

THE SUN.

NEW YORK, 1883

More people have read The Sun during the year just now passing than ever before since it was first printed.

We are credibly informed that people buy, read, and like The Sun for the following reasons, among others:

Because its news columns present in attractive form and with the greatest possible accuracy whatever has interest for the people, the events, the deeds and misdeeds, the wisdom, the philosophy, the notable folly, the solid sense, the improving nonsense—all the news of the business world at present revolving in space.

Because people have learned that in its remarks concerning persons and affairs The Sun makes a practice of telling them the exact truth to the best of its ability three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, before election as well as after, about the whites as well as about the small fish, in the face of dissent as plainly and fearlessly as when supported by general approval.

Because it is every body's newspaper. No man is so humble that The Sun is indifferent to his welfare and his rights. No man is so rich that it can allow injustice to be done him. No man, no association, no corporation, no church, no sect, no political party, no individual, no body, is so powerful that it can exempt from the strict application of its principles of right and wrong.

Because in politics it has been for a dozen years, without intermission and sometimes almost alone among newspapers, the fight that has resulted in the recent overthrowing popular government.

No matter what party is in power, The Sun stands and will continue to stand a rock for the rights of the people against the ambition of bosses, the encroachments of monopolists, and the dishonest schemes of public robbers.

Because it reads and is read almost daily by our friends. One man holds that The Sun is the best religious newspaper ever published, because its Christianity is unflinching and its aim is to enlighten the world.

Another holds that it is the best Republican newspaper printed, because it has already whipped half of the rascals out of that party, and is proceeding against the other half with undiminished vigor.

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Farmers' Column.



Give fools their gold & knives their power. Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall. Who sows a field or trains a frower. Or plants a tree, is more than all.

Cheap Land.

It is safe to estimate that there is hardly a farm in which tile drain has not been laid but has at least ten per cent. of land that is nearly useless.

This waste land, by having tile laid through it, will become more valuable than the other parts of the farm.

By reclaiming them and laying tile so as to draw off all the standing water, it will be the same as procuring an equal number of acres for the money that it will cost to tile it; and not only that, but it will make the adjoining land more valuable and susceptible of being farmed at a much less expense per acre, as where the field is divided by ditches and the teams are obliged to turn oftener, besides being unable to do as much work as though the entire field was dry and firm to their feet.

This drainage of the wet places will enable the owner to cultivate the field from a week to ten days earlier than he would otherwise. This early planting of the crops in many cases means an added yield of 15 to 40 per cent.

The ground occupied by these ditches and runways, being lower than the rest of the field, has year after year, received the wash from the upland. This rich dirt, as soon as it is under-drained, will bear larger crops and more surely than other portions of the field.

We cannot see the economy in farmers loaning out their money or laying it up in banks while they have a single wet or unprofitable acre on their farm. It has often been stated that drainage does not pay as well on grass land as where the fields are devoted to grain raising, but any careful stockman will, by his own observation, see the incorrectness of this assertion.

Land to bear productive crops of good sweet, nutritious grass must be drained so as to have no stagnant water in the soil.

Effect of Cultivation.

The common potato probably shows the effect of cultivation as much as any plant ever introduced into our fields or gardens. But it is not generally known that the change from its normal to what we may term improved state is quite rapid, requiring only a very few years to produce large tubers of various colors from the wild ones by careful culture.

Where the wild plants grow abundantly in New Mexico and some parts of Arizona, the ranch men assure us that when they plow up the wild plants in putting in cultivated crops, the effect upon the potatoes is quite marked.

The tubers at first are about the size of small marbles, or a half inch or a little more in diameter, but the second season after being disturbed they will become nearly or quite double the original size and the next season still larger, if not killed out in plowing and hoeing. The size of the plants also increases, and the leaflets, which at first are only about a half an inch wide by an inch in length, increases in the same proportion as the tubers.

We have ourselves gathered the tubers from the wild plants in the undisturbed soils of the valleys of New Mexico as well as from the disturbed or plowed land, and noted the difference in size as claimed by many of the residents of the country.

More Poultry and Less Pork.

It is just as cheap for the farmer to live upon poultry and eggs half of the time as to live continually upon beef and pork. It costs no more to grow fowls than hogs. They rustle for themselves equally as well, and serve as good a purpose in picking up the waste about the farm. They are more palatable as food, are healthier, and may be fresh at all times. This being the case, we hope that the day is near at hand when every farmer's burying will be a poultry yard, and when chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese, will no longer be regarded as a luxury, but become a staple of the country and adorn the tables of the poor as the rich.

These birds cannot live on the commons, hide their nests in the stack-yards, and roost in the trees, but they fare healthy and profitable if rightly managed. Too many regard it as an unimportant branch of husbandry, and neglect to give it due consideration. They say that chickens eat their heads off many times in a year, and that it don't pay to bother with them even when eggs are worth 50 cents per dozen and birds 50 cents each. The reason of this is, that they do not manage their poultry, but let the poultry manage themselves. There is no branch of farming that would pay better if run in the proper manner than poultry.

Straw that is to be used for bedding stock should be cut short. It is then much more easily handled. The common practice is to leave it long, when much inconvenience is found on removing it, on account of its clinging together and forming a solid sheet of manure.

Miscellaneous Adv.

STEAMER MATTANO.



Leaves SEVENTH ST., WHARF, Washington, D. C. every

Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday at 7 O'CLOCK, A. M.

For Potomac River Landings stopping at CHAPEL POINT,

SUNDAYS down and WEDNESDAY up AND AT

MATTAWOMAN CREEK SUNDAYS down and MONDAYS up.

Freights handled with special care.

G. T. JONES, Agt., 7th Street, wharf.

Carriage and Wagon Making and Repairing,

ALSO UNDERTAKING,

AT COX STATION.

THE undersigned having good workmen and always on hand a large stock of material, is prepared to do work and fill all orders in either of the above branches of business with promptness and dispatch.

CHARLES F. HAYDEN, Cox Station, Jan 21st.

NEW STORE!

FOR THE HOLIDAYS! Mrs. M. F. Button, AT POST OFFICE.

HAS opened a store for FANCY ARTICLES, such as Collars, Cuffs, Neckties, Ribbons, Laces, Combs, Brushes, Toilet articles, Handkerchiefs, Stockings, Gloves, Children's dress, Trimmings, stationery, such as pens, paper, ink, pencils, and all articles usually found in a first-class Fancy Store.

Give her a call at the Post Office.

IMPORTANT NOTICE To the People of Charles.

THE undersigned having removed to and thoroughly refitted and enlarged his old stand near the HOTEL in

Bryantown,

is now better than ever prepared to do, with dispatch and thoroughness, all work embraced in the

GENERAL BLACKSMITHING BUSINESS.

With strict personal supervision of the HORSE-SHOING DEPARTMENT, carefully regarding the various DISEASES of the FOOT accompanied with, or likely to result in lameness to the horse.

He is also prepared, in association with an accomplished

PAINTER & TRIMMER

And a First-Class WHEELWRIGHT,

With commodious and well arranged rooms for the purpose, to make

Carriages, Buggies, Ox-Carts, and Wagons,

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WE will also say to the public, that having purchased from Mr. C. M. Bond his

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and thoroughly and tastefully repaired the same, he is prepared, with an experienced UNDERTAKER, and will keep constantly on hand all kinds of

CASKETS & COFFINS.

And will be prepared at all times on shortest notice to accommodate all. Without regard to distance, who may need work in this line.

Call and See and Learn by Yourself. PETER TROTTER.

Spring & Summer Millinery, JUST RECEIVED.

Mrs. J. V. SMOOT, Port Tobacco, Md.

RESPECTFULLY invites the attention of the Ladies to her stock of NEW MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS, at her residence on the square in one of the wings of the Indian King. She names, in part, the following:—

All styles of trimmed and untrimmed Hats and Bonnets; Flats, Sunshades and Lakeside; Ribbons; American and French Flowers; Lace; imitation and real; lace and silk Neckties; lace Bows; Italian and thread Laces; hemstitched and plain Handkerchiefs; Hamburg Edgings; shell, gilt, pearl and jet Ornaments; Sachets and shawls; Collarets, Cuffs and Rufflings; Nett; Veilings; Skirt Protectors; Pins; Fancy Soaps; Truck Combs, Skirt Brads, Buttons, Corsets, Belts, Towels, Buttons, &c., &c.

She will take and execute orders for DRESS MAKING.

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FINE WATCH REPAIRS.—AT TRADE PRICES.—Cleaning \$1.50. Mainspring \$1.50. Warranted for one year by the English Watchmaker.

JOHN R. HARE, No. 63 FAYETTE ST.

Opposite Barnum's Hotel, Baltimore. CHEAPEST STOCK IN THE CITY, do 17-ly.

Local Advertisements.

THE Port Tobacco Times

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY,

At PORT TOBACCO, Charles County, Md.

At \$1.00 per annum, in Advance.

COX & DALEY, Proprietors.

ESTABLISHED IN 1844

Advertising at usual rates. Liberal reductions from transient rates to quarterly, half-yearly or yearly Advertisers.

The TIMES has a larger circulation than any paper among the intelligent farmers and business men of Charles County, and also circulates extensively throughout Southern Maryland, and is, therefore the best advertising medium in this section.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING PER INCH.

SPACE. 1 wk 2 wk 3 wk 4 wk 5 wk 6 wk 7 wk 8 wk 9 wk 10 wk 11 wk 12 wk

1 inch 31 1.50 1.75 2.25 2.50 10.00 10.00

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Special Notices, pre-ceeding marriages and deaths, will be charged 25 per cent. in addition to above rates.

Legal Advertisements at rates provided by Law.

Business Cards not exceeding five lines, \$5 per year. Every additional line fifty cents.

Business Notices, inserted in the news column and all notices designed to promote individual interests, will be charged at the rate of fifty cents for the first line, and ten cents for each succeeding line for one week.

All accounts for advertising are due at the time of the first insertion of the advertisement. Advertisements should be marked the length of time to be inserted, otherwise they will be continued till forbid, or at the option of the publisher are charged accordingly.

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DEALERS IN—

Lumber, Lime, Cement, Nails, Shingles,

No. 25, Cor. Union & Cameron streets,

Alexandria, VA

B. F. Peake,

DEALER IN

Doors, Sash, Blinds,

Hardware, Paints, Oils, Leads, Cement, Lumber, Calc line

Plaster, Slate Mantles, Hearths, &c.

King & Pitt sts,

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

de 10-ly

SEEDS

For Sale

BY

Thomas Perry,

Alexandria, Va.

J. T. BECKHAM, F. A. KERBY, Alexandria, Va., Charles Co., Md.

BECKHAM & CO. GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 27 King Street, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Bees furnished on application and liberal advances on shipments in hand.

1882. Spring! 1882.

FRED'K PAFF

No. 99 King Street, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

GREAT ATTRACTION IN SPRING STYLES AT PAFF'S, 99 King Street, Alexandria, Va.

My stock for the Spring and Summer is now in, and I can say without fear of contradiction that it is the finest and best line of BOOTS, SHOES and SLIPPERS

For Ladies & Gentlemen and Children's wear ever opened in the city.

(As there is no goods among them from common auction houses from the North.)

Which I propose to sell as low as a good article CAN BE SOLD FOR.

But not lower than the material cost as some houses advertise.

My Manufacturing department IS COMPLETE, and I MAKE TO order anything in my line in a workmanlike manner, guaranteeing satisfaction to every customer.

In addition to my large stock of ready made Goods from the BEST NORTHERN FACTORIES I have on hand a large STOCK OF MY OWN MAKE

Boots and Shoes

No goods with MY NAME stamped on them and made North for me, but good.

Made in my own manufacturing department and all in need of FIRST CLASS BOOTS AND SHOES Let it be a Fine Boot, Fine Shoe, Dancing Pump or Winter Boot for farm work CAN BE WELL SUITED AT MY STORE.

When you visit the city call and see whether you want to buy or not, and I shall take pleasure in showing what I advertise.

Freder'k Paff, 99 King street, ALEXANDRIA VA

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R. L. Murdock & Son, Fashionable Tailors, Near Port Tobacco Station.

JUST received the fashions for Spring and Summer, they are now prepared to make suits in the most fashionable style.—Scouring, Repairing, Cleaning, Binding. Costs turned at the shortest notice and cheap. One of them can be found in Port Tobacco every Tuesday and Saturday, prepared to take measures and receive materials. Work delivered in Port Tobacco if desired. Thankful for past favors, we solicit the same patronage and satisfaction guaranteed.

NEW DEPARTURE

IN THE FLOUR TRADE.

Owing to my CHEAP AND DIRECT COMMUNICATION

With the CITY MARKETS, I have determined to offer from this date extraordinary inducements to families and others desiring to purchase FLOUR.