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The Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - JULY 26, 1873.

Democratic-Conservative Ticket.

For Clerk of the Circuit Court:
DAVID C. BLACKISTON.

For Register of Wills:
WILLIAM STEVENS.

For Sheriff:
EDWARD PLUMMER.

For the Legislature:
JESSE K. HINES,
SAMUEL A. MERRITT.

For County Commissioners:
ROBERT S. GRIFFITH,
JAMES A. ROSEBERRY,
R. BENNETT WILLSON.

THE JENNERSVILLE TRAGEDY.

STARTLING DEVELOPMENTS.

We made mention last week of the murder of a man near Jennersville, Pa., and the arrest of Wm. E. Udderzook, of Baltimore, on the charge of having murdered him. The revelations which have since been made are truly startling. It seems that Wm. S. Goss, of Baltimore, had his life insured in several companies to the amount of $25,000, and that on the night of February 2d, 1872, he was alleged to have been burned to death in his workshop on the York road. Sometime afterward (the insurance companies refusing to pay on the ground that the remains found in the burned shop were not those of Goss) his supposed widow instituted suit in the United States Circuit Court at Baltimore to recover the insurance, and the case was concluded a short time since with a verdict in her favor—an appeal, however, was taken.

The revelations which have been made demonstrate almost to a certainty that the murdered man is none other than W. S. Goss. Udderzook is a brother to Goss's wife, and was the principal witness in her behalf in the late trial. He and another person accompanied Goss to the shop on the night of the burning, and the two former stepping out awhile for some purpose, on their return found the shop in flames. Udderzook remarked, after the shop had been burning some time, that Goss was in it, and when asked why he did not mention it sooner, made some evasive reply.

The theory of the case, which has been very fully established, is, that a box containing human remains was taken to Goss' shop on the day before the fire, and that when Udderzook and the other person went away from the shop, Goss set fire to it and got in a carriage which his brother had in waiting near by and drove to the Philadelphia depot, and fled to Canada, where he has been traced. It is known that a box was taken to Goss' shop at the time stated, and a livery keeper has been found of whom his brother hired the horse and carriage, passing several stables nearer his residence to do so.

Goss of course had to be supplied with money to defray his expenses while wandering incog from place to place, and the long delay (some sixteen months) before the case was brought to trial, made a heavy draw upon the purse-strings of his friends in Baltimore. Meantime it is said that he had become intemperate, and it is believed that the fear of his saying something when in this condition that would expose the plot, together with the heavy expense of keeping such an "elephant" on hand during the protracted litigation to which the case would be subjected, led to the perpetration of the murder. Accordingly Udderzook repaired to Jennersville, where the unknown stranger was sojourning, and hiring a horse and carriage, took him out riding on the evening of the first day of July, and killed, quartered him and otherwise disfigured the body, and partially buried him. Ten days elapsed, when the attention of persons was attracted to a large number of buzzards hovering over the woods. Suspicion of foul play having been previously aroused in consequence of the carriage having been returned with blood stains on the dasher, search was instituted and the body was found with the legs dissected at the hip joints and buried some distance from the trunk. Persons from Baltimore and elsewhere who were well acquainted with Goss examined the remains were almost unanimous of the opinion that they were his. His finger ring, which had some peculiar marks, was fully identified, it having been most minutely described by a young man who had frequently had it on his own finger. His collar button was also identified.

Udderzook has been arrested and lodged in jail at Chester, Pa., and Goss' brother has been held to bail in $10,000.

This is a remarkable case, truly, and both in its inception to swindle and the murder of the principal actor in the drama, reads more like romance than reality.

DURING a pic nic of the Centreville M. E. Sunday School, last week, a horse attached to a carriage became frightened by the raising of a lady's parasol, and dashed off through the crowd of ladies and children, and fell upon the persons of a daughter of Rev. Geo. Barton, and a Miss Bratten, injuring them in quite a serious manner. Their injuries are not dangerous, however, and they are recovering.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS IN DORCHESTER COUNTY.—For Clerk of the Circuit Court, Francis J. Henry; for Register of Wills, E. W. Lecompte; for Senate, Dr. F. P. Phelps; House of Delegates, Dr. Eugene Hodson, Samuel M. Travers, and Oliver S. Johnson; Sheriff, Wm. Harlock; County Commissioners, Chas. Lake, Kendall M. Jacobs, and William Spedden; Surveyor, John Tubman.

MR. THOMAS H. KEMP, residing on Kent Island, met with a painful accident on Saturday last. Whilst assisting in the removal of a horse power his hand was caught under the heavy weight and mashed terribly, the skin being mashed off, and it is feared some of the bones broken.

"CONVINCED!"

In another column will be found a communication under this caption, written by one of the most genuine and prominent Republicans of this county, in which the conviction is expressed that *"the Republican leaders in Kent county care little or nothing for the colored people beyond getting their votes!"* This is a humiliating admission, truly, coming as it does from one of candor and discernment of their own party. But we have long since been convinced of this fact, and it is strange that the colored people themselves have not had sufficient perception to detect it. But as the conviction is now clearly expressed by authority which will hardly be questioned, it is reasonable to presume that the class in question, which does nearly all the voting for that party, will turn their attention to the subject, and determine whether they will continue to act in the capacity of "hewers of wood and drawers of water" to a set of men whose highest consideration for their well-being consists in "getting their votes!" The writer very aptly terms their condition one of "political serfdom," and in that condition they will remain so long as they allow themselves to be controlled by cunning and ambitious leaders, who aim to keep them in the background to be used only as so many chattels. We do not want to see negro office-holders, but, while our vision may be dim, we are unable to perceive any real difference between negro office-holders and office-holders *elected* by negroes. Qualifications being equal, no "equality" man will dare controvert these premises; and every man who identifies himself with that party, either by becoming a candidate or otherwise, virtually recognizes the validity of the position which it maintains of absolute and universal equality between the races. There is no escape from this conclusion, and as the negroes do nearly all the voting for their party, they are certainly entitled to some consideration at its hands "beyond getting their votes." But while they permit themselves to be taken up to the polls like brutes and submit to having their tickets examined by agents appointed for that purpose, they are verily in as complete a state of "political serfdom" as the most abject subjects of the greatest despot that lives. The ballot implies freedom of choice and independence in voting, and when these rights are not exercised it becomes a mockery and a sham.

A NEW TOWN ORDINANCE.—Our Town Commissioners have recently passed an ordinance of a somewhat remarkable character, designated as "Ordinance No. 36," and, that our readers may be acquainted with its provisions we give it entire:

Be it ordained and enacted, by the board of Commissioners of Chestertown, that parties owning private pumps are hereby required to adopt some effectual plan, on or before the *first day of August next*, by which to prevent the *waste water* from running out upon the streets, under a penalty of *one dollar* for each and every offence—each week of failure to comply with this ordinance after the said first day of August to be regarded as a separate and distinct offence.

In their preamble the Commissioners say this ordinance was passed "upon presentation of numerous complaints," &c. Would it not be about as sensible, in answer to complaints from some other sources, to pass an ordinance requiring the owners and tenants of dwellings to "adopt some effectual plan" by which the smoke from their chimneys should always fly upward, and the not altogether agreeable aroma from kitchens, stables, &c., to be bottled up and buried, or conveyed to the country for evaporation? We have always been under the impression that the taxes paid by the property holders of the town were expended in part at least for their convenience and interest, but according to the view of our "City Fathers"—as demonstrated by the passage of this ordinance—this class of our citizens are entitled to very little consideration. It is hardly just, we think, to make people pay for cutting gutters and drains and then prohibit the use of them for purposes which contribute materially to their convenience. We have ordinances enough already to abate *nuisances*, and if the commissioners will see that *they* are enforced the interest of all our people will be consulted. Where the "waste water" nuisance is found, whether from private or public pumps, let it be corrected, and so with abuses of the "pig sty" ordinance and anything else affecting the health and comfort of our citizens, but do not punish the innocent in order to shirk the responsibility of dealing with the guilty.

ORPHANS' COURT.—The only matters of interest before this Court on Tuesday, related to the settlement of the claim of Mrs. Sarah E. Warner, of Baltimore, against the estate of S. W. Canady, dec'd. Hon. Henry Stockbridge, counsel for Mrs. Warner, and Hon. Geo. Vickers, counsel for the respondents, were before the Court, and filed sundry petitions and answers, after which the Court passed an order directing issues to be sent up to the Circuit Court. The case will be heard at the October term.

INTERESTING BOOKS.—*"Three Years in a Man Trap," and "Cast Adrift."*—Mr. L. A. Waldo, is canvassing for these two books, written by T. S. Arthur, a well-known popular American author. They are both of thrilling interest and treat of a vital subject, affecting our social and political life. In his preface to one of the works Mr. Arthur says: "It sickened my heart many times, as I stood face to face with the sad and awful degredation that exists in certain regions of our larger cities; and now that my work is done I take a deep breath of relief. The result is in your hands, good citizen, christian reader, earnest philanthropist. If it stirs your heart in the reading as it stirred mine in the writing, it will not die fruitless."—J. M. Stoddart & Co., Publishers, Phila.

AUGUSTUS ALBERT has been nominated as the democratic candidate for Sheriff of Baltimore. The vote stood as follows: For Albert, 7,188; S. S. Mills, 4,333; J. R. Herbert, 2,190; H. Gilmor, 562.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE of the M. E. Church South met in Clements' woods, one mile from Chesterville, on Wednesday at 10½, A. M. About thirty ministerial and lay delegates were present and others expected on Thursday. Presiding Elder Rodgers was present, with Revs. Zimmerman and Ray secretaries. After the transaction of some business, Rev. A. C. Wilson, D. D., of Washington, preached an able sermon. Preaching again at night by Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Baltimore. A children's meeting was held on Thursday afternoon.

The quarterly meeting of the Church, which was to have been held at Millington to-day (Saturday) and to-morrow, will be held in the same woods instead. Preaching on Saturday morning, and possibly in the afternoon. On Sunday, (to-morrow,) there will be services throughout the day. The presiding elder will be present.

DESTRUCTION BY LIGHTNING.—A severe storm of thunder and lightning passed over the lower part of our county on Friday, 18th instant, accompanied by partial showers of rain. The lightning struck and set fire to the straw stacks on the yard of Mr. R. H. Rouse, on Poplar Neck; fortunately, however, his wheat had been threshed at two places and one yard of stacks remained intact. It also struck a cherry tree in the yard of the old Brevett property, now belonging to Wm. Wickes and occupied by Wm. Webb; also a poplar tree near the parsonage of St. Paul's Church, with no damage other than the burning of the tree. On the farm of Mr. James F. Wilkins a valuable horse, the property of Mr. Edwin Crouch, Register of Wills, was struck in the midst of others in the field and instantly killed.

BAKER'S WOODS CAMP.—Rev. R. Scott Norris, the pastor of Kent Circuit M. P. Church, and chairman of the Camp-Meeting committee, gives notice in another column that there will be a meeting on the ground on Wednesday next to complete arrangements for the camp. Those who wish to select sites for tents are expected to be present, as also applicants for bread tent, horse-pound, &c. Go in the morning and take your dinners, prepared to spend the day.

EXCURSION FROM BALTIMORE.—"Chosen Friends Lodge," Knights of Pythias, of Baltimore, will make an excursion to this town on Tuesday next in full uniform.—They will be accompanied by music, and will parade through the town. "Kent Lodge, of this place, has appointed a committee of reception, who will meet them at the wharf and escort them to the town hall, where some refreshments will be provided and some speech-making indulged in.

DEDICATION.—Janes' M. E. Church, of this town, was dedicated by Bishop Janes on last Sunday. Two colored excursions from Baltimore and one from Centreville contributed greatly to the immense throng present on the occasion. The house is a neat frame building, 36 by 56 feet, and cost about $6,000, of which about $800 remained to be raised. Of this sum about $550 were realized in cash and subscriptions, leaving the church nearly free of debt.

RECOVERED.—The many friends, hereabout, of the Rev. J. B. Merritt, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, Wilmington, will be glad to learn that he has so far regained his health as to be able to resume his ministerial duties, and filled his pulpit on last Sabbath.

Millington Items.

OUR correspondent at Millington sends us the following items:

The M. E. Church at Millington has been kindly furnished with a large fine-toned organ, by the choir, at a cost of $175—at their own expense; for which we are authorized to tender the thanks of the church to them for their liberality and the interest they are taking in the welfare of the church.

Dr. E. G. Clark, of Millington, has sold his fine trotting horse to R. B. Roberts, of Pennsylvania, for $800. We think there is a good chance for speculation on this horse, as he is but 7 years old, of fine size, splendid qualities, and trotted his mile on Tuesday in 2 minutes and 46 seconds, on Warwick track.

Mad-Dogs.—Mad-dogs are said to be numerous in the forest, a short distance east from Millington and Massey's; and one passed through this town this morning, biting several dogs, after which he made his escape into Queen Anne's Co.

COMMUNICATED.

Messrs. Editors:—I noticed your complaint in the last *News* of the great lack of "locals." Let me give you one of equal interest at least to that furnished by "Observer."

My neighbor's tabby cat Ma-ri-ar gave birth to a litter of kittens, and he, not wishing to increase his feline stock, had them drowned without mercy or benefit of clergy. Soon the disconsolate and bereaved mother was seen in full pursuit of a brood of chickens, and successfully capturing one bore it off in triumph. Of course her fate was decided. She too must die. But before the sentence could be executed it was found that the poor brute was only trying to make good her loss by raids upon the chicken coop. In the cozy bed in the hay loft, lately occupied by the infant kittenhood, was a number of the little chirping, crying gallinaceous substitutes, and the mother cat doing her utmost to nurse them. S.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A correspondent of the Wilmington (Delaware) Gazette, writing from Warwick, Md., on the 16th inst., says:

"A serious accident occurred about 11 o'clock A. M., in this neighborhood.—Tuesday morning, as Mr. John S. Townsend was driving a mower for John J. Lockwood, near this place, the reins became disarranged and he got off to adjust them. In going back to his seat he went in front of the knives, and happening to step on a bumble bee's nest aroused the bees, which immediately flew out and stung his mules. Maddened by the pain of the stings the animals immediately started forward, and before Mr. Townsend could get out of the way he was caught by the sharp knives. One of his feet was entirely severed, and the other leg badly cut. Medical aid was summoned, but was of no avail, and the unfortunate man died at two o'clock, P. M. Mr. Townsend was a man of long standing in the neighborhood, and respected by all who knew him."

COMMUNICATED.

Messrs. Editors:—If your correspondent "Observer" would be a little more explicit or definite in his statement of local items for your paper it would do no harm; but serious injury may possibly result to innocent parties by leaving the public to draw inferences from loose and random statements. As for instance in "our town" there are four preachers, and any one of the four may have a cow, and according to the dictum of an insane man who was the inmate of an asylum, that he was there because of a difference of opinion, the world deeming him to be crazy and he knowing all the rest of mankind to be so, any of them might have a crazy boy to hunt for the cow, and the boy might delay, and then the beating and cruel choking might follow,—and the world might infer that either of these was an unmitigated tyrant.

We beg leave to state that though there are preachers and cows and crazy boys enough in "our town," yet to the barbarous beating and choking we all plead

Fairlee, July 25. NOT GUILTY.

CONVINCED.

Messrs. Editors:—I am now fully convinced that the Republican leaders in Kent county care little or nothing for the colored people beyond getting their votes. No unbiased mind can fail to reach any other conclusion if they will lay aside partizan feeling and scrutinize carefully their recent movements in maturing their ticket. If this is not so, how can we account for their ignoring the black man in all their meetings? Why was he not wanted at these meetings?

It is very convenient, but it will not do to say in answer to this question, that colored men have no time to attend political meetings. He was not only not invited, but it was said he was not wanted there. Why not? Was it in deference to the feelings of certain strong Republicans in and about town, who are perfectly willing to be put in office by the votes of the black man, but are opposed to meeting on terms of political equality?

From all I can see, the intention is, to keep the black man in a state of political serfdom; to give him just light enough to make it easy to whip him in to every measure, and make him vote for any set of men they choose to put up—the very Devil included, as some of them say.

It is with great reluctance and much sorrow of mind that I have been forced into the position I now take. But deception and devilitry is as bad in one situation as another—bad in the Republican as in the Democratic party, and it is the plain duty of every good citizen to oppose corruption everywhere and not go it blindly. Such is the opinion of a

REPUBLICAN.

THE PUMP ORDINANCE.

Messrs. Editors:—It is an old and trite saying that men will be doing, of course, women are not excepted, and that the tendency of governments—of all grades—is unnecessarily to multiply laws, rather than to execute those good and just ones which are already in being. Our "City Fathers"—the new Board of Commissioners, which has recently been inaugurated into power—thinking, no doubt, that it must signalize its existance early by "some great thing," so as not to be overlooked, has given us within the last few days "Ordinance No. 36." Surely, the mountain being in labor, has brought forth a mouse!

Seriously, we think, Messrs. Editors, this ordinance, which we learn was passed only by a bare majority, was altogether unnecessary, bears very hard upon a few families of the town, and cannot possibly be of any advantage to the others. If these gentlemen must be doing, and we do not question their authority, let them look after the *town* pumps, and the long stretch of filthy marsh created by the waste water from some of them. Other matters of a sanatory character will suggest themselves, as the heated term advances, which, if attended to, will give certain and sure relief to the citizens generally, and save a certain class of nerves from *unpleasant* taxation. GOOD WILL.

KENT CORNET BAND.

Messrs. Editors:—Having enjoyed the privilege on the 16th inst., in connection with the pleasant excursion to Druid Hill Park, of witnessing the performances of this Band, and being satisfied that its continuance in our midst would contribute to the enjoyment of our citizens, I would recommend an expression of sympathy in their behalf by the people of Chestertown, in some form that might be agreeable to the Band, and that would relieve them of their present financial embarrassments. It is hardly necessary to add that, I am a dear lover of good music, a citizen of Chestertown, and in no way, directly or indirectly, connected with the Band. Let us have plenty of music, and give the preference to our own citizens.

FAIR PLAY.

THE RICHMOND DUELISTS.—On Saturday Messrs. Tabb, Royal, Meredith and Trigg, who were indicted as seconds in the duel between Mordecai and McCarty, near Richmond, were summoned before the County Court of New Kent. They were taken as far as Tunstall's Station, where the Judge of the County Court was kind enough to meet them, in order to save them the trouble of proceeding further. After a brief statement by counsel, the Judge decided to admit them to bail in the sum of $5,000 each to appear for trial at the September term of Hustings Court. Bail was furnished, and the prisoners were then released. The amiability of Judge Lacy in meeting them on the line of the railroad was a proper and delicate appreciation of the fact that they had earned consideration in a first-class duel, particularly as it had resulted fatally to one of the parties concerned.

A DOG controversy, between distinguished litigants, is reported in Washington. Fernando Wood has a dog which keeps up an almost incessant barking day and night, making himself a great annoyance to the neighbors, and among those who have been driven to desperation by the nuisance is Caleb Cushing. This distinguished lawyer has consequently brought suit and claims $4000 damages. The case is to be vigorously contested. On the one side it is contested that the Washington City Government, having received a license fee for the dog, it has thereby recognized the "equal rights" of that animal to bark on his own premises as much as he pleases. On the other, the contention is that no one has the right, through a dog whether licensed or otherwise, to disturb the peace and comfort of a neighborhood. The public sympathy in this matter is said to be with Cushing, as the howling curs are numerous in Washington as they are almost everywhere else.

JOSEPH C. CLOUD started on Monday to row from Philadelphia to New Orleans. He will not leave the water except to cross the Alleghany Mountains. After going through the canals and rivers to their eastern base, his boat will be carried over the mountains and placed on the Ohio river, which he will follow to the Mississippi, and so on to his destination. He is not to sleep on shore, and is to live in his boat. If he succeeds in his task he wins $5,000—a very fair compensation.

WORTON AGRICULTURAL CLUB.

Messrs. Editors:—Do not think because these papers intermit that the Club languishes. Had you been with us at the two last meetings you would have seen the same interest and the same earnestness that has so peculiarly characterized this association in the years that are past. The Club means work—earnest work; and perhaps it owes its vitality more than any thing else to this earnestness of purpose. The application of plaster to young clover in the summer, soon after the grass is removed, was discussed, and led to a very lengthy debate. While very little was said definitely as to its value, yet all approved of its use, and it was held to be a mistaken economy to neglect it. The conditions under which plaster acted most favorably were carefully considered. The influence of the moon being insisted on, one member stated the case of a farmer who was very successful in its use, and who was governed entirely by the moon in the time of application, but unfortunately for the Club the member could not tell at what time of the moon the successful farmer made his application. The question of the moon's influences frequently comes up incidentally in our debates, and while many farmers are careful to plant, sow, kill hogs, and do almost every thing else in the moon, and are very successful, yet there are just as many who pay no attention to Luna's light or darkness, and are equally successful. How many believe the weather to be influenced by the changes of the moon, and yet the most accurate and careful observations for the past fifty years demonstrate to a certainty that the changes of the moon have no perceptable effect on the weather; and doubtless when the matter is carefully and accurately investigated thro' a series of years, it will be found that all the different influences attributed to the moon are entirely arbitrary, with no foundation in fact. If the moon has a tithe of the definite effect claimed by many, certainly a commission should be appointed immediately to carefully tabulate those influences, that farmers may no longer work in darkness, when light is so easily attainable.

A resolution was passed, unanimously, that co-operation among the farmers of Kent should be the order of the day for Thursday afternoon, July 31st. All the farmers' clubs throughout the county are earnestly requested to send large delegations, and individual farmers from all parts of the county are invited to meet with us. Addresses will be made on the subject. A number of copies of the celebrated and most excellent address of Mr. Henry Bronson, of Lawrence, Kansas, have been ordered. This address may be be read; it is certainly one of the ablest, most exhaustive and practical papers that has ever been issued on the subject, and should be in the hands of every farmer in Kent. This action of the Club has for one of its objects the formation of a county association, to unite the farmers of Kent for their mutual protection and prosperity. The exigencies of the times makes this action necessary and urgent, especially when we consider the fact that all industries, as well as all classes of laborers, except farmers, have their unions, their compacts, their methods of self-protection, and can we afford to stand idle spectators of the consolidation and mobilization of every interest but ours without an effort at self-defence? As Mr. Bronson most forcibly says: "Throughout the whole range of human employment, from the sacirdotal office down to the chimney sweep, agricultural labor is the only free labor that has no voice in relation to its pay and prices, no protection except what may be found in the competition of those who traffic and speculate in its productions. When we go into the market to sell, from the steer down to the bunch of asparagus, we ask what will you give? and when we buy, from the new wagon down to the roll of tape, we say what do you ask?" And I may add that the farmer has neither the weighing or measuring of anything he either buys or sells, and all our lives have we submitted to this until we have come to regard it as legitimate and proper; and can you tell me, farmers of Kent, why this humiliating position should be maintained, when every element of power and of right is with you? Let us show some enthusiasm on so vital a subject. Farming is wholly individualized, and is prostrated at the feet of every occupation that is organized and cohesive. All great human achievements are the result of union, and for farmers to ignore the agencies that are moving the rest of the world forward, is more senseless than to attempt to cultivate our fields without plows. Meet with us ye farmers of Kent that things may be devised that will enable us to act as a unit, and that we may put ourselves in accord and unison with farmers all over our broad land, who are rapidly awakening from their long lethargy, and who mean nothing short of success.

Yours, &c., PARTICEPS.

THE PROPOSED AERIAL VOYAGE OF PROF. WISE.—The work of constructing the immense balloon with which Professor Wise is to attempt to cross the Atlantic ocean is progressing rapidly. The balloon will require 4,316 yards of cloth.—The material is of unbleached sheeting, of a thick, close quality. The crown of the balloon will be doubled for a distance of fifty feet from the top, with 150 yards of the same material, and yet a third thickness will be added, of which 250 yards will be required. This strengthening of the crown of the balloon is rendered necessary by the upward pressure of the gas, which is equal to two pounds to the square inch. The sewing of the seams is performed by a score of girls, and is under the direction of a niece of Professor Wise, who has had more experience in the building of balloons than any other woman in the world. "She has been making balloons for me for twenty years," said the Professor. The total amount of sewing to be done to complete the present balloon is one hundred and two seams, multiplied by 172 feet, length of seam, and about one-third more for transverse seaming, 41,221 feet, about eight miles.

HIT IT AT LAST.—The Shah, after enduring all kinds of entertainments in England, which evidently bored him, at last expressed the wildest enthusiasm of his nature at a prize fight got up for him by the Marquis of Queensberry, in which that titled bruiser took a hand with each of the professionals after they had vigorously fought each other, and pounded them as much as etiquette required them to permit. This, the Shah said, was the finest thing he had seen in England.

A LEADING Republican newspaper in Indiana—the home organ of Senator MORTON—most irreverently refers to that great and good man, General BENJAMIN F. BUTLER, as the "cock-eyed man of destiny."

GRANT'S friends, says the Chicago *Times*, are already figuring for a third term for their patron. It was Frank Blair who said Grant would never leave the White House while alive. It may be that the General was not very much "excited" when he made the remark.

WHAT WILL HE DO WITH IT?—A. T. Stewart, the great New York dry goods merchant, made his will before sailing for Europe last week. It shows him to be worth one hundred millions of dollars.

THE PENINSULA PEACH CROP—*The Falling Off of the Fruit.*—The Wilmington (Del.) Commercial says:

"There is no little indignation among the peach-growers at the intimations from various newspapers that they have underestimated the peach crop in order to effect its price. There is no doubt that the prospect for fruit has steadily run downward for the last two months, and we now yield to the judgement that the total product will be much less than last year. At the close of the winter the prospect was excellent; the damage since that time has been very great. Growers continue to report to us the extent of their failure. A gentleman, whose orchard is in Kent county, Md., had on his trees, a few weeks ago, an estimated yield of 3,000 baskets. He now does not expect more than 1,000 baskets. Last year he had 2,500. A gentleman of this city, who has orchards in Kent county, this State, expected, until recently, 10,000 baskets. He now estimates only 5,000. The other 5,000 have fallen off. We cite these examples as reducing all previous estimations, except that made at the recent Fruit Growers' meeting. The orchard mentioned were not among those which were understood to be a failure several months ago. They are in the section upon which we had depended for a heavy yield of fruit, until the 'falling off' began. This dropping of the fruit is explained by last winter's severe cold. In the northern end of the peach district, it killed last years growth of wood (on which this year's peaches mainly grow) and almost entirely destroyed the crop, while further south it so impared the vitality of the tree that now the fruit falls. The drought, too, has had a very injourious influence, weakening the tree, and drying up the peaches. We are assured that there have been numerous agents from New York and Boston commission houses through the peach districts, who showed extreme eagernes to secure shipments, recognizing the certainty that the crop must be light."

Baltimore Price Current

[From Warden & Merritt's Quotations.]

WEDNESDAY, July 23, 1873.

WHEAT—White, choice - - -	$1.75a0.00
" " fair to prime -	1.60a1 70
" Amber, choice - - -	1.64a1.65
" Red, good to prime -	1.55a1.63
" " comm. to fair -	1.45a1.50
CORN—Southern white - - -	86a00
" " Yellow - - - -	60a00
OATS—Southern - - - - -	50a52
" Western, bright - - - -	47a00
RYE—Fair to prime - - - -	65a00
GOLD - - - - - - - - -	116¼a115¾

MARRIED:

At the Methodist Protestant Parsonage, in Chestertown, on Thursday evening last by the Rev. R. Scott Norris, SAMUEL CRANER to Miss M. A. JOINER, both of Kent.

DIED:

At his residence in Millington, on the 17th inst, THOMAS H. COOK, aged 62 years and 22 days.

July 21, in Still Pond, FRANCIS, daughter of John F. and Eliza Shriver, aged 2 months and 15 days.

July 17th, near Still Pond, MARY ANN, youngest child of Enoch and Mary A. Moffett.

Lonely the house and sad the hours
Since our sweet Mary is gone.
But, oh, a brighter home than hours
In Heaven is now her own. AUNT.

Camp-Meeting in Baker's Woods.

THE CAMP-MEETING COMMITTEE will meet on the ground on WEDNESDAY NEXT, 30th instant, at 9, A. M., and remain during the day, to complete arrangements for the meeting. Persons having business with the committee in the way of securing the privilege of Horse Pound and Bread Tent, or who desire to tent with us, will please hand in their application by that time. The committee consists of the following named, including the Rev. R. L. Lewis, assistant pastor: John T. Dodd, Isaac Parsons, A. W. Sparks, Robert Nicholson, Wm. B. Usilton, James Shuster, J. K. Aldridge, Samuel Vannort.

1t. R. SCOTT NORRIS, Chairman.

FOR SALE.

A YOUNG COW AND CALF.

Apply to A. J. WALLIS,
jy26-3t. Near Kennedyville.

FOR SALE or Rent for 1874,

TWO DWELLING HOUSES, and one Shop—a good stand for an undertaker—at Kennedyville. Apply to JOHN STOUFFER,
jy26-7t* Kennedyville.

FOR SALE or RENT,

15 Dwelling Houses in Chestertown.

Apply to THOS. S. BORDLEY,
jy26-tf. ATTORNEY.

$20 REWARD!

Strayed from the premises of the subscriber, near Lynch's Station, on the 7th inst., a GRAY MARE, above medium height, with white wavy mane and tail. Any information concerning the same, left at this office, will be gratefully received. The above reward will be paid for her recovery.
jy26-tf. R. W. WHALAND.

TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the taxpayers of the Third Election District of Kent county, that I have received my books for the present year, and am now prepared and desirous to receipt for taxes for 1873.

WILLIAM HEPBRON.
July 26, 1873—tf.

New Millinery Goods!

MISS H. A. PHILLIPS has just opened a new assortment of

Seasonable Millinery & Fancy Goods

which she is selling at VERY LOW PRICES. Call and be convinced. Store nearly opposite the Voshell House. H. A. PHILLIPS.
July 26, 1873—3t.

A Dialogue.

"WELL, JAKE, what are you doing in town, to-day?"

"I came for the purpose of getting a pair of shop-made Boots, and have tried several places but have not been able to do so."

"Go around to SHAW'S They say he keeps a good supply on hand."

"I have tried him and find that he neither has boots or the material to make them."

"Well, why does he not get the material and keep his hands at work, so that when people need boots they can get them?"

"I asked that very question, and his reply was that findings and hands' wages had to be paid for in cash, and the longest time on which he could buy leather was ninety days, and not having the cash, and having run his credit to the utmost limit, there is nothing left for him to do but to wait in idleness until his customers, whom he has endeavored to accommodate, shall come to his relief with the ready cash."

"Well, if he's that bad off, I move we all go over and pay him. I could have paid him long ago but I thought he could do without it, and so have neglected it."

☞ PLEASE DO NOT COME IN CROWDS as I don't want to be at the expense of employing a clerk to write receipts.
jy26-3t. JAMES A. SHAW.

COAL,

FREE FROM SLATE AND DIRT,

SHIPPED direct from the mines to any Station on the Kent Railroad, at lowest market rates, if application be made to

GEO. M. D. CANN,
or GEO. W. BUSH & SON,
Wilmington, Del.

Orders for Chestertown can be left with
jy26-3m. J. W. COLLINS, P. M.

STAVE PEACH BASKETS.

A Lot for sale low, by
je7-tf. T. W. ELIASON, Jr.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
A Valuable Farm
NEAR CHESTERTOWN.

THE subscriber will offer at PUBLIC SALE

On MONDAY, August 11, 1873,

AT TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.,

At the "Voshell House," in Chestertown, his FARM, situated on the road leading from Chestertown to Worton Station, adjoining the lands of Wm. N. E. Wickes, Thos. W. Hynson and others. This farm contains in the whole

305 ACRES OF LAND,

and is now divided into two parcels.

No. 1, contains 200 Acres, more or less,

and is now in the tenancy of Mr. Mills. It has a comfortable

FRAME DWELLING,

being the original Farm House for the whole tract, and sufficient Out-Buildings, all in fair order. The fencing is good, and the land is of the best quality, in a high state of cultivation and produces large crops.

No. 2,

Contains 105 ACRES, More or Less,

Fronts on the public road, adjoining No. 1, and is improved by a

NEW AND COMMODIOUS FRAME DWELLING,

with new and good OUT-BUILDINGS, ample for the use of the farm. It is divided into a convenient number of fields, under good fencing, and there is a good deal of usage hedge, young and thrifty. The land is in all respects similar to parcel No. 1.

Both tracts are within a mile of Worton Station, on the Kent County Railroad.

Persons wishing to examine the premises will please call on the subscriber.

These parcels will be sold separately or as a whole as may be most advantageous.

THE TERMS will be easy, and will be made known at the sale.

ISAAC PERKINS.
J. A. PEARCE, ATTORNEY.
July 26, 1873—ts.

A CARD.

SASSAFRAS, July 15, 1873.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Permit me through the columns of your valuable paper to respectfully decline the honor conferred upon me by the Republican convention of the 10th instant, for two or three reasons. First, I have no desire to enter upon a political life, particularly a young, and when there are many older and better men willing to serve the people, I consider it very unwise for a young man, following my occupation, to participate extensively in politics.

Secondly: if elected, the duties of the office would necessarily seperate me from my business at home and my family, and after this sacrifice and my utmost endeavor to perform my duty, some would find fault and abuse me.

Thirdly: the compensation would not be equivalent to the loss in neglecting my duty.

Finally: I do not know that I have an enemy—surely I am the enemy of no man. I will assure my friends I can thank them more cheerfully and cordially for this token of their appreciation than I possibly could afterwards.

Hoping my friends of both parties will pardon me for reaching this conclusion, which seems unavoidable and irresistable, and thanking you for your clever reference to me personally, I remain

Respectfully, yours,
tf. T. A. JACOBS.

$5,000.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS

TO LOAN ON MORTGAGE

ON KENT COUNTY LANDS.

J. M. BARR, *Attorney at Law.*
Chestertown, July 19, 1873—3t.

FURNITURE FOR SALE.

I OFFER for sale several articles of Furniture, viz: 1 Parlor STOVE, (Latrobe,) 1 COOK STOVE, 1 DINING TABLE, WARDROBE, 1 SET OF CHAMBER FURNITURE, 1 WALNUT-TOP TABLE, 1 HAIR-CLOTH WALNUT SOFA. R. C. BERKELEY,
jy19-2t. Washington College.

Farmers Attention!

THE KENT COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY No. 1, will discuss on THURSDAY, July 31st, the subject of CO-OPERATION AMONG FARMERS. Farmers' Clubs throughout the county are requested to send Three Delegates each, and Farmers generally are invited to attend and participate in the discussion.

J. T. SKIRVEN, Pres't.
jy19-2t. S. VANNORT, Sec'y.

COAL NOTICE.

THE undersigned having on hand a supply of COAL, both hard and soft, of different sizes, intends to continue the business, and will furnish it as low as can be bought in Chestertown of the same quality, for the cash, giving 2240 lbs. to the ton, weighed by true platform scales. J. T. TWILLEY.
July 19, 1873—tf.

CHARADES AND FESTIVAL.

A delightful entertainment may be expected on TUESDAY EVENING, the 29th, at the Town Hall in Galena, consisting of Choice Charades, Music and Selections by practiced personages. Lovers of fun may expect a rare treat. Admittance 35 cts.; children 20c.; reserved seats 50 cents. Performances to commence at 8 o'clock. 2t.

FESTIVAL.

At the TOWN HALL, in GALENA, On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, July 30th, 31st, and Aug. 1st, at 8 o'clock, FIRST CLASS SUPPERS of all the delicacies of the season, Hard and Soft Crabs, Oysters, Chicken, &c, in various styles, Cakes, Water Ices, Creams, Fruits, and a Fancy Table will be found to suit the taste and please the eye of all who will favor us with their presence.

No admittance fee. Proceeds for Literary purposes. Voluntary donations thankfully received. 2t.

FOR RENT.

For the year 1874,
THE STORE ROOM, in Chestertown, at present occupied by Mrs. S. S. Joiner, situted in the front of the Dwelling now occupied by the undersigned.
jy19-3t. S. C. LASSELL.

FOR SALE.

A safe, gentle, sound DRIVING HORSE, CARRIAGE, Raccoon ROBE, Gum Horse Blanket, with head cover; Bridle and Saddle. Sold for want of use.

☞ ALL PERSONS INDEBTED will please call and settle, either by cash or note at once.

Respectfully, W. T. URIE.
July 19, 1873—3t.

TAKE NOTICE.

All persons indebted to me for taxes must certainly come and settle the same, or I certainly shall be compelled to collect by law.—Money I want and must have.

C. W. WARREN,
Tax Collector 2nd District.
July 19, 1873—tf.

A No. 1 ICE BOX or Refrigerator, 4 ft. long, 2½ ft. deep, and 2½ ft. wide, lined with zinc and filled in with charcoal—for sale cheap. Apply to
jy12-3t. WM. C. A. THOMPSON.

WANTED, for 1874, a FARM of 130 to 140 acres of good land. Not particular about size of house. Satisfactory reference in regard to culture, &c.

Address FARMER,
jy12-3t. Kent News Office.

LOST, on Thursday, July 10th, at the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Pic Nic at the camp meeting woods, near Josias Ringgold's, a GOLD RING, with large single pearl set. A reward of $20 will be paid and no questions asked for its return to this office.
jy19-3t EDITORS KENT NEWS.

SHOULD YOU NEED

SUMMER UNDERSHIRTS,

DRAWS OR SOCKS,

You will find the best stock in Chestertown, at S. MERRITT & CO.,
May 3, 1873. Chestertown.

TRUSTEES' SALE
OF A
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