

THE PEOPLES' FRIEND

HARBOR AT MORPETH

We understand Mr. Mills, the member for Bothwell, has secured the promise of an appropriation from Government of some \$10,000 or \$15,000 for building a pier and breakwater at Morpeth, on condition that \$5,000 are raised in addition from local sources. Steps are on foot to secure the necessary amount, and if the promoters of the improvement succeed in their endeavors, the building of the pier and breakwater will be commenced as soon as possible. The forming of a harbor at Morpeth would prove a great advantage to the people of the South-eastern part of the County, and would also do much towards restoring Morpeth to its former greatness.—CHATHAM BARNES.

Besides restoring Morpeth to its former greatness and happiness, we think it would also be quite as beneficial and advantageous to the future prosperity of Ridgetown, as besides having railroad facilities we would then have all the benefits of navigation. It has been the topic of our Council for the past few years to appropriate a certain amount for this purpose, and we trust that the matter will not rest here, but that steps will at once be taken to proceed with the work.

This Paper sent free Ten months on receipt of 25 cts. and by 5 or more clubbing together it only costs 20 cts each. Any person can make money getting subscribers for this paper.

We have opened to the inhabitants of Ridgetown and surrounding country, a first class DRUG STORE, equal to any in western Ontario, every article is new and fresh, and of the best quality, all bought for cash, and will be sold reasonably cheap.

One of the first considerations in buying Medicines or Drugs of any kind, is the purity and reliability of the articles wanted, and also the dependence to be placed on the word of the seller—that it is just as represented, and will do all that is claimed for it—and at the same time sell it at a reasonable price. This has always been our aim as far as possible, and from a long experience and practice in Medicines and Drugs, find this to be the best mode of doing business. We buy none but the very best articles, and test everything before offering it for sale—which has led people to place confidence in the articles and preparations from our Store—the consequence is, we do a large and increasing business, and we pride ourselves on the superior quality of Drugs we keep. Physicians prescriptions, family recipes and Horse medicine very carefully put up with the genuine articles called for.

We studied Chemistry and medicines in the best colleges of Philadelphia.

Veterinary or horse medicines under a celebrated horse doctor from England.

HORSE MEDICINES—we make it a special branch of our business to prepare and put up all kinds of Horse and Cattle medicine, from articles of the best quality and RELIABLE.

Remember the place CHAPMAN'S New DRUG STORE, nearly opposite Post-Office, RIDGETOWN.

HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT

To DYE BLUE.—For 4 lbs. of goods.—Dissolve 1 oz. copperas in 4 gals. of rain water, wet the goods in warm soda, then put in the copperas water, let it remain 10 min.; dissolve in another vessel 2 oz. prussiate of potash in 4 gals. of rain water; now wring your goods out, put them in the potash solution and let remain 5 min. wring out again well; now add 1 ounce of vitriol to the potash water, stir it well, then put the goods in again and bring to a boiling heat letting the goods remain until the desired shade is obtained; let dry unwashed.

To SET COLORS IN CALICO.—All colors in calico or print may be set by use of the following mixture:—Dissolve one teaspoonful of ox gall in a gallon of warm water, and wash the article in it, without soap. This is a cheap process, and every family should have a bottle of the mixture always on hand.

A PERFUME FOR NOTE PAPER.—Same as used by the Queen, is made by taking powdered starch 1 ounce, otto of roses 20 drops, rub it well up together, put into little bags and place them in the desk with the paper. This would also make an excellent perfume to place among clothes in drawers or trunks, book-cases wardrobes, &c.

LINES FROM MEMORY.

My friends I'm like a lonesome dove,
That's banished in the night,
I'm in a strait—I've lost my mate,
And know not where to light.

My bosom friend is dead and gone,
And left me to complain,
But this world is an empty wild,
Where death and darkness reign.

Now fading are the joys of time;
When soon my hopes were cross'd:
Just like a dream, or pleasant scene,
Or flower that's nipp'd by frost.

'Twas in the morning of her life,
Death summon'd her away;
Where old and young, rich and poor,
Without distinction lay.

How lonesome is my dwelling place,
When once I took delight,
The son of nature has deformed,
And turn'd my days to night.

When midnight darkness veils the sky,
How lonesome is my bed,
My loving bride, torn from my side,
Now sleeps among the dead.

'Twas God that formed her body first,
And why should I complain,
'Twas He who brought her back to dust,
He has a right to reign.

Although her body is not here,
Her spirit may be nigh,
Me thinks she whispers in my ear—
Be ye prepared to die.

This lot is mine, why should I pine?
She was but earth at first,
A lump of clay that must decay,
And moulder back to dust.

Fair charity extends her wings,
To take an unknown flight;
Me thinks her parting spirit sings
Of worlds of unknown light.

Fly swift around ye wheels of time,
The hour will soon appear,
Oh may I be prepared to die,
When I the summons hear.

In consequence of our March No. being out of print, we have had to re-print some articles from last month in this No. for our new subscribers.

RIDGETOWN PROHIBITORY LEAGUE.

A branch Society of the Western Prohibitory League.—Officers elect,
Wm. Kerly Pres. S. Ryckman, Vice Pres.
J. Chapman, Sect. J. Conn, Treas.

The regular meetings are held on the first Wednesday in every Month, at temples hall, where we hope to see a good attendance of those who take an interest in the cause. The admission fee is only 25 cts. a quarter, or \$1 a year—those who wish to join or promote the cause and cannot attend, can send in their fee or donation to the secretary.

BIBLE REPOSITORY, Mr. Chapman has been appointed the agent for Ridgetown, good bible and testaments are sold very cheap.

RIDGETOWN MARKETS, April, 1875.

Fall Wheat White $\frac{7}{8}$ bushel.....	0.90	@	0.25
Red do.	0.80	@	0.90
Barley $\frac{7}{8}$ 100 lbs.....	1.50	@	1.75
Oats $\frac{7}{8}$ bushel.....	0.35	@	0.40
Beans $\frac{7}{8}$ bushel.....	1.15	@	1.25
Clover Seed $\frac{7}{8}$ bushel.....	4.75	@	5.00
Butter $\frac{7}{8}$ lb.....	0.15	@	0.20
Eggs per doz.....	0.15	@	0.20
Hay $\frac{7}{8}$ ton.....	9.00	@	12.00
Wood, hard, cord.....	1.50	@	2.00

A CURIOUS LOVE LETTER.

Madam,
The love and tenderness I have expressed for you is false. And I feel my indifference towards you increases every day. And the more I see you the more you appear an object of contempt, and the more I feel disposed, and finally inclined to hate you. Believe me I never had the inclination to offer you my hand & heart. Our last meeting has left a wretched insipidity, which has by no means possess'd me with the best opinion of your character. Yes, madam, you will oblige me by avoiding me. And if ever we are united, I shall experience all the hatred of my parents, adding to an ever-lasting displeasure of living with you. Yes I think sincerely you need not put yourself to the trouble to send or write me an answer. Adieu! and believe me I am so averse to you, that it is impossible I should be

Madam,
Your affectionate lover till death.
To Miss M. Williams. W. Goff.

There are two ways of reading this letter. The Father compelled his daughter to show him all her letters. The unsuspecting Father reads on straight forward, and is satisfied. But the daughter (having the key) reads the 1st, 3rd and 5th, or every other line, all through, and she is satisfied.

DO YOU USE TOBACCO?

If you do, you know that it is certain to injure your constitution, if it has not done so already; it will if you keep using it, a strong constitution may stand it quite a while, but it is sure to tell its time, not only this, look at the life long expense, the disagreeableness to others, the slave it makes you. We wonder at any young lady marrying a man addicted to using tobacco. Chewing is the most injurious, but it is the easiest to cure by the use of our new remedy. For 50 cents, we will send you the new Antidote, which will cure any one of chewing tobacco, in from 1 to 3 weeks, without fail, it has been so thoroughly tested that there is no longer a doubt about its curing you, so that there's no more desire for tobacco than there was before you knew what it was, the antidote is not only harmless, but it is an excellent Tonic and Invigorator of the system. Send 50 cts at once, don't delay a day.

A few short advertisements will be taken for insertion in this paper, at the rate of 8 cents per Line of ten words, it has a wide circulation, as it goes in to nearly every town and village in Ontario.