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The Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Saturday, Feb. 12, 1870.

PUBLICATION OF THE LAWS.

We observe that a select committee has been appointed by the Maryland Senate to consider the propriety of repealing the law requiring the publication of the general laws of the State in the newspapers. This movement no doubt originated from the apparently large expenditure for publishing the laws of 1868; but it should be remembered that the laws of that session were very voluminous, embracing the Corporation act and other lengthy documents, and there is no probability that the expense of publishing will ever be so great again. All efforts on the part of legislators to curtail the public expenditures are laudable when directed in a proper channel, and none more heartily commend their efforts than the press; but the difficulty is, that most persons when commencing to economize begin *wrong*, and are apt to dispense with that which is of more real value than many things in which they still indulge. The effect of the proposed measure would be to keep the people in ignorance in regard to the general legislation of the State; and we cannot think that the intelligent gentlemen who compose our present Legislature can so far forget their duty to their constituents as to deprive them of the only means of becoming acquainted with the laws which are enacted for their government, and to which they are required to render obedience. The people have not asked to be deprived of this privilege, and they will hold their representatives to a strict account if they presume thus to impose upon their credulity.

There was, before the enactment of the present law, a universal and very just complaint on the part of the masses, whose means and opportunities did not permit them to see the law books, that they were kept in a state of comparative ignorance in respect to the legislation of the State, while at the same time they were expected to know the law and comply with its provisions. If ignorance of the laws would be received as a sufficient excuse for the commission of crime, it might be justly assumed that it is not important that the people should be made acquainted with them, but since this is not the case, and all are held alike amenable, it is the duty of the Legislature to place the laws before the people in the most public manner possible; and it is admitted by all that there is no way in which this can be done so effectually as by their publication in the newspapers.

MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.—Both houses reassembled on Tuesday, after a recess of a few days. The difficulty between the State and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, consequent upon the refusal of the latter to pay over one-fifth of the receipts from passengers on the Washington Branch road, is still engrossing the attention of both branches and leads to protracted discussion.

The committee on the judiciary reported unfavorably on the petition of citizens of Still Pond for a prohibitory liquor law. Mr. Welch presented a petition from citizens of Kent county to prevent by severe penalties the use of splash nets or seines in Lloyd's creek between October 10th and April 10th. Mr. Miller, a petition of citizens of Kent, for a tax on billiard tables, by license. Billiard tables are now subject to tax, and the nature of this petition is either incorrectly reported or the signers are *ignorant* of the law. Mr. Beck presented the petition of forty-nine citizens of Kent county, to give magistrates jurisdiction in cases of assault and battery. A law of this kind would shorten the sessions of our circuit court and reduce the county expenses, and should be passed. Mr. Wilmer presented a petition from Jacob Highly and thirty-five citizens of Kent county, for a law to protect fox hunters. Two petitions were presented from citizens of Talbot county for the protection of sheep by levying a tax on dogs. Judging from the large number of sheep which have been recently killed by dogs in different parts of the State, a law of this kind will soon become a necessity in all the counties. The report of the Commissioners of Kent county was presented, in response to an order of the House, stating the expenses of the county for the past year to be $5.110.

The bill presented by Mr. Beck for the protection of fox hunters in this county, being a matter of local interest, is given below in full:

An act to permit the hunting of foxes in Kent county.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for the citizens of Kent county to hunt the fox in said county from the first day of October to the eighteenth day of April, in each and every year, and in pursuance of this right or privilege, no person shall be convicted of trespass in any suit which shall or may be hereafter instituted against him, unless it shall be proven that he unlawfully and maliciously injured the lands or property of the complainant or complainants, over which he may or shall have passed in chase.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

DEATH OF AN AGED AND ESTIMABLE LADY.—Mrs. Mary Voss, better known as "Mother Voss," died at her residence in Chestertown on Monday evening last, in the ninetieth year of her age. She was born in Sassafras Neck, Cecil county, on the 16th of January, 1781, and has resided in Chestertown since 1826. She united with the M. E. Church in 1800, and was a devoted Christian to the day of her death. For a number of years she has been entirely blind, but when the weather and the condition of her health would permit, she was found in her place in the sanctuary. The intelligence of her decease will be received with deep regret by all who enjoyed her acquaintance, and especially by the ministers of the Gospel within the bounds of the old Philadelphia Conference, nearly all of whom knew her either personally or by reputation. In consideration of her long and useful life and acknowledged piety, as well as her oft expressed desire to "depart and be at rest," we take the liberty of adding the following appropriate verse:

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is run,
And thou art crown'd at last."

THE PROTRACTED MEETINGS are still continued in the Methodist Churches of this town with encouraging success. At the Methodist Protestant Church the altar has been thronged with penitents every evening of the present week, and during the meeting upwards of fifty conversions have been announced. Greater interest in the subject of religion seems to prevail in the community than for many years past. The meetings will be continued at both Churches next week.

A NEW ENTERPRISE.—Our well known florist, Mr. W. F. Massey, has made an arrangement with Messrs. J. L. Stam & Son for the prosecution of the Vegetable and Flower Seed business, under the name of W. F. Massey & Co. Our merchants throughout the county and elsewhere will do well to patronize the new firm, and thus introduce to our people a quality of seed hitherto unknown among us. Mr. Massey's acknowledged skill as a horticulturist is a sufficient guarantee for the quality of the stock.

INCOME RETURNS.—Wm. H. Lambert, Esq., assistant assessor for Kent county, gives notice in another oolumn, that he is now receiving returns of income and other taxes for 1869. It would be well for all interested in this matter to give it their immediate attention, and thus avoid the penalty incurred by failing to make returns within the time specified by law.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.—The annual meeting of Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will commence at Port Deposit, Md., on the 16th of March. Bishop Janes will preside. The citizens of that town and its vicinity are already making arrangements for the accommodation of their guests.—This will be the second meeting of this Conference, which includes the whole of the Eastern Shore counties of Maryland and Delaware in its limits, and was set apart from Philadelphia Conference, to which it formerly belonged in 1868.—Philadelphia Conference we believe, meets on the same day.

ARBITRATION CASES BEFORE HON. JUDGE WICKES.—The Baltimore *Sun* of last Saturday says:

Hon Judge Wickes, of the second judicial circuit, has been, by consent, sitting in chambers in the jury room of the Superior Court of this city during Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, to hear the argument in eleven arbitration cases between the National Bank of Elkton and the First National Bank of Norfolk. These cases, involving large sums of money, were, about two years ago, referred to the determination of Judge Bartol, Mr. Britton, of Cecil county, and Mr. Burke, of Philadelphia, (two accountants.) Awards were filed in all the cases a short time since, and a motion made by the Norfolk Bank, in eight of the cases, to set aside the awards, one of which is in favor of the Elkton Bank for upwards of $33,000. The cases were argued by Hon. Hiram McCullough, of Cecil county, and Wm. Schley, Esq., of Baltimore, for the Norfolk Bank, and by H. W. Archer, Esq., and Judge Price, of Harford county, for the Elkton Bank. The cases were held sub curia.

REV. DANIEL BOWERS, of Baltimore, has been the recipient of a beautiful gold-headed cane from some members of his congregation.

COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE.—Governor Bowie has appointed Dr. William R. Hayward, of Cambridge, Commissioner of the Land Office, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of George L. L. Davis, Esq. This is a most admirable appointment.

NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE SUPREME BENCH.—The President on Monday nominated Hon. William Strong, of Pennsylvania, for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Hon. E. M. Stanton, and at the same time nominated Hon. Joseph P. Bradley, of New Jersey, for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Justice Wayne, of Georgia.

A MAINE SPEECH.—While the Maine Legislature was vacillating over the question of attending the Peabody funeral, a respectable member from the back country said: "Mr. Speaker, I am disgusted with the conduct of this House. This funeral at Portland is agoing to be a great affair; but when I see this House a-tetering and see-sawing, as if it didn't know its own mind, I declare *I wish Mr. Peabody hadn't died!*"

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.—James A. Richardson, one of our Water Street merchants, left town on Monday the 24th ultimo, ostensibly for the purpose of transacting business in Baltimore, with the view of returning home on the 27th. That day and the succeeding steamboat day having passed without bringing tidings of his whereabouts, some uneasiness was felt for his safety, apprehension being expressed that he had been foully dealt with. When it became generally known that he had not returned at the appointed time, it came out that he had taken with him considerable sums of money belonging to other gentlemen in town for the purpose of paying the same to Baltimore merchants. These gentlemen naturally enough felt uneasy for the safety of their funds as well as for the safety of Mr. Richardson. Successive steamboat days, bringing no tidings, only had the effect of increasing the excitement and causing alarm. The wife of the absent gentleman, became so alarmed as to be almost frenzied. Persons who had entrusted funds to his keeping, as well as those who held claims against him, became apprehensive of a defalcation, and in order to avoid haste in injuring the reputation of a man who had formerly stood as high in public estimation as any of our citizens, they prevailed upon Mr. Samuel A. Richardson to visit Baltimore and ascertain if possible, the whereabouts of his absent brother. The only evidence, however, he could obtain that he had been in that city was the name of "G. H. Richardson" in his hand on the register of the Maltby House, and mortified beyond measure, he returned home on Saturday last, having to say he believed his brother a defaulter. Attachments thereupon issued upon the property left in town, but it is doubtful whether there will be enough to meet the demand, including large sums said to be due gentlemen in Baltimore.—The amount taken away belonging to other parties is said be nearly $1,000, and the amount of his indebtedness is variously estimated at from 6,000 to $10,000.—The amount of property left behind will not amount to much over $1,000. The defaulter is a man of good family, had always been highly respected, and was supposed to be in easy circumstances. His many friends and relatives are much aggrieved over his sudden and unexpected departure, and the hope is yet entertained that he will turn up all right at last.—*Centreville Observer.*

THE NEW STATE TREASURER.—Hon. John Merryman, the newly elected State Treasurer of Maryland, entered upon the duties of his office on Wednesday. The committee appointed by the Legislature to wait upon him and notify him of his election, recently performed that pleasant duty. Accompanied by a large delegation of the friends of Mr. Merryman, they proceeded to his residence at Hayfields, Baltimore county, where they were received and entertained in the usual hospitable style of that gentleman. Senator Clarke, for the committee, in fitting terms conveyed to Mr. Merryman the official intelligence of his election, to which he responded as follows:

"Messrs. Chairman and Gentleman of the Committee: In returning my thanks for the kind terms in which you have been pleased to convey to me the official intelligence of my election as State Treasurer, permit me to say that I bring to the performance of the duties of the office no feelings of the partisan, and no purpose of hostility to any interest of this State.—It will be my endeavor to discharge the duties devolving upon me with the sole view of promoting the prosperity of all the great works of our State so that every section may reap equally the blessings and benefits which follow the progressive spirit of public improvements.

"I consider it the duty of the board of public works to foster and promote by all legitimate means the internal improvements of the State, and to that end my best efforts as a member of that board will be freely given. The moral and political influence of railroads, as exhibited in other States, has not been of such a character as to impress Marylanders with the desire to see our State brought under the nomination of any corporation. Against the influence of any railroad, beyond its legitimate and proper business as public carriers, I shall at all times exert whatever power and influence I may possess. I shall be equally ready and prompt to advance, to the best of my ability, the material interests of all our internal improvements. The partisan of none, I am the friend of all. Accept my thanks, gentlemen, for your kind wishes, and convey to your respective houses the acceptance of the honor they have conferred upon me."

THE LOBBY.—An Annapolis correspondent writes:

Visitors to Annapolis will miss the familiar faces which once constituted the "lobby," facetiously denominated the "third branch." With the passage of the General Corporation act last session, and other acts carrying out constitutional provisions, their calling and vocation ceased. Their occupation is gone, and with it the terrapin and champagne suppers with which the members of the General Assembly were wont to be nightly regaled.—There are no more dining and wining, and tokens of personal regard in the form of acceptable presents. An individual afflicted with chronic thirst was heard to remark that "it wasn't worth while to be a member of the Legislature now."

A SINGULAR SUICIDE.—The other day, in the upper part of Powhatan county, Va., a man named Motley committed suicide under the following circumstances: He had the day before married a lady who had been divorced from a former husband, and while talking to her, he remarked that he loved her so much that he could kill himself for her. At the same time he borrowed a knife from her, with which he stabbed himself mortally in her presence. His strange conduct can be accounted for upon no other hypothesis than that he was deranged.—It was, to say the least of it, the most tragic termination of a honeymoon we have heard of for a long time.—*Lynchburg Virginian.*

THE remains of Mr. George Peabody found a final resting-place at the town of Peabody, or Danvers, Massachusetts, on Tuesday. Prince Arthur, Admiral Farragut and other notabilities were present, and the funeral oration was delivered by Hon. R. C. Winthrop.

Correspondence of the Kent News.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8th, 1870.

Messrs. Editors:—Unable to withstand longer the urgent appeals, made by almost every State in the Union, Congress has at last been driven to the painful necessity of taking up Mr. Hill's terse and concise bill for the repeal of the outrageously abused "franking privilege." The passage of this act should not only prove beneficial to the Postal Department, but also be the means of reducing to a great extent the immense draft on the Treasury for Governmental printing. How many, then, of our now generous representatives will foot the bills for the transmission of those public documents to *us constituents*, who so rarely read them? And will not a cessation of their gratuitous distribution necessitate the abolition of their publication?

In Massachusetts, with the assistance of a special convoy of the British Government, 'neath whose flag he had long been a resident, we have just entombed, with fitting honors, our late lamented fellow-citizen, George Peabody, the world-renowned philanthropist, who craved no greater honor than that of an American citizen, and whose life was devoted to alleviating the suffering and furthering the education of his fellow beings. Long will his name be cherished, and the many eleemosynary institutions of his creation will ever stand as living monuments of his greatness.

In our own Manhattan, Peter B. Sweeny, the great mogul of the leading Democratic faction, commonly called the "*Tammany Ring*," has just made public our intended new Charter, which limits the Board of Aldermen to fifteen members, to be elected from the city at large and not by districts as at present, and gives all the appointments, with but two exceptions, to the Mayor. In short, this *magna charta* of the *Ring*, by the finesse and ingenuity of its architect, is so constructed as to insure a perpetual succession to office of *Tammany repeaters*; or, as a learned contemporary rightly says, "transfers us in fee simple to Peter B. Sweeny, his heirs and assigns forever."

Prince Arthur, a light-haired blonde of twenty summers, has paid us quite a visit, and in spite of the numerous attempts to make him appear *snobbish*, proved himself to be a perfect gentleman. But away with the changeful, bustling scenes of city life, for we are off to enjoy a breath of New Jersey's pure country air. At four in the afternoon we step on board the splendid steamer *Jesse Hoyt*, and, out amid the forest of masts and steamers that throng our harbor, are soon steaming down the bay. Now an in-bound ocean craft, whose iron prow cleaves the foaming waves, lunges by, as we pass through the narrows, where the huge black sentinels of Forts Lafayette, Richmond, Wadsworth and Hamilton keep silent watch. The steeples of the smoky city are lost to view, while far adown the inland hills "old Sol" is nestling in his western couch, shedding gorgeous beams far out upon the amber waves and up the broad canopy of heaven with saffron lights and hues of roseate pearl, till drunken by some sombre cloud far floating in the zenith, and sunsets softening rays and tinted shades, now mellowed into twilight's pensive hours, give silent place to darkness. A sudden shock and the shrill voice of the brakeman remind us that Monmouth Pier is at hand and we are to take the cars for our destination. So away we rush with the pushing crowd, and, passing through several cars already filled, seat our fair companion in, we fear, a rather uncomfortable chair, from its proximity to a railroad heater. Half an hour's ride brings us to *Red Bank*, a beautiful town of five thousand inhabitants, situated on the Shrewsbury river, with churches five, a national bank, and well stocked stores some five and fifty, each following close their model merchants A. & Co., whose unique emporium furnishes whatever fancy or good taste desires, including even a *blickey of butter*. The *New Jersey Standard*, borne by the nonpareils, Ward & Ingling, here flaunts its well filled folds and pays a weekly visit to every household. Her citizens are energetic and full of enterprise, as the brilliancy of numerous gas jets fully shows. Her hospitality comes free and open-handed, and her fair daughters, of which she boasts a goodly company, are pretty, sociable and intelligent. In conclusion, if allowable, a single suggestion we'll make—obtain a corporate charter, and thus prevent the gentle showers from converting the streets into factitious canals. Long shall we remember the pleasant hours spent in this charming villa, and with feelings of regret do we return to our city home.

QUILLS PENNING.

CRIME NORTH AND SOUTH.—The New York *Herald* draws the following alarming picture of crime in that city:

"Nothing in the history of Christian cities—the worst capitals in the worst ages of the past—can equal or approach the dreadful prevalence of crime in that metropolitan shamble. Scarcely a day passes without its frightful story. Its city news is just now only spared chronicling two more murders by the failure of the murderous aim in both cases. Already in the one month of this year it has chronicled a murder or an attempted murder for every day in the month, and not one of these crimes but seems inspired by a spirit of fiendish savagery equal to the worst act men or devils could conceive. It is not only that the pistol and the knife are on all hands the ready arbitraters of every difference, but it is almost as if some general madness to kill had taken possession of certain classes, and as if this frenzy riioted in the certainty that the indulgence of its impulses was absolutely safe."

The New York *Times* has a column on the same subject, in which it advocates lynch law. There is not a locality in the South where crime is near as rampant as in the city of New York. If it is "constitutional" to establish a police force in the Southern States, it must be equally so in the Northern, unless the Southern States have not been so reconstructed as to be equal with the other States of the Union.

THE FRANKING BURDEN.—The Postmaster General reports that in the month of January there was sent from the Washington postoffice over two hundred and thirty-seven thousand franked letters, at a cost of about $15,000, and one hundred and fifty tons of printed matter, at a cost of $38,000.

IMPORTANT LEGAL-TENDER DECISION.—One of the long-expected decisions of the United States Supreme Court, involving the effect of the legal-tender law upon contracts made prior to its passage, was delivered at Washington on Monday.—The case was that of Hepburn vs. Griswold, from the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, in which gold was claimed instead of United States notes for a debt contracted prior to the 25th July, 1862, the date of the passage of the legal tender act.—The court, by a majority of one, decides that such contracts cannot be discharged in legal-tender notes, but the decision does not touch the question of contracts made since the passage of the law. A dissenting opinion was read, affirming the entire constitutionality of the legal-tender act, but as a matter of course that is entirely useless, except to show that there are three justices (Miller, Swaine and Davis) who uphold the law of Congress as a constitutional incident to the war power. Chief Justice Chase and Justices Nelson, Clifford and Field agree in the majority opinion now rendered.

Under such a decision of the highest court a good deal of hardship must result to those who have to pay debts contracted before the date of the law, and this will be especially burdensome upon the South, where most of the debts are of old date, and her impoverished condition renders her little able to pay such obligations in currency of any kind. Perhaps, however, creditors, to a large extent, even in these cases, will find it to their advantage and a matter of convenience to accept currency, though in many peculiar cases, as those of trusts, &c., especially where the interests of orphans and wards are concerned, all that the law allows may be demanded. The decision of the Supreme Court and its results show a greater necessity than ever of such a financial policy on the part of the government, such legislation in Congress and such economy, public and private, as will lead to a restoration of the credit of the country, placing our affairs upon a sound basis, and preparing the way for a return, with the utmost practical speed, to specie payments.—*Baltimore Sun.*

SNOW HILL SHIELD.—This journal has just appeared in an enlarged form, with new type from the foundry of Mr. Henry Lucas, Baltimore. We are glad to note this improvement in our contemporary.

Baltimore Price Current

[Corrected from the Sun of Thursday.]

WHEAT—White	$1.35a1.40
" Choice Red	1.30a1.35
" Medium and good red	1.20a1.23
CORN—White	95a96
" Yellow	90a92
OATS	52a54

MARRIED:

At Worton Heights, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, JOSEPH A. HENRY, of Kent county, to SARAH BONNER, of Philadelphia. [Phila. Ledger please copy.]

DIED:

In Chestertown, on Monday evening last, Mrs. MARY VOSS, in the 90th year of her age. [An obituary will appear hereafter.]

Near Rock Hall on the 3rd inst., SAMUEL SEWELL, aged about 60 years.

Religious Notice.

THE VESTRY of Chester Parish, at a meeting held Jan. 21st, unanimously resolved that, from and after the 7th day of February, the sittings in the Parish Church shall be ALL FREE, and that notice thereof shall be given in the public prints.

Divine Service is celebrated every Sunday at 11 o'clock, A. M., and 7½, P. M.

All are invited to attend.

BISHOP LAY is expected to preach on Sunday next, 13th inst., at 7½, P. M.

feb12-1t. E. H. C. GOODWIN, Pastor.

NOTICE.

All persons against whom I hold executions are notified that unless they settle them by the 25th of February, I shall proceed to advertise without further indulgence.

JOHN H. THOMAS, Constable,
feb12-3t. Millington, Md.

IF THE *MERCHANT*

With whom you deal, has not

MASSEY & CO.'S GARDEN SEED FOR SALE,

Tell him he is decidedly BEHIND THE TIMES and advise him to get a stock at once. f12.

NOTICE!

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I am receiving and ready to receive returns of INCOME for the year ending December 31st, 1869, and articles liable to tax for 1870.

The law requires all persons to make their return on or before the first Monday in March, and to pay the tax on or before April 30th.

All persons doing business liable to License or Special Tax are notified to renew the same by registering their names with the Assistant Assessor.

For the convenience of tax-payers I will be at the following places to receive their returns, viz: At the Court House, in Chestertown, until Saturday, Feb. 19th; at Galena, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 22nd and 23rd; at Kennedyville, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 24th and 25th; Millington, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 1st and 2nd; Edesville, Friday and Saturday, 4th and 5th, and then in Chestertown until the 10th, when the assessment must be closed, and all who have failed to make returns will be liable to penalty.

WM. H. LAMBERT,
feb12-4t. Assist. Assessor.

Livery and Exchange Stables.

HORSES Mules and Carriages

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

I am prepared to supply Farmers and others with good FARM AND DRIVING HORSES on liberal terms. Five head of Horses and one Pair of Mules now on hand for sale or exchange. Also, a number of CARRIAGES.

Those in want of anything in my line will find it to their interest to call and see me

JOHN K. WILLIS,
feb12-6m. Chestertown.

NEW STORE.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has opened at Willis' Cross Roads, a NEW STORE, and has on hand, and will sell at the lowest cash prices,

FLOUR, MEAL, BACON, LARD,

FISH, COFFEE, SUGAR,

TOBACCO, SEGARS, and such other things as are usually found in a Country Grocery.

Being a poor man, unable to get employment at my trade, with a number of small children to support, a liberal share of patronage is respectfully solicited.

feb12-3t. SAMUEL B. WHEAT.

SEED OATS,—New Brunswick, very fine, for sale at

feb12. JAMES W. IVENS.

GARDEN SEED! GARDEN SEED!!

Buy No More WORTHLESS SEED.

W. F. MASSEY & CO.'S unequalled Garden Seed, for sale at Wholesale and Retail at JOHN L. STAM & SON'S.

Merchants supplied with Seed in papers for retailing at as low prices as they can be bought in the cities; and our packets contain more and better seed than any ever before sold in this county.

Seed sent by mail, free of postage, on receipt of price. Prices on application to

W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
Feb. 12—tf. Chestertown.

French Hybrid Gladiolus Bulbs.

SPLENDID BULBS of mixed varieties of Gladiolus sent by mail postpaid from $1 to $2 per dozen. For sale also at J. L. Stam & Son's. Address W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown

EARLY ROSE! EARLY ROSE!

EARLY ROSE POTATOES

THE BEST and most productive Early Potato ever grown, for sale by the peck, bushel and barrel, at

fe12tf. JOHN L. STAM & SON'S.

Osage Orange Seed.

PRIME, Fresh Seed, for sale at

JOHN L. STAM & SON'S,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Flower Seed! Flower Seed!

TEN VARIETIES of Annual Flower Seed put up in a neat box, with directions for cultivation, sent by mail on receipt of 75 cents. For sale also at John L. Stam & Son's.

Address W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Sage Seed! Sage Seed!

BROAD LEAF SAGE SEED sent by mail, free of postage, on receipt of 50 cts. per oz. For sale also at J. L. Stam & Son's.

W. F. MASSEY & CO.,
feb12-tf. Chestertown.

Sage Plants.

SAGE PLANTS one year from the seed, at from 25 cts. to $1.00 per doz. The earlier these are transplanted in Spring the better will be the crop. "First come first served." No plants reserved unless paid for.

feb12tf. W. F. MASSEY.

To the Ladies!

MY NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE OF *RARE and BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS* is now in press, and will be sent to all applicants enclosing stamp for postage.

fel2-tf. W. F. MASSEY.

Ratification Notice.

A. A. USILTON AND OTHERS
versus
JOHN W. STOKES.

In Chancery, February 10th, 1870.

ORDERED that the sales made and reported by JAMES A. PEARCE, Trustees for the sale of the real estate of John W. Jones, deceased, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shewn on or before the tenth day of April next; Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county once in each of three successive weeks before the tenth of March next. The report states the amount of sales to be Five thousand dollars.

JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.
True Copy,—Test:
feb12-4t. JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.

Stoves, Stoves, Stoves.

I PROPOSE in order to reduce my Stock to sell COAL AND WOOD STOVES at

15 Per Cent. Discount,

and COOK STOVES at 10 per cent. Discount.

HARDWARE, HARDWARE,

Will be sold at

5 Per Cent. Discount

FOR CASH, DURING THIS MONTH.

My stock of HARDWARE is complete, and marked at very low figures, and the extra five per cent. discount will make the prices Lower than any other place on the Eastern Shore.

Give me a call and be convinced of the fact.

J. K. ALDRIDGE.

Tinware and Japanned Ware OF ALL KINDS,

On hand and for sale low, at the Tin, Stove and Hardware Store of

Feb. 12, 1870. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

A FEW HAY KNIVES

On hand and for sale cheap, by

Feb. 12, 1870. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

BURNS & CAMPBELL'S PATENT PRUNING SHEARS.

I HAVE purchased the sole right for the sale of the above shears in

Kent and Queen Anne's Counties.

One man can do as much work in TRIMMING FRUIT AND OTHER TREES with them, as *three men* can in the ordinary way.

You will find them at my store in Chestertown. All orders promptly attended to.

Terms cash. W. F. BAKER.
Feb. 12, 1870—tf.

FOR SALE.

The undersigned will sell at private sale, on easy terms, the following property:

ONE BAY MARE,

between 4 and 5 years old; would make a fair driver. ONE NO-TOP BUGGY, built to order by Whitworth Bros., of Elkton, Md., last August, and has been used but little. TWO NEW SLEIGHS and Bells. SADDLE and BRIDLE. Sold for want of use.

Apply to J. E. HARTLEY,
feb5 3t. Kennedyville, Md.

TWO HORSES FOR SALE

on reasonable terms. Apply to

fe5-3t. J. L. CREW, Smithville.

FOR SALE,

on reasonable terms,

TWO COWS,

soon to calve. Also, One BUGGY AND HARNESS. Apply to J. M. VANDYKE,
feb5-3t* Chestertown.

FOR SALE,

TWO FINE HORSES,

good for farm work or driving. They will be sold on a credit of 12 months.

Apply to SAMUEL L. RAWLEIGH,
j29tf. Chestertown.

WOOD.—I have a choice lot of PINE and OAK WOOD on hand for sale.—Those in want of Wood can have it delivered by applying to S. S. USILTON, at his office. Price for Oak $5.00; Pine $4.00.

feb5-3t. J. M. HUDSON.

TURNER'S AXES and POST AUGERS for sale at low prices by

Jan. 22. L. S. FOWLER.

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500,000 OSAGE ORANGE PLANTS, FOR SALE, FOR HEDGING.

VERY LARGE AND FINE.

Also, 200,000 Small Fruit Plants and Vines,

OF THE BEST VARIETIES OF

STRAWBERRY,
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EARLY ROSE and other SEED POTATOES.

For information and prices, apply to

HENRY CLAYTON,
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Constable's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of fieri facias, issued by James Graves, one of the Justices of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of Isaac Caulk, use of S. S Usilton, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of Isaac Chambers, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said Isaac Chambers, in and to all that

LOT OF LAND,

adjoining the lands of Mr. John Lusby, and Pere Hynson, containing about 3 Acres.

Also,

1 Horse, Dearborn and Harness.

And I hereby give notice, that on

Saturday, the 26th of February, 1870,

at Eleven o'clock, A. M., at the Market House in Chestertown, I will sell the said property at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

JOHN H. GREENWOOD,
feb5-4t ($4 50) Constable.

$25 REWARD. $25

Whereas, certain evil disposed persons, vandals of modern times, have been guilty of acts which would be a disgrace to any people in any age; in one instance burning a School House, and in another wantonly destroying books and other property; therefore

A Reward of Twenty-five Dollars,

is hereby offered for sufficient proof to convict the perpetrators of any such malicious mischief, or of any trespass upon, or injury to the School property of Kent county.

By order of the Board.

HOWARD MEEKS, Sec'y.
Feb. 5, 1870—3t.

Examination.

A GENERAL EXAMINATION of applicants for Schools in Kent county, will be held at the office of the School Board (Sheriff's Room, in the Court House) in Chestertown, on

SATURDAY, Feb. 12th, instant,

at 10 o'clock, A. M., to be continued on the following Saturday, Feb. 19th, if necessary.

Teachers holding permits, and those whose certificates have expired, or soon will expire, will please take notice.

By order of the Board,

HOWARD MEEKS, Sec'y.
Feb. 5, 1870—2t.

Cucumber Pumps.

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO GET THE GENUINE WILD

Cucumber Pump.

I have them now on hand and will put them in on short notice.

They are the BEST Pumps in use.

They are Cheap and Durable—lasting from ten to twenty years. They work easy.

They are simple in their construction.

They throw a large volume of water.

They are made of tasteless wood, hence will not spoil water. They are easily arranged to prevent freezing. They will not check or crack. They are ornamental. The People like them. They are highly spoken of by all who use them. They are light and handy.

D. A. BENJAMIN, Agent.
Chestertown, Jan. 15—6t.

Dwelling House on High St., FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, or for rent for the present year, the DWELLING HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, occupied the past year by Mr. E. T. Willis. The house is very eligibly located near the river, and in a very desirable neighborhood. There is a fine Garden, and a Pump of good drinking water in the yard.

The terms will be made accommodating.

jan8-tf. J. W. HINES.

ALDERNEY BULL FOR SALE.

I have a very fine, full bred, Young ALDERNEY BULL, out of a Cow imported by Ross Winans, Esq., which I will sell at a low price.

EDWARD WILKINS,
jan29-7t* Riverside.

FOR SALE,

On moderate terms,

ONE SHIFTING-TOP BUGGY & HARNESS, and ONE SLEIGH AND BELLS.

Apply to JAMES A. GALE,
feb5 3t. Still Pond, Md.

200,000 *OSAGE ORANGE* Quicks,

For sale on accommodating terms, by

JAMES R. REDDING,
feb5-3t. Galena.

FOR SALE,

200,000 OSAGE ORANGE QUICKS, of one year's growth, of prime quality.

Also, 50,000 two years old, of very fine size. For particulars address

S. H. CRAWFORD,
jan29-4m. Middletown, Del.

For Rent for 1870,

TWO HOUSES IN CHESTERTOWN, one on Queen Street, the other on High Street

Enquire of WM. VANNORT.
Nov. 20, 1869—tf.

WOOD! WOOD!

W. F. BAKER, respectfully informs the public, that he has purchased the WOOD YARD of Mr. W. H. Hamilton, up town, and is now prepared to supply all in want with Pine, Oak, and Hickory wood, at the lowest prices. Orders left at my Store, Court Street, will receive prompt attention.

jan15-tf. WILLIAM F. BAKER.

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Persons wishing to improve their Lots in Public Cemeteries and Private Burial Grounds, will do well before purchasing elsewhere, to call and examine our large and new stock of ITALIAN AND AMERICAN MARBLE MONUMENTS, MONUMENTAL TABLET HEAD AND FOOT STONES, VASES AND STATUARY.

All of new and beautifully proportioned designs, at the STEAM MARBLE WORKS of

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ap3-y. Sharp and German sts., Baltimore.

TEAM WHIPS, Cart Whips and Carriage Whips, of various lengths and qualities, are offered a bargain by

Jan. 22, 1870. L. S. FOWLER.