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THE TOWNS SOUTH OF US.

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Cedarville is also putting on her robes of prosperity. The same prospects for the oyster business, which forms a still larger element of labor here than at Fairton, are being developed. The last season was the poorest for this trade that has been known for many years, but this one promises to repair its damages and place the hardy citizens, engaged in this vocation, in circumstances of the same prosperity as before. There is a more than ordinary beauty and harmony in the buildings of the village, very few of them presenting that tumble-down appearance which characterizes some other section of most towns, places in which the rats and vermin divide the proprietorship with the biped occupants, but on the contrary the houses seem both to be built and ornamented for the purpose of accommodating human beings who wish to live in styles of comfort only to be reached through paths of neatness and care.

The Baptist church has been enjoying during the last season, a spirit of religious revival, and is proportionately full of vigor. The Old School Presbyterian edifice is a most beautiful model for a village church, and its society is in a state of solid prosperity. The New School society was very likely soon to be affiliated quite largely with the Old, in accordance with the recent action of the general assemblies of both bodies and it is believed that full fuller energy will result from the fusion. The Methodist Episcopal church has lately been opened, one of the most beautiful places in the county, and its improvement will add very largely to the beauty and value of the town, and Mr. Campbell deserves the liberal credit which he receives from his fellow citizens for his public spirit. The Methodist church have just completed a new and creditable iron fence around their edifice, and the buildings generally of the town are being improved more or less as the taste and means of their occupants allow.

Port Norris, lying a few miles below, is just now in a thriving condition. The trade in oysters increases in importance as we approach the bay, and the Port may properly be considered as its strongest point. Nearly a hundred vessels are engaged in the bay and Maurice River Cove in planting, catching, and carrying to the city. It is just now the planting season and the fullest activity is displayed by the watermen in redeeming the time. On Friday afternoons the vessels generally come in for the purpose of allowing a day for the procurement of necessities and another for the practice of Divine worship in the churches. The religious sentiment exercises a largely controlling influence upon the inhabitants of the town, and it is a point which reflects credit upon them, that with so many temptations to desecrate the Sabbath, it is yet so generally observed. A beautiful corner lot has been purchased upon the main street for the new Methodist Episcopal church, contemplated by the congregation now worshipping in Second St. A superior architect has been engaged, and the edifice is soon to be commenced. The Old Fellows are making arrangements for putting up a fine building adapted to their own peculiar needs, and which will be used for other purposes of a similar character.

It is interesting to follow up with almost unexampled rapidity. In every quarter where the eye may look neat and tasteful dwellings are advancing to completion, and there are probably not less than one hundred and fifty, or two hundred, in process of erection at this present time, ten or a dozen of which are located at least a quarter of a mile out upon the Bridgeton turnpike. The means have been seized upon the right idea with which to make their city prominent, and the lesson they teach ought not to be lost upon our capitalists in Bridgeton. Many people live in Millville now who would prefer to reside here if there were houses for their accommodation, and if we are wise in the future than we have been in the past, other places will receive the increase of population which would otherwise naturally come to us.

THE INDIANS.

The last reliable account from the frontier, makes it certain that the mission of Gen. Hancock has failed. The attempt that he has been able to accomplish has been to separate a couple of the tribes from the rest, but the strength of the tribes are in the war path now. There does not seem to be any signs of honor or truth about this, nor when the antecedents of the frontier are considered, it is wonderful that it should be so. From our childhood we have known that the Indians were a duplicitous and treacherous people, and we have seen the evidence of this in the past.

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THE EIGHT HOUR SYSTEM.

A short time since Congress passed a law by virtue of which the day's work of a Government employe was limited to eight hours. This was done in response to the appeals of numerous working men all over the country, and rather as an experiment than otherwise. Leagues, Associations, Conventions and Unions have been organized since to promote this idea in all the States, and with a fair prospect of its being carried out. In some States it is already, and in others the question is being pressed with a strength of popular feeling that, if it is persisted in, will eventually secure success. We confess to believing that eight hours is enough for any man of manly to perform, having seen the most honest of Benjamin Franklin, that eight hours should be given to labor, eight to sleep and rest, and eight to recreation and improvement. Still if this is accepted it is evident that we must do without many things to which we are accustomed. It is not in the nature of things that eight hours will produce the same amount of work as twelve, or that it will be worth the employer by one third what twelve hours will. With the eight hour system men will not produce so much, nor earn so much, and consequently cannot have so much. It is idle to say that the employer will be paid for the eight hours for the twelve, for persons having capital will not invest it except upon the likelihood of profit, and if the capital be not invested the laborer cannot be employed. Just here has been the hitch in this movement.

NO LICENSE.

Our City Council, at their meeting, by a vote of 12 to 10, have refused to pass a law to license the sale of spirituous liquors. The Council, it is believed, are of the opinion that the present prohibition of the sale of spirituous liquors is for the benefit of the community, and that the license law would be a step towards the destruction of the public health, and that it would be a step towards the destruction of the public health, and that it would be a step towards the destruction of the public health.

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BURNING OF A VESSEL.

The schooner Emma A. March, of Port Norris, owned by Thomas Mayhew of that place, was on Friday last, when she was about 40 miles out on her voyage, she was set on fire by a fire which broke out in the cabin. The fire spread rapidly, and the vessel was consumed in a few hours. The crew were saved, but the vessel was a total loss. The cause of the fire is not yet known.

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BRIDGETON PRICES CURRENT.

Corrected every Thursday by Mixer & Brooks.
Wheat \$2 00 cts. Potatoes 70 cts.
Corn, 1 15 " Butter, 25 "
Oats, 1 00 " Eggs, 15 "
Clover Seed, 7 00 " Lard, 14 "
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Dreadful Slaughter IN CLOTHING.

The slaughter being averted in commerce another business is determined to sell his present stock. **Ready-Made Clothing.** Of the latest Spring Styles & Fashion. All the goods being sold at very low prices. At the Very Lowest Figures. Thereby enabling the rich and poor to themselves out as well as to get a very good run. Come on, come on, as I am bound to sell my stock. **CHAS. F. BECKHARDT'S.**

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GO TO GARRISON & WOODRUFF'S AND SEE THOSE NEW GOODS AT OLD PRICES. CALICOES REDUCED From 12 cents to 8. And everything else in proportion.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

Will hold a Strawberry Festival in Garrison's Hall, on the afternoon of Friday evening, June 14th and 15th.

THE USUAL REFRESHMENTS.

There will be all kinds of Refreshments on hand, Strawberry Cake, Coffee, Tea, Confectionery, Drinks and Oysters, &c.

GRAND BARGAINS!

W. W. CASSIDY, 13 SOUTH STREET. Sole Agent for the Celebrated FRENCH FLOWER RIBBONS. DRESS CAPS, &c. Commence next door to Dure's Drug Store. BRIDGETON, N. J. ap 25 66

AMERICAN WATCHES.

The subscriber would announce to the citizens of Bridgeton and surrounding country that he will open an ICE CREAM DEPOT in Bridgeton on the 1st of June, where he intends manufacturing ICE CREAM OF THE BEST QUALITY, and supplying it in large or small quantities, for parties, families, and others supplied at short notice. He has also a variety of other goods, and is prepared to supply all orders in the most prompt and satisfactory manner. He has had many years of experience in the business, and is confident that he will be able to give the best and most satisfactory service to all who patronize him. He will get a superior article. Orders of Mr. C. Remond's Pharmacy Store, next door to the Post Office, will be promptly attended to. JOSEPH W. TUNNICLIFFE. may 24

ORDINANCE NO. 17.

An Ordinance Concerning the Election of a Mayor and Council for the City of Port Norris.

Various small notices and advertisements at the bottom of the page, including notices about public sales, auctions, and local business opportunities.

