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The Kent News.

SATURDAY, . . . JUNE 27, 1874

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Congress adjourned on Tuesday last—a god-send to the country.

Postmaster General Creswell sent his resignation to the President on Wednesday. The event was altogether unexpected, and has taken the country by surprise. No reason is given except that "private interests" make it important that he should be relieved from public duties.

The State Directors have purchased a site for the new Inebriate Asylum near Catonsville, Baltimore county, at a cost of $26,000.

At the commencement of the Delaware College last week, the degree of D. D. was conferred on Rev. Geo. A. Phoebus, of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, at present stationed at Smyrna, Del.

Uling, the "doctor" in New York, who buried nineteen bricks in a coffin, and claimed $10,000 for them from the insurance company, was sentenced last week to eighteen months in the State prison.

The Somerset *True Marylander* states that Hon. James U. Dennis is a candidate for the Democratic Congressional nomination in this district.

Berry Amos, a well known Baltimore "man about town," was fatally stabbed at the Sherwood House, in that city, on Monday night last, as alleged, by Samuel McDonald. Amos lived but a few minutes after being wounded. The stabbing seems to have occurred during a general row, all the parties to which appear to have been drinking.

The new liquor law of Mississippi requires that no person shall be licensed to retail liquor until he has first secured the recommendation of more than half the men over twenty-one years of age, and more than half the women over eighteen years of age in the corporation or township where he desires the license.

The Wilmington *Commercial* publishes a statement showing that over two hundred and twenty iron ships, mostly steam vessels, have been built in the yards of that city, and states that this is a far greater number than has been constructed in all the other yards of the United States together. It estimates that the total number of iron ships built elsewhere will probably not exceed fifty.

A new candidate for ærial fame has appeared in the person of Professor Pierce, a gymnast who goes through the perilous feats of the trapeze in mid-air. He essayed to give a performance at Allentown, Pa., on Saturday, but his balloon, being imperfectly inflated, let him down suddenly on a house-roof. He sustained injuries from the fall which may prove fatal.

In spite of the vigilance exercised by the Spanish authorities the Cuban insurgents continue to receive supplies of arms and munitions of war. Recently an expedition, under Aguilera, ran the blockade and landed four thousand breach-loading rifles, six pieces of light artillery and a considerable quantity of ammunition. It was all safely carried into the interior.

The Middletown *Transcript* says: The peach crop of Delaware is confined to a narrow belt of land, between about three miles north of Middletown and the same distance below Blackbird, which runs east from the Delaware bay. It estimates the crop at 100,000 baskets only.

President Grant in his letter to Senator Jones thought it quite probable that Congress would not adopt his suggestions in regard to the finances. He was quite right. He is opposed, he says, to inflation and favors a speedy return to specie payments. The bill passed by Congress on Saturday inflates the currency and protracts indefinitely the time for returning to specie payments. As Congress does not agree with him in his views, and as he cannot agree with those of Congress, he came to the conclusion to approve of what he disapproves, and so signed the bill.

A shocking accident occurred at Syracuse, New York, on Tuesday night. The floor of a house in which a social gathering was assembled gave way, and a large number of persons were precipitated in a struggling and confused mass to the lower story of the building. Some thirteen or fourteen were killed at once, and amongst the many injured are some who cannot survive.

LAND SALES NEXT WEEK.—James A. Pearce, Esq., trustee, will offer at public sale, at the Voshell House, on Tuesday next, the farm of John H. Cummins, situated near Galena. On the same day and at the same place E. F. Perkins, Esq., as trustee, will offer the Morton farm, near Morris' station on the Kent Co. Railroad.

THE second quarterly meeting for Galena circuit will be held at Galena on Sunday next, 28th inst. Love-feast in the afternoon, and preaching by the Presiding Elder at night.

THE attention of the Justices of the Peace for this county is directed to chapter 311 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at January session, 1874, published in another column.

THOMAS RASIN, who was arrested in Wilmington some time since on the charge of stealing a horse and carriage from Mr. S. G. Swart and W. Scott Roberts, of Crumpton, and lodged in New Castle jail, was brought to town on Friday night by Sheriff Bailey under a requisition from Governor Groome and lodged in jail here to answer to the next grand jury on the charge.—*Centreville Observer.*

WALKING WOMEN.—The best instance of plucky women to be noted is the walking tour of the Misses Ward, and a party of five American ladies, who are now journeying on foot through Germany. The ladies are accompanied by a lad of thirteen, and they are traveling with sketch books and light haversacks, picking up information and making an art tour of the German towns. Walking is not usually a characteristic of American women, but these ladies seem determined to set an example, though it would have been better to boast after the performance rather than beforehand.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—On Friday night of last week, about 9½ o'clock, a fire on the premises of Capt. Edw. B. Woodall, two miles above Chesterville on the road to Galena, destroyed his barn, stables, granary, carriage house, shedding, and other outbuildings, and it was with the greatest difficulty that his large new dwelling was saved. Nearly his entire hay crop, about twenty-five tons, was consumed, together with about one hundred bushels of corn and thirty bushels of wheat. Fortunately none of his horses or other stock were in the stable or pound, and most of his farming implements were in the field. The smoke-house and henery were the only outbuildings left, and these and the dwelling were only saved by the very free application of water.—The buildings were arranged in almost a continuous line, and hence the great destruction, the wind blowing direct from the barn to the house. The greater part of the property burned was comparatively new, and consequently the loss is heavy, estimated at about $4,000, on which there was an insurance of only $400. Captain Woodall was absent at the time, but got home shortly after the fire broke out.—The origin of the fire is unknown, but is is supposed to have been accidental and to have originated from sparks from a pipe smoked by one of the farm hands.

OUR RAILROAD TROUBLES.—It was supposed on Monday that our railroad troubles had been adjusted, and bills were printed and distributed announcing that trains would run on and after Tuesday on former schedule time. But when Tuesday came it seemed that some of the employees were still dissatisfied, and the train was not run. On Thursday morning, however, matters were adjusted by Mr. Serat, the President of the Company, advancing money to pay the men the balance due for May, and assuring them that they should be promptly paid hereafter, while in the employ of the present directory. The trains commenced running on Thursday afternoon, and will hereafter continue to run regularly, leaving Chestertown for Massey's at 12:45 P. M. as formerly, until further notice.

LAND SALES.—R. Hynson, Esq., trustee, sold at the Voshell House on Tuesday the "Freeman farm," near the Trappe, containing 300 acres, to John Brice, for $53 per acre.

The same gentleman, as trustee, sold at Galena on Wednesday the H. H. Rasin farm, near that place, containing about 280 acres, to R. W. L. Rasin, of Baltimore, for $70 per acre.

Cornelius J. Scott, Esq., trustee, sold at Galena, on the 18th inst., the farm of Joshua Vansant to Miss Lizzie Vansant for $4,650; the house and lot in Galena of C. C. Fortiner to Capt. A. Woodall for $967, and town lots in Galena for $722 to Jeremiah Peacock and others.

A. B. Wheatley, Esq., late sheriff, sold at sheriff's sale, at the court house door, on Tuesday, the farm of W. H. Harrison, near Crumpton, containing 138 acres, to Thomas Massey, of Middletown, Del., for $4,000.

CHESTERVILLE CAMP-MEETING.—The notice of business transacted at the meeting of the committee of arrangements for this camp, on Saturday last, was received too late for this issue. It will appear in our next, which will be in ample time, as the next meeting is not to be held until Saturday, July 11th. The camp will commence on Friday, the 14th of August.

HARVEST.—Many of our farmers have been cutting wheat the present week, and it is supposed that all of them will be at it by Monday or Tuesday next. The weather has been favorable for maturing the grain, and so far for harvesting.—Binders are in demand at good prices.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, June 23.—John Perkins, exec'r of the last will and testament of Lambert G. Ford, returned an inventory of the personal estate and a list of debts due dec'd, which was filed and ordered to be recorded. An authenticated copy of the last will and testament of Margaret R. Polk, late of New Castle county, Del., having been filed, was ordered to be recorded. Henry H. Gresham, exec'r of the last will and testament of Ann Gresham, returned an inventory of the personal estate of dec'd, which was filed and ordered to be recorded. Letters of administaation on the personal estate of Wm. K. Copper, late of Kent county, dec'd, were granted unto Geo. W. Watts, the parties entitled having first renounced, who executed a bond with Isaac Parsons and Lewin Usilton as sureties, in the penalty of four thousand dollars, which was approved and ordered to be recorded. Alex. H. Harper and Robert L. Usilton were appointed to appraise said estate and the usual notice to creditors ordered. Mary Ann Spry, the guardian appointed by the last will and testament of Wm. T. Spry, for his minor children, gave bond with Jas. B. Merritt and Sam'l A. Merritt as sureties in the penalty of five thousand dollars. Ordered that E. E. Miller and E. B. Woodall be and they are hereby appointed to appraise the annual rental value of the real estate of the minor children of Wm. T. Spry. Letters testamentary on the personal estate of Wm. T. Spry were granted unto Geo. Vickers, the executor, who executed his bond with sureties in the penalty of ten thousand dollars. E. E. Miller and R. J. Lusby were appointed to appraise said estate and the usual notice to creditors ordered.—Mary A. Brice, surviving adm'x of Wm. A. Brice, returned her first administration account. R. C. Johnson, adm'r of Ann E. Stanley, dec'd, returned his second and final administration account, which was passed and ordered to be recorded. R. C. Johnson, adm'r of Wm. C. Pennington, dec'd, returned his first administration account, which was passed and ordered to be recorded. James A. Moffett, guardian to Ann E. and Mary E. Moffett, returned his separate guardian accounts for 1872-3. Ordered that Jas. M. Hyrons, guardian to Agnes S. and Margaret Hyrons be cited to settle with his wards.

KENT COUNTY RAILROAD.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF ITS PRESENT EMBARRASSMENTS AND TROUBLES.

Messrs. Editors:—Give me a little space in this week's issue of your valuable paper to discuss the troubles of our railroad.

The stockholders subscribed liberally to this enterprise, and the people of the county submitted to heavy taxation to aid in building the road. The road has cost in subscription and taxation $300,000,—(total cost about $900,000,)—and the people have a right to complain and feel incensed that it should stop running in the midst of the most important season. Fruits are now ripening, and growers who prefer the Philadelphia and New York markets have now no railroad facilities. In view of the fact that so many reports are circulating as to the cause of the stoppage of the trains, I have thought proper to address you this letter, that the people may know where to put the blame.

The board of directors who were elected at the May meeting, 1873, at their organization gave all the officers of the company to non-residents, under the following circumstances: Mr. Jackson and Mr. Painter, of Philadelphia, were regarded as the virtual owners of the road, a former board having assigned all the bonds and other properties of the company to them as the contractors. Mr. Painter was elected president, Mr. Jackson vice president, Mr. Rahm treasurer and accountant, and Mr. Taylor superintendent. The vice president stated that the object of making these gentlemen the officers of the company was that they were practical railroad men, and Mr. Rahm a good accountant—that they were to serve without compensation from the company—that they would receive their pay from the president and vice-president in their individual capacity—that this arrangement was necessary to make the road a success. This proposition struck the minds or *credulity* of the board very favorably, and the appointees of the president and vice do. were at once confirmed. At the instance of the vice-president an executive committee of three was appointed to do the business of the board, and thus dispense with further meetings of the directory. The committee was appointed, being all non-residents. The board then adjourned, and did not hold another meeting until the stockholders' meeting in May last.

The public are aware how the road was conducted by Messrs. Painter and Jackson; the operation of the road by them is no part of my letter. I am after the present trouble—why the road has stopped.

As the last stockholders meeting approached, 11th ult., Mr. Jay Gould sent his agent here to inform the stockholders that Messrs. Jackson and Painter had parted with their interest in the road, that he was the owner of a majority of the stock which those gentlemen had recently held, and asked that a board of directors be elected not in their interest. The stockholders selected seven intelligent and reliable gentlemen of our county, and elected to represent Mr. Gould, Mr. Serat, the president of the New Jersey Southern Railroad, and afterwards made him the president of the board.

The officers of the old board retired and carried off the books, seal, vouchers, and all important papers referring to their management After considerable difficulty and delay the stock transfer books and the seal were returned, but the expense book and vouchers are yet detained. A small ledger was left, showing some accounts made up by amounts and entries not taken from a day-book or journal, but put direct in the ledger. This book discloses that the treasurer received $1,400 salary, the superintendent $1,200, and *incidentals* charged amounting to several hundred dollars. The account with the president shows that since July, 1873, the treasurer had paid to him from sales of *iron* and *mail service* $3,998 33. The salaries were paid to the treasurer and superintendent in direct violation of the agreement and understanding of the board with Messrs. Jackson and Painter. The money paid to Mr. Painter may or may not have been right. There is nothing to show that the company was ever indebted to him, or authorized him to expend any money; the receipts for these payments cannot be found. If he was a bona fide creditor he had no right to prefer himself, and was in duty and in law bound to stand on the same footing with other creditors. The people can see at a glance the cause of the present distress of the company. Some $7,000 have been diverted from their proper application, and the train men and section hands have not been paid since December.

The present board discharged all the old officers and created but one with a salary, and that only a nominal one.—The expenses were greatly reduced, and the president was satisfied that the road was self-sustaining. The wages of May were payable on the 15th inst., and the payment then made by the treasurer, added to those already made by ths president, paid the train and section men, with but one or two exceptions, half of their May pay roll, and the men were assured that by the first of July money would be in hand to pay the balance of May and in full for June; but they refused to work longer without a guarantee for the payment of back wages and future wages as they come due. The object of the present direction being only to run the road until it is sold, and give to shippers of berries and fruits another market, could not of course give the men such a guarantee as they demanded—but the treasurer was authorized to pay them the earnings of the road. The president was telegraphed, who came at once and entered into an arrangement with an engineer to run the engine on Tuesday last and regularly from that time, but for some cause he refused to take the train up. Other men were employed by the president the same day at Townsend and came down to run the trains commencing on Wednesday, but found that the engine had been crippled or tampered with in some way, so that it could not be used. It is a great outrage that the men were not paid; some of them have been rendered destitute, but the present management of the road are in no manner responsible for their trouble.—They struck because they lacked confidence in the company, but they struck on the eve of getting two months pay, and by striking they have made the innocent public sufferers with themselves. H.

THE District of Columbia, says the Philadelphia Ledger, has paid dearly for its "territorial" dignity. Twenty millions of debt, dishonored credit, a mountain of unpaid bills, a prospect of endless litigation, a vast expanse of newly and poorly paved streets that will soon entail an immense annual expense to keep them in repair, millions squandered and thousands plundered, the certain prospect of long continued heavy taxation—these are the cost of the "territorial" whistle and the luxury of having a "Delegate" in Congress. But happily the District is to get rid of its territorial government. Its days were few, but very full of trouble.

AMONG the graduates at the Wertern Maryland College, last week, was Miss E. Emma Jones, of this county.

A BAR of gold, worth $70,000, is a curiosity of the day in San Francisco. It would be a curiosity anywhere.

The Use of Our School Houses.

KENNEDYVILLE, June 22, 1874.

Messrs. Editors Kent News:—I find in the last issue of your paper a notice from the Secretary of the School Board to the trustees of the public schools of Kent county in regard to the law relating to school houses. Whether or not such a notice was required at this time I will leave your readers to judge. The school houses in Kent county have been used for preaching the Gospel, for holding Sabbath Schools, and for many other purposes ever since I can remember; and has it become necessary at the present time to enforce a bad law which prohibits school houses to be used for any other than school purposes? Since the passage of the special law relating to school houses up to the present time they have been used for many other purposes than school purposes, as they were prior to the passage of the law. Why now at this time try to enforce a law that is unjust, and that will deprive so many people of hearing the Gospel preached? It will break up many of our Sabbath Schools, which is the most important means of education that we have; by that means our children are instructed in moral and religious principles I, with many others, am aware that such a law existed, but any proper thinking man with unprejudiced mind will and must admit it to be an unjust law. Is it right that we should throw any impediment in the way to impede the progress of the Gospel, or that will break up the Sabbath Schools now held in the School Houses, or deprive us of many other little pleasures that we now enjoy? We think not.

The School Board appoints three trustees for each school every year to serve one year from date of appointment. What the duties of those trustees are I am not prepared at present to say, but common sense seems to teach me that the duty of the trustees is to take charge of the schools and see that they are properly managed, and see that the school property is properly cared for and taken care of; or, in other words, to do with the schools and school property the best that prudence and their best judgment may suggest while in their charge. If this is not the duty of the trustees then why have any? If it is their duty, why not entrust them with the management of the schools? When the Board of School Commissioners make the appointments we must believe that they make choice of men whom they think capable of filling the position, and that will discharge their duties as trustees. If what I have stated to be their duties are not their duties then they are of no use whatever and have no duties to perform I hope some one thro' the columns of your paper, will define the duties of the trustees of the public schools of the State of Maryland, so that the trustees may be able to perform their duties so as to satisfy both the law and the people So far as the abuses of the school property of Kent county is concerned for uses other than school purposes, I can speak only for ours; it has been used for many purposes other than school purposes ever since it has been built, and to my knowledge it has sustained no perceptible damage by being used for such purposes. The parties using it furnish their own fuel, have it cleaned, and the public enjoy the benefits derived from its uses. It is the public who build the school houses and keep them in repair, and we hope that they may still be used in the future as in the past. Instead of closing the doors against the public, let them be used for the promotion of good and for the welfare and enjoyment of all. It is used by the Presbyterians at present for worship, and they have a good Sabbath School organized there also. The Episcopalians use it sometimes also for preaching the Gospel and religious worship. Now I ask is it right to close the doors of our school houses against such people as these, we who profess to live in a christian land, who favor and advocate the extension of christianity and the building up of Christ's Kingdom? If so, the responsibility must rest solely upon those who are instrumental in having such an unjust law enforced; and it is to be hoped that those having the power or authority to avert it will take the matter into consideration at once, and restore to us the rights and privileges that we heretofore enjoyed. Having understood that the Honorable Board of School Commissioners are vested with the power to accord to us the privileges we ask for and that we have heretofore enjoyed, we hope that they will give the matter their earnest attention. Believing them to be men of proper judgment and possessing christian spirits, we feel no fears of restoration to our lost privileges and enjoyments.

A TRUSTEE AND PATRON OF THE SCHOOL.

The Trance Sensation Redivivus.

Miss Fannie Larrimour, the young lady who created such a sensation last winter by her frequent visits to heaven, passed into her last trance on Friday night, as she had previously predicted, and remained until 10 o'clock on Saturday. Quite a company assembled to see her make her last visit, many persons coming from a distance. Many questions were asked her which she answered, among them some very ridiculous ones, as, for example, she was asked whether any of the spirits of departed slaveholders were saved. To this she replied that if that question was ever answered it would be by God himself and not by her. Miss Larrimour is not to go into any more trances. The incomplete history of her life is to be written in the future by her whilst in an unconscious state. This history she has been writing for some time past whilst in her trances, and when she passed out of the trances she would read to the family what she had written, but this she could do only once, and if she undertook to read over any portion of it a second time she would fall asleep before she had read the second word. She has been assured that this history is to be second only to the Bible.

Last winter the belief sprang up among some of her visitors that her flesh would not burn while she was in her rigid condition, and in order to disprove this a gentleman placed a live coal of fire in her hand, which burned her severely. The wound made by the burn is said to have been a very terrible one, and some alarm was felt for her by her friends. In one of her trances, however, she assured them that on the next day she would pass into a spasm, and that her hand would be suddenly healed, and stated further that she was to have only twenty-seven pains arising from it As each pain struck her she would name a certain chapter in the Bible, and we are assured that to this day if any of those chapters are read in her hearing she will pass off into a deep sleep before two lines have been read, and remain so until the book is laid aside, when she suddenly awakes. On the morning of the day her hand was healed the kind lady with whom she resides dressed the wound, and she states that it was as deep as a grain of corn is long. In the evening at exactly the hour she named she was taken with a spasm which remained upon her for exactly five minutes, and upon her recovery she asked to have the bandage removed from her hand, and when it was done her hand was found to be entirely healed, and a new skin formed over the wounded place, and she has not had a single pain in that hand since. On another occasion her face and tongue swelled to enormous proportions, so large in fact that her tongue came out of her mouth, and she was unable to utter an intelligible word, and suffered great pain. That evening she went into a trance, and a gentleman of unquestionable veracity informs us that five minutes after passing into the trance her tongue was reduced to its usual size and she spoke plainly and without effort, and has not had any further trouble since. On the first of June, whilst in a trance, she informed her friends that on the 18th of that month she would have a hard contest with the devil, and predicted the exact hour.—Promptly at that hour on Thursday last she passed into an unconscious state, and in a minute or two was in a terrible rage and apparently crazy, and actually attempted to commit suicide. She was seized, however, and tied into a chair, the work requiring the strength of four men. After awhile she informed those near her that she had triumphed over the devil and had conquered him, and in a minute or two returned to consciousness.

In 1879 Miss Larrimour is to take the pulpit and preach. Some time ago in one of her trances she wrote upon paper her first text, and also where it could be found. It is as follows: "In my father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." [JOHN XIV. 2] She will doubtless draw large audiences.

Thus closes the sensation connected with the trances. The next episode will be the appearance in print of the written life of the young lady, which will doubtless first appear in the *Observer*, as we are informed she desires the use of these columns for its publication, and of course we shall cheerfully grant her request.—*Centreville Observer, Tuesday.*

THE BABY SHOW.—*A Delaware Pair of Twins Win the Prize.*—At the Dorchester County Fair Grounds, near Federalsburg, on Saturday week, a baby show and strawberry festival was held, which was open to the counties of Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester and Sussex. The latter was very largely represented and the prize ($10, or a baby carriage) for the handsomest baby was won by a pair of twins, six months old, of J M. Collison, of Greenwood, among a half dozen competitors. Mr. Wm. T. Vickers, E. New Market carried off the first prize on strawberries; J. H. Nichols, Federalsburg, the second, and J. M. Noble, New Hope, the third.

Baltimore Price Current

[From Warden & Merritt's Circular of Wednesday last.]

WHEAT—White, choice - - -	$1.60a1.60
" " fair to prime - -	1.50a1.55
" Amber, choice - -	1.60a1.61
" Red, good to prime -	1.45a1 55
" " com. to fair - -	1.30a1.40
CORN—Southern White - - -	89a89
" " Yellow - - -	80a81
OATS—Southern - - - - -	65a70
RYE—Fair to prime - - - -	95a95
BACON—Shoulders - - - - -	7¾a7¾
" C. R. Sides - - - -	10¼a10¼
" Hams - - - - - -	14a16
LARD—Western - - - - - -	11¾a11¾
EGGS—Fresh - - - - - - -	17a18
BUTTER—Maryland and Penn. Roll	20a22

Gold is quoted at 111½a111¾.

MARRIED:

At the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Chestertown, on Tuesday morning last, by Rev. Dr. A. J. Rich, J. H. GORDON, of Washington, D. C., to Miss MARY C. SPENCER, of Chestertown.

On the 17th instant, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. W. B. Everett, JULIAN M. SPENCER, Esq., of Omaha, Nebraska, and Miss ELIZABETH H., second daughter of Judge R. B. Carmichael, of Queen Anne's co.

On the 18th instant, at St. Paul's Church, Centreville, by Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, WM. H BABCOCK, of Washington, D. C., to Miss ANN JONES EARLE, daughter of Hon. Jas. T. Earle, of Queen Anne's county.

OBITUARY.—Departed this life, June 12th, 1874, HORATIO BECK, aged 64 years. He hath gone the way that sooner or later all must go. Deceased was born in Broad Neck, Kent county, Maryland, and lived during the whole of his life at or within sight of his birthplace. He inherited a fine estate from his parents, to which he carried his bride, a Miss Miller, of the same county, a most estimable lady, who proved a good wife and kind mother. They had seven sons and an only daughter, the latter the youngest of the family, all of whom survive their father, except one son dying in infancy.

Mr. Beck continued to improve this fine property, until it became one of the most luxurious estates to be found in the county; indeed we might say it was a princely home, whose possessor was a devoted husband, an indulgent father, a kind brother, a humane master, and princely entertainer. Amid the beautiful surroundings of his home, numbers of friends and relatives were entertained with a lavish and unsparing hand.

Mr. Beck became one of the most prominent, highly respected and useful citizens of the county, which he represented in the State Legislature for several terms.

His purse and benevolent heart were always ready to respond to the calls of the needy or distressed either in private life or in the church.

He was one of the main pillars of St. Paul's Episcopal Church—that venerable pile and romantic spot—where his remains were interred beside those of his parents and numerous relatives, who have passed the same bourne "whence no traveler returns"—across the river, over which each one of us must pass and from which there is no door of escape, when the death-angel comes in. At midnight or noonday, from infancy to old age, there is scarcely ever any warning upon which we can depend; in the bloom of health sometimes, and at other times after a lingering illness, the fell destroyer appears; therefore it becomes us to have our lamps always trimmed and burning, ready for the journey across the dark river.

The spirit that animated the clay has winged its way to the Father's house; we have looked upon the lifeless form, only to be reminded that "in the midst of life we are in death." The vacant chair at the table and at the fireside say, he is no more among the living But "such is life," and forcibly impresses upon us the fact, that the unseen power that preserves the frail cord of life, receives not a due acknowledgment from his dependent creatures.

The flowers of our Summer shall bloom as sweetly as when our lamented friend quaffed the fragrance of their loveliness; the sun shall shine as brightly as when he walked 'neath its rays and the now gloomy hearts were gay in the joy of his presence.

Cease, fond hearts, grief is all in vain, the loss of the dearly loved one can only be regretted, we cannot bring him back. May each sorrowing day find us better prepared for every change that awaits us in this changeful life. "The sweet remembrance of the just shall flourish when he sleeps in dust."

Wilmington, Del. G. C.

ORPHANS' COURT NOTICE.

All parties interested are notified that there will be no session of the Court until TUESDAY, JULY 7. WM. STEVENS,
June 27, 1874—1t. Register.

FOR SALE. A FAMILY CARRIAGE, nearly new, with Harness. Also, a NO-TOP BUGGY, in good order; and one nice DRIVING HORSE. Apply to CHAS. H. HURLOCK,
June 27—3t* Flat Lands.

LUMBER FOR CAMP-MEETINGS, For Sale or hire by T. W. ELIASON, JR.
☞ A large stock to be received in July.
June 27, 1874.

1874. TAXES! TAXES! 1874.

THE ASSESSMENT and TAX BOOKS and the LEVY LISTS are now ready for the Tax Collectors of Kent County. JOHN RUSSELL, Clerk
June 27—2t. Kent Co. Commissioners.

LOST, A GOLD CHAIN-BRACELET, on Monday, the 8th of June, somewhere in Chestertown. The finder will be liberally rewarded if left at the Kent News office.
June 20, 1874—3t.

Washington College.

THE ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES of this Institution will be held in the COURT HOUSE in CHESTERTOWN,

On WEDNESDAY, JULY 8th,

at 10½ o'clock, A. M., as follows:

Prayer by Rev. R. SCOTT NORRIS.

MUSIC.

ADDRESSES BY THE GRADUATES.

1. WM. C. EMORY—Subject: "The Dignity of Human Nature."
2. ALBERT C. WHALAND—Subject: "The Elizabethan Period of English Literature."
3. JOHN W. GREENWOOD—Subject: "Greek Tragedy."

MUSIC.

Certificates of Distinction Conferred on Under Graduates.

MUSIC.

PRESENTATION OF A PRIZE offered by a member of the Board of Visitors to the Student who has made most progress in classical studies.

DIPLOMAS conferred on the Bachelors of Art.

MUSIC.

ADDRESS by the PRINCIPAL.

MUSIC.

Exercises closed with the Benediction by the Rev. F. M. CHATHAM.

☞ The Alumni of the College are invited to join the procession from the College buildings at ten o'clock, A. M.

The public are invited to attend.

EXHIBITION

—OF—

The Mount Vernon Literary Society

AT THE COLLEGE HALL,

On TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 7th,

At 8½ o'clock, P. M.

ORDER OF EXERCISES:

PRAYER. MUSIC.

Declamation:

1. Mr. JOHN H. HESSEY, of Cecil: "Reputation."
2. " H. P. FORD, of Somerset: "Bingen on the Rhine."
3. " SAMUEL J. SMITH, of Caroline: "Pitts' Reply to Walpole."

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4. Mr. W. T. DICKERSON, of Worcester: "Power of Eloquence."
5. " T. L. PERRY, Wicomico: "Spartacus."

MUSIC.

Address by PROF. RIVERS.

Subject—The connection of Epic poems with the history of the times in which they were written; illustrated from Homer, Virgil, Tasso and Milton.

MUSIC.

VALEDICTORY by Mr. J. W. GREENWOOD, of the Graduating class.

MUSIC.

The public are respectfully invited to attend.

June 27, 1874—2t.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

A TEACHERS' INSTITUTE, at which Prof. M. A. NEWELL, of the State Normal School will preside, will be held

IN CHESTERTOWN,

On Monday, June 29th,

At 9 o'clock, A. M.

In addition to this, special notices have been sent to the teachers by mail, who are expected to be present unless prevented by sickness.

EBEN F. PERKINS,
1t. Sec'y School Board.

CAUTION TO TRESPASSERS.

ALL persons are forewarned from crossing the premises in the tenancy of Samuel Taylor, at Harmony, or permitting their stock and poultry to trespass on the same. The annoyance from trespassers has become unbearable and will be broken up by legal means if necessary. SAMUEL TAYLOR, GEO. W. T. PERKINS.
June 27, 1874—3t.

Morgan's Creek Bridge Notice.

THE County Commissioners for Kent county, will receive proposals till the Fourteenth day of July next, for furnishing materials and

Rebuilding the Bridge

OVER MORGAN'S CREEK,

And building a new PIVOT DRAW and Pier on the same plan of Chester River Bridge. JOHN RUSSELL, Clerk
je27-3t. Kent Co. Commissioners.

Notice to Teachers.

APPLICANTS for Teacher's Certificates, and Teachers whose certificates have expired by limitation, are hereby notified that a regular examination will be held at the School House, in Chestertown, on MONDAY, July 6, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Applicants will come provided with pen, paper and pencil.

By order of the Board of School Commissioners, E. F. PERKINS,
June 6—tdm. Secretary and Examiner.

New Barber Shop.

THE undersigned has opened a Barber Shop in the Shed Room attached to the Masonic Hall building in Chestertown. It is neatly fitted up, with New Chairs, and everything neat and clean. Gentlemen fond of a good shave can get it here.

HAIR CUTTING done in the latest style and neatest manner.
June 6—1m. R. M. WOOLFORD.

STRAYED, from the premises of the subscriber, on Chester river, near Travilla's landing, on the 10th of May last, a White SOW, with bob tail, two tits larger than the others, and skin of the snout cut and projecting to prevent her from rooting. Any information leading to the recovery of the said Sow will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded. JACOB BARKMAN.
June 20, 1874—3t.

At the Solicitation of Many Friends

We have determined to

SELL FRUIT

THE COMING SEASON

Having secured the services of Mr. B. TREW, whose entire attention will be given to this branch. We hope by strict attention to receive a share of public patronage.
je6-3m WARDEN & MERRITT.

GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO **CASH BUYERS**

In DRY GOODS, Shoes, Notions, &c.
June 13. By J. H. SIMPERS.

MORE NEW GOODS And MORE COMING! At JOS. H. THOMPSON'S new Boot and Shoe Store, at the old stand of W. A. Vickers, dec'd. Call and see for yourself. This is the third arrival since opening, of New Goods from the cities of Philadelphia and Baltimore. je20.

MILL NOTICE.—For the public to understand that I am now running my Mill MYSELF. My former patrons will find me truly and thoroughly competent to satisfy all demands. Those trying before will hereafter have no cause to complain.
P. H. MOORE, Parsons' Mill,
June 13—3t. near Smithville.

$3,000 1,750 1,100 1,000 } TO LOAN on good FARMS in Kent County. THOMAS HILL, Fayette & St. Paul Streets, Baltimore.
June 13—3t.

DOG LAW, DOG LAW.

THE undersigned, Constables in and for the several election districts of Kent county, hereby notify the people of the county, that on and after MONDAY, July 6th, they will proceed to enumerate and assess all Dogs and Bitches in their respective districts in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 506, Act of 1874, and they will at the same time proceed to collect the tax prescribed by said law for each dog or bitch.

The Constables will call at the office of D. A. BENJAMIN, and get their tags.

D. A. BENJAMIN,
S. L. RAWLEIGH,
A. S. HURLOCK,
JOHN H. THOMAS,
C. W. WARREN,
H. E. COOPER,
JOSHUA MEEKINS,
JOHN M. HERSCH.

By order of the County Commissioners,
JOHN RUSSELL, Clerk.
June 27, 1874—1t.

PUBLIC LOCAL LAW.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY.

CHAPTER 311.

An Act to add an additional section to Chapter four hundred and thirty-four of the Acts of eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled "An Act to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in and for Dorchester, Kent, Caroline, Calvert, Carroll, Queen Anne's, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Harford, Charles and Worcester counties, to cases of assault and battery."

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That an additional section, be and the same is hereby added to chapter four hundred and thirty-four of the Acts of eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled an Act to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in and for Dorchester, Kent, Caroline Calvert, Caroll, Queen Anne's, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Harford, Charles and Worcester counties, to cases of assault and battery, to be numbered section three, and to read as follows:

SECT. 3 The several Justices of the Peace for the said counties, are hereby authorised and required to pay to the County Commissioners of said counties, every three months, all the money or monies they may have in hand at such times, arising from fines or penalties imposed under this Act, and all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECT. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We hereby certify that the aforesaid is a correct copy of an Act of Assembly passed January Session, 1874.

Approved 11th of April, 1874.

A. GASSAWAY, Secretary of the Senate.
M. Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
June 27, 1874—3t.

Fifth Annual Commencement

—OF—

GALENA SEMINARY.

AN ENTERTAINMENT of interesting exercises may be expected at the Hall in Galena, on **Tuesday, June 30th,** at 8, P. M.

The public respectfully invited, especially those interested in education. Front seats will be reserved for patrons of the Institution. No charge for admission.

Rev. D. S. HALL, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, will deliver the Annual Sermon, and charge to the Graduates.

Medals delivered by one of the School Visiting Committee.

Galena, Md., June 20, 1874—3t.

To the Trustees OF THE **PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

WHEREAS, the Laws of the State prohibit the Public School Houses from being used for any other than public school purposes, except by permission of the County School Board, be it therefore

Resolved. That the Trustees of Public Schools be notified through the press, that the Public School Houses of the county must not be used for any other than Public School purposes after August 1st, 1874, unless by special permission of the Board of County School Commissioners. By order of the Board.

E. F. PERKINS, Secretary of School Board.
June 20, 1874—3t.

Trustee's Sale

OF VALUABLE

TOWN LOTS.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Chancery, the undersigned, as trustee, will offer at public sale on

Tuesday, the 14th day of July, 1874

AT THREE O'CLOCK P. M.,

At the Court House Door in Chestertown,

TWO VALUABLE LOTS

of which the late Mrs. Harriett Tilghman died seized.

No. 1

is the lot on the north side of the public road from Chestertown to Whaland's mill, containing TWO ACRES OF LAND, more or less, adjoining the lots of Hon. George Vickers and others.

This lot is well situated and convenient, either as a grass lot or for cultivation, being but a short distance from the upper end of town, and might be desirable for building purposes. There is now growing upon said lot a crop of Corn, and the purchaser will be entitled to one-half interest in the same.

No. 2

is situated on the west side of High street in Chestertown, at the upper end of said town, contains THREEE ACRES, ONE ROOD AND SEVENTEEN PERCHES OF LAND, more or less, and will be divided into several BUILDING LOTS, to suit purchasers, and will be offered first in parcels and afterwards as a whole. The situation, being at the entrance to town, and near the present terminus of the Kent Co. Railroad, should be most desirable as a business stand or residence. There will be plots of the said lots exhibited at the sale. For a grass lot, this has few equals.

Possession given on the day of sale or upon purchasers complying with the terms of sale.

THE TERMS OF SALE

as prescribed by the decree are as follows:—The purchase money to be paid in three equal instalments of three, six and nine months from the day of sale, with interest from that day, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee.

RICHARD HYNSON, TRUSTEE.
Chestertown, June 20, 1874—ts.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county Letters of administration on the personal estate of

WILLIAM K. COPPER,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 19th day of January, 1875, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit in said estate.

Given under my hand and seal this 23d day of June, 1874. GEORGE W. WATTS,
June 27, 1874—4t. Adm'r.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.