cross.

When everybody else was in bed he sought his room.

Mr. Middlerib disrobed slowly, then crept into bed. After lying still a few moments he reached out and got his bottle of bees.

It was not an easy thing to do to pick one bee out of the bottleful with his fingers and not get into trouble. The first bee Mr. Middlerib got was a little brown honey-bee, that wouldn't weigh half an ounce if you picked him up by the ears, but if lifted up by the hindleg would weigh as much as the last end of a bay mule. Mr. Middlerib could not repress a groan.

"What's the matter with you?" sleepily asked his wife.

It was very hard for Mr. Middlerib to say he only felt hot, but he did it. He did feel very hot, indeed—about eighty-six all over, and one hundred and ninety-seven on the end of this thumb. He reversed the bee and pressed the warlike terminus of it firmly against the rheumatic knee.

It didn't hurt so badly as he thought it would. It didn't hurt at all.

Then Mr. Middlerib remembered that when the honey-bee stabs a human foe it generally leaves its harpoon in the wound, and the invalid knew that the only thing this bee had to sting with was doing its work at the end of his thumb.

He reached his arm out from under the sheets and dropped this disabled atom of rheumatism liniment on the carpet. Then, after ascension of blank wonder, he began to feel around for the bottle, and wished he knew what he did with it.

Meantime strange things had been going on. When he caught hold of the first bee Mr. Middlerib, for reasons, drew it out in such haste that for a time he forgot all about the bottle and its remedial contents, and left it lying uncorked in the bed, between himself and his innocent wife. In the darkness there had been a quiet but general emigration from that bottle. The bees were crawling aimlessly about over the sheet. While Mr. Middlerib was feeling around for it his ears were suddenly thrilled and his heart frozen by a wild, piercing scream from his wife.

"Murder!" she screamed. "Murder! Oh! Help me! Help! Help!"

Mr. Middlerib sat bolt upright in bed. His hair stood on end. The night was warm, but he turned to ice in a minute.

"Where in thunder" he said with pallid lips, as he felt all over the bed in frenzied haste, "where are them bees?"

And a large "bumble" with a stinging as pitiless as the finger of scorn, just then climbed up the inside of Mr. Middlerib's nightshirt, until it got squarely between his shoulders, and then it felt for his marrow.

And Mrs. Middlerib felt ashamed of her feeble screams when Mr. Middlerib threw up both arms, and with a howl that made the windows rattle, roared:

"Take him off! Oh, land of Scott, somebody take him off!"

And when a honey bee began tickling the sole of Mrs. Middlerib's foot she shrieked, and went into spasms.

The household was aroused by this time. Miss Middlerib and Master Middlerib and the servants were pouring into the room, adding to the general confusion by howling at random and asking irrelevant questions, while they gazed at the figure of a man a little on in years, arrayed in a long nightshirt, spawing fiercely at the unattainable spot in the middle of his back, while he danced an unnatural, weird, wicked-looking jig by the dim, religious light of the night-lamp. And while he danced and howled, and while they gazed and shouted, a navy-blue wasp. Master Middlerib had put in the bottle for good measure and variety and to keep the menagerie

stirred up, fired himself across the room, and to his dying day Mr. Middlerib will always believe that one of the servants mistook him for a burglar and shot him.

No one, not even Mr. Middlerib himself, could doubt that he was, at least for time, most thoroughly cured of rheumatism.—Robert J. Burdette, in N. Y. Weekly.

The Old Time Way.

Our Grandmothers gave us powders and teas because they knew nothing of modern medicine and methods. In this age of progress and discovery, nicely coated, compressed tablets are fast superseding the old time powders and teas. Rydale's Liver tablets are compressed chocolate coated tablets, easy to swallow, pleasant in effect, always reliable. They contain ingredients that cannot be used in powders or teas. Ingredients that have an effect upon the liver that is never obtained upon the so called liver powders etc. A trial will prove their merits. Loker & deWaal.

Well Done.

"Do you know a good way to serve oysters?" queried the chorus girl who contemplated giving a little supper.

"Yes, and I know a good to serve lobsters, too," replied the one with the diamond necklace.

Mr. Kirksey's Recommendation.

Mr. Kirksey writes:—I give a positive guarantee with every box of Rydale's Stomach Tablets and Liver Tablets I sell, and have never been asked to refund the money in a single instance. I have used these tablets in my family with best results. W. L. Kirksey, Morgantown, N. C. Rydale's Tablets are prepared by The Radical Remedy Company, Hickory, N. C. who authorize every dealer in their preparations to guarantee every box or bottle of their medicine, they sell. Loker & deWaal.

Back.

"Is it a very long walk out to the race track?"

"I don't know. I never walked out."

A Cold, a Cough—Consumption.

A brief cold history, but true, Rydale's Cough Elixer will prevent this happening to you. It will check the progress of a cold at once, prevent the cough becoming deep seated, and thus ward off consumption. This modern scientific remedy kills the germs that cause throat and lung diseases, and by its stimulating and tonic effect upon the respiratory organs help nature speedily restore these organs to robust health. Loker & deWaal.

Evidence.

"What makes you imagine that old Bilious has traveled a rocky road?"

"I judge, so from his collection of rocks."

A Twice Told Tale.

We wish to repeat what he have said once before in these columns that Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment is the best Liniment ever produced for use in the family and on animals. Best for rheumatism, lameness, stiffness and soreness of joints or muscles. Best for bruises, contusions, sprains and swellings. You get a full half pint for 25c and get your money back if it does not do all it is recommended to do. Loker & deWaal.

The Big Progressive Store at the Sister's Gate.

ALL PARTIES who are interested in good values for little money, best goods for least money, and who want to be SURE that they are not charged too much money for any article they have to buy, would do well to call and examine our stock and get our prices before buying elsewhere. It will be our aim during this season busy to keep on hand for your inspection

All Of The Staples And Novelties so much in demand at this season. In addition to our regular line, which is pretty near complete, we will offer you the fullest line of

candies, fruits, fire-works, China novelties, dolls

and all other articles suitable for the holiday trade. All of these goods will be as low as the lowest.

Boys' Clothing way down below zero.

Call and examine our stock and be convinced.

Drury & Saunders.

J. W. LYNN & CO.,

GENERAL

Commission Merchants,

935 La. Ave., Washington, D. C.

FOR THE SALE OF

Lambs, Live Stock, Eggs, Calves, Poultry

We solicit a trial shipment.

Guarantee full Market Price.

Returns made day of

Established 1892.

Refers to Lincoln Nat. Bank of Washington and numerous patrons throughout St. Mary's. Consignments solicited.

Dec. 31, '03—1f.

Wanted

TO LEASE, with privilege of buying if suited, a place on wet water, or will exchange a delightful suburban place near Washington, on steam and trolley road, rent \$30 a month, for a salt water farm. Address: RICHMOND, Room 64, City P. O. Building, Washington, D. C.

Reward.

A liberal reward will be paid for the return of a gold hat-pinion on the road between Leonardtown and California. It had engraved on its front the words: "The Intercollegiate Track and Foot Athletic Assn." and the coat of arms of Maryland. On the back were the words: "24prize 1/2 mile run, May 1, 1901." Feb 9—m. J. P. CRANE.

Notice.

HAVING entered into a partnership for the manufacture and sale of BRICKS at Hancock Mills, we desire to notify the public that we will henceforth have on hand brick of all grades, which we will sell at lowest prices for cash. FRANCIS F. GREENWELL, M. J. HEARN.

Farm for Sale.

I will sell cheap, for cash, or part cash, on balance on time if taken before spring's work commences, my farm situated in the Third Election district, St. Mary's county, Maryland, known as the "Lawrence Farm," containing 30 acres, more or less. Possession given immediately. GEO. B. ROSENHALL, Compton, Md.

Wanted

To buy a good farm of 300 to 500 acres, in Potomac river, with large sawing and other improvements—located on the Potomac river—30 to 45 miles below Washington city. Want steam at what on the 1st party, or the very best. Anyone owning such a farm and wants to sell at a reasonable price may find a cash purchaser by writing at once and giving full description and price. Address: FARMER, 204 N. Charles street, Baltimore, Md.

WANTED TO BUY at once farms and saw timber. Apply to L. N. QUINN, 518 N. Ave., Baltimore, Md.

PATENTS
We promptly obtain U.S. and Foreign
Send model, sketch or photo of invention for free report on patentability. For free book, TRADE-MARKS, to PATENTS and TRADE-MARKS, to CASNOW & CO. OPPOSITE U.S. PATENT OFFICE WASHINGTON, D.C.

Blacksmithing.
I have erected a new Blacksmith shop on the lot of Tenwick Street, Leonardtown, and have secured the services of an expert workman from Washington city. I am prepared to do all work in my line of business with care and promptness. Satisfaction guaranteed.
W. C. MATTINGLY.
May 15—1f.

The Best in the World!

J. ROLAND DUKE,
PRACTICAL PLUMBER.
ESTIMATES FURNISHED.
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
LEONARDTOWN, MD.
April 23—1f

HOTEL SWANN
PINEY POINT, MD.
Open all the year to the general public and traveling men. Livery attached. Drummers conveyed to and from St. George's Island. Rates reasonable.
Feb 7—7 J T SWANN

Yates & Gough,
Abell's Wharf,
EGGS, POULTRY and FARM PRODUCTS. Full Line of GENERAL MERCHANDISE. NEW STOCK, NEW FIRM and prices to suit the times.
Come to us for bargains.

Money to Loan
in sums of \$50 and upwards on first mortgage. A. D. CARPENTER, The Highlands, Washington, D. C.

FOR SALE.

THE FINEST TRACT OF TIMBER LAND IN SOUTHERN MARYLAND.

ON account of having bought larger mill in North Carolina, owner offers for sale 500 acres more or less, of land in Southern Maryland, St. Mary's county, containing about 1,000,000 feet of the timber (700,000 ft of pine, 200,000 chestnut, 50,000 poplar and gum together with new and complete milling outfit, consisting of one 30-horsepower Ajax boiler, and one 25-horsepower attached engine; one saw mill (A. B. Farquhar's Co., York, Pa.) in section 14, with 30 feet of carriage and three head blocks; one Boston 52 inch inserted tooth saw; one swinging crosscut 18 inch saw; one good edge, all the setting, tools, etc., necessary to operate the machinery; portable furnace dies and other tools to do all blacksmithing and wheel-right work. Feed house and stable at mill for ten horses; one large shed for hay and straw; four houses for men and storage purposes; two heavy wagons; one four-wheeled wheelbarrow, in good condition. Two story farm-house in excellent repair; three barns; 125 acres of good land in cultivation and fenced. Land is well adapted to the growing of a running stream runs beside the stable and mill, and there are three or four good meadows for pasture with running water in each. Two tenant houses, stable for eight horses and other outbuilding. Well of splendid water. The property is four miles from the Potomac River and the same distance from the Potomac, with daily communication by boat to Baltimore and Washington. The nearest railroad station is Mechanicsville, twelve miles distant. Daily mail. The proposed new railroad to Point Lookout runs within one and one-half miles of this property, which contains the only large tract of timber land in Southern Maryland. In order to close out quick, owners will sell all the above described property, land buildings, timber, cut and standing, machinery, outfit, wagons, buildings, etc., etc., for \$5,000. This is an opportunity seldom met with to get timber land and everything pertaining to a first-class milling property for a small outlay. Apply to Wm. MEVERELL LOKER, Atty., Oct. 20, '04—1f. Leonardtown, Md.

UNDERTAKING.



Coffins and Caskets, latest styles, always on hand and furnished at shortest notice and at lowest prices for cash. Three Horses always on hand. Horseshoeing, \$1 cash. In connection with my Blacksmith and Wheelwright department, I am prepared to build Carts, Wagons, Buggies, &c., at low prices. Repairing, Painting and Trimming. J. A. DILLON, Leonardtown, June 21—1f.

WM. T. BAILEY, AGENT FOR WILLIAM CHANCEY.

GRAVESTONES AND MONUMENTS
CHEAP AND GOOD.
Leave orders with me and I will attend promptly to them. WM. T. BAILEY, Leonardtown, May 1—1f

STRAVINS BUSINESS COLLEGE
125 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore
GETS A SITUATION FOR EVERY GRADUATE

Surety Bonds.
As State, county or Municipal Officer; As Executor, Trustee, guardian, administrator, receiver, assignee of an estate, or as a contractor, United States official etc.
FIDELITY and DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, N. W. COR CHARLES & LEXINGTON STS., BALTO., MD.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Pres't.
HARRISON NICODEMUS, Sec-Treas.
Francis V. King, Local Agent.
Jan 23 '03—1f. Leonardtown, Md.

Washington and Potomac Railroad Company.
TRAINS FROM WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE.
Time Table: In Effect Sept. 1, 1904, 8:40 a. m.
STATIONS—SOUTH. No. 1
Washington P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 7:50
Washington P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 8:10
Brandywine, P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 8:25
Leadsville 8:40
Woodsville 8:55
Hagerstown 9:10
Colesville 9:25
New Market 9:40
Mechanicville 9:55
Daily, except Sunday. *Blue stations.

Washington and Potomac Railroad Company.
TRAINS TO WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE.
In Effect Sept. 1, 1904, 8:40 a. m.
STATIONS—NORTH. No. 2
New Market 8:10
Colesville 8:25
Hagerstown 8:40
Woodsville 8:55
Leadsville 9:10
Brandywine, P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 9:25
Washington P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 9:40
Washington P. O. & W. & R. R. Co. 10:00
Daily, except Sunday. *Blue stations.

A. Y. GRAY,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
Cor. La. & Ave. 10th St., Washington, D. C.
For the sale of all kinds of Country Produce. Will give special attention to the filling of all orders for merchandise. Prompt returns.
References—John H. Mitchell, Port Tobacco; Joseph H. Key, Leonardtown; Spencer C. Jones, Rockville; R. N. Wilson, of Wilson, Farmer & Co., Baltimore; National Bank of Republic, Washington, D. C.; Jacob Warson, Berryville, Va.
Correspondence solicited with stock shippers. Write for market lists for shipping Veal and Lambs. Always mail card giving the number used.

HOTEL TENNISON,
117 W. LOMBARD ST.,
Open to Guests.
European Plan.
RESTAURANT FOR MERCHANTS.
UP-TO-DATE SERVICES.
Moderate Prices. Meals at all hours.
W. B. TENNISON, Proprietor.

WRITE US FOR LOW PRICES! LOW PRICES!
BUILDING LUMBER, SHINGLES.
GEORGE F. SLOAN & BROTHER
414 Light Street Wharf, Baltimore, Md.

THE BRIGHTEST IN THE TYPEWRITER WORLD
The Standard Visible Writer. Record never equaled.
120 N. Liberty St. Baltimore, Md.
J. G. WELCH & CO.

Money to Loan.
MONEY to loan on approved security. Apply to DEBBY A. LYNCH, Atty., Leonardtown, May 1st

Lumber.
I will keep constantly on hand at Leonardtown wharf a full supply of BOARDS, SCANTLING, WEATHER BOARDING, SHINGLES, PALINGS, CRIBS, SHEDS, SHINGLES, &c. Orders for Lumber, Doors, Sash, Laths, Lime and Hair promptly attended to. Cash on delivery at yard. J. S. F. NEAL, July 1—1f

Democratic in Politics.
ST. MARY'S COUNTY NEWS, \$1.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE.

John B. Abell,
—DRADE IN—
POULTRY, EGGS, LIVE STOCK, BIRDS, WOOL, &c.
913 Louisiana Ave., N. W. WASHINGTON D. C.

Moore's Hotel
AND
Summer Resort,
LEONARDTOWN, MD.
OPEN ALL THE YEAR.
FIRST-CLASS IN EVERY RESPECT.
LIVERY ATTACHED.
Particular attention paid to Transient Customers.
Terms Moderate.
WALTER H. B. WISE, Proprietor.

DO YOU DEPOSIT IN THE NATIONAL BANK OF ST. MARY'S?
WHAT ARE YOUR EXPENSES? It is very much easier to keep track of one's personal expenses when he has a checking account. It makes the Bank do most of the book-keeping, and it furnishes a legal voucher of all a record of every cent paid out. If you are thinking of opening a bank account, call at the ST. MARY'S NATIONAL BANK and consult with its officers. You are sure to receive prompt, courteous treatment by your account officer or small. July 1st

BOUGHT & SOLD.
Improved farms bought and sold. Parties desiring to dispose of either will find it to their interest to communicate with us. C. W. THOMAS, Mechanicville, June 16—1f.

PATENTS
50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE
TRADE MARKS, DESIGNS & COPYRIGHTS &c.
Anyone sending a sketch and description may quickly ascertain our opinion free whether an invention is probably patentable. Complete specifications prepared by our Patent Attorneys. Patent taken through Mann & Co. receive special notice, without charge, in the Scientific American.
A. B. MANN & CO. 381 Broadway, New York
Branch Office, 217 F St., Washington, D. C.

Greenwell's Mill.
FLOUR, Meal and Feed on hand for sale all the time cheap for CASH. Hereafter, in order to avoid having to keep mill books, all orders must be accompanied by the cash. F. F. GREENWELL.