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The Kent News.

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SENATOR CONKLING'S DISGRACE.—The New York *World* publishes a letter from a Utica (N. Y.) correspondent giving the sum of a series of interviews with Senator Conkling on the subject of the elevation of Hayes to the presidency. Mr. Conkling is represented as saying, in reply to questions put to him, that

"I am frank to say that I thought then that there was something not exactly straight about that Louisiana business, but now I believe that when the whole truth is known, it will sink this administration, President and all, to the lowest depths of infamy."

This is a shameful confession; it is so because it is the formal admission of a Senator of the United States that at such a solemn crises as the declaration of a President's election he lacked the courage to vote against what he thought at that very moment to be a fraud. True, it has been notorious that Mr. Conkling dodged the vote on the Louisiana returns; that he had almost decided to speak and vote against their reception, but at the last moment backed out and remained in the cloak-room until the opportunity had gone by; yet this is the first time that he has ever owned to this cowardice, and we cannot think of a Senator of the United States parading his dishonor in this calm, indifferent way without feeling a sense of contempt and disgust at his conduct. It is enough to damn in honest public estimation any man occupying the high and responsible position which he holds.

UNDER the new law creating the office of Tax Commissioner and defining the duties of that officer, the list of property exempt from taxation is materially enlarged, and the enumeration of the several descriptions of taxable property is much more precise. The exemption of church property, instead of being confined to the church buildings and the ground actually covered by them, is extended to parsonages and to the ground appurtenant to both churches and parsonages which may be necessary for the use thereof. The exemption of the hospitals and benevolent institutions, instead of being confined to those which are intended exclusively for the indigent sick, is made to embrace all institutions of the kind, and a similar exemption is added in favor of educational and literary institutions, their buildings and appurtenant grounds, furniture, libraries and equipment. Under the act of 1874 stocks and securities held by such institutions were exempt to the amount of $15,000, but such is not the case in this act.

THERE are many persons in Baltimore, especially ladies, connected with the Home of the Friendless, who still believe the Demerara boy is Charlie Ross, notwithstanding Mr. Christian K. Ross, when in Baltimore some weeks ago, decided that he was not his son, after a long interview with the boy. When he arrived in Baltimore on the brig Potomac about three months ago he was tanned from the effects of the tropical sun of British Guiana and from exposure on the voyage. His hair also was unnaturally black from the same cause. His residence at the Home of the Friendless has greatly changed his appearance. He is now much fairer than when he came, and his hair is lighter and decidedly curly. It is proposed that Mrs. Ross have an interview with him.

Two murderers were sentenced to death in this State in the latter part of last week, one at Frederick and the other one in Princess Anne. One of them Costelley, committed his crime some two years ago, and escaped, but was accidentally discovered in New York, brought back to Maryland, tried and convicted. The murder was committed for the sum of forty dollars. The other, Fooks, murdered a boy and left him in the woods. There appeared to be no mitigating circumstances in either case, and it is probable the full penalty will be carried out.

"COMTROLLER," a trotting horse, made in San Francisco last Saturday the remarkable speed of twenty miles in 58 m. 57 s., and come in so fresh, that officers of the society for preventing cruelty to animals who were present found no cause to interfere. It is fair to presume therefore that he was not over-driven. The improvement and development of the American trotting horse goes steadily on, and his full capacity has not yet been reached.

JACKSON EDWARDS, Wesley Turner and Alexander Brown were hanged for murder at Franklin, La., on Monday. Turner declared his innocence. The other two confessed. The noose around Brown's neck became untied while he was hanging, and he fell to the ground. He was taken into the jail until the scaffold could be arranged and then led out and hung over again.

ON Thursday night of last week while a party of five men were engaged in cutting a levee near the lower end of Lake Bolivar, Miss., to let of the heavy body of water caused by the unprecedented rains, the whole party were caught in the sluice, and with the exception of Capt. Briscoe all were swallowed up in the vortex. Briscoe was rescued after being more than two hours in the water and quicksand. The names of the lost are Capt. Fortley, a planter, two brothers named Moran, and an unknown laborer.

THE herd of elephants belonging to John Robinson's circus became belligerent while crossing the South Anu river on their way to Louisa Court-House, Va., on Sunday. "Bismarck" was thrown over the bridge by "Chief" and would have drowned but for the assistance of the old elephant "Mary," the circus employes and several citizens. Several elephants were engaged in the fight. No persons were hurt.

THE PERMANENT EXHIBITION, at Philadelphia will be opened for the season on the first day of May. This is the day fixed for the opening of the Paris exposition, and the management of the Permanent Exposition resolved to recognize that event by the opening of the Philadelphia institution at the same time.

THE *Centreville Observer* endeavors to make a point out of Mr. Geckie's card in favor of Queen Anne's as against Kent Lands on the ground of the superior protection afforded to property, and especially to "sheep," in the former county. We know that a great many sheep have been killed by dogs in Queen Anne's, but are not prepared to say whether their owners always recovered the value of their property! Mr. Geckie may have been unfortunate, but he has the same redress as other citizens, and justice is impartially administered in our courts. Property in Kent is as fully protected as in any other portion of the State, and no one need fear to settle among us on that account. What would be the *Observer's* remedy in Mr. Geckie's case? He already kills *all* the dogs!

LOCAL OPTION IN QUEEN ANNE'S.—An election was held on Tuesday last in the 2d, 3d, 5th and 6th districts of Queen Anne's county, on the question of the sale of spiritous or fermented liquors, which resulted as follows:

Districts.	For	Ag't.	Tol.	Maj. F.	Maj. A.
2 Church Hill	312	299	611	13	
3 Centreville	392	335	727	57	
5 Queenstown	262	108	370	154	
6 Ruthsburg	116	107	223		9

The first and the fourth districts having voted against the sale of liquors in 1874, makes three districts in the county for and three against the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors.

BURNING OF A VENERABLE MANSION—*Interesting Reminiscences.*—The large frame dwelling house on the Rock Hall farm, tenanted by Mr. Jos. B. Land and belonging to Mr. A. P. Sharp, of Baltimore, was destroyed by fire about one o'clock last Saturday afternoon. In directing his efforts to save the house the fire gained such headway that Mr. Land lost all his furniture; but some of the furniture in that portion of the dwelling occupied by Mr. Sharp as a summer residence was saved. The loss is estimated at about $2,500, upon which there was an insurance in a Baltimore company for $1,500. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks from the chimney falling on the roof. Some of the out-buildings narrowly escaped destruction, and were saved only by the most persistent efforts. It is Mr. Sharp's intention to put up at once a fine dwelling on the old site.

There are few places in Maryland around which cluster more interesting historic associations than Rock Hall and the old mansion which has been burned. George Fox, the celebrated Quaker, in his diary published in 1672 (more than two hundred years ago) speaks of sailing up the Chesapeake and landing at Rock Hall, where he spent several days very pleasantly. Gen. Washington, in his diary, also speaks of stopping at Rock Hall on several occasions; on one of which he states that he left Chestertown at seven o'clock in the morning, and after a pleasant ride of two hours, found delightful shelter at the hospitable mansion at Rock Hall. Thomas Jefferson, in his writings, also speaks of being at the same place, as well as many others distinguished in the early history of the nation.

Before the days of railroads and steamboats, and indeed for some years after, Rock Hall was the outlet and inlet for most of the travel between Chestertown and Baltimore. By that route all our mails were sent and received. The "Rock Hall packet" made her trips with almost as much regularity as the steamboats of to-day, and until the death of Captain Harris, who kept a public house in the old mansion just destroyed, the place was a famous resort for persons from nearly all sections of the county. The lands have been highly improved since they passed into the possession of Mr. Sharp, and with the addition of a handsome dwelling the place will lose none of its attractiveness as a delightful residence, if its former renown should be unknown to coming generations.

THE County Commissioners of Queen Anne's last week appropriated the sum of $1,500 for the purpose of putting an iron fence around the court house Green, in Centreville. With decidedly the prettiest court house green on the peninsula, Chestertown has to put up with an old shabby excuse for a fence, which would almost disgrace the front of the poorest hovel in the county! The Centreville *Observer* very appropriately remarks: "The county town has more to do with enhancing or destroying the value of land in the county than almost anything else, because it is the first place visited, and the county is judged by the appearance of the town."

WE have received several copies of the "Tidal Wave," a new candidate for popular favor, published weekly by Henry Bolton corner of Charles and Baltimore Streets, Baltimore. Its columns are devoted to Temperance and moral reform, and judging from the specimen before us, it promises to be a strong ally of reformatory work. Alpheus A. Townsend, Esq. is the editor. Price, Two Dollars a year.

It announces the annual meeting of the State Temperance Alliance in Baltimore, May 2 and 3, which will probably be one of the most interesting ever held. Ministers of the Gospel are ex-officio members. Churches and Associations are entitled to send one delegate for every fifty members.

THE "COMPETITOR REAPER" manufactured by W. A. Hyland & Co., Galena, is very highly recommended by many of the best farmers in Kent co., some of whose certificates are published in another column. This reaper took the First Premium at the Middletown, Del., and Kent co. Fairs, as a Dropper, and it is claimed that for lightness of draught, non-liability to get out of order, strength, durability and perfect manner of performing its work, the "Competitor" is surpassed by no machine anywhere.

TRUSTEES OF THE ALMSHOUSE.—The county commissioners on Tuesday appointed as trustees of the almshouse Messrs. Thomas A. Jacobs, of the first district, Sewell Hepbron, of the fourth district, and S. A. J. Wickes of the fifth district. It was understood that none of the old board desired to be reappointed.

THE corner-stone of the new Catholic Church will be laid to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Becker.

BALTIMORE CLOTHING HOUSE.—On our front page will be found the advertisement of the "New York Leading One-Price Cash Clothing House," 184 W. Balto. St., opposite Light St. It has by its low prices and fair dealing become one of the most successful institutions in that city. It starts out this spring with a full line of clothing, selling so low that everybody can afford to wear good clothing.

A Great Benefit

To the people in want of reliable and stylish Clothing. CHAS. N. OHMS & SON, Clothiers, 230 W. Pratt St., near Hanover, have adopted the cash system, thereby insuring to those that buy of them the lowest cash prices. They have on display for the present season a larger and more select stock for Men's, Boys' and Children's wear than ever before, and since they have decreased their margin of profit expect greatly to increase patronage. We recommend everybody to visit their new establishment and see their vast assortment and astonishingly low prices. It costs nothing to give them a call, and we think it will prove to the interest of those in need of clothing, ready-made and made to order.

REV. WM. H. D. HARPER, says the Easton *Star*, has concluded to resign the clerkship to the county commissioners of Talbot county, and accept the appointment as pastor of Trinity church, Baltimore city.

IF you would be healthy, avoid Constipation, as its continuance is sure to bring on many dangerous diseases. The most potent remedy for this condition, is Keller's Life Drops.

HON. DANIEL M. HENRY, M. C., has appointed Levin H. Campbell, son of the late Levin Campbell, of Easton, a cadet to the West Point Military Academy, for this Congressional district.

CAPT. JAMES BRANOCK, of Dorchester county, owns a hog which is said to weigh fifteen hundred pounds. It is four feet high, nine feet long and two and a-half years old.

COURT.—Our Circuit Court, which began last Monday week, is still in session, and is likely to be prolonged for some days. The following is a continuation of our report from last week:

Fred. Gerker, lessee Kent Co. Railroad, vs. H. C. Layman. Appeal. Action for recovery of value of merchandise stolen from Lambson's Station. Tried before the court. Judgment for appellant. Slay for app't, H. W. Vickers for ap'ee.

[The above case was of much interest to merchants, in particular, and the public in general. As will probably be remembered, the suit was first brought by Layman against Fred. Gerker, lessee of the Kent Co. Railroad, for the loss of boots and shoes stolen from Lambson's Station, in September last, and before the justice obtained judgment against Gerker. That it may be fairly understood, we will state that it appeared in the evidence that the goods arrived without the knowledge of Mr. L.; that he was not apprised of their arrival by the agent or any one else; that the goods were put in the company's ware-room on Saturday evening, and between that time and Monday morning about $59 worth was stolen. Layman refused to take any of the goods until a conference was had with the railroad authorities, which was not granted for two weeks after the theft. No offer either to pay or compromise the claim was made by the lessee, when Layman brought suit and obtained judgment before a justice of the peace. The court reverses the judgment, claiming that the railroad is responsible as a common carrier only for the delivery of the goods at the station, that if put in the wareroom and the goods are stolen therefrom, unless gross negligence can be shown on the part of the agent, the company is not responsible. This case comes home so closely to every one receiving goods by boat or rail, that we hear it intimated that it will not be allowed to rest until again decided by a higher court.]

J. C. McNaughton & Co. vs. C. H. Smith.—Action to recover a certain sum of money alleged to be owing for goods sold by plaintiff to defendant. Defendant contested this action on the ground that the goods were bought of a certain Wm. Everett, to whom he was responsible, and who was acting as agent for plaintiff. Tried before a jury. H. W. Vickers for plaintiff, Pearce for defendant. Verdict for pl'ff for $108.50

The Grand Jury having failed to procure sufficient evidence against Thomas Hopkins, Manuel Dudley, Thos. Holly and Frank Hackett—confined in jail on petty offenses—to warrant their conviction, recommended their discharge, whereupon the court ordered accordingly.

State vs. George Loncoy. Indicted for larceny of money from Captain John R. Gwinn. Tried before the court. Verdict guilty, and sentenced to a confinement in the penitentiary for 2 years. Pearce for defense.

The Grand Jury recommended the discharge of Ham. Chatman from jail, upon which the court ordered accordingly.

State vs. John Williams. Indicted for larceny of one coat and one pair of scissors from Jacob C. Vandyke. Tried before the court. Verdict guilty. Smith for defense.

August Klecshick, a native of Prussia, made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen, and took and subscribed to the necessary oaths.

State vs. Frank Stanly. Indicted for larceny of four chickens from John E. Green. Tried before a jury. Verdict guilty. Slay for defense.

Nicholas Ancom and Wm. Froehner, natives of Germany, made declaration of their intention to become citizens and took and subscribed to the necessary oaths.

State vs. James Green. Indicted for obtaining goods under false pretenses from Sam'l Merritt & Co. Tried nefore the court. Verdict guilty.—Hynson for defense.

State vs. Wm. Temple. Indicted for stealing chickens from John E. Green. Tried before a jury. Verdict not guilty. Slay for defense.

State vs. James Pennie. Indicted for stealing one coat and one pair of scissors from Jacob C. Vandyke. Tried before a jury. Verdict not guilty. Smith for defense.

State vs. Wm. White. Indicted for larceny of two blankets from John Willis, December, 1877. Tried before a jury. Verdict not guilty. Hynson for defense.

State vs. Abraham Snyder. Indicted for malicious destruction of property of C. H. J. Sparks. Tried before the court; Verdict not guilty. Pearce for defense.

State vs. John Eagle. Indicted for dredging on Swan Point Jan. 3, 1878. Tried before the court. Verdict not guilty. Hynson for defense.

State vs. Frederick Hagan. Indicted for dredging on Swan Point Bar and being without license. Tried before the court. Verdict guilty. Fined $50 and costs, and to be confined in county jail for two months from April 23.

State, at the instance of the County Commissioners for Kent county, vs. J. W. Howard, et. al. Action on bond as collector of taxes to adjust a difference on settlement for which the litigants failed to have a satisfactory understanding. Inquisition by a jury. Verdict for pl'ffs. Judgment for same for $442.05, and $14.58 costs.—Hynson for pl'ffs. No counsel for def't.

Same vs. same. Judgment for plaintiffs for $3,399.23 and $14.58 costs. Hynson for pl'ffs. No counsel for def't.

Wm. Willis, a native of Great Britain, and Christian Snyder, a native of Germany, were admitted to citizenship.

State vs. Josiah Brooks. Indicted for the larceny of fish from the net of Wm. R. Bennett, March 10, 1878. Tried before the court. Verdict not guilty. Baker for defense.

State vs. Jesse Ellworth. Indicted for dredging on Swan Point bar. Tried before the court. Verdict not guilty. Hynson for defense.

State vs. Henry Jones. Indicted for stealing one silver watch and one pair gloves from Israel F. Walbert, Jan. 18, 1878. Tried before the court. Verdict guilty. Sentenced to a confinement in penitentiary for three years from April 24. Hynson for defense.

State vs. Wm. H. Brickers. Indicted for stealing ten bushels clover seed of value of $60 from Samuel J. Hill, January, 1878. Tried before a jury. Verdict not guilty. Hynson for defense.

State vs. Henry Blackiston. Indicted as above. Verdict of not guilty admmitted by the State.

State vs. Edw. Hall. Indicted as above. Verdict as above.

State vs. Jas. C. Moffett. Indictment for committing a rape upon Mrs. Mary L. Golt, wife of Wm. Thos. Golt, on Sunday, April 14, 1878, near Morris' Station, in the first election district of this county. Richard Hynson, Esq., appeared as counsel for the defense; H. W. Vickers, Esq., State's Attorney, prosecuting. The following gentlemen comprise the jury, all of whom were selected from the rrgular panel: Geo. W. Howard, Edward B. Woodall, Henry J. Gray, Sam'l Todd, George R. Reed, Lewin Usilton, George E. Leary, Wm. A. Taylor, Isaac S. Rogers, Bartus Trew, Thos. Gale of John, J. A. Rollison. This case was commenced Thursday morning, but was not concluded at the time of going to press. The evidence is being reported for the *News*, and the material facts will be give next week.

In consequence of the death of Judge Wickes' mother-in-law that gentleman has not been on the bench since Tuesday, and Judge Stump presided alone.

LIQUOR LICENSES.

The following named persons were recommended to the Clerk for license to sell liquor:

James L. Pryor, ordinary.....Sassafras
Wm. R. Nickerson, ordinary..... "
Thomas H. Horsey, ordinary.....Galena
Wm. H. Pennington, ordinary..... "
R. J. Boulden, ordinary.....Masseys
J. C. Slaughter, ordinary.....Crumpton
James L. Willis, ordinary.....Millington
Harry C. Pennington, ordinary.....Kennedyville
John McCauley, traders..... "
Wm. Meeks, ordinary.....Still Pond
G. M. Beasten, tra. and oys. house, Locust Grove
Albert Medders, traders.....Chesterville
Jno. Armstrong, tra. & oyster h.....Chestertown
John Hall, tra. and oys. h..... "
Thos. S. Wickes, traders..... "
Wickes & Bro., traders..... "
John C. Voshell, ordinary..... "
N. G. Westcott, traders..... "
E. H. Strong, tra. and oys. h.....Langford
Geo. Beck, traders..... "

The Grand Jury finished their labors on Wednesday, made the following report, and were finally discharged:

To the Hon. Judges of the Circuit Court for Kent County: The Grand Jury for the April Term, 1878, respectfully represent to your Honors that after a somewhat protracted session they have disposed of all the various matters of business presented for their consideration. True bills of indictment, 27 in number, have been returned to the court. After careful examination and application of the law in reference to license for the sale of liquor, the names of the parties to whom such license has been granted are hereby submitted with this report. Examinations of the jail and premises enable us to state that, as to cleanliness and comfort of the prisoners, we have naught to find fault with. We have to thank your Honors for your kind and courteous consideration for us in the discharge of our duties, and also to thank the various officers of the court for their prompt assistance during our deliberations.

JOHN F. BEEKS, Foreman.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, April 23.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. It was ordered, upon application of Sam'l Wright, an indentured apprentice to Abraham Hurlock, that his indentures be cancelled. Wm. D. Burchinal, guardian to Arthur M. Brown, returned his guardian account for the period from Aug. 11, 1875, to April 6, 1878, which was passed and ordered to be recorded. The releases of M. F. Clark, Julia E. Clark and J. Frank Wilson, guardians to George H. and Joseph S. Clark, to Rachel M Clark, adm'x of the late Joshua Clark, were received and ordered to be recorded. A. L. and S. Vannort, adm'rs of E. A. Vannort, returned their fifth administration account, which was passed and ordered to be recorded. The first and final administr'n account of Jas. B. Groome, exec'r of the last will and testament of Maria E. Black, late of the city of Philadelphia, was ordered to be recorded.

Chesterville and Vicinity.

Messrs. Editors:—We learn that J. H. Thomas, agent, has sold the farm of John Schwatka to some Pennsylvania gentlemen for $6,200. The farm contains about 190 acres, and lies one and a half miles east of Chesterville, on the Millington road.

In a recent letter we reported the sale of Hybernia, by R. J. Lusby, too low. The sum named was $4,500; it ought to have been $5,000.

The M. E. Sunday School of Chesterville reorganized on Sunday last, and elected the following officers: Sup't, H. C. Layman, ass't sup't, W. T. Jones; secretay, T. G. Jarman; treasurer, Chas. England; librarian, W. J. Porter.

As an evidence of the popularity of Rev. J. E. Bryan, the newly-appointed pastor of Galena circuit, the congregations at Chesterville are materially increasing. In lieu of the half dozen carriages usually present, there were twenty-two out on Sunday last.

Mr. David Clements is about to erect a new house and barn on the farm now occupied by his son, Thomas Clements. These are much needed improvements.

Mr. B. D. Quimby, having connected himself with Kenly & Tinghman, grain commission merchants, Baltimore, left for the city on Thursday last. Let his numerous friends note the fact, and in future shipments remember him.

We saw the *Transcript* men washing their "form" in the street. Why don't the Colonel teach them better?

Corn planting is in full blast.

Easter Monday passed off very quietly.

WALTER.

Letter from Osceola.

Messrs. Editors:—Persons living in glass houses should not throw stones at their neighbors. This is an old saying and one that is in use nearly every day. We are all prone to speak before we think. We are all apt to forget the beam that is in our own eye. We see men in the every-day walks of life preaching and teaching that it is wrong to do so and so, when they are doing something a great deal worse. What use is there of a man preaching temperance when he is directly violating one or all of the Ten Commandments? What use is there of a man preaching one thing and practising another? (For example, one who discards whiskey and drinks gin-schnapps.) It becometh every one in this world to make sure that they keep the ten commandments before they set out to teach men about eternity.

The revival of the Beecher and Tilton scandal by the confession of Mrs. T. teaches us that guilt will out sooner or later. It matters not to Beecher, for his church will shield him, but the poor woman might as well be dead. The church will shield a villain of a man, while it will crush a poor, weak, frail woman. It would be a good thing if this government would banish all the free-lovers to far-off Alaska. Alaska is of little use to us at present, and the cold climate would be the very place for all who belong to the Beecher-Tilton school. The doctrine of free-love is demoralizing, and all its followers should be held as criminals. Deprive us of the sacredness of marriage, and we become nothing more than brutes. We, as a people, should scorn everything that pertains to it, but do we not wink at it? Money and talent shields the villain.

Easter Monday was a holiday as usual. What a nuisance these holidays are to the farmer? The first and second holidays come right in the busy season, when no one can afford to let their work stand. It matters not what there is to do, all hands stop and do nothing for two days, while work is suffering. The only way to put a stop to it is for farmers to hire their hands with the understanding that they are not to stop work without permission.

Farmers are getting along well with their work and with less labor than usual. The present price of farm products and the prospect of their being lower compels men to economize, if they wish to clear expenses. Wheat never looked better in this county, and some fear there will be too much straw. Grass looks well. Peaches are going to be scarce; we predict a sixth of a crop in the county. The early buds were killed, and the last bloom are falling off already. The bulk of peaches will be Beatrice and Hale's. Apples, pears and other fruits promise an abundant crop.

There is nothing new in Still Pond. Every branch of business is dull. The Grangers, Knights and Dashaways meet here once a week and make our town a little lively There is some talk about the political slate for 1879 being already made out, but we presume this is only talk.

April 23, 1878.

McCormick's Self Binder.—TO THE WHEAT GROWERS OF KENT COUNTY.—Your attention is respectfully called to the popular line of Harvesting Machines just received from the old and reliable house of C. H. & L. J. McCORMICK, of Chicago, Ill., samples of which are now on exhibition at my place of business in Chestertown.

Their line consists of the McCormick Harvester and Self Binder, the greatest invention of the nineteenth century; this machine has been thoroughly tested from Texas to Minnesota, in all kinds and conditions of grain and country, and has proved itself in every instance a grand success. We will sell this machine on trial; satisfaction guaranteed or no sale.

McCormick's Harvester for hand-binding—the only machine to which the self-binder can be attached if wanted in the future. We ask nothing more of a farmer than that he shall try our Harvester in any field of grain.

McCormick's Combined Advance—the most perfect Combined Reaper and Mower manufactured—having a five foot bar for reaping and a four foot bar for mowing. Two pinions are supplied with each machine, a large one giving slow motion of grain cutting, and a small one which gives a quick motion for mowing. Examine into its merits, it is the *King* of combined machines; its sales lead all others of its class in the North West and South.

McCormick's Combined Advance Dropper, single and double barred, 4, 4½ and 5 ft. 4 in. cuts; this is a most valuable machine for small farmers having rough hilly farms; gives general satisfaction. McCormick's Prize Mower, the lightest draft and best grass cutter manufactured.

Many of the older farmers of Queen Anne's co. are familiar with McCormick's Reaper, built years ago and know them to be the most reliable machines ever sold in that county. No man ever bought a McCormick Machine that ever regretted it, or could say he did not get the worth of his money, and now, as of old, they are constructed of the very best material and workmanship, and we shall sell them as they have always been sold on their merits alone; and we feel assured that these Machires will please the farmers of this county, and we solicit a careful examination into their merits, and learn our prices and terms before purchasing this season. We shall keep on hand a limited supply of repairs; every part of these machines is kept constantly on hand in Baltimore, so there need be no fear of delay in harvest time in case of breakage—a very important point to the farmer. Yours, respect'y,

J. T. TWILLEY, CHESTERTOWN,
a27-3t. *County Agent.*

DIED:

At the residence of her late son, Capt. Simon Wickes, near Chestertown, on the 23d instant, Mrs. ELIZABETH BLAKE WICKES, in the 84th year of her age, relict of Captain Simon Wickes, of Caulk's Field memory.

QUARTERLY MEETING. REV. CHAS. HILL, P. E., will preach in the M. E. Church, Chestertown, to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at 7½. Love Feast at 9, A. M., to which all Christians are invited. W. H. HUTCHIN,
1t. Pastor.

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N. B.—Orders left at the store of T. W. Eliason, Jr., Chestertown, will be filled promptly. apr27-3t.

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I am prepared to give personal attention to MANTUA-MAKING in all its branches. Satisfaction guaranteed in Cutting and Fitting.

JOSEPHINE DAVIS,
Main St., opp. Gen. Vickers' residence.
April 20, 1878—3t.

FOR SALE,

A FARM of 150 ACRES,

beautifully located on the road nearly opposite Washington College, ¼ mile from Chestertown. C. H. BAKER, Att'y,
a20-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FOR SALE.

A Fine Size MILCH COW, five years old, fresh, with calf by her side. Milking qualities and gentleness guaranteed. S. H. CRAWFORD,
apr13-4t. Fairlee, Md.

STEEL BARB FENCE WIRE for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

Oliver Cromwell, one of England's most illustrious sons, died from Intermittent Fever, and this distressing disease was at that time the means by which some of the greatest persons perished.

Since the discovery of *Quinine* and its employment in the treatment of Fever and Ague the fatality has been reduced to a very low point.

Arsenic was also employed with some success, but these remedies are injurious to the constitution of the patient, so much so that scientific men have been for years endeavoring to discover a remedy that did not possess the *injurious* qualities of Quinine or Arsenic. Many remedies have been put forth claiming to possess no injurious materials, but have only proved to be impositions and frauds. This useful and humane discovery has at last been made in the form of BRITTON'S AGUE PILLS. These pills do not contain Quinine or Arsenic in any form, yet are capable of neutralizing the malarial poison in the system, and effect a cure without subjecting the patient to the unpleasant and hurtful effects of Quinine and Arsenic. BRITTON'S PILLS may be taken under any circumstances without the slightest danger to the patient. Where the directions are followed a cure is certain. Price 25c. For sale by all dealers. F. M. GOODING, Prop'r,
‡ *Millington, Md.*

GOLDEN or German MILLET, Hungarian Grass and Common Millet Seed, for sale at low prices by C. B. ROGERS, 133 Market st., Philadelphia.

Pure Paris Green for destroying Potato Bugs, Genuine No. 1 Peruvian Guano, Garden, Field and Flower Seeds of reliable quality. C. B. ROGERS,
a27-3t. 133 Market st., Philadelphia.

THE ONLY PERFECT

COMBINED MACHINE,

With different bars for Reaping and Mowing, is the

McCormick Combined Advance.

☞ Farmers should examine carefully into its merits.

The Best is always the Cheapest. 3t.

WANTED

50,000 lbs. of WOOL!

For which the highest market price will be paid. The Wool will be received daily at Capt. Taylor's granary, Chestertown.
a27-1m. FRANK WRIGHT.

BARNUM'S

GREAT SHOW!

WILL EXHIBIT AT WILMINGTON, DEL.,

NEXT MONDAY, April 29.

The Kent County Railroad will run a Train, in connection with the P. W. & B. R. R., for the GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH on *Monday, April 29th*, leaving Chestertown at 4 P. M., and stopping at all Stations.

☞ FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP, including Admission to the Great Show, only $2.50 from Chestertown; $2.40 Worton; $2.30 Lynch's; $2.20 Still Pond; $2.10 Kennedyville; $2.00 Black's; $1.75 from Lambson's or Masseys. 1t.

TO THE LADIES!

Grand Spring Opening

OF

MILLINERY,

AND

FANCY GOODS!

MISS LUCY CROSSLEY has again returned from the city with a very large assortment of all the newest and most attractive novelties and styles in

Bonnets, Hats, Ribbons,

Silks, &c. Also, a complete line of Ladies' Furnishing Goods, Notions, Trimmings, and Fancy Goods generally.

Having had experience with the wants and tastes of ladies generally, and her prices being as low as the same quality of goods can be elsewhere bought, she would ask all to call and examine, believing that she can satisfy all demands.

MISS LUCY CROSSLEY,
apr27-3t. STILL POND.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

The COMMISSIONERS

OF CHESTERTOWN,

For the period from the 4th day of June, 1877, to the 27th day of April, 1878, published in compliance with Sec. 61, art. 14, Code of Public Local Laws, title Kent county, sub-sitle Chestertown.

REVENUE:

Am't Corporation taxes levied...	$1,005 36
Levied by Kent Co., in hands of Jas. A. Shaw, coll'r.....	300 00
Rent of Stalls in Market House..	40 00
Rent of ground to Wm. Register	20 00
For Dog License.....	65 00
Cart and Wagon Licenses.....	13 00
Hay Scales.....	21 30
Fines.....	10 00
Show License.....	7 00
Private subscriptions for Lamps	16 00
Loans on individual notes.....	300 00
Total.....	$1,797 66

EXPENDITURES:

Overpaid by late Board, as per its annual report.....	51 44
J. W. Parsons, coll'r, bailiff, &c., for one year.....	400 00
Extra police for Tramp nuisance	87 00
John W. Palmer, clerk.....	50 00
J. E. Thomas, J. P., fees.....	6 70
L. H. Smith, clerk to election.....	4 00
Alex. Taylor, pump work.....	43 70
Chapman & Lambert, blacksm'g	16 30
T. W. Eliason, jr., lumber, &c.....	30 51
J. K. Aldridge, hardware, &c.....	5 54
G. W. Parks, blacksmithing.....	2 35
J. B. Burchinal, oil for lamps.....	7 81
John Lynch, pump-work.....	12 75
Lamp-lighters, attending lamps..	126 25
Whitewashing market house and furnishing lamp-posts.....	33 00
D. C. Blackiston, clerk's fees.....	2 00
T. Burton, late clerk, bal. salary	38 25
Same.....printing	5 50
C. H. Davis, glazing.....	3 50
T. Trotton & Sons, brick & fre'gt	21 50
Newbold & Sons, lamps "	103 53
Interest on notes.....	13 45
W. Robinson, cartage.....	5 80
W. Perkins, shells, &c.....	14 80
Kitty Toomy, shells.....	21 60
Geo. Nicols "	7 80
John Armstrong "	7 50
B. H. Gardner, brick-work.....	30 62
G. A. Hanson, printing.....	3 00
Geo. Butler, cartage.....	2 40
T. Granger "	3 69
Levi Jones "	3 00
Gasoline Oils and freight.....	338 79
Levi Fiddis, paid for oil for lamps	6 26
	1,828 84
Overpaid by Board.....	$31 18

Included in the aforegoing expenditures are bills contracted by late Board and left unpaid, amounting to..... $243 49
Together with..... } 82 75
not included in above report.... }
Aggregating..... $276 24

There appears to be uncollected by Mr. Parsons, collec'r, &c., which are charged against him in the aforegoing report:

Corporation taxes.....	$100 00
Dog licenses.....	23 00

which amount is insufficient to discharge payment of the expenses credited in the said aforegoing report.

This Board on its going out of office will leave an indebtedness of..... $233 86 for which it could not find any receipts to meet.

By order of the Commissioners of Chestertown:

LEVI FIDDIS, *Pres't.*
JOHN W. PALMER, *Clerk.* a27-4t.

PLANTS! PLANTS!

On the 6th I bedded fifty baskets of the very best SWEET POTATOES, the earliest known, Pale red Chunks and Yellow Nansemond. By the 10th of May you can call on us, if you have your plants to buy, and we gaurantee good count and good plants, raised without glass. In a few weeks we shall have Cabbage Plants for $1.25 per thousand. J. R. BECK,
apr13-3t. *near Lynch's.*

THE CORNER STONE of the new Catholic Church in Chestertown will be laid SUNDAY, April 28, at 3 o'clock, P. M. apr20-2t.

Encourage Home Work.

THE

"COMPETITOR"

REAPER,

Manufactured by

WM. A. HYLAND & CO.

Galena, Kent Co., Md.

The COMPETITOR REAPER, invented by us, has been thoroughly tested in past seasons. There are many reasons why it should be preferred above all others by the Farmers of Kent. It is sold as cheap as any other; the parts can always be had at home; it took the FIRST PREMIUM at Middletown and Kent Co. Fairs, and it is, we believe THE BEST in the market. Among the numerous testimonials received are the following

MASSEYS, MD., Sept. 10, 1877.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.—Gentlemen: The Competitor Reaper I purchased of you last June did its work to perfection, not causing one moment's detention in cutting my entire crop of wheat. In my opinion it has no equal for durability, simplicity of construction, ease of draught, &c. The matter is I would have no other. Yours, very resp'y,

RICHARD C. JOHNSON.

MASSEYS, MD., Sept. 15, 1878.

W. A. Hyland & Co.—Dear Sirs: I have used several reapers and cousider yours the best. DR. C. H. B. MASSEY.

MASSEYS, MD., March 10, 1877.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.—Gentlemen: The new Competitor Reaper I purchased of you for the harvest of 1876 gave me the utmost satisfaction in cutting my grain. I cut fifty acres in two days, and I am perfectly satisfied that it is superior to any drop reaper now used.

Very respectfully yours,
R. H. CORBALEY.

MASSEYS, MD., April 15, 1878.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.—Dear Sirs: The Competitor Reaper runs easier to the horses than any reaper we have ever used, and the tongue is adjusted so that there is no weight except of its own on the horse's necks, giving it, in this particular, an advantage over other reapers.

Yours resp'y, JOHN REECE,
L. REECE.

Near Masseys, April 15. 1878.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.—Gentlemen: Allow me to say to you that I am highly pleased with the Competitor Reaper I bought of you last year. It gave me entire satisfaction in every respect, and I consider it the easiest running reaper to horses that I have ever used.

Very respectfully yours,
HENRY SPEAR.

Philadelphia, March 1, 1877.

Messrs. Hyland & Co.—Gents: I used your new Competitor Reaper on my farm near Galena, with great satisfaction. For strength and lightness of draught it cannot be excelled. D. MCCAULEY.

Near Galena, April 7, 1877.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.:—I feel it not only my duty but a pleasure to acknowledge the superiority of the "Competitor" over those formerly used dy myself. I feel no hesitancy in recommending it. E. E. MILLER.

Near Galena, Aug. 1, 1877.

Messrs. W. A. Hyland & Co.—Gentlemen: I have used the Competitor Reaper I bought of you for two seasons, and consider it to be the most economical machine ever offered to the farmers. There has been no expense incurred by breaking or any part of its works getting out of order; and with two horses it will reap 20 acres of wheat per day, runs very easy and light to the horses, and can be readily managed by any farm hand.

Very respectfully yours,
EUGENE GOODING.

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