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Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - APRIL 21, 1877.

THE SITUATION IN LOUISIANA.—The prospects for an early settlement of the Louisiana complication is indefinitely postponed, and the work of the Commission in endeavoring to bring the conflicting parties together on a basis of agreement goes for nought. The Packard Legislature assembled in caucus on Wednesday, and unanimously rejected the proposition of the Nicholls Legislature that all members, whether Nicholls or Packard partisans, returned elected by the Returning Board, should meet together, and that the Legislature thus constituted shall pass upon the disputed questions. The speeches made indicated that there was a great deal of stubbornness still left in the supporters of Packard. The Commission desired it distinctly understood that the President would certainly and speedily withdraw from the aid of the Packard government the troops, and leave it to shift for itself. The Nicholls Legislature gained two more deserters from the Packard body on Wednesday—one to the Senate and one to the House.

COLORED REPUBLICANS in South Carolina are preparing to do a very sensible and patriotic thing. They are making preparations for holding a grand mass meeting for the purpose of giving in their allegiance to Governor Hampton, and formally withdrawing from all active opposition to his administration. This has in it the promise of better times for South Carolina, and shows that the colored men even of that State have made decided advances in the understanding of the rights and duties of citizenship. They are far behind the colored men of the other States in this respect, but they are now in a fair way to learn. It does not, of course, pledge the negro republicans to vote the democratic or conservative ticket. But it pledges them to yield a cordial obedience to the legally-elected administration, even though they voted against it, and intend to vote against it again.

REPUBLICAN VIEW OF BLAINE.—It is not wonderful that Senator Blaine dislikes Mr. Hayes' conciliatory Southern policy. The New York *Evening Post* points out the milk in the cocoanut when it remarks that if the President's policy is successful, as it bids fair to be, Mr. Blaine's political stock in trade is gone. The simple truth appears to be that Mr Blaine cares a great deal more about himself, and what he thinks are his chances of becoming a presidential candidate in 1880, than he does about his country or the real strength and influence of the party whose welfare he pretends to have so much at heart.

TO COLORED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.—A circular from the War Department, dated March 13, 1877, states that all colored soldiers or sailors, or their legal representatives, who have received notice from the Treasury Department that certificates have been issued in settlement of their claims for pay, bounty, prize money, &c., and who have not received the amounts due them, can now be paid promptly, without further expense to claimants, so soon as that office shall have learned the postoffice address.

Claimants are therefore requested to send their names, with postoffice address, and the designation of the company and regiment in which the service was rendered, to the Adjutant General United States Army, Washington, D. C.

It should be distinctly understood that a claimant need not send his or her name, &c., unless he or she shall have been notified from the Treasury Department that a certificate in his or her favor has been issued, that office not having to do with cases prior to their action.

It is desirable to pay as many claimants as practicable prior to June 30 next, for after that date there may be delay in, and after a few months an entire suspension of payments, owing to the limited appropriation made by the recent Congress—$15,000 only having been appropriated to conduct the work of paying, instead of $50,000, as estimated for by the War Department.

BOSS TWEED'S REVELATIONS—*His Guilt and Those who Shared It—Many Notable Politicians Involved.*—The long threatened revelations which it has been asserted Wm. M. Tweed was prepared to make, as the price of his release from prison, are beginning to leak out. The story promises to be a long one, but, judging from the opening chapters, it will involve many in the disgrace which Mr. A. Oakey Hall sought to escape by flight to England.

The confession creates an immense excitement among the politicians of both parties. Of course robust and able-bodied denials immediately become the order of the day. Many patriots are on the mourning benches, including a large number of the party of "great moral ideas" in the Legislature. General denial of Tweed's confession avail but little; first, because bad as the character of the Boss is he would hardly put lies into his present confession, particularly lies that can be refuted, for this would tend to defeat his purposes and expectations; then the charges made are specific, and are capable of verification; lastly, there is an air of verity about the statements of the Boss, an indescribable verisimilitude, that carries conviction. The proofs match all round, and what was dark before now seems light as day. Attorney General Fairchilds says he will immediately take up the consideration of the document, giving it his earnest attention. Before making any of the confession public he will demand of Mr. Tweed evidence to prove charges against persons whom his confession implicates. Mr. Fairchild says he will furnish the Associated Press with the full text of the confession as soon as it is ready to be given to the press if he decides to make public the contents of the document.

THE steamship Leo, from Savannah, Ga., for Nassau on the 12th inst., was destroyed by fire at 3 A. M. on the 13th inst., in a heavy southeast gale, 80 miles south of Tybee, 30 miles from shore. There were but three passengers, all of whom, with eighteen of the ship's company, is feared, were lost. There were thirteen saved on a life raft, who have arrived at Savannah.

CIRCUIT COURT.—The April term of the Circuit Court for Kent county commenced on Monday, his Honor Judge Wickes presiding, Judge Stump appearing on Tuesday. The Grand Jury was impanelled, with Col. R. C. Johnson as foreman, and charged by the Court in the usual manner. The following cases have been disposed of:

Noble E. Pennington vs. R. G. Chase & Co. Appeal from judgment of Justice of the Peace. Action was instituted to recover $39 for fruit trees, vines, &c., which the appellant was alleged to have ordered and on delivery refused to take. Tried before the Court. Judgment reversed and judgment for appellant. Hynson for appellant, Pearce for appellee.

Kilby B. Fletcher vs. Luther A. Kendall and A. T. Thomas. Action to recover amount of rent of mill property under lease. Demurrer filed. If the Court sustains it the decision will terminate; if not the case will be continued, owing to excusable absence of witnesses. Pearce for plaintiff. Geo. Vickers for defendant.

Moses Lambson vs. Robt. B. Roberts. Case removed from Circuit Court Queen Anne's county. Action to recover promissory note for $1,713.95, alleged to have been given on assignment of certain judgments against Richaad F. Moffett. George Vickers and T. J. Keating for plaintiff, Pearce and J. B. Brown for defendants. This case was commenced on Wednesday morning. After a tedious examination of witnesses and able arguments by counsel, it was given to the jury yesterday afternoon, who had not agreed upon a verdict at the time of going to press.

The Grand Jury has had an unusual amount of business to transact and numerous presentments have been made. The jury visited and inspected the jail on Thursday, and found it in as good sanitary condition as the crowded condition of its apartments would permit. It is understood that the question of liquor license was taken up yesterday, but we have not learned the result in any particular case. It is probable the jury will conclude its labors and be discharged to-day.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, April 17.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. The last will and testament of Richard Smyth was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary on said estate were granted to R. C. Smyth and G. S. Diehl. W. W. Stephens and Samuel Beck were appointed to appraise the personal estate of said deceased, and the usual notice to creditors ordered. Tilghman Shafer, adm'r of Thomas Parsons, returned an inventory of the personal estate of said deceased, and received an order for the sale thereof. B. F. H. Caulk, executor of R. A. Frazier, returned a list of sales of the personal estate of said dec'd. David Jones, acting guardian to Emma, Della and Sidney Goodman, returned his guardian accounts. Henry T. Jump and James S. Harris were appointed to appraise the annual value of the real estate of Hanson Crew, dec'd. W. M. Willson and T. D. Glenn were appointed to appraise the real estate of R. Goodman, de'd.

Thursday, April 19.—The last will and testament of Isaac Kennard was received. R. S. Griffith, executor of F. A. Clift, returned his first administration account.

THE firm of C. F. Stam & Brother, the well known druggists, &c., of this town, will be dissolved on the first of May, Mr. L. K. Stam withdrawing on account of his health. He has united himself with W. E. C. Bell, a well known and experienced wholesale produce commission merchant of New York. In the course of his business life in this community Mr. Stam has proven himself energetic and reliable, and persons making shipments to New York of any description of produce would do well to consign to the above firm.

VISITING ATTORNEYS.—During the week Messrs. Wm. S. Keech, of the Baltimore county bar, and T. J. Keating and J. B. Brown, of the Centreville bar, have been in attendance upon our circuit court. The two latter were of counsel in the case of Lambson vs. Roberts, and by their admirable addresses to the jury very favorably impressed the large audience present.

RUNAWAY.—The horse of Rev. Father Bradford, of this town, runaway on Thursday afternoon and injured the carriage considerably. No one was in the carriage at the time.

W. DENNEY HAZELL has resigned the Superintendency of the Kent Co. Railroad. The position will for the present be filled by Mr. B. F. Fleming, of this town, in connection with his other duties.

MESSRS. HUBBARD BROS. are now receiving numerous orders for their Standard Bone Super-Phosphate from Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties, also from Baltimore city, to which place they made a shipment last week by steamer. The public, by continuing to patronize them in the use of their well known popular brand of Fertilizers, will encourage home enterprize. *

POUND PARTY.—The newly appointed pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. W. R. Graham, arrived here last night, and was waited on at the parsonage by a large number of the members of the congregation, who, by the medium of a pound party, stocked his house with a generous supply of the necessaries and some of the good things of life.—*Alexandria (Va.) Gazette, April* 13.

APPOINTMENT OF COLLECTORS.—The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's have appointed the following collectors for that county:—First District—John W. Johnson. Second District—Thomas H. Walls. Third District—Wm. Gould.—Fourth District—Dr. J. H. W. G. Weedon. Fifth District—Francis W. Lowe. Sixth District—William Dever. The collectors in the second, fourth and fifth districts are reappointed, the other three being new appointments.

BANK OFFICERS.—At the meeting of the directors of the Centreville National Bank last week, R. E. Feddeman was elected cashier, vice W. A. Cunningham resigned. The directors also elected Jos. J. Hall, teller, vice R. E. Feddeman, promoted.

THE Assessment of the real and personal property of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company in Baltimore city alone amounts to over thirteen million dollars.

MR. WM. GOULD, of Spaniard's Neck, Queen Anne's county, finished planting corn on the 11th instant—ten days later than usual for him.

THE BIG SHOW.—John O'Brien's Six Shows consolidated, which met with marked success in Wilmington, receiving the most flattering encomiums of the press, will make a three weeks' trip through Maryland and Delaware, prior to its grand tour of New England. Mr. O'Brien is a wealthy manager who has for years controlled several shows which have visited different sections of the country under the control of acting managers and adopting various titles, but all under his sole proprietorship. During the past winter he called his most trusted advisers about him and avowed his intention of visiting the Eastern cities. To this avowal all made one response, "If you go East you must have a big show." "I will have a big show—the largest you ever saw," responded the manager. Upon the decision to make a visit to the "land of steady habits," large importations of new animals were made and the six circuses, museums and menageries belonging to Mr. O'Brien were concentrated at his headquarters at Frankford, near Philadelphia, preparatory to the spring campaign. As the winter wore away the enterprising O'Brien found himself under an enormous expense in feeding his vast number of wild animals and horses and mules, and as the spring opened with unusually cold weather, he decided upon the three week's tour above alluded to, and the six shows entire will exhibit at Chestertown Wednesday, May 2d, performing afternoon and evening. *

Sudlersville Items.

On Sunday evening, the 16th, while services were holding in both churches here, some unknown person or persons entered the shoe shop of Mr. Elliott thro' the window, and captured three pairs of boots and his overcoat.

On Friday night previous the front door key of Mr. John W. E. Sudler's house was taken. On Monday night, the 16th, two burglars entered the front door, which was secured by nailing, and went up stairs and entered the room where Mr. Sudler and wife were sleeping and took his gold watch and clothes, as he had left them when he retired, including a pocket book with a few dollars in it; also, Mrs. Sudler's gold watch and some jewelry. Then they went into Rev. A. Chandler's room, (the junior preacher on Sudlersville circuit) and took his overcoat, but, finding it not very valuable, emptied his pockets of the gloves and proceeded with lighted lamp lighters through all the rooms, and, finding but few things of value, left. They were tracked a few miles the next morning. There is a little suspicion attached to two colored men who arrived here by cars on Saturday night previous, but they must have known the house well, or they would not have ventured so boldly, while the lamps were burning and room doors open.

About a week previous two calves were taken from Mr. John Sudler, living near Dudley's Church. One of them got loose and returned home. Mr. Gadd, who lives near Sudlersville, had two bushels of osage orange seed and a plow stolen. Mr. Hill, also, had fifteen bushels of corn taken from his barn.

There is considerable excitement here now, and the people are preparing to defend themselves. There is no clue to the robbers as yet.

April 18th, 1877.

Teachers' County Association.

This Association, which meets in the Chestertown school room, held its regular meeting last Monday. The attendance was very good, nearly all the teachers being present, and besides a great many other persons. The Association was called to order at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Roberts offered prayer. The Examiner then read the programme for the County Institute to be held in this town during the last week in June, after which the Association proceeded with the first question for discussion, "How to Teach Reading?" Most of the teachers gave their methods; they all attached great importance to reading, saying that it is the foundation of the other studies, and that the success of the scholar in reading depends in a great measure upon the efforts of his teacher. After a very full discussion of this question, Mr. Pigeon, of Washington College, read an address, in which there was set forth with clearness and strength the conditions and requirements of modern education.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A committee reported favorably a resolution, previously offered by Mr. Corey in substance, that a fund be raised by contributions from each school district; that said fund be given in unequal parts to the five schools which shall have made the greatest progress, the question of progress to be decided by the Examiner. The report was earnestly advocated by some of the members, but was defeated by a majority of four. Miss Mollie Downes, of our school, then read the regular essay. Her essay was highly spoken of by those who heard it, and it is to be regretted that the reading could not be distinctly heard all over the room. After the essay the next question for discussion was taken up, "How to Teach Mental Arithmetic?" Several of the teachers endeavored to show that an erroneous and mischievous meaning was very frequently given to the phrase Mental Arithmetic. Some of the teachers also spoke very strongly against the use of books during recitation.

A motion to change the day of meeting from Monday to Friday was laid over to the next meeting in June.

A SCORCHING VERDICT—*Charles Francis Adams on the Presidential Question.*—The following remarkable letter has but recently been made public. As will be seen, it was written on the day of the inauguration of President Hayes;

BOSTON, March 5, 1877.

The Hon. S. J. Tilden, New York.

MY DEAR SIR:—On this day, when you ought to have been the President of the United States, I seize the opportunity to bear my testimony to the calm and dignified manner in which you have passed through this great trial.

It is many years since I ceased to be a party man, hence I have endeavored to judge of public affairs and men rather by their merits than by the name they take.

It is a source of gratification to me to think that I made the right choice in the late election. I could never have been reconciled to the elevation, by the smallest aid of mine, of a person, however respectable in private life, who must forever carry upon his brow the stamp of fraud first triumphant in American history. No subsequent action, however meritorious, can wash away the letters of that record. Very respectfully yours,

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS.

THE American Basket Company's large factory at Milford, Del., was entirely destroyed by fire on Saturday morning. Loss about $30,000, insurance $8,500.

GENERAL GRANT isn't going to write that history of the war after all. The work is to be done by one Mr. Smith, a Pennsylvania cousin of Mrs. Grant. The ex-President's name is to appear on the title page to give the book a send off.—Smith? Think we've heard that name before. It can't be the Hon. Geo. Handy, of Philadelphia. We are sorry that cousin Smith or any other man than General Grant is going to write that book. This announcement will spoil the work of a good many reviewers who had their slashing criticisms already up.

A NEGRO named Austin Jennings attempted to commit a rape upon a young white lady, Miss Leothee Lark, in Anne Arundel county, on the 13th inst., while on her way to school. He accosted her in her father's woods, through which she had to pass, and her screams were heard by a white ax-man, who went to her relief. The negro fled, but was arrested the same night and lodged in jail. It was only by the most prompt and stubborn action on the part of the officers that the neighbors could be prevented from lynching the scoundrel when arrested.

PREPARING TO OPPOSE THE PRESIDENT.—It is intimated that a call will be issued in New York in a few days for a mass meeting of all who are "in favor of maintaining the integrity and indivisibility of the republican party." The friends of Wendell Phillips and Senator Blaine are understood to be leading in the movement, and the object of the meeting is open warfare upon the President's Southern policy.

THE commission are hard at work eating oranges and bananas in New Orleans, and the government foots the bill. If Hayes wished an immediate decision he should have waited for yellow-fever times.—*Indianapolis Sentinel.*

THE party of Wilmington mechanics who recently went to Caraccas, South America, are very much dissatisfied and wish themselves home again.

HON. JAS. A. STEWART, of Cambridge, has gone to California on business. The Judge has some law suits pending there which, if he gains them, will make him a millionaire.

THE world moves. At last the Philadelphia *Press* confesses that "the army of the United States cannot legally be used to sustain one political party against the other."

THE I. P. Thomas Fertilizer is highly recommended, and farmers should give it a fair trial. *

BALTIMORE MARKET.

From WARDEN, MERRITT & Co's Report.
Baltimore, April 21, 1877.

CORN—Southern White	$50@60
" Yellow	57@60
WHEAT—Red, fair to good	1.90@1.95
Prime	1.76@2.00
Amber	1.80@1.83
White	1.75@1.85
OATS—Fair to good	43@46
Prime	47@48
RYE—Good to prime	83@85
BACON—Shoulders, packed	6¾@00
C. R. Sides "	9¼@9½
Hams, sugar-cured	12¼@13½
LARD—Refined, tierces	10¼@10½

MARRIED:

On the 18th inst., by Rev. T. C. McSorley, at the residence of the bride's father, FRANK D. LAMB to Miss MOLLIE T. GROVES, both of Kent.

In Philadelphia, on Thursday, March 29th, by Rev. S. N. Chew, JAS. A. MORRIS, of Middletown, Del., to Miss M. E. REDGRAVE, of Kent county, Md.

DIED:

At his residence in Queen Anne's county, April 9th, of acute inflammation of the bowels and severe hemorrhages, DAVID STYRE, aged 52 yrs. 3 mos. and 11 days.

In Smyrna, Del., on the 12th inst., suddenly, of Apoplexy, Col. GEORGE DAVIS, an old and well known citizen of that town.

Very suddenly, on Thursday last, at the residence of her brother, Mr. R. H. Rouse, Miss CAROLINE ROUSE, in th 61st year of her age. She was the daughter of the late Charles Rouse, of Caroline county, Md., but for more than twenty-five years past she has resided in this (Kent) county, where she leaves a host of friends to mourn her loss. Among her last words were, "I am going home to die no more." [Caroline co. papers please copy.]

In Port Deposit, Cecil county, Md., April 2d, 1877, EDWARD T. TARRING, in the 85th year of his age. He was born and raised in Kent county, Md. In early life he was summoned in defense of his country, and served and fought with much credit as a private in the command of Col. Spencer in the engagements at Georgetown and Caulk's Field, the British forces being under the command of Commodore Cockburn. He also in early life embraced the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and was for more than half a century a consistent member of the M. E. Church. He was ever looked up to by the brethren in the church as a safe and wise counselor and guide. He was very much beloved and highly esteemed by all who were acquainted with him. He was a kind and indulgent husband and father, and was charitable even beyond his means. Thus he has passed away in the full faith of the Gospel, leaving a bright and lasting record behind him, and a wife, two children and a number of grand and great-grandchildren to mourn their loss. While fully assured that their loss is his eternal gain, they, by following his example and advice, will ere long join him again in his happy home, where their joys and pleasures will never more be interrupted. T. B. S.

April 6, 1877, RACHEL R., daughter of John W. and Williamina Crouch, aged 15 years and 20 days.

We saw her sufferings, heard her sighs,
With throbbing hearts and weeping eyes:
But now she calmly sleeps at last,
All pain, all grief, all suffering past.

God claims thee, gentle one,
Even now the joy of heaven's imaginings
With angel's vesture robes thy holy heart,
Thy beautiful thoughts upbear thee with white wings,
God claims thee, darling one, we part, we part.

Sleep, sister dear, till morning,
The angels will awake thee;
And, decked with love's adorning,
To heaven their arms will take thee.

MATTING, white and check, for sale cheap at J. H. SIMPERS & BRO'S.

HATS—Spring styles for Men and boys at J. H. SIMPERS & BRO'S.

FOR SALE. Thorough-bred Shepherd PUPS. Address PAT. REGAN, Wilmington, Delaware. apr21-3t.

LECTURE.—The Rt. Rev. T. A. BECKER, D. D., Bishop of Wilmington, will Lecture in St. Dennis' Church, near Lambson's Station, on Sunday afternoon, May 6. Subject—"Faith and Reason." Admission 50c. Lecture commence at 4 o'clock. apr21-3t.

A NICE line of DRY GOODS, Ladies' Dress Goods Notions and Hosiery, very cheap at SAPPINGTON'S.

EARLY ROSE POTATOES And FRESH GARDEN SEED, at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

YOU can always find a full stock of GROCERIES, NOTIONS and Provisions, at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

C. A. GAMBRILL'S FLOUR, by the pound, bag or barrel, at apr21. THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

BELLS—FARM BELLS! FARM BELLS! For Sale at J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

NAILS! NAILS! NAILS! By the Pound or Keg, Very cheap at J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

WHITEWASH BRUSHES, all sizes at low prices. mar10. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

HAMBURG EDGINGS, The largest line in the county, at T. W. ELIASON, JR.'S.

TO THE LADIES!

MISS MARY R. BENJAMIN, Takes this method of informing the Ladies generally that she has taken the store room adjoining the store of Mr. T. W. Eliason, Jr., which has been neatly fitted up for the purpose of conducting the MANTUAMAKING BUSINESS. Having obtained a reputation for neat fits and great display of taste, she feels confident that she will be able to please all who will give her a call. Ladies' Apparel, of all descriptions made in the latest styles. Children's Clothes kept on hand and made to order. Full line of Dress Trimmings and Fancy Goods kept on hand. Terms cash. MARY R. BENJAMIN. April 21, 1877—3t.

SOMETHING NEW! FANCY, GOOD and CHEAP!

M. ALICE LAMBERT & SISTER Have just opened a New MILLINERY and Fancy Store in Chestertown, on High street, one door above the store of J. H. Simpers & Bro., and will sell *Cheap for Cash* all goods in their line, such as Hats, Laces, Ribbons, Hosiery, Kid Gloves, Toilet articles, Spool Cotton, Silk, Needles, &c. HATS trimmed in the latest style. Altering and Repairing neatly and promptly executed. Plain and Fancy Sewing at reasonable prices. Give us a call. M. ALICE LAMBERT & SISTER. apr21-3m.

To the Ladies! Spring & Summer Millinery JUST OPENED. BEAUTIFUL, GOOD and CHEAP!

MRS. H. USILTON, at her new stand below Wickes' drug store, has just received and opened a well selected stock of new and beautiful Millinery and Fancy Goods For Spring and Summer wear, of the latest and most fashionable styles. In HATS, BONNETS, LACES, Ribbons, Trimmings, Neck Ties, Belts, Ruffles, Feathers, Flowers and Ornaments, she is satisfied of her ability to please, both in quality and price. ALSO IN STORE A FINE STOCK OF NOTIONS, to which she invites special attention. STAMPING done in the neatest and most durable manner. The Ladies are invited to call and examine her goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere. No effort will be spared to give full satisfaction to all who favor her with their patronage. MRS. H. USILTON. April 21, 1877—tf.

SPRING and SUMMER —1877— Millinery and Fancy Goods! MRS. L. J. DAVIS, Has just received and opened a fresh and beautiful assortment of Spring and Summer MILLINERY, embracing HATS and BONNETS of the latest fashions and styles; Ribbons, Feathers, Flowers, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Gloves, &c. A Large and Varied Assortment of every description of goods usually found in a first class Millinery store, to which she invites an examination by her lady customers and all others in want of anything in her line. I have in my employ a first-class Milliner and can guarantee satisfaction. Agency for Mme. Demorest's Reliable Patterns. "What to Wear and How to Make it"—portfolio fashions, price 15 cts. Give her a call at her old stand. apr21-tf. MRS. L. J. DAVIS.

New Millinery Goods! For SPRING and SUMMER, WHITE GOODS and NOTIONS! Just Opened by MRS. C. R. FIDDIS. NORMANDY BONNETS, HATS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS, LACES, and in fact everything to be found in a first class Millinery establishment. Also, DRY GOODS, including Fine Stock of WHITE GOODS embracing Victoria Lawns, Swiss Embroidery, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Ladies' Panniers, Hosiery, &c. My stock has been purchased at the lowest prices, and I am determined to sell at reasonable profits. I have in my employ a competent Milliner from the city, and am prepared to fill all orders at short notice. Give me a call at the old stand, opp. the new M. E. Church. April 21, 1877—3t. C. R. FIDDIS.

1877 SPRING. 1877 ABE SCHWARTZ, *Merchant Tailor,* FROM PHILADELPHIA, Respectfully invites his friends and the public to call and examine his SPRING GOODS! And STYLES. Receiving daily from Eastern markets. FINE GOODS a SPECIALTY. BLACK CLOTHS of the finest grades; and IN ENGLISH and FRENCH CASSIMERES we have styles that must please the most fastidious. *Also, READY-MADE CLOTHING,* CLOTHS and Cassimeres by the yard or in quantities to suit, at the lowest prices. Gents' Furnishing Goods of the BEST QUALITY for sale at low prices. Feeling confident that we fully understand the needs and wants of this community and that we are now prepared to meet its demands both in styles and prices, we again solicit an examination before purchasing elsewhere. We guarantee a fit in every case. April 21, 1877. ABE SCHWARTZ.

MRS. RACHEL WRIGHT, 152 LOMBARD ST., BALTIMORE, Will accommodate TRANSIENT BOARDERS for $1.25 per day or $7 per week. March 24—3m.*

BLACK HILLS GOLD REGION. For information of how to get there, send for circular to "*Black Hills Agent,*" 228 Washington st., Boston; 363 Broadway, N. Y., or P. O. Lock Box, 28, Philadelphia. April 7, 1877—4t.

ALL persons wanting GOOD GOODS at the Lowest prices will find them at apr7. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

WHITE-WASH BRUSHES, *Lime and Hair,* ap7 at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

A FULL LINE OF Green, Black and Mixed Teas, mar17 at T. W. ELIASON, JR.'S.

LUMBER! WE INFORM the public that we have made *special arrangements* by which we can furnish LUMBER AT EVEN LOWER FIGURES THAN EVER, and deliver, in lots, free of freight, to points of navigation on this side of the county. Call and see us. TURNER BROTHERS, apr21-3m. Betterton.

TURNER BROS. Have on hand and for sale LABRADOR HERRING, in bbls. and half bbls. LIVERPOOL FINE and ROCK SALT, GAMBRILL'S PATAPSCO EXTRA and other brands of FLOUR. Anthracite and Bituminous COAL. Gas Tar, N. C. Tar, Pitch and Oakum. Bricks, White-wash Lime and Hair. PHOSPHATES, Oyster Shell LIME, and LAND PLASTER. NAILS, by the Keg. White Pine Barn Boards, 5-8 Siding, 4-4, 6-4 and 8-4 Picks; Hemlock and Yellow Pine Scantling and Joists. (Sills, Plates and Posts cut to order.) North Carolina Rough 4-4 Boards, Pickets, Pale Railing and Fencing, Shingles, Flooring, Oak, Ash and Hickory Plank. BETTERTON, April 21—3t.

T. S. WICKES, GENERAL STORE, *High St., above Cross Street,* CHESTERTOWN. 1877 SPRING TRADE. 1877 *APRIL and MAY.* A large and desirable stock of General Merchandise kept constantly on hand; accessions of New Goods frequently made during the season. Prices close, and in full sympathy with the tightness of the times.

MANSION HOUSE, N. E. Cor. St. Paul and Fayette sts., BALTIMORE, MD. I. ALBERTSON.....PROPRIETOR. ROOMS FIRST CLASS. *With GOOD SUBSTANTIAL BOARD.* At $1.50 PER DAY. apr21y.

NOTICE.

Dissolution of Partnership.

ON and after the FIRST DAY OF MAY, 1877, the partnership existing between Colin F. Stam and Louis K. Stam, trading under the firm name of C. F. Stam & Bro., Chestertown, will be dissolved by mutual consent. Colin F. Stam will continue the business at the old stand. COLIN F. STAM. LOUIS K. STAM.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE FIRM are requested to settle their accounts on or before that time. C. F. STAM & BRO. Chestertown, April 21, 1877—3t.

Dividend Notice.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM WELCH.

On application ordered, that D. J. Nowland and Rich'd Hynson, administrators of Wm. Welch, late of Kent county, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made in this Court on TUESDAY, May 15, 1877.

Test: WM. STEVENS, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—All creditors of Wm. Welch are hereby notified and requested to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Register of Wills, on or before Tuesday, the 8th of May, 1877, or they will be excluded from the dividend in the personal estate. D. J. NOWLAND, R. HYNSON, April 21, 1877—3t. Adm'rs.

Dividend Notice.

ESTATE OF EDWIN SMITH.

On application ordered, that R. Hynson, administ'r of Edwin Smith, late of Kent county, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made in this Court on TUESDAY, May 15, 1877.

Test: WM. STEVENS, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—Creditors of Edwin Smith, are hereby notified and requested to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Register of Wills, on or before Tuesday, the 8th day of May 1877, or they will be excluded from the dividend in the personal estate. R. HYNSON, April 21, 1877—3t. Adm'r.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent county, letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of RICHARD SMYTH, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, on or before the 20th of November, 1877, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit in said estate. Given under our hands this 17th day of April, 1877. RICHARD C. SMYTH, GEORGE S. DIEHL, April 21—4t. Executors.

I BED THE BEST. I have bedded Thirty-Two Baskets of superior SWEET POTATOES, grown from seed brought from Jersey last spring. By the 10th of May shall have plenty of Plants. Do not forget to try at least a few hundred of them. I use no Glass. J. R. BECK, apr14-3t*. Near Lynch's Station.

NEW STORE UP TOWN! MRS H. A. CARROLL has opened a New Stock of Goods in the store room up town, formerly occupied by Mr. W. A. C. Thompson. Her stock embraces a variety of all kinds of goods usually kept in a Grocery and Notion Store. She will sell at the lowest prices for cash, and hopes to merit and receive a share of public patronage. apr14-3t.

LIFE INSURANCE! THE undersigned has again taken the agency for the *Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York,* and will cheerfully give any information asked for by letter or otherwise. Medical examiners for Kent county are: Dr. Samuel Beck, Hanesville; Dr. W. M. A. S. Maxwell, Still Pond; Dr. Thomas Willson, Edesville. PROF. T. ASCHERFELD. April 14, 1877—tf.

NOW is the time to buy your PLOW TRACES, PLOW LINES, COLLARS, HAMES, CASTINGS, PLOWS, GARDEN SEEDS, FORKS, SHOVELS, &c., which may be had at HINES & CO.'S, Next door Kent National Bank. Feb. 24, 1877—tf.

THE FLAG COLLAR, That we sold last season, having given such entire satisfaction, we shall continue to keep a Full Stock and at Lower Figures. They will not Gaul or Rub the Horse. HINES & CO.

1877! 1877! SPRING GOODS. J. H. Simpers & Bro., *CHESTERTOWN, MD.,* RESPECTFULLY announce that they have just received a Large Stock of SPRING GOODS, bought since the late decline in prices, enabling us to offer greater inducements to cash buyers than ever before.

DRY GOODS. CALICOES, in beautiful styles, cheap. BLACK ALPACAS, Poplins, Ginghams, Cassimeres, Cottonades, Bleached and unbleach'd MUSLINS, &c., &c. WHITE GOODS, Linens, Victoria Lawns, Piques, Nainsook, white and bordered Bed Spreads.

Shoes! Shoes! We have the best selected and cheapest stock of Shoes for Gents, Ladies, Misses, and Children, that we have ever offered. Gents' Box Toe Gaiters, Gents', Youth's and Boy's Congress Gaiters; Men's and Boys' Buckle and Lace Plow Shoes, Ladies' and Misses' Fox But. Gaiters, Ladies' and Misses' Lace Fox Gaiters, different grades; Child's Tan, Ankle and Tip Bal., Child's Goay Welb Button, Goat Heel Button and Pebble Button Shoes, Ladies' Kid Slippers, Ladies' and Gents' Goat Slippers, all at lower prices than ever before offered.

NOTIONS. Ladies', Misses' and Children's white & striped Hosiery, Gloves, Popular makes of Corsets, Gents' White Shirts of good Muslin and Linen at $1.00. Gents' Linen and Paper Collars, Cravats, Brushes, Soap, Combs, Perfumery, Buttons, &c.

HATS. *SPRING STYLES.* WOOL AND FUR for MEN and BOYS. *CARPETS, Matting, Floor and Table Oil Cloths.* GROCERIES—Sugar, Teas, Coffee, Flour, Syrup, Coal Oil, Cheese, Sugar-cured Hams, Soaps, Soda, Spices, Tobacco, &c. We now offer the largest and cheapest stock of goods we have ever had, and will make to the interest of *Cash Buyers* to call and examine our goods and prices before making their purchases. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO., *Main St., opposite Stam's Drug Store,* April 21, 1877. *Chestertown.*

KENNEDYVILLE POST OFFICE! I HAVE again renewed my stock and offer to my numerous friends and patrons a full assortment of new and SEASONABLE GOODS, which will compare in price and quality with any in the market. Call and examine. JOS. E. WEER. April 21, 1877.

BEST SPRING PRINTS only 8 cents. A full assortment of Muslins, Flannels, Ginghams, &c., as low as the lowest. By JOS. E. WEER.

NOTIONS, CLOTHING, Boots, Shoes, &c., lower than ever. By JOS. E. WEER.

FRESH FRUITS, Confectionery, &c., by JOS. E. WEER.

GROCERIES, Canned Vegetables, Pickles, Dried Apples, Prunes, by JOS. E. WEER.

FLOUR by the Barrel, Nails by the keg, Cucumber Pumps, &c., by JOS. E. WEER.

HYLAND & CO.'S PLOWS and the Allen Cultivator. Bridles, Collars, Plow Traces, Back-bands, Whips, &c., by JOS. E. WEER.

LANDRETH'S Fresh Garden Seed, by JOS. E. WEER.

DRUGS, Medicines, Paints, Oils, Turpentine, Varnish, Glass, Putty, &c. A discount on Patent Medicines for the cash, by JOS. E. WEER. Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded by JOS. E. WEER.

CORN, Wheat, Lard, Eggs, &c., WANTED by JOS. E. WEER. April 21, 1877. Kennedyville.

S. B. FOARD, Grain Commission Merchant, *Agents for WM. LEA & SONS,* CHESTERTOWN. Store, Main st., nearly opp. Voshell House. Choice Brands of Flour, Pratt's Astral Oil, Hardware, &c. Early Rose Seed Potatoes. The highest cash price paid for Grain. apr14-tf.

RADCLIFFE MILLS. NOW having a new Bolting Cloth, and otherwise improved, for GRINDING WHEAT, the subscriber having made arrangements with Dr. Thos. H. Whaland for conducting the Milling Business for the present year, feels confident that he can give satisfaction in quality and quantity in FLOUR. Having had a number of years experience in the business, now offers his services to his old customers and the public in general, for the MANUFACTURE OF MEAL AND FLOUR, asking only a trial to please. Personal attention given to grinding Wheat. Corn Crusher and Plaster Mill in full operation. GRAHAM FLOUR a Specialty. J. H. SAPPINGTON. April 14, 1877—1m.

Best PHOSPHATE for CORN. DECEMBER 13th, 1876. MESSRS. HINES & CO.—Dear Sir: In reply to you in regard to your Eclipse Guano, I applied it a little less than two hundred pounds to the acre, and I am satisfied that it increased my corn crop fifteen bush. per acre. I took up the corn myself with a basket and had two men to see it, and I am sure that I am not in error as to the increased amount per acre. Yours, respectfully, JOHN Z. CLARK.

Lister's Phosphate. HINES & CO.—Gents: In reply to your inquiries about Lister's Standard Phosphate, I applied it on my wheat at about 250 lbs. per acre, and got on corn ground twenty-eight bushels per acre. Respectfully, dec13. JOHN Z. CLARK.

Notice to Horsemen! I TAKE this method of informing those who desire to have their horses trained and driven, that I can be found at my accustomed place of training (the Worton Agricultural Fair Grounds,) during the coming season. My rates are very reasonable, hence will hope for a continuance of the patronage I have been favored with in the past. JAMES M. STARTT, a7-3t* Worton Fair Grounds.

FARM FOR SALE CONTAINING 120 ACRES, Located near I. U. Church, Kent co., Md. It will be sold as a whole, or in Lots to suit purchasers. Also, a number of good Building Lots at Worton Station. Apply to GEO. M. PORTER, a7-4t. Worton Station.

FOR RENT THE STORE HOUSE in Galena, formerly belonging to George W. Sutton and now rented to James M. Ernest, will be rented to a good tenant for 1877. The house is in good order and the stand one of the best in the town. For terms apply to CORNELIUS J. SCOTT, Agent for Mrs. A. M. Sutton. Nov. 25,