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Terms reduced to suit the times. Only $40 per quarter for full English course.
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SWITHIN C. SHORTLIDGE,
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Aug. 19, 1876—tf. Media, Pa.

Baltimore Cards.

ALONZO P. CREW. JAS. W. JEROME.
CREW & JEROME,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
92 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE.
Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered. y

JESSE WILSON. G. W. WILSON.
J. WILSON & SON,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of all kinds of
Country Produce, Grain, Peaches, Apples, Canned Goods, Vegetables, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, Fish, &c.,
Corner of Light and Camden Streets,
y BALTIMORE.

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For the sale of GRAIN, FLOUR AND COUNTRY PRODUCE,
No. 8 SPEAR'S WHF.
y. *BALTIMORE, MD.*

WM. TOMLINSON. WM. T. TOMLINSON.
WM. TOMLINSON & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
For the sale of GRAIN, LIVE STOCK, and Country Produce generally,
No. 92 LIGHT ST. WHARF, BALTIMORE.
Orders for Groceries, Seeds, Fertilizers, Farm Implements, and other merchandise, will be promptly filled.
Consignments respectfully solicited.

GEO. Z. GREENWOOD. WM. H. RUTTER AND. W. WOODALL.
GREENWOOD, RUTTER & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
And General Produce Dealers,
72 SOUTH ST., Corn Exchange Building,
y BALTIMORE.

B. F. PARLETT & CO.,
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Wholesale Dealers in
MANUFACTURED AND LEAF TOBACCO.
Imported HAVANA and GERMAN CIGARS,
And Manufacturers of fine Havana, Principe and other Cigars.
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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
apr21-3m. & SISTER.

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.

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.

Seasonable Millinery!
FOR THE
Spring & Summer of 1877
BEAUTIFUL! STYLISH! CHEAP!
MRS. ROSA FRAZIER.
Dressmaking and Stamping done in the Neatest Manner and at Reasonable Prices.
STORE on High Street, opposite the residence of Senator Vickers.
May 12, 1877.

NEW MILLINERY
AND
FANCY GOODS
For SPRING and SUMMER!
THE LATEST FASHIONS! FINEST GOODS! LOWEST PRICES!
MRS. KATE GILL,
Respectfully invites the attention of the Ladies to her recent purchases of Millinery and Fancy Goods, now in store at her old stand on Queen street. Her stock includes the
Newest Spring Styles!
HATS, BONNETS, RIBBONS, FEATHERS, FLOWERS, &c.,
BEAUTIFUL FANCY GOODS
Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Hosiery, Gloves, and a full line of Toilet Articles.
My goods have all been selected with great care, and purchased at the lowest cash prices, and I am determined to sell at very small profits.
My customers and the public generally are respectfully invited to call and examine my stock.
apr28-tf. MRS. KATE GILL, Queen St., Chestertown.

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.

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

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

1877! 1877!
Spring and Summer!
LATEST STYLES!
LATEST STYLES!
LATEST STYLES!
AND LOWEST PRICES!
AND LOWEST PRICES!
AND LOWEST PRICES!
IN
CLOTHING
AND
FURNISHING GOODS!
AT THE NEW STORE OF
S. MERRITT & CO.
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Next door to J. K. Aldridge's.
We have just opened the LARGEST and CHEAPEST line of Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats & Caps,
EVER BEFORE EXHIBITED IN CHESTERTOWN!
Our stock comprises every variety of style and quality.
BLACK CLOTH SUITS, $15 up.
WORSTED SUITS, $10 00 up.
CASSIMER SUITS, Plain, Plaid and Striped.
BLACK WORSTED COATS AND VESTS, from $10 00 up.
CHIVOT SUITS, from $6 00 up.
All Well Made and NOBBY STYLES!
Alpacca and Worsted Coats, $1 50 up.
White Vests, $1 00 up.
Summer Linens!
In Coats, Pants and Vests.
Furnishing Goods!
Summer Merino Undershirts, 25c up.
Gauze Undershirts, " "
Drawers of all kinds.
CASSIMER OVERSHIRTS,
Chivot, Percal, from 50c up.
White LINEN SHIRTS a Specialty!
MADE TO ORDER and FITS Guaranteed.
Linen and Paper Collars, Cuffs, &c.
HOSIERY—Brown, Blch'd and Fancy Socks or Half-Hose, and *solid* colors.
GLOVES of every variety.
Hats and Caps
in great variety,
Embracing the latest fashionable styles and colors.
Large stock STRAW HATS in great variety and at low prices.
Large line of SAMPLES
for Custom Work, and Fits Guaranteed.
All we ask is an examination of our goods and prices, and we can convince you the low price and good quality of our stock. *We do not misrepresent.*
Our stock is very large, purchased in Phila. and Balt. at close figures, and we are sure of our ability to please.
Remember the place:
S. MERRITT & CO.,
New Store, next to J. K. Aldridge's.
May 12, 1877.

T. ROMIE STRONG. EARLE R. STRONG.
1877.
Spring and Summer!
1877.
STRONG & BRO., AT THE CORNER.
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New Goods! Cheap Goods!
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STRONG & BRO.,
Take pleasure in announcing to the public that they have a VERY LARGE STOCK OF GOODS at their
THREE STORES,
THREE STORES,
THREE STORES,
Which are being sold Very Cheap.
Calicoes, Dress Goods,
Fancy and Colored Lawns,
Brown and Bl'chd Muslins,
White Linen Table Damask,
Table Oil Cloths,
Black and colored Alpacas.
NOTIONS—a very large stock.
Farmers and Builders' Hardware.
Nails, Copper, Rivets, Plow Bolts, Wagon Bolts, Carriage Bolts.
BACON, FLOUR, LARD and MEAL, SALT FISH, PICKLES by the hundred.
White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,
White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,
White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,
DRUGS AND MEDICINES A SPECIALTY.
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DRUGS AND MEDICINES A SPECIALTY.
Prescriptions carefully compounded and at the lowest prices.
COME ONE and ALL
No Trouble to Show Goods.
Respectfully,
STRONG & BRO.
May 5, 1877.

S. B. FOARD,
Grain Commission Merchant
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.
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Trustee's Sale.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Chancery, the undersigned, as Trustee, will offer at Public Sale, on

WEDNESDAY,
THE THIRTEENTH OF JUNE, 1877,
between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M.,
At Edesville, Fifth Election District of Kent County, in front of Mr. Benj. B. Adkinson's Store, the

REAL ESTATE

of JOSEPH R. APSLEY, late of Kent county, deceased.

This Estate lies in Langford's Neck, and contains

About 35 ACRES,

nearly all arable. The situation is desirable, being convenient to Churches, Mills, Schools, &c. It is but a short ride from the Postoffice at Edesville, and not far from the Steamboat Landing on Grey's Inn Creek.

THE IMPROVEMENTS
ARE A
Frame Dwelling,
with KITCHEN attached, and necessary Out-Buildings. Also, several Small or Tenant Houses and a STORE; an
APPLE, PEACH & PEAR ORCHARD.

The Buildings are in fair condition, and the fruit excellent. It will be divided into Lots and offered in Parcels. The largest portion will contain from 25 to 30 Acres. The sale may be effected as a whole or in parcels, as considered most beneficial to the parties interested.

THE TERMS OF SALE

as prescribed by the Decree are as follows: One-fourth of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, or on the final ratification thereof, at the Trustee's option; the residue in six, twelve, eighteen and twenty-four months from the day of sale, the whole to bear interest from the day of sale, and payment to be secured by bond of the purchasers with sureties approved by the Trustee; all interest to be paid with each instalment of principal.

R. HYNSON, TRUSTEE.

The creditors of Joseph R. Apsley, late of Kent county, deceased, are hereby notified to file their claims, with the vouchers thereof, in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, within four months from the day of sale.

R. HYNSON, TRUSTEE.
May 19, 1877—ts.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of Charles H. Baker and Thos. W. Eliason, exec'rs of Temperance Bradshaw, against Mary Ann Baker and William Lamb, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said William Lamb, of, in and to the following property, to wit:

ALL THAT FARM,

TRACT, TRACTS, PARTS of TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND,

lying and being in Quaker Neck, in Kent county, in the State of Maryland, called "Tilghman's Farm," "The Addition to Tilghman's Farm," "East Huntington," and "Norrisses Forest," containing **401 ACRES**, 1 Rood and 30 Perches of Land, more or less, which was purchased by the said William Lamb about the year 1836, of George Vickers, Trustee, and is fully described in a deed from George Vickers, Trustee, to William Lamb, dated on or about the 11th day of December, in the year 1875, and recorded in Liber D. C. B., No. 1, pages 609, 610, 611 and 612, one of the Land Record Books for Kent county, which property is at present occupied by F. D. Lamb, and is situated on Chester River, adjoining the lands of Hon. George Vickers and Col. Edw. Wilkins.

ALSO,

ALL THAT FARM

TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND,

lying and being in Quaker Neck, in Kent co., aforesaid, commonly called "Thomas' Purchase," or "Part of Thomas' Purchase," containing 150 ACRES of Land, more or less, which was conveyed to the said William Lamb by deed from William Hayne, dated on or about the 9th day of December, in the year 1846, duly executed and recorded in Liber J. N. G., No. 11, pages 310 and 311, one of the Land Record Books for said county, which said Tract is more recently called "Frog Pond," and is at present occupied by James Lamb, and adjoins the lands of Geo. B. Westcott, Esq., and Mrs. Ann R. Maslin.

And I hereby give notice, that on

TUESDAY, June 12th, 1877,

AT TWO O'CLOCK P. M.,

at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, I will sell the said property so seized and taken in execution to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and costs due and to become due thereon. EDW. PLUMMER,
may19-ts. Late Sheriff.

WATERS & SONS'
CELEBRATED
Organs and Pianos!
AT GREAT BARGAINS!
EVERY Organ and Piano sold warranted to give entire satisfaction.—My prices are the lowest. My terms are the best. Numerous styles, at prices to suit all. Thousands of testimonials can be given endorsing their merits. A few testimonials will suffice, as follows:
"HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY.—How impressively is this old maxim demonstrated in the extraordinary success of the great Musical instrument house of Horace Waters & Sons, adopting from the first the rigid rule that every instrument should prove all and more than their warrantee called for, the firm has built up a business far in advance of their cotemporaries and from Maine to the Gulf the name of WATERS is as familiar as household Words." *Woods' Household Magazine.*
"HORACE WATERS & SONS.—These well known manufacturers have secured an immense patronage, their sales extending and increasing in every direction."
—Christian Advocate, N. Y.
"THE Piano you sent me is allowed to be the best in this town, and there are several of Chickering's and Stoddart's here."
—Chas. Rice, Perth, Canada West.
Also refer to Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, editor Methodist Protestant, Baltimore.
Illustrated Catalogues free.
Address W. K. JUDEFIND, Agt.,
apr7-6m. Edesville, Kent co., Md.

Always Reliable!
GAMBRILL'S FLOUR
by the Barrel, half-barrel, and in 25 pound sacks. FLOUR at all prices—less than it will cost you if purchased in the city.
Graham Flour for sale at
apr7. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

THE
FINEST FARM
IN QUAKER NECK,
KENT COUNTY, MD.,
—AT—
TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county sitting in Equity, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at PUBLIC SALE, on

TUESDAY,
The Twenty-sixth day of June, 1877
AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.,
At the VOSHELL HOUSE, in CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND,

ALL THAT FARM
Or Tract of Land,

In QUAKER NECK, Kent county, Maryland, called the

"STEWARD FARM"

OWNED BY PHILIP T. SIMMONDS.

This Farm lies directly on the North East branch of Langford's Bay, adjoining the lands of Col. Edward Wilkins, and others, and contains

334 ACRES,
2 ROODS and 37 PERCHES
OF LAND,

more or less. About 300 Acres are arable, the balance in WOOD AND TIMBER. It is about five miles from Chestertown and two from Quaker Neck Wharf, convenient to Schools, Churches, Mills, &c.

The soil is highly improved and productive.

It is divided into seven fields and under Chestnut fencing.

Crops are shipped from the LANDING ON THE FARM.

THE IMPROVEMENTS
ARE A SUBSTANTIAL TWO-STORY
Brick Mansion House,
WITH KITCHEN ATTACHED. The Out-Buildings which were recently destroyed by fire have been in part replaced. There is a
PEACH ORCHARD
Of 3,000 TREES,
IN A FLOURISHING CONDITION
and of excellent varities. Also, a fine
Young Apple Orchard
OF STANDARD VARIETIES.

The owner says there has been $10,000 expended upon the Farm in improvements during the past seven years.

The Terms of Sale are:

One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal instalments, bearing interest from the day of sale, in one and two years from the day of sale; the deferred payments to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT,
TRUSTEE.
Chestertown, June 2, 1877—ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF—
TOWN PROPERTY

By virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting in Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will offer at Public Sale, on

TUESDAY,
THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JUNE, 1877,
At 11 o'clock, A. M.,
At the "Voshell House," in Chestertown,

All That Valuable Lot,

With the IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, particularly described as follows:

Situate on the corner of Club Lane and Market Space, in Chestertown, and running from said corner north 44 degrees; east, 54 90-100 feet; then south 46 degrees; east 20 feet; then south 48 degrees; east 60 7-10 feet; then south 44 degrees; west, 4 80-100 feet; then north 48 degrees; west, 42 7-10 feet; then south 44 degrees; west, 50 feet; then north 46 degrees; west, 39 30-100 feet to the beginning.

THE IMPROVEMENTS
ARE A
Frame Dwelling,
Four Rooms below and four rooms above.

THE TERMS OF SALE

as prescribed by the Decree are as follows: One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale; residue or balance in three equal instalments of six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, bearing interest from the day of sale, with a surety or sureties approved by the trustee, all interest to be paid with each instalment of the principal sum.

RICHARD HYNSON,
June 2, 1877—ts. TRUSTEE.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Peter Brinsfield and S. M. Brinsfield, his wife, and George Vickers,
versus
Samuel C. Boyd and Martha Boyd, his wife.
On the Equity side of the Circuit Court for Kent County, April Term, 1877.

ORDERED, that the sale made and reported by RICHARD HYNSON and MARION deK. SMITH, Trustees in the above entitled cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the Second day of August 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 second day of July next. The Report states the amount of sales to be $2,050.00.

D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True Copy—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
June 2, 1877—4t.

Smiles and Tears.

You bid me sing a gay refrain,
Win from my lyre a note more glad,
And when I chose a brighter strain,
Still—still you told me it was sad.

I did not mean it should be so,
Nor was my wish to make you sigh;
But you are young, and do not know
How joy and grief together lie.

There ever is a minor chord
Struck somewhere in our earthly lays,
Ever a shadow on the sward
Of brightest scenes whereon we gaze.

And while we may not heed the one
Nor hear the other, each is there;
Yet lurking in the blithest tone,
Yet darkening the landscape fair.

Thus, often scarcely knowing why,
We cannot look without a tear;
And so it is we sometimes sigh,
Tho' joyous be the song we hear.
—Argosy.

A LOW VOICE IN WOMAN.

Yes, we agree with that old poet who said that a low, soft voice was an "excellent thing in woman." Indeed, we feel inclined to go much further than he has on the subject, and call it one of her crowning charms. No matter what other attractions she may have; she may be as fair as the Trojan Helen, and as learned as the famous Hypatia of ancient times; she may have all the accomplishments considered requisite at the present day, and every advantage that wealth can procure, and yet if she lacks a low, sweet voice she can never be really fascinating. How often the spell of beauty is rudely broken by course, loud talking. How often are you irresistibly drawn to a plain, unassuming woman, whose soft, silvery tones render her positively attractive.—Besides, we fancy we can judge of the character by the voice: the bland, smooth, fawning tones seem to betoken deceit and hypocricy as invariably as the musical, subdued voice indicates genuine refinement. In the social circle how pleasant it is to hear a woman talk in that low key which always characterizes the true lady. In the sanctuary at home such a voice soothes the fretful child and cheers the weary husband. How sweet its cadence floats through the sick chamber and around the dying bed! With what a solemn melody do they breathe a prayer for the departing soul! Ah, yes, a low, soft voice is certainly "an excellent thing in a woman."

What Makes a Sea-Shell Sing.

When the sea-shell is held up to the ear there is a peculiar vibratory noise which children assure each other is the roar of the sea, however distant they may be from it. Philosophically investigated the peculiar sound thus recognized is a phenomenon that has puzzled scholars for a long time. The experiment is easily made by pressing a spiral shell over the cerebra of either ear. If a large shell, the sound is very much like that of a far off cataract. Now, what causes it? Every muscle in the body is always in a state of tension. Some are more on the stretch than others, and particularly those of the finger. It is conceded that the vibration of the fibres of those in the fingers being communicative to the shell, it propagates and intensifies them as the hollow body of the violin does the vibration of its strings, and thus the acoustic nerve receives the sonorous expressions. Muscles of the leg below the knee are said to vibrate in the same way, and, if conducted to the ear, produce the same result.—*Boston Watchman.*

How He Lost His Reason.

Dr. J. C. Ayer's condition preaches its warning sermon to the great do-or-die business man. He worked twenty hours out of twenty-four. He lived to make money. His devotions were unceasing at the altar of business. He lived in the shop and could never get out of the shop. The great globe, with all its beauty and grandeur, with all it had to give of thought, association and sentiment, was for Dr. Ayer a huge pill and a place whereon to sell pills. Mind thus shoved, forced, pressed and crammed into one idea, at last that idea dominates and masters the man. Too much pressure for years of pills and business. No other thought or occupation to serve as a balance. The regulator gives way. Now he wanders about the grounds of a private asylum, and the man of fifteen millions is overjoyed if he can drive an imaginary bargain with his keepers for an old window sash and realize ten cents by it.

Hampton in a Trying Hour.

Governor Hampton's son Preston was the younger of two brothers. He was not twenty years of age when he fell during a severe engagement that occurred in October, 1864, about twenty-five miles northwest of Petersburg, Va., where his father's command was covering the right wing of Gen. Robert E. Lee's army. At the time both of Gen. Hampton's sons were acting as his aids, and when young Preston fell he galloped recklessly to the spot, followed by his adjutant general, Major Baker, and Wade Hampton, Jr. Both of the last named were severely wounded, while General Hampton was lifting the dead body of his boy from the ground. Judge Wafford, of Kanass City, says he witnessed the scene, and saw Gen. Hampton carrying the dead body of his son on the horse before him.

THE United States, according to recent statistics, leads the world in its means of speedy communication between remote sections, its lines of railway exceeding those of Russia, Turkey, Germany, Austria, Great Britain, France and Italy combined, the total mileage of the United States being nearly 80,000 miles, against 76,620 miles in the countries named. Yet Russia has more than double the population of the United States, Germany about two million greater, and Great Britain, France and Austria severally about two millions less than this country.

WHAT is so rare and beautiful as a day in June? Then, if ever, come perfect days. I believe some great poet has said the same thing. But, the birds have sung it every summer since the world began; so it is doubly true and doubly new—for the very truest and newest thing in the universe is the glad note of a bird when summer comes.

The Cemetery and the Old Church Yard.

THE LATE JUDGE CHAMBERS.

Messrs. Editors Kent News:—I made a visit to Chester Cemetery, near Chestertown, recently, and was struck with the attention and taste displayed by most of the lotholders, and the evergreens and flowers that met the eye. I learn that the cemetery is not fifteen years old, although it is melancholy to think that in a brief period so many of our valued and esteemed citizens and friends have found honored graves in that beautiful inclosure. I hope, for the honor of our town and its good people, as well as of some country friends, whose beloved ones are there, that the spirit of embellishment and improvement may be maintained and continue.

Having left this interesting place, I proceeded to walk over the Old Church Yard within the limits of the town; the soil is of stiff clay, and never was adapted to the burial of the dead. I found there marks of the graves of the late Judge Worrel and wife, the Spencers, Hands, Benjamin Chambers, Ware, Harris and others.

I looked for some stone or monument to indicate the place where the late Judge Chambers was deposited, but found nothing by which I could identify it. My mind naturally reverted to the past, and as far back as my feeble memory and tradition could go, I recalled the history and services of the Judge. He graduated at college at sixteen years of age, and was scarcely twenty-one when he was admitted to the bar, where he became one of the most distinguished and eloquent advocates and lawyers of the State. He probably defended and acquitted more criminals than any lawyer on the Eastern Shore could enumerate. His practice was extensive and his reputation equally so. He was an ardent patriot; and when the war of 1812 was declared against England he sought a colonel's commission in the army, but did not receive it. He commanded a fine military company—was proud of it, and went with it, with alacrity, to the field whenever it was called to defend the shores of our bay from the marauders in British ships. He fought his company bravely at Caulk's Field. He volunteered and started with it to the defence of Queen Anne's county when the British essayed to attack Queenstown, but before he reached the place the enemy had departed. When a draft was called for by Congress he induced his company to volunteer, after a patriotic address. He became a Colonel and a General of the militia.

Judge Chambers was at one period State's Attorney in an adjoining county. He was elected by a Senatorial College to the Senate of Maryland, for five years, where he met Winder and other great men. He was subsequently elected to the Senate of the United States, and served eleven years as the associate and debater with Clay, Webster, Benton, Calhoun and others of great renown in the nation. He was subsequently appointed Chief Judge of the Circuit Court in the district composed of Kent, Cecil, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties, and served with ability for a number of years, until the system was changed in 1852 by a Constitutional Convention. He was elected by the people to form a constitution in 1852 and also in 1864, and in the first convention made a speech upon the subject of the Judiciary that was distinguished in America and Europe for its great ability. Had he lived and had his health, he would have been selected to form the Constitution of 1867, under which we now live. He was President of the Board of Visitors of Washington College for many years, and manifested great interest in the College. No one could have passed through so many stages and degrees of honorable place without having possessed talents of a high order. I venture the assertion, without intending to make any invidious distinction, that he was what may be termed *"the great man of the Eastern Shore!"*

Can the memory of such a man be forgotten? Do not the public owe a debt to him of honorable remembrance and of gratitude? His name and his fame should be perpetuated in sculptured marble, by the erection of a monument that would reflect honor upon those who erect it and serve to stimulate the youth of the country to imitate his example. He commenced life without fortune, but he earned both fame and fortune by his talents and industry. General Lee said that the word "duty" was the sublimest word in the English laaguage. May it not be said of Judge Chambers, as it was said of the celebrated "Oglethorpe," mentioned by Bancroft in his history of the United States—"His life was prolonged, and he was the impersonation of venerable age. His faculties were as bright as ever, and his eye was undimmed; ever heroic, patriotic, and full of the old gallantry, he was like the sound of the lyre, as it still vibrates, after the spirit of the age that sweeps its strings have passed away. x x

A HOG is no more inclined to put his forward feet in the trough than a horse is wont to put his feet into his manger. The great fault is in the construction of the hog's trough. Almost alway the trough is too deep and the front side so high that the feed cannot be reached by either large hog or pig until the forefeet are planted in the middle of the trough. Small pigs are required to mount into the trough with every foot before they can reach the feed. These are the reasons why a hog puts his forefeet into the trough. Let the front side of the trough be made so low that the animal can walk up to it and reach the feed without resting his throat on the edge of the trough and he will stand up to it as a horse stands to his manger.

"A BLESSING IN DISGUISE" came to a poor operator in a Holyoke (Mass.) mill some twenty years ago, when he accidentally lost two or three fingers of one hand. Out of sympathy for the sufferer his fellow-workmen raised a purse of some $300 for him. With this he bought a bowling alley, and having a good business invested a few hundred in real estate. That land is now worth $20,000, and he is rated at about $50,000.

A WISE man will avoid participation in popular excitements, because he knows that excitement destroys reason and the moral sentiments for the time being.

AN elephant's trunk is composed of forty thousand muscles.

A Bit of Romance from Real Life.

New York Letter: A man applied to one who had been an old friend to endorse a note which he offered with some trepidation, but which bore every evidence of being genuine. The friend was glad to revive old associations, and as the note was not for a large amount willingly put his name to it. The individual was profuse in his acknowledgments, and incidentally mentioned his wife's name, "Your wife," repeated the endorser, "why, I thought your wife's name was—— You know I was acquainted with her before you were." "Oh! yes," said the other with a very red face, "that was my first wife; did you not know that she was dead, and that I had married again?" "No, he did not know it, and was very sorry to hear of the loss, for that first wife had been a very sweet little girl, and an old schoolmate and flame of his own." The note came to maturity, was returned to him, and he was obliged to pay it. Being in the neighborhood of Harlem, where the man whom he had known had formerly lived and owned a little house, he concluded to call and see if he lived there still. He did call, and to his astonishment the first wife, his former schoolmate, opened the door. He almost fainted; he told the tale that had been invented by her husband, and asked her what it meant. Then she sadly told him an unhappy story. How her husband had made the acquaintance of a young girl; had continued it, giving her the impression that he was an unmarried man; how he had promised to marry her, and, being unable to do so, had been threatened with the State prison by her enraged relatives; how, to save him from imprisonment and utter loss of character, she had permitted him to obtain a divorce, entering no plea, suffering all that misrepresentation and slander could heap upon her, and finally choosing to be dead to the world altogether in her own proper person, and only live under another name, and in order to support her three children. One thing her husband did—he left her in possession of what had been her little home, and for the rest she sews, writes, teaches music, keeps books for a lady who keeps a ladies' furnishing store, and thus supports herself and children, while her husband is boarding in a semi-fashionable boarding house in town with his second wife, who knew all the facts, and still married him. "But he still remembers us," she said with a smile and a tear. "He never fails to send a box of presents to the children at Christmas, and my birthday is never forgotten."

The old friend is a widower without "encumbrances," and possibly this may prove a modern version of the Enoch Arden story.

CONDITION OF AFFAIRS IN ALABAMA.—Mr. Smalley, in a letter to the New York *Tribune*, describes the condition of affairs in Alabama, and represents the colored population as enjoying entire equality with the whites before the law. The school fund, he says, is divided between the two races with scrupulous exactness and fairness. Even in the courts there is said to be no obstacle in the way of the freedmen. The freedmen are also permitted to acquire land to the extent of their ability, and many of the more industrious are becoming the possessors of little homes about the towns as well as small plantations in the country. Mr. Smalley says further: "Negro government, even with a tolerably large admixture of native and imported white men in office, is an intolerable evil. Politicians at the North may as well abandon at once all calculations based upon setting it up again in the South. They will never see the blacks on top again in Southern politics. The whites have found out how to control the negro vote without ku-klux masquerades or bulldozing cruelties, and without open violation of federal enforcement laws, and they would be fools not to act on their knowledge."

MILITARY SUBMISSION.—The Edinburg Review says that the Russians are not a warlike or combative people. Even in their drinking bouts they do not fight. They are entirely ignorant of all that goes on abroad and entirely indifferent to glory. At the same time they possess the most undaunted courage, but the Review says that, as a race of men, there is no people in the word less disposed to slaughter their neighbors. They submit to military service as they submit to a law of nature, because they are docile and brave.

"WHAT," asks an exchange, "are the causes of drunkenness?" "Well, we can't answer for all of them, but we believe whiskey causes a great deal of it; whiskey, sir, resolutely stuck to will cause about as large a drunk as anything we know of, although a judicious mixing up of various drinks will accelerate matters if a man is in a hurry.—*Burlington Hawkeye.*

THERE are two periods in every young man's life when he fells, deep down in his heart, that if the earth was to open and swallow him up it would be a pleasure to him. One is when he steals up stairs with the old man's razor