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The Kent News.

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THE NEWS.

The National Republican Committee, which met in Washington on Thursday of last week, decided to hold the next union republican convention for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States in Cincinnati, on Wednesday, June 14. The convention will consist of delegates from each State equal to twice the number of its Senators and Representatives.

Two negro children were accidentally burnt to death at Stumptown, in Talbot county, on Friday of last week, by the burning of the house belonging to Mr. John Leonard, rented by Bill Kinnamon, colored. Kinnamon and his wife left the children in the house while they went off on business. The house took fire in their absence and the roof fell in before the children could be rescued.

The report of the Freedman's Bank commissioners shows slow progress toward winding up the affairs of this gigantic swindle. Additional liabilities have been discovered, and it is probable that depositors will realize little from the wrecked concern.

Four negroes, all confessed cotton-gin and house burners, were forcibly taken from the Coahama county, Miss., jail at Friar's Point, before dawn last Saturday, and shot dead by a masked mob.

The widow of the late ex-President Andrew Johnson died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Patterson, near Greenville, Tenn., last Saturday night.

Eliza Benson has obtained $4,250 damages against the Philadelphia and Reading railroad for having been carried beyond the station she was to get off at, causing exposure and sickness.

On Monday Hon. Levin Woolford filed his bond and duly qualified before the Governor as Comptroller.

Hon. James B. Beck was on Tuesday elected United States Senator from Kentucky to succeed Hon. John W. Stevenson, whose term expires March 3, 1877. Mr. Beck was graduated as a lawyer at Transylvania University, Ky., in 1846, and making his home at Lexington, Ky., represented what is known as the Ashland district in the Fortieth, Forty-first, Forty-second and Forty-third Congresses, and declined a re-election to the Forty-fourth Congress. Mr. Beck is an uncompromising democrat, and during his service in Congress was recognized as a skillful and powerful debater, and a man of excellent judgment in political matters.

The National Democratic Executive Committee will meet at Washington on Washington's birthday to select the time and place for the meeting of the Democratic Convention to nominate candidates for President and Vice President.

Wednesday, the anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee, was appropriately observed throughout the South. At Richmond there was a public meeting, and an oration was delivered on his civic and military life.

Ex-Governor Groome and Gov. Carroll both recommend Maryland patronage to the Centennial.

The argument of the two cases of the State vs. the Northern Central Railway Company, was commenced in the Court of Appeals on Wednesday last. The cases are appeals from two judgments of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, in favor of the railway company on the 21st of January, 1875, in suits brought by the State to recover the taxes and penalty for non-payment of them, alleged to be due the State upon its gross receipts in the State under the acts of 1872, chapter 234, and 1874, chapter 408, imposing a tax of one-half per cent. on the gross receipts of railroad companies in the State.

AMNESTY.—Gen. N. P. Banks, of Massachusetts, made a speech in the House of Representatives during the amnesty debate, uttering sentiments worthy a patriot. He said he did not hold Mr. Davis responsible for the atrocities at Andersonville and other Southern prisons. He declared that the history of the war was not yet written, and that the history of Jefferson Davis' participation in it is not yet written; there is nothing yet so established that it cannot be gainsayed. For the guilty, whoever they may be, he prayed forgiveness; for the suffering, whoever they may have been, he invoked the blessings of God; for the crimes themselves let the earth hide them! Mr. Banks concluded:

"Mr. Speaker, when the people of other States shall come here during the present year to witness the achievements of our republican government after the expiration of a century, remembering as they do even better than ourselves the events of our great war, our highest triumph will be to let them hear the shouts of the whole people in joyous congratulation upon this grand act of peace, and of oblivion to all classes and persons for all crimes connected with the late war."

How different the sentiment here expressed from that of Blaine. Banks utters the thoughts and wishes of all *patriots*—Blaine speaks the heart of a *tricky politician*, willing to stab his country for the sake of office.

A BEAR KILLED BY A BOY.—On Sunday week a deaf and dumb boy named Moore, residing near Altona, Pa., killed a bear while roaming in the woods near his father's house. The boy observed a movement at the mouth of a cave. Approaching, an object resembling a bear became visible. He cautiously proceeded in the direction of the cave with an axe which he had in his possession, and selected a position where he could deal the animal a blow as he emerged from the opening.—When the coveted opportunity presented itself the boy raised the weapon and plunged it into the head of the bear, repeating the operation several times. He soon had the satisfaction of seeing the animal falling prostrate at his feet. The bear weighed 220 pounds.

A CALIFORNIA INVENTOR has patented a contrivance for driving sewing machines which does away with the treadle. A number of springs are moved by clock-work and governed by a lever so nicely that the needle may be made to move at any desired rate of speed. The machine will run for about an hour and a quarter with one winding up.

Maryland Legislature.

In the Senate on Tuesday it was announced that the contest for the Calvert county senatorship would be considered by the elections committee on the 26th instant. Leave was granted to add to laws regulating assessments, provision for assessment of property heretofore or hereafter omitted to be assessed, and for the collection of taxes payable thereon. On consideration of resolutions providing for a joint committee to inquire into alleged abuses of trust by sundry State officials, a substitute was offered by Senator Walsh, calling for a rigid and more detailed inquiry into the allegations. Considerable debate was elicited, much of it being of a personal nature between Senators Dennis and Bannon, both democrats.

Mr. Bannon said he would admit it was not the republican party only who had made these charges, but a number who hung upon the outside ring of the democratic party to climb into office at a convenient moment—men who stab their party for the sake of office. There are those in the House, hungry for office, and who, when standing on the fence, join in the charge. Who are the 10,000 indignant citizens who, we are told by the gentleman from Somerset, make this cry? They are the officials of the custom house of Baltimore, the employees of the radical administration. It is a shame for a man who claims to be a democrat to rise here and make these charges, and then cry out that we want to stifle investigation. A man who makes an onset on his own party to build himself up is not fit to hold a seat here.

Mr. Dennis said he was thankful to the Senator from Anne Arundel for small favors, thankful for permitting him on the outer ring, for if the inner ring be what he (Mr. Dennis) had heard said, he did not want to be there.

On Wednesday Senator Walsh's substitute for Senator Dennis' resolution was adopted without debate and ordered to a final reading. Leave was granted to introduce a bill to provide for the appointment of a general measurer of oysters.

From the first of the session there have been constant efforts on the part of the opposition to have special committees appointed to make the investigations which they have called for. This has been resisted by the majority, and so far they have always succeeded in having investigations referred to the proper standing committees.

In the House of Delegates the comptroller made a detailed report of the expenditure of a special appropriation of $95,443 72, as required by the House. An order was laid on the table reciting that rotation in office is essential to liberty, and that no person should hold at the same time more than one office of profit or trust. The judiciary committee was directed to report an amendment to the constitution of Maryland to make it conform to that provision of the constitution of the United States which guarantees elective franchise to all citizens without regard to race or previous condition. On consideration of the order of the day, relative to alleged abuse of trust by the State treasurer, a substitute was adopted authorizing the investigation to include all charges made against treasury officers by the republican press of the State. It was agreed by both houses to appoint a joint committee on the centennial.

TREASURER COMPTON.—The Legislature of Maryland on Friday of last week re-elected Hon. Barnes Compton Treasurer of the State—a very proper approval of his conduct in that important office.—There was no other Democratic candidate before the Legislature or before the caucus which nominated him, and with the exception of two blanks it appears that Mr. Compton received all the Democratic votes of both houses. He has been spoken of, says the Hagerstown *Twice-a-Week*, as the "Ring" candidate, but there must be some mistake about this, as the delegates from Western Maryland voted for him. Or perhaps, and most likely, the "Ring" is another name for the Democratic party, given it by a certain organ in Baltimore and followed by a few parasites in the counties.

A BAD SHOW FOR ICE.—There has been as yet no ice in this vicinity of sufficient thickness to gather, and if the present state of weather continues much longer there will be none. The same condition of affairs seems to prevail at the great ice depots of the North and East. The New York *World* of the 18th instant says:

The present prolongation of last summer is very discouraging in the regions along the Hudson river where ice is wont to be harvested annually in January. The secretary of the Knickerbocker Ice Company says that the company has not gathered a pound yet, as the ice in the upper Hudson has not been of sufficient thickness, the thickest being but nine inches, and that dirty. Ten to twenty thousand men are in readiness to gather as soon as the ice is ready, and, meanwhile, many of them are suffering from lack of work. The crop last year was unusually large, and there still remains in store a quantity of ice, but the prospect this season is of a dearth of ice with high prices next summer.

PRETTY GOOD SALARIES.—In Maryland Government salaries are paid as follows: Washington Booth, collector at the port of Baltimore, $7,000; Chas. Gilpin, surveyor at the port of Baltimore, $4,472 59; Adam E. King, naval officer, $5,000. The fees realized in the naval office at Baltimore for the fiscal year 1875 were $8,044 21.

THE SPRING ELECTIONS.—The first State election of the centennial year will be held in New Hampshire on the second Tuesday in March. Connecticut will follow with its election on the first Monday in April, and Rhode Island two days later. This will be the last spring State election in Connecticut, the amended constitution changing the time to November.

CENTRAL HOTEL.—In another column will be found the advertisement of the Central Hotel, located on Holliday street, opposite the new City Hall, Baltimore. The traveling public will find every accommodation that is offered in a first-class hotel. It is situated in the immediate vicinity of the principal places of amusement and the wholesale stores.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Jan. 18.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. Letters of administration on the personal estate of Susan E. Heighe were granted unto S. E. Heighe, and J. P. Ireland and Thos. H. Horsey were appointed to appraise the said estate, and the usual notice to creditors ordered. On application, Mary L. Rasin was appointed guardian to Thomas Lusby. Wm. M. Lusby, adm'r of Sarah E. Lusby, returned an inventory of the personal estate of said deceased, and received an order for the sale thereof. David Jones, adm'r of Richard Goodman, returned an inventory of the personal estate of said deceased, and received an order for the sale thereof. William Morris, administrator of James W. Riley, returned an inventory of the real estate of said deceased. Sewell Hepbron, guardian to P. A. M. Brooks, returned his guardian account for the year 1875. Robert N. C. Ayres, adm'r of Elizabeth Ayres, returned his first and final administration account. Georgeanna Spear, executrix of James Spear, returned her second administration account.—Henry H. Gresham, adm'r of Horace Kendall, returned his first administration account. The sale of the real estate of John C. Ayres, dec'd, heretofore reported by R. N. C. Ayres, Trustee, was ratified and confirmed. Sewell Hepbron, guardian to P. A. M. Brooks, was authorized to send his said ward to school in Virginia. B. F. Sappington and W. M. Willson were appointed to appraise the annual value of the real estate of Richard Goodman, dec'd.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A WORTHY CITIZEN.—Mr. Thomas H. Stephens, residing in Worton Point, died quite suddenly on Sunday morning last, of paralysis of the throat. He had been troubled with the throat disease for some time, but no immediate danger was apprehended. Mr. S. had just returned from Philadelphia the day previously, where he had been in attendance upon the Moody and Sankey revival meetings, and stopped at his son-in-law's, Mr. Wm. T. Anderson, where he partook of a hearty dinner. He afterwards proceeded home, and about three o'clock the next morning, his breathing becoming oppressive, Dr. Beck was sent for, who did all that was possible to relieve him, but he continued to suffocate and died about eight o'clock in the morning. Mr. S. was a highly respected citizen and an official member of St. James' M. P. Church. The funeral took place on Tuesday and was largely attended, including the members of Hope Grange, P. of H., to which deceased was attached.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—C. T. Westcott, Esq., as trustee, sold on Tuesday, at the Voshell House, the John Gale farm, in Broad Neck, containing about 202 acres, to Mr. T. W. Eliason, of Chestertown, for $25 per acre.

The farm called "Springfield," near Swan creek, offered on the same day, was not sold.

NOT SOLD.—The "Walnut Grove," or Hazell farm, near Millington, was not sold on Wednesday, the heirs making arrangements with the trustee, Harrison W. Vickers, Esq., to withdraw the property until spring. A number of bidders were present.

SPRING LIKE.—The weather during the early part of the present week was warm and spring like, the buds on the trees beginning to swell, and the "green sward" appearing here and there—oblivious of the fact that January had not yet given place to May. Several herrings were caught in Chester river on Monday.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At the recent annual meeting of the Kent County Agricultural Club, No. 1, the following officers were chosen for the present year: President, John T. Skirven; Vice-President, Isaac Parsons; Recording Secretary, J. P. Nicholson; Corresponding Secretary, W. C. Stephens; Treasurer, S. Vannort; Librarian, E. J. Watson.

OFFICERS OF THE COUNTY GRANGE.—The following officers of Kent County Grange No. 6, P. of H., were installed January 7, 1876: Master, J. W. Corey; Overseer, R. S. Griffith; Lecturer, Thos. A. Hulme; Steward, J. W. Hurtt; Chaplain, H. T. Jump; Treasurer, Dr. Fred. Worrell; Secretary, T. J. Shallcross; Ass't Steward, A. Johns; Gate Keeper, R. E. Wallis; Ceres, Mrs. P. Hepbron; Pomona, Mrs. Wm. Stewart; Flora, Miss Josie Griffith; Lady Ass't Steward, Mrs. J. W. Corey.

EXAGGERATED.—We are glad to learn that the account published in our issue of last week of the injury received by Mr. John Harris, of Round Top, from a gunshot wound, was greatly exaggerated, and that he has been out for several days.—Our statement was given upon the authority of the Centreville papers.

A REVIVAL MEETING has been in progress at the Meth. Prot. Church in this town during the week, and a number of persons have been at the altar and professed conversion. Revs J. B. Jones and P. T. Hall are the ministers in charge. The meeting will be continued the coming week.

MESSRS. HUBBARD BROS., manufacturers of Hubbard's Improved Star Bone Phosphate, have the foundation wall of their phosphate works at this place completed. Mr. H. M. Stuart, the contractor and builder of their factory, is now working a force of men sufficient to complete the building in about three weeks, which will enable them to commence manufacturing in time for spring use.

VENDUE.—On Saturday next—David Jones, adm'r of Richard Goodman, the personal estate of said deceased at his late residence on Eastern Neck Island.

A NOTED RACER DISABLED.—The celebrated racer Wildidle, owned by Mark Little, of Patterson, N. J., has broken the back tendon of his right fore leg, and will never be able to go on the turf again. He was valued at $15,000.

GREAT REVIVAL AT DOVER, DEL.—The following is an extract from a private letter of Rev. J. H. Caldwell concerning the revival services he is now holding at Dover, Del. His many friends in Kent will no doubt be glad to hear from him:

"The meeting continues with increasing power from night to night. Forty-eight have joined the church, about sixty kneel at the altar, many of whom obtain mercy. We have to open both church and lecture room. The crowd is large enough to fill both to their utmost capacity. I have never in all the course of my ministry seen such a meeting. The influence extends throughout all the community, to all classes, old and young—to all churches, except the Roman Catholic, and even one of that persuasion has been converted. Last Sunday was one of the greatest days I have ever known. Old inhabitants say Dover was never before visited with so powerful a meeting. The tide seems to grow stronger at every service. The glory of the Lord is in His holy temple."

At 10 o'clock on Tuesday night last he writes: "The meeting is more glorious than ever—miracles of grace—many conversions to-night. Nearly eighty have been converted to date."

LETTER TO THE KENT NEWS.

Progress—School Troubles—Sheep and Dog Slaughter—Horse Disease.

Messrs. Editors:—Sandy Bottom is looking up. A new store, opened in the fall in that locality, is said to be doing a heavy business, amounting, according to rumor, to four hundred dollars in one day. Spread this out over a week, and at a profit of 20 per cent., it will do for a small family consuming no pork. Whether from this success or otherwise, a rival house is now established on Battersball Hill. Mr. Frank Rouse, late of Swan Point, has "laid down de shovel and de hoe," and grasped the yard stick. He is located in the old house where Miss Polly once dwelt "on hospitable thoughts intent."

It has been remarked that few persons leave our county permanently. In the case of our old friend, Nat Voshell, this is verified. He has built a snug dwelling on the Hill, and will reside there. His genial smile will be welcome to old friends.

Piney Neck has been exercised in school matters. A young man who took the school in October, under the jurisdiction of the County Board, failed to please everybody—pretty much as all other teachers do, young or old. A man of more experience was sought and obtained, who soon after substituted a second young man, whose faith in the rod was as orthodox as Solomon's. Not so the parental faith, however, for on its application the last young teacher was hauled before a magistrate and required to answer to a charge of assault and battery before the Circuit Court for Kent county. It is further alleged that neither held a certificate to teach.

Mr. A. L. Corey, of Fairlee, has lost a fine Roan Chief colt by the epizootic, or some other disease, and another is in a precarious condition.

When will the war between dogs and sheep end? Recently the prowling curs attacked the flocks of S. W. Crawford and R. C. Smyth. The former lost heavily—say one hundred dollars. Stung with a sense of the wrong done by the canines, he went a gunning. At least one household pet fell beneath the leaden hail. Vain were the protestations of master and mistress of his entire innocence. Samuel's blood was up, and soon the canine blood was out. Poor fellow! He had not had his face washed nor his breakfast served on that fatal morning. A law suit is talked of as one of the probabilities. Now, seriously, are *all* the dogs in Maryland worth the ill-feeling they beget between neighbors and friends? In one State alone the loss by their raids on the sheep folds is placed at four millions of dollars, exclusive of the millions required to feed them. The present dog law, heralded and ushered in with such a jingle of brass tabs, is "a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal." Dogs thrive, sheep die, neighbors quarrel, and your old friend Simon has not seen nor heard of any account of the first dollar or dime received as *the* tax. If any are paid who gets them?

SIMON SHARP.

LETTER FROM LYNCH'S.

Messrs. Editors:—As the old year is dead and given place to the new, the lines of C. Wesley seem appropriate:

"Come let us anew our journey pursue,
Roll round with the year,
And never stand still," &c.

God has been good in bringing us to see this glad year of our Centennial—a fit time for new resolves both as to business and morals.

"The opening year Thy mercy shows;
Let mercy crown it till it close."

"If we owe any one a cent we don't know it," was an expression of one rich in experience and just and correct to minuteness. What a safe example to imitate. If everybody would make as his motto, "Owe no man anything," by the end of the jubilee year hard times would be compelled to hide his ugly visage. We must produce more, spend less and pay our debts, or hard times will continue to haunt us.

A new two-story dwelling and store room is going up at Worton Heights, on the premises of A. R. Parks, intended, we are told, for his son William.

Because our worthy ancestors were fighting a hundred years ago is no good reason for knocking now. This ought to be emphatically a year of peace.

G. W. Crossley succeeds Wm. Perkins as clerk of the station store, the latter intending soon to set up store keeping for himself, a building now being in course of erection for that purpose. Mr. Rhodenhizer, our blacksmith, takes the shop this year on his own account. Capt. Jas. Patten is going on crutches, as the result of a runaway.

SENTINEL.

SOUTHERN SOLDIERS AND AMNESTY.—A Washington special says:

It has been a matter of remark that during the whole of the amnesty debate of last week not one member who was in the Confederate army took part in the discussion. This moderation and forbearance was the more remarkable from the fact that one of the deliberate purposes aimed at by Mr. Blaine was to stir up the resentment of the Southern members, in the hope that they might be led into excited expressions which could be used for partisan advantage. This week the conversations which have taken place among the Southern members have developed a firmer resolve than ever to abstain from crimination and recrimination to the last degree compatible with personal honor and respect. It is believed that by such a course as this the coarse bullying role which Mr. Blaine has laid out for himself, and which it seems he intends to pursue, will appear in its true light before the country.

AN INGENIOUS PHILADELPHIAN has constructed a model of the national Washington monument, using six thousand three hundred and eighty-five pieces of native wood of sixty-seven varieties in its construction. He was seven years in making it. It will be exhibited at the centennial.

LETTER FROM MILLINGTON.

Messrs. Editors:—Feasts, fairs and festivals seem to be the order of these pleasant winter days. After having passed through the trying ordeal of the old year, with all its cares and troubles, the time of rejoicing has come with very many of our people—some in one way and some in another. A few evenings ago our pastor, the Rev. W. M. Warner, was very agreeably surprised by a party of his friends, who supplied his larder with many of the necessaries of temporal life, for which he returned many thanks, after which they spent the evening together with real pleasure. The Rev. Mr. Torreyson was also visited by a party of his friends, who treated him in like manner and with the same respect, for which they received his thanks.

Mr. B M. Hazell and his lady gave a wooden wedding on the 12th instant, in celebration of their fifth wedding day. Numerous invitations were given, and about fifty guests were present, who presented a variety of articles of utility and value. The supper and refreshments were not to be surpassed in excellence and taste, and the evening was spent until a late hour in perfect hilarity and pleasure by all present.

The Rev. Mr. Warner has been conducting a series of meetings at the M. E Church since the 1st of January, and the prospect for success is increasing. The congregations are large and the meetings are increasing in interest, and we doubt not that much good will be accomplished ere they shall come to a close.

Our citizens were alarmed a few evenings ago by the appearance of fire in the store of J. C. Johnson, who had locked the store and went to his supper, when an oil lamp exploded and the oil was burning on the counter. Some one broke in and put it out or serious damage might have been the result.

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CHESTERVILLE AND VICINITY.

Messrs. Editors:—The following persons were installed officers of Myrtle Lodge, No 46, K. of P., by District Deputy T. A. Meredith, on the 12th instant: C. C., Benj Davis; V. C., B. D. Quimby; M. F., Samuel Mann; M. E., W. E. Saunders; K. R. S., T. A. Meredith; P., J. A. Schwatka; M. A., C. W. S. Medders. The latter gentleman was elected representative to the Grand Lodge, which meets in Baltimore on Monday next. The Lodge, financially, at least, is in a flourishing condition, and it has had a good time feasting, of late, in honor of new born babes and matrimonial alliances.

One might suppose that business was a little slack in the city, from the fact that no less than *twelve* drummers visited our place on Wednesday last. The like never was known before.

But one ice house in the village has had any ice put in it this season. Not a very cheering prospect for next summer.

Since we last wrote, Eliza Scott, one of the most respected and useful colored women in the neighborhood, has died. There are many housekeepers in this vicinity who deeply regret Eliza's decease.

Dame Rumor has it that Chesterville is soon to have another wedding.

Fox-hunting seems to be indulged in now to a considerable extent; a company of ten or twelve sportsmen passed through the village one day this week on a chase, and succeeded in "earthing" several Reynards. Just how many riders were "earthed" by their steeds, we did not hear.

WALTER.

QUEEN ANNE'S ITEMS.—We take the following from the *Observer*:

Constables.—The County Commissioners have appointed the following constables: 1st Dist., (Dixon's)—J. T. Adkinson, John E. Everett and Michael C. Casey; 2nd District, (Church Hill)—James Elliott, W. W. Trout and David H. Hendrix; 3d District, (Centreville)—P. F. T. Blake, T. B. Turner, and T. Vickers.

Death of John C. Tolson, Esq.—John Crouch Tolson, Esq., a prominent citizen of Kent Island, died at his residence on Sunday night, the 9th instant, of consumption. Mr. Tolson has been prominent before the people of his county for several years, having been elected to the House of Delegates in 1863 and also again in 1865. He was at one time a member of the School Board of this county. His age at the time of his death was about 60 years. Mr. Tolson was a gentleman of generous impulses, kind and thoughtful of his neighbors. He leaves many friends to mourn his demise.

The Bank Again.—The question of organizing a national bank in this town is now being much agitated. A charter has been obtained from the Controller of the U. S. Treasury incorporating Messrs. W. McKenney, Richard T. Earle, Wm. W. Busteed, John B. Brown, J. Hersey Hall and Edwin H. Brown into a National Banking Company.

Leg Broken.—Mr. William B. Sewell, proprietor of the Church Hill Mill, met with an accident last week. He was attempting to shift the belt from his smut machine, when it caught around his leg and threw him against a hard substance, breaking his leg below the knee. Dr. Tucker reduced the fracture, and Mr. Sewell is now doing well.

Revival.—A very spirited revival is now going on at the M. E. Church South, in Church Hill, Rev. Mr. Watts pastor.—Quite a number have professed conversion.

TWO BOYS DROWNED.—Two boys, C. Layton and Frank Wilson, aged about 16 years, were drowned in the mill pond at Middletown on Saturday last while skating. The following particulars are given:

About 12 o'clock a crowd of boys ventured close to the mill, and, seeing the ice was too thin to bear them, stopped about three hundred yards from the dam and commenced bantering one another to proceed further. The banter was accepted by Frank Wilson and Curtis Layton. These two had nearly reached the shore when Wilson broke through the ice, and immediately screamed for help, Layton who was some distance from him at the moment, started to his assistance, but also broke through. Managing to get out Layton crawled a distance of thirty yards to Wilson and reached his hand to draw him from the water; the hand was eagerly grasped by the dying boy, and in his last efforts to save himself he pulled Layton in the water, and they both sank to rise no more alive. The bodies were recovered.

A SWAP.—In a speech on the 8th of January to the Chicago democracy, ex-Senator Doolittle expressed the opinion that the scheme of the republican managers is to transfer General Sherman to the presidency this year, and make Grant general of the army for life.

Baltimore Price Current

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

WHEAT—Red	$1.40a1.45
" Amber	1.52a1.56
" White	1.15a1.45
CORN—White	59a60
" Yellow	56a58
OATS	42a43
RYE	75a80
BACON—Shoulders	9¾a9¾
" C. R. Sides	12½a13
" Hams	15a16
LARD	12½a13

Gold is quoted at 112¾a112¾.

MARRIED:

At the residence of the bride's parents, on the 11th inst., by Rev. J. B. Jones, JOHN BACON to REBECCA S. SHUSTER, all of this county.

Jan. 19, 1876, at the M. P. Parsonage, Chestertown, by the same, JOSEPH A. SUTTON to MARTHA E. COSDEN.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on the 11th inst., by Rev. Richard Adams, MARION JENKINS, of Trappe, Talbot county, to Miss ANNIE MALLALIEU, of Millington.

Jan. 12, 1876, at Kent Parsonage, Rees' Corner, by Rev. J. T. Van Burkalow, Mr. DAVID AYRES and Miss ANNIE E. TAYLOR, all of Kent county.

DIED:

At his residence in Worton Point, on Sunday morning last, quite suddenly, of suffocation produced by throat disease, THOMAS H. STEPHENS, aged about 61 years.

On the 18th inst., after an illness of nine days of typhoid-pneumonia, STEPHEN DOUGLAS, youngest son of William H. and Martha T. Palmer, aged 14 years and 5 months.

Farewell, dear brother, it is a solemn word,
Which thrills through every heart,
But, oh it is the will of God
That dearest ones should part.
At last his form is resting sweetly
Where cruel pain will rack no more,
At last his eyes behold the splendor
Of the bright resplendent shore. BROTHER.

Think of Me.

LINES ON THE DEATH OF DOUGLAS PALMER.

O think of me when I am laid
Within the silent grave,
When o'er my cold and pulseless head
The gems of summer wave.
Think of me when the morning dawns
And flowers look fresh and fair,
When zephyrs from the spirit land
Are breathing through the air.
Think of me when the noonday sun
Shines on our happy home,
Think then upon the silent one
Who never will return.
Think of me when the dim twilight
Is gathering o'er the land,
When stars all beautifully bright
Come fresh from God's own hand.
Think of me when the busy world
Is hushed in gentle sleep,
When silence reigns supreme around,
Then think of me and weep.
Weep not, fond parents,
Thy son is numbered with the blest,
Your loss is his eternal gain,
God has taken him to himself. J.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

AT a special meeting of HOPE GRANGE No. 13, held at Hanesville Jan. 17, 1876, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, our Divine Master has suddenly removed from our midst by death our Brother and fellow member, THOMAS H. STEPHENS, and Whereas, by the death of Thomas H. Stephens, Hope Grange, No. 13, has lost a valuable member, and each member a friend;

Therefore, Resolved, that whilst bowing in humble submission to a Divine Providence, we humbly trust that our loss is his eternal gain.

Resolved, That this Grange does sincerely sympathize with the family of our deceased Brother, in this their deep affliction.

Resolved, That the members of this Grange as a body, assemble at the funeral of our deceased brother, wearing the usual sash and badge, and perform the funeral ceremonies as laid down in our ritual.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the family of the deceased, and also that a copy of the same be inserted in the county papers, and placed upon the records of our Grange.

S. VANNORT, E. P. JANVIER, R. G. NICHOLSON } Committee.
R. G. NICHOLSON, Sec'y. 1t.

TAKE NOTICE.

All persons indebted to me by note or on account, are requested to make immediate payment, as I need every dollar due me in order to meet my own obligations.

WM. HEPBRON,
Jan. 22, 1876—3t* Lynch's Station.

Teachers' County Association.

THE County Association will meet on

Monday, Feb. 7th,

at 10 o'clock, A. M., in the School Room, in Chestertown.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

First—How to teach Reading.

Second—To what extent is oral teaching profitable?

Also—What efforts can this Association use and what best means can the Teachers of the county avail themselves of to insure a larger attendance of children in the Public Schools?

All interested are invited to attend. Members will be punctual.

E. F. PERKINS, Pres't.
JOS. PETERSON, Sec'y. j22—3t.

Ratification Notice.

Josiah Lusby,
Versus
R. J. Lusby, executor of John Lusby.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County,
JANUARY TERM, 1876.

ORDERED, that the sale made and reported by JAMES A. PEARCE, Trustee for the sale of the Real Estate of John Lusby, deceased, mentioned in said proceedings, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the twenty-second day of March next, Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the twenty-second day of February next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $3,180.90. D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.

True copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
Jan. 22, 1876—4t.

Ratification Notice.

Catharine L. Mitchell, and others,
versus
James F. Gordon, and others.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County,
JANUARY TERM, 1876.

ORDERED, that the sale made and reported by HARRISON W. VICKERS, Trustee for the sale of the Mitchell property, known as "Tolchester," be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the Twenty-first day of March next.—Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the twenty-first day of February next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $23,500.00. D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.

True copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
Jan. 22, 1876—4t.

Ratification Notice.

John J. Hurlock and Araminta Hurlock, his wife, and others,
vs.
Charles Henry Black Spry, and others.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, January 14th, 1876.

ORDERED, that the sale of the Real Estate mentioned in the proceedings in the above cause, made and reported by RICHARD HYNSON and GEORGE VICKERS, Trustees, under a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting as a Court of Equity, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of March 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 15th day of February next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $21,089.80. D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.

True Copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
Jan. 15, 1876—4t.

LOST, about the 5th inst., a BUNDLE of Papers, Notes and Bills. The finder will be rewarded by returning them to JAMES COX, Cox's Station, Queen Anne's co., Md.
Jan. 15, 1876—3t*

$5,000 TO LOAN, in sums to suit.
THOMAS S. BORDLEY,
Jan15-3t. *Attorney.*

$31,700 TO LOAN on good Farms in sums to suit.
THOS. HILL,
Fayette and St. Paul sts., Baltimore, Md.
Jan. 8, 1876—3m.

PUBLIC SALE.

BY virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, the undersigned, administrator of RICHARD GOODMAN, deceased, will sell at Public Sale at the late residence of said deceased, on Eastern Neck Island, on

SATURDAY, JAN. 29th, 1876,

The following Property, to wit:

TWO HEAD of HORSES,
1 LAST SPRING COLT,
1 YOKE of OXEN,
1 COW, AND 1 CALF,
2 BROOD SOWS, and 6 SHOATS.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS,

1 Ox-Cart, 1 Spring Wagon, a lot of Blades, lot of Bacon, 1 large Canoe, 1 small Batteau, and 1 Scow,

Household & Kitchen FURNITURE.

3 Feather Beds, Bedsteads and Bedding, 1 Cook Stove, &c.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS:—All purchases of $10 or less cash; All over that amount a credit of six months, with note and approved security.

DAVID JONES, Adm'r.
Jan. 22—ts.

CENTRAL HOTEL,

Holliday Street, opposite new City Hall,
BALTIMORE.

$2.50 PER DAY.

The traveling public will find every accommodation that is offered in a First Class Hotel. It is situated in the immediate vicinity of the principal places of amusement, and the Wholesale Dry Goods, Boot and Shoe, Hat and Cap and Clothing Houses.

For comfort, convenience and cleanliness, the Central Hotel is unsurpassed.

j22-3m. CHAS. HAFFCKE, Prop'r.

Arrest of Boss Tweed!

PROCLAMATION

WORTH READING!

I DESIRE all consumers of Goods in my line to know that I have declared war on high prices, and shall continue to assault all goods sold at big profits until I shall have defeated all competition and proven to all my customers that they can buy of me the MOST, the BEST, and the CHEAPEST HARNESS for the money that can be had in this county.

I have Harness for $11

THAT CAN'T BE BEAT.

COPPER has arrived from the city with every thing that is kept in a Harness Shop. He has got all kinds of COLLARS that he is selling very cheap for the cash.

Plow Bridles, Carriage Bridles, Riding Bridles, Halters, Martingales, round and flat, Reines, double & single. Whips, Carriage Saddles, Cart Saddles and Breeching, Breast Straps.

Don't forget the stand, one door below Burchinal's Corner, adjoining the stand formerly kept by J. M. Vandyke.

REPAIRING done 25 cts. less in a dollar than ever has been done before. Let the Farmers of Kent remember that COPPER is the cause of harness work being done so cheap. Do not forget that Copper makes harness by hand for $18, and guarantees them to give satisfaction. Give me a call and be convinced of the fact.

W. W. COPPER,
Burchinal Building, Cross St.,
Jan. 22, 1876—tf. Chestertown, Md.

MEDICAL NOTICE.

WITH the Centennial year of 1876, we turn over a new leaf. Hereafter all Bills will be presented once a year. You need not expect us to call for settlement, our office is always open, and if we are absent, Mrs. Maxwell will be at home. We will adhere to the tariff of 1864. In all accounts paid within 12 months from first charge, a discount of Ten per cent. In all standing over we will add 50 per cent. This we think is due our prompt patrons, and those wishing long credit must expect to pay for it. Providence permitting we will be prompt in our attention.

WM. M. A. S. MAXWELL & SON.
Still Pond, Jan. 1st, 1876. 15-3t.

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS indebted to us on Book accounts or notes, are respectfully requested to call and settle the same. Some of these have been long standing, and we have waited patiently, and now hope all indebted will call and settle, for we must have money to pay our bills which are now due.

CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.
Jan. 15, 1876—tf.

Pigs and Shoats for Sale.

I HAVE A FINE LOT OF **Pigs and Shoats** which I will sell at reasonable prices. Persons in need of Hogs for Stock or breeding purposes will do well to see them.

J. E. HARTLEY,
ja15-3t. Locust Grove, Md.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

AN EXAMINATION for Certificates (first and second grade) of proficiency to teach in the Public Schools of the County, will be held at the School room in Chestertown, on

SATURDAY, January 29th, 1876,

commencing precisely at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Those wishing to be examined are expected to be punctual.

The Board has determined not to pay teachers who are employed without legal authority to teach. By order,

E. F. PERKINS, Examiner.
Jan. 15, 1876—3t.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent county, letters of administration on the personal estate of

SUSAN E. HEIGHE,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of August, 1876, otherwise they may by law be excluded from the benefits of said estate.

Given under my hand this 18th day of January, 1876.

S. E. HEIGHE, Adm'x.
Jan. 22, 1876—4t.

Rifle Gallery and Bowling Saloon.

The proprietor of the Voshell House has opened in the Basement of his Hotel, a Rifle Gallery and Bowling Saloon.

NO Liquors sold.

jan1-2m* S. V. FARSON.

ORCHARD GRASS SEED.

The subscriber has for sale a quantity of Orchard Grass Seed, of excellent quality. For price, &c., apply to

JAS. H BAKER,
jan15-3t* Quaker Neck.

WANTED, A WHITE MAN, with a small family, to work on a farm. A good Tenant House with four rooms. Must come well recommended. Apply at the Kent News office, jan1-3t.

For Sale or Exchange.

CHESTNUT RAILS and CORD WOOD for Sale or Exchange for either Horses or Cattle.

J. R. BECK,