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The Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - - DEC. 28, 1878.

BOTH Houses of Congress adjourned over from Friday of last week to the 7th of January for the holiday recess.

A FEARFUL warning to young skaters comes from France. Forty-eight children were drowned on Thursday by the breaking of ice on a pond at Chapelle Moche, in the department of Orne.

THE inharmonious Republicans of Maryland are making another desperate effort for *harmony*—in other words, for a redistribution of the offices. A convention with this object in view is to be held in Baltimore on the 8th of January.

BAYARD TAYLOR, the American Minister to Germany, died suddenly at Berlin on the 19th inst. The funeral services over the remains were held at the American Legation on Sunday afternoon. They were deposited in a vault until ready for transportation to this country.

HON. BEVERLY B. DOUGLAS, member of Congress from Virginia, died in Washington Sunday morning. General Alpheus S. Williams, member of the House of Representatives from the Fist District of Michigan, and Chairman of the House Committee on the District of Columbia, also died at Washington last Saturday.

THE commission of J. Madison Wells, as Naval Officer at New Orleans, expires the 4th of next March. A Democratic Senate will have the pleasure of voting on his confirmation, should Mr. Hayes reappoint him, and it is not likely that they will confirm him. The political race of the old returning board rascal is nearly run.

THE Inauguration of Governor-elect Hall, of Delaware, which occurs on the 21st of January next, will probably be one of the most brilliant events of the kind ever witnessed at Dover, the State capital. Arrangements are being made for the entertainment of the guests of the occasion, including the uniformed militia of the State. In the evening an inaugural hop will be given.

THE condition of Governor Hampton is now such as to warrant the belief that he will soon be permanently restored to health. A correspondent writing from Columbia, S. C., represents the anxiety of the people, negroes as well as whites, as being intense. The general sentiment is that "the Governor cannot be spared just yet."

THE President in a recent conversation on the political situation said that in his opinion it was entirely too soon to be settling down to any particular man for the presidential nomination of either of the great parties. The whole posture of affairs may be, and possibly will be, changed in the next twelve months, and men who are now regarded as highly available may be considered entirely out of the question. The President thought the next campaign in Ohio would be fought over very desperately, but he said he was not one of those who believed the result would have a controlling influence on the presidential election, which would not come off till twelve months later. In regard to affairs in the South, the President thinks the outlook is quite hopeful, and he believes the era of good times for the whole country is now close at hand.

THE EVE OF RESUMPTION.—Everything, says the Baltimore *Sun*, seems now to be favorable to any easy and painless return to specie payments on the first of January. Foreign exchange, in spite of the heavy recent purchases of bills on London, refuses to reach the gold-importing point, and the clique of gold speculators in New York, who had hoarded $10,000,000 in the hope of a profitable wrestle with the treasury, are now reported to be unloading as rapidly as possible. The committee on banking and currency of the House of Representatives has adjourned over until January 8 without any action, and it is perfectly well understood that Congress will not attempt, when it reassembles, to oppose any obstacle to the perfecting of Secretary Sherman's plans. It is even reported that Congress will decide before the fourth of March to give the Secretary of the Treasury a discretionary control of the coinage of silver, "directing him to supply the wants of the business community and not accumulate the new dollars in the vaults of the treasury." Under these circumstances it is perfectly intelligible why gold should have reached par during the past week, and it seems to be quite within the power of the banks and the treasury to maintain it there until the business community has settled down into the new order of things which will begin with the new year.

FEVER IN WILMINGTON, DEL.—The Wilmington (Del.) *Every Evening* says: "There is probably more typhoid and remittent fever in this city just now than was ever before known, and while some attribute it to the water we drink the majority of those discussing the matter connect the fever with the flooding of the marshes around the city, which proceeded its outbreak."

MAJOR ATWOOD, of the United States army, stationed at San Antonio, Texas, was married in St. Louis recently to the daughter of Richard King, the "cattle king" of the West. The bride's father presented the groom with 80,000 head of cattle.

A YOUNG MAN named Marvel, of whom Denton, Caroline county, has no occasion to be proud, has been found five dollars and costs for throwing a quid of tobacco in the face of the Rev. Mr. Walton, while engaged in prayer at Sheppard's Chapel.

IF Gov. Hampton lives to take his seat in the Senate, South Carolina will be represented in that body by two cripples, Senator Butler having lost a leg in a cavalry charge during the late war.

AT Oakland, Cal., last Saturday, Rarus trotted two one-mile heats in 2.14 and 2.14½.

COMPLETION OF SHIP CANAL SURVEYS.—Major N. H. Hutton, United States Engineer Corps, and party, who have been making surveys for the proposed ship canal to connect the Delaware and Chesapeake bays, are now in Baltimore making drawings and estimates of the various lines. The surveys have all been completed, and include three lines for the Choptank route, all joining at Cannon's Ferry, on the Nanticoke; the Bridgeville line, from Lewes to Tread-Haven, at Peach Blossom, and thence across the Peninsula to St. Michael's; the Wye river route, from Milford to Skipton, Lewes to Queenstown, Lewes to Centreville; Corsica creek line, running north of Dover to Little creek, in Delaware bay, and the Sassafras route. The routes admit of various modifications, many lines having been surveyed that will enable numerous changes in the main line. A boring party is still at work to ascertain what will be the character of the excavations at different depths along the routes surveyed. These important data will not be obtained in full until the middle of January. A couple of levelers are now running test lines for the purpose of detecting any possible error that may have been made on the various lines as run. This party strikes one or more of the bench marks on each line, and tries the level of the correctness of the level marked there. These levels are worked from low water at Cambridge Md., as a datum. The tides in the Chesapeake and Delaware bays and Nanticoke river are all different. Drawings and estimates from these surveys are now being made, and it is expected they will be complete in time for submission to Congress on the 15th of February.

THE BALTIMORE DAILIES were fully up with any of their cotemporaries of other cities in Christmas enterprise. The *Sun*, *Gazette* and *American* each issued splendid Christmas numbers last Saturday.

The *Weekly Sun* was an eight page number, full of choice stories, poety, news and all sorts of valuable reading. Hon. S. Teackle Wallis and other distinguished Marylanders are among its contributors. Those of our readers desiring to subscribe for a city *Weekly* cannot do better than take the *Sun*. The daily *Sun* is one of the best in the country. It has all the news, is reliable, discards sensational trash and treats all subjects fairly. We prefer it to the best Northern city daily.

The *Gazette* issued an eight page paper, and the original and selected matter was first class. This paper is improving constantly, and is now a recognized live news daily. Its rich and racy political editorials show a master hand at the bellows!

The *American* also issued a supplement full of Christmas stories, &c., all good and interesting. The *American's* new dress fits it perfectly, rendering its appearance neater than ever before. It is in every respect, outside of politics, a most excellent journal, and so appreciated in Kent, as evidenced by its large list of patrons here.

OYSTER VESSELS FROZEN UP—*An Appeal to the City.*—Some eight or nine Baltimore oyster boats are frozen up in Worton creek, many of whom are without provisions or money to buy them, and their crews appeal to the authorities of that city and their friends for assistance to buy necessaries or to get home. The vessels are the Adline, James Braden, E. S. Conover, Lena, Job Green, Emma, and Mary.

A BOLD AND SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.—Monday Prof. Alan T. Smith performed a most difficult and dangerous operation on a nine year old son of Mr. S. J. Hopkins, of Cambridge, Md. Ten months ago the child swallowed a tin ferrule from the umbrella. The ferrule, which was open at both ends, after going some distance down the throat, caught in the anterior wall of the esophagus, pressing against the windpipe, giving rise to serious trouble. All efforts to extract it were unavailing. The child was brought to town some days ago. Prof. Smith finding that the obstruction could not be reached by means of any of the forceps in use or any that could be devised, on account of its being imbedded in the mucus membranes and the difficulties of its position, forced his fingers down the child's throat and extracted it in that way. To do this the child had to be held by the heels, head downwards. It was completely suffocated for the time being by the operation. Artificial respiration had to be resorted to, which, after some time, brought him to a normal state. The child is now doing well.—*Balto. Sun.*

THE Cecil *Democrat* published at Elkton, Md., gives the following "turning up" of our Secretary of State in that town the other day: "The pavement in the Clerk's office having become somewhat sunken and worn in one spot, it became necessary to take up some of the bricks to level it, which was done on Monday last, when among the bricks taken up was one having the following inscription: 'R. C. Hollyday, Oct. 3, 1846.' Mr. Hollyday was Clerk of the Court at the time mentioned, and is now Secretary of State of Maryland, which position he has held under several consecutive Governors. The brick was replaced in the pavement." And we hope, to remain there for many years to come to serve the people of Cecil as faithfully as the Colonel has served the people of Maryland as Secretary of State.

"IN spite of all sombre and deterring circumstances," says the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, "the knees of Ulysses S. Grant will be crossed at regular intervals in peace and comfort under the mahogany of the White House for four years from the 4th of March, 1881." It is to be hoped that the knee-pans of the good Deacon McKee will clash gently with those of the General from the opposite of the table occasionally, and that when he reaches across to jingle his glass with the "Man of Destiny" he will not forget to repeat those beautiful and instructive words, "Pardon our sins."—*Balto. Gaz.*

THE Cambridge *News* notes that new oyster houses are commencing operations in that town every week, and wonders how long the fever will last.

NEW INVENTION AND NEW ENTERPRISE.—Mr. J. Stafford, Jr., has made arrangements with one of the finest Carpet Houses of New York city and has also procured one of Richardson's Carpet Sample Exhibitor or Multiplier, and he can show you as it were from a half yard of carpet a room all covered with carpets. He boasts of carrying the largest stock in the county, and is able to please all both in quality and price. All he asks is a call.

THE SWEETEST THING.—It was a loving but jocular husband who, when his wife asked him what she was going to have in her stocking, replied: "You are just the sweetest thing I care to see in it."

PUBLIC SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.—The Chestertown public school, in closing for the holidays, gave an entertainment on Monday afternoon.—A large number of the patrons of the school were present, and also members of the county and local school boards. Some of the wall black-boards were ornamented with maps evidencing skill and taste, the one by Harry L. Dodd being especially good; others were by James Brice, Dellie Baker, and Walter Pippin. The word "WELCOME" in large, artistically drawn capitals, by one of the lady teachers, was admired by all. The following programe was well rendered:

"Welcome to Friends," music and chorus; Ma-Ma's Story, reading by Ella Ford; Monitor, by Fred. Usilton; My Mother at the Gate, by Ida Gardner; Little Impudence, by Gertie Cooper; Bevy of Eyes, recitation by 8 little girls; Work and Play, music and chorus; Little Marjorie, by Annie Bennett; Bessie's Christmas Night, by Effie Taylor; Papa's Letter, by Lillie Baker; The hour of Parting, a duet, by Delma Bordley and Belle Pippin; Give us little boys a Chance, recitation by David Perkins, Guion Roberts and Geo. Byron; What Bessie Thought, reading by Lizzie Fowler; Be Thorough, by Stella Lambert; To be happy we must be Good, dialogue by Eva Gardner, Thomas Benjamin and Geneva Willis; Christmas Carol, a solo, by Annie Lambert; A Little Boy's Pocket, recitation by Clarence Perkins; Would-be School Teacher, dialogue. Edw. Lambert as examiner and H. Dodd as applicant; Trouble in the Choir, a reading, by Sadie Burgess; Merry, merry Christmas, music and chorus.

Mrs. Lake presided at the organ in the rendition of the duet and solo, and Miss Minnie Usilton in the choruses. The ushers were Pearce Crisfield, James Brice, Chas. Perkins, John Collins.

The school reopens Thursday, Jan. 2.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCES.—Christmas day in Chestertown was observed about in the usual manner of our "burg." The early morning hours were bitter cold, and indeed during the whole day "Old Jack" poured his icy breath in freezing quantity and quality upon all within his reach. The bright sunshine, however, enhanced the invitation of the church bells in calling worshippers out, and at the Protestant Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal Churches fair congregations attended. At the latter a six o'clock service was held besides preaching at 10½. At the Catholic church, also, a five o'clock service was held.

About the usual amount of money was wasted in fire-crackers, boomerangs and whiskey, the latter article capturing a number of young men who ought to have been proof against its wiles. We very seldom see a drunken *man* upon our streets. A drunken *boy* is a pitiful sight indeed! While the Christian world generally rejoiced last Wednesday and were happy in the celebration of this natal day of the Saviour, many a parent's heart was made to bleed in anguish over the waywardness of sons.

A very dangerous practice was indulged in at night, that of indiscriminately shooting fireworks about the streets. Some of these rockets were very pretty and would be duly appreciated in the proper place. A great many people delight in such exhibitions. A little common sense, however, is requisite to the proper indulgence of the sport; and if persons insist upon manifesting a lack of this brain quality the police should prohibit it altogether.

LAST SUNDAY the new Catholic Church in this town was dedicated to the service of Almighty God under the title of the Church of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Becker. The Rt. Rev. Bishop sang Solemn High Mass, at which he was assisted by Rev. Father Curtis as deacon and the Rev. pastor as subdeacon. During the celebration of High Mass Father Curtis preached a very able sermon explaining the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. At the end of the Mass the Bishop congratulated the congregation on the beauty of their new church. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock Vespers were sung and the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament given by the Rt. Rev. Bishop, who also then preached on the Incarnation and Faith. The choir, which was composed of several ladies and gentlemen from Wilmington, acquitted themselves handsomely, and their singing was fully appreciated by the large morning and afternoon congregations.

A Fair was commenced in the basement of the church on Thursday night, and will be continued throughout next week.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.—Mr. Geo. C. Adkinson, one of our townsmen, met with an accident last Monday morning which came near proving of a very serious character. He was preparing to go hunting, and desired to replace what he supposed a defective cap upon a loaded shell. Taking the shell between the thumb and forefinger, he commenced picking away at the cap, when it exploded, breaking the forefinger, tearing away the flesh about an inch deep at the base of the thumb and otherwise lacerating the back of the hand; a part of the shell made a deep indentation in the ceiling, and the shot, strangely enough, were found in his boots! His wife, standing near by at the time, was knocked down by the shock, but not injured. Dr. T. S. Holton dressed the wound and states that it is in a fair way to heal without the permanent injury of either finger, other than the break in the first. Mr. Adkinson seems somewhat fated to accidents; when a mere boy he chopped off the end of this same forefinger with a hatchet, and about six years ago he came near losing his life by a fall from one of the shade trees in front of the Market House while trimming it.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Dec. 24.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. H. W. Vickers, adm'r J. J. Bowie, returned an inventory of personal estate and obtained an order for sale of same. Wesley K. Ayres, adm'r James M. Ayres, dec'd, returned an inventory of personal estate and obtained an order for sale of same. C. T. Westcott, adm'r of Nancy Trenchard, dec'd, passed his first and final administration account. Chas. H. Baker, exec'r of Hetty Swift, col'd, passed his first and final administration account, and a distribution ordered on balance of estate.

RUNAWAY.—A pair of horses attached to one of the wagons gathered on the steamboat wharf on Christmas eve, became frightened at the steamer's whistle, broke away and ran, in their course colliding with a mule team belonging to Mr. Jas. W. Skirven. A colored man holding the mules of the latter was run over and slightly injured, and one of the mules so seriously hurt as to necessitate its being killed. The runaways kept on up Main street as far as the Episcopal Church, when Mr. Lawrence Dugan jumped into the wagon and stopped the frightened animals before other damage was done.

WE suggest that the Kent County Agricultural Association take as a subject for discussion the proposition "that the State society restrict its fairs to every third or fifth year, on assurance from county societies that they will intermit their local exhibitions for that year and join the general exposition." Other counties and the State also would doubtless be glad to have an expression from ours, one of the oldest county societies in the State. We hope, therefore, that President Nicholson or some member will introduce the subject and appoint a day for its consideration.

CLOSE OF NAVIGATION.—Chester river, for its entire length, was closed by ice Wednesday night and considerable ice is also reported in the bay. The steamer Ford, after delivering her passengers and freight here on Tuesday afternoon, dropped down to Quaker Neck, from whence she proceeded to Baltimore the next morning, where she has since remained. The "weather wise" predict a protracted freeze.

WE cordially endorse the effort being made to organize a military company in this town. There should be such an organization in at least every county town in the State. At the last meeting Mr. J. K. Aldridge was elected first lieutenant and Mr. B. H. Gardney second. A captain has not yet been selected. Forty-three names are enrolled.

THE sale of the personal estate of Pere Wilmer, in Queen Anne's, last week, aggregated $2,000.

TO OUR PATRONS.—We hope our patrons will not neglect proper attention to our notice in the advertising columns. We therein request settlement before the end of the year. That period will arrive next Wednesday, so that two or three days remain in which to comply. Those who find it inconvenient to call upon us in person can send by registered letter through the mail, or by the hands of neighbors or friends.

RECIPE FOR KILLING A TOWN.—To kill a town underate every prospective enterprise, suspect every new comer of being a rogue, call every new invention a humbug, speak ill of the churches and schools, tell everybody the hotels are bad, enlarge on the vices of the people, buy your dry goods and groceries in some other place, and by all means go to the city for your stationery, millinery and such like, never subscribe for your local paper, and if you are in business refuse to advertise.

RICHARD BROOKINS, a well known colored man living in the lower part of this county, was robbed of $43 on Friday night of last week, on the public road, by a party of men supposed to be oyster dredgers.

William Holmes, colored, was committed to jail on Monday for stealing eggs, preserves, &c., from the cellar of Hall's hotel in this town.

SURPRISE VISITS.—The pastors of both the Methodist congregations in this town were remembered by their flocks previous to the holidays. Rev. Mr. Hutchin, of the M. E. Church, was visited Monday night, and Rev. J. B. Jones, of the M. P. Church, on Tuesday night, each having his larder well supplied with the good things of life, and their wives and children receiving handsome presents.

THE annual holiday entertainment of the M. E. Sabbath school of this town took place at the Town Hall on Thursday evening. An abundance of good things was distributed to the children by "Old Kris," and a handsome Christmas tree adorned the hall laden with tempting fruits. It was an occasion of much enjoyment to all present.

The annual Christmas jubilee of the Meth. Prot. School, announced for last night, has been postponed to Monday evening next.

SKATING is now the order of the day, and our juveniles have not been slow to engage in the exhilarating exercise. Whaland's mill pond has been the favorite place of resort on account of the greater strength and smoothness of the ice.

REV. C. B. MIDDLETON will deliver a lecture in Chestertown next Wednesday evening on "Poetry and the Poets." The reputation of the lecturer is a guarantee of a rich treat on this occasion, and we hope he may have a full house.

VENDUE.—Harrison W. Vickers, Esq., as administrator, will sell next Friday the personal property of the late James J. Bowie, in Eastern Neck.

A FINE LOT OF DURHAM CATTLE.—It may not be generally known that the Hon. Judge Stump who, in connection with their Honors, Judges Wickes and Robinson, has presided with dignity over the courts of this judicial district for the last eleven years, is an amateur farmer and is quite as successful at that business as he has been at his profession. The Judge has a fine farm not far from Deer Creek, in Harford county, which is in charge of Mr. Thos. Lochray. The Deer Creek Farmers' Club met there recently, and we clip the following notice of the Judge's herd of Durham's from the Harford *Ægis and Intelligencer*:

"Mr. Lochray's farming apparatus was inspected by a committee of the Club, who reported that they found everything in capital order and the farming well done. His herd of Durhams were very superior, and would do credit to a Kentucky blue grass man. Among them is the 'Queen of Talbot,' one of the finest pure Short Horn cows in this State, and the imported bull 'Lord Clan Charlie,' a remarkably fine animal. The stock cattle were well selected and bought at a fair price. There was nothing the Club could complain of except that he had too much hay. His corn crop was large and fine. Mr. Lee (a member of the committee,) thought the Durhams were as fine as any he had ever seen in Kentucky or elsewhere."

OLD MARYLAND MANNERS.—The leading article in *Scribner's Magazine* for January, 1879, is entitled "Old Maryland Manners." It is written and illustrated by Frank B. Mayer, artist and author. The times of which Mr. Mayer writes were times of the old "Maryland *Gazette*" and "Tuesday *Club*—quaint and stately times, whose whims and oddities find a worthy chronicler in the new magazinist, Mr. Mayer. These two advertisements appeared in successive numbers of the Maryland *Gazette*:

"RUN AWAY from the subscriber, living at Annapolis, on the 27th of this instant, August, 1745, a servant man named John Powell, alias Charles Lucas, a Londoner born, by trade a clock and watch maker. He is a short, well-set fellow, has full, goggle eyes and wears a wig. He had on, when he went away, an Osnabrig's shirt, a pair of buckskin breeches, a pair of short, wide trousers, two pair of white hose and a well-worn broadcloth coat with metal buttons. Whoever secures the said runaway so that he can be had again shall have 3 lbs. rewards, besides what the law allows; and if brought home reasonable charges."

"Whereas, John Powell was advertised last week in this paper as a runaway; but being only gone into the country a cyder drinking, and being returned again to his master's service; these are therefore to acquaint all gentlemen and others who have any watches or clocks to repair, that they may have them done in the best manner and at reasonable rates."

In 1745 Charles Wilson Peale advertised as follows:

"AT KENT COUNTY SCHOOL, Chestertown, Maryland, young gentlemen are boarded and taught the Greek and Latin tongues, writing, arithmetic, merchant's accounts, surveying, navigation, and the use of the globes by the largest and most accurate pair in America, also any other part of the mathematics. N. B.—Young gentlemen can be instructed in fencing and dancing by very good masters."

Letter from Millington.

Messrs. Editors:—It was with a degree of mirth I had the pleasure of being at a surprise party, consisting of many of the citizens of Millington and vicinity, on the evening of the 19th instant, at the parsonage of the M. E. Church, in honor of the esteem held by them for their pastor, the Rev. T. J. Williams. The guests first met at the church, where they formed into procession and marched, with loaded cart in front, to the parsonage, which they invaded (with no hostile design) unawares to the minister, who seemed to be not only surprised, but somewhat frightened at the abrupt approach of such a crowd, but as soon as he collected himself he addressed them with feeling words, as his heart seemed to pulsate with inexpressible gratitude for the hospitality with which his larder was so bountifully supplied.

The Rev. T. W. Brown, of the M. E. Church South, was also greatly surprised by quite a number of his members and friends on the 23d inst., who well supplied his larder with many good things, when his highly esteemed lady, with a generous heart, bid them a hearty welcome into the rooms of this happy domicile, where we spent the evening as on the former occasion with perfect pleasure, and both ministers expressed their gratitude for the donations so freely bestowed.

The fourth and last quarterly meeting for the present year will be held on Sunday next at the Asbury M. E. Church, and the P. E., Rev. Chas. Hill, will preach on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights, at which time the Rev. T. J. Williams will commence a protracted meeting.

Since I reported the changes and removals to take place in this town several changes have been made. J. H. Hurtt will return from Dover and occupy the dwelling and store to be vacated by G. B. Hackett, and F. M. Gooding will remain where he is in the Britton house; John H. Thomas will take the hotel occupied by J. L. Wilis, and Samuel Duling will take his house; W. T. Sherwood and Jos. G. Smith will remain where they are, and Esquire Blackiston has removed his office next door to the postoffice.

I must close for the present, wishing the editors and patrons of the *News* a Merry Christmas and a Happy New-Year. TRAVELER.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW-YEAR is fast approaching, and every one will have some gift to bestow. We invite the attention and would direct all those in search of a useful present to the large and well known establishment of C. N. OBER & SON, 230 W. Pratt St., near Hanover, Baltimore, Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods and Clothing House, where will be found a line of overcoats—over 1300—together with their complete assortment of suits. The grandest stock of piece goods for garments to measure for everybody to select from, at greatly reduced prices. See their adv.

Two hogs killed in Salisbury the other day weighed 1,300 pounds.

MARRIED:

Dec. 12, 1878, by Rev. W. H. Hutchin, at the M. E. Parsonage, WM. W. DUYER to Miss ELLA VENABLE.

On the 24th December, by Rev. E. B. Newnam, DE ROY V. SCOTT to MOLLIE E. FOXWELL, both of this county.

On Dec. 17, in Philadelphia, by Rev. George H. Hepworth, LININGTON R. SHEWELL to OLIVIA G. RAND.

At the Meth. Prot. Church, Crumpton, on the 26th inst., by Rev. J. B. Jones, Mr. WM. NEWNAM to Miss EMMA H. WALLIS, daughter of Dr. Walter Wallis, both of Queen Anne's.

DIED:

In Crumpton on Thursday, Dec. 19, MAURICE WELSH, Esq., aged 62 years, 7 mos., 24 days.—Mr. Welsh was one of the founders of the village of Crumpton. A more extended notice furnished by a correspondent will be published next week.

In Millington, on the 11th December, EDGAR, infant son of C. P. and Susan J. Loper, of Pneumonia, aged 4 months and 5 days.

In Worton on the 15th inst., JOSHUA MEEKINS, aged about 45 years.

Dec. 11th, JULIAN ALONZO, son of Edmund S. and Sallie W. Culp, aged 1 year, 9 mos. and 13 days. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Dec. 22, after a short illness, ANNA STAVELY. Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Henry M. White, on the New Castle road, Del.

In Chestertown, Dec. 26, of pneumonia, Mrs. SARAH E. COLEMAN, aged 38 years.

Dearest mother thou hast left us,
We thy loss most deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby notified not to credit any one on my account without an order. I will pay no debts otherwise contracted from this date.
WILLIAM VANNORT.
Dec. 28, 1878—3t.

NOTICE. MISS M. J. WYATT respectfully requests her customers indebted to come forward and settle all bills immediately, as circumstances will not allow further delay. She will be compelled to put all unsettled accounts in proper hands for collection. d28-3t.

WANTED, A MAN and WOMAN, the man for head hand on farm and the woman for housekeeper.
Address with reference,
G. W. POLK,
d27-2t. Middletown, Delaware.

Lecture!

REV. C. B. MIDDLETON,

Will deliver his Lecture on "POETRY AND THE POETS," at the M. P. Church, Chestertown, on NEW YEAR'S EVE—next Wednesday. To commence at 7½.
Tickets 25c. 1t.

LOST, on Sunday night last, on the street in Chestertown, a large Carved GOLD EAR-RING DROP. The finder will be suitably rewarded on leaving at MRS. D. GRUBER'S, up town. d14-3t.

FOR RENT, A good sized STORE ROOM, with a room attached, and Cellar, on the front street, in the business portion of Chestertown.
dec14-tf. JAS. M. VANDYKE.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of Kent county will be held at the COURT HOUSE, in Chestertown, on MONDAY, January 6th, 1879, at eleven o'clock A. M.
d21-3t. N. G. WESTCOTT, Sec'y.

CARD.—I am now prepared to administer Gas for extracting teeth without pain. Also, to insert new teeth from $10 to $15 per set. If reference is needed I can give them from New York to South Carolina.
J. T. TWILLEY, D. D. S.,
d21-3t* Chestertown.

TO THE PATRONS of the "NEWS."

We need every dollar due us for Subscription, Advertising and Job-work; and those indebted are earnestly requested to settle BEFORE THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR.

We have done our best during the year to give satisfaction to all; we have to pay cash for everything requisite to the publication of the paper; and, without regard to our necessities, those who have received the benefit of our toil should render its just reward.
2t. PLUMMER & USILTON.

NOTICE.

MY FATHER'S BOOKS are now in my hands, and they are GOING TO BE CLOSED *SURE*.
All accounts standing for more than a year will be proceeded upon after the 1st January, 1879.
AL. C. WHALAND, ATT'Y for T. H. Whaland.
d14-3t.

FAIR! FAIR!

THE Catholics of Chestertown will hold their ANNUAL FAIR in the Basement of their new Church, commencing on THURSDAY, Dec. 26th.
Among the many valuable things to be disposed of at Chances, there will be
Handsome Walnut marble-top Bureau.
A Gold Watch;
A set of Ladies' Jewelry;
A Barrel of Flour; a Gold Ring;
A Buffalo Robe; Lap Blanket, and many other handsome and valuable articles.
Dec. 14—3t.

IN THE
District Court of the United States
FOR THE
District of Maryland.

In the Matter of ROBERT J. LANK, BANKRUPT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

THIS is to give notice, that a petition has been presented to the Court this 12th day of December, 1878, by ROBERT J. LANK, of Kennedyville, of the county of Kent, State of Maryland, and District aforesaid, a Bankrupt, praying that he be decreed to have a full discharge from all his debts provable under the Bankrupt Act, and upon reading said petition:

It is Ordered by the Court,

That a hearing be had upon the same on the 11th day of January, 1879, before the Court, in the city of Baltimore, in said district, at 10 o'clock A. M., and that notice thereof be published in the "Baltimore Gazette" and "Kent News," newspapers printed in said District, once a week for three weeks before that day; and that all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.
JAMES W. CHEW,
Clerk of District Court for said Dis't.
Dec. 21, 1878—3t.

Holiday Presents!
USEFUL AND ORNAMENTAL.
The New American SEWING MACHINE is the BEST.
TOILET SETS, &c.
Full stock of Confectionary, Foreign and Domestic Fruits, Nuts, French Pickels, Sauces, &c., at BELL'S,
d21. opposite the Bank.

CHRISTMAS GOODS!
RAISINS, CURRANTS, CITRON.
And all kinds of CHRISTMAS GOODS, as cheap as the cheapest, to be had at *SHAW'S, Court St.*
Call and examine his stock and prices.
Dec. 7, 1878.

PURE Buckwheat Flour, as cheap as the adulterated article is sold elsewhere. Hominy, Beans, Dried Fruits, and Canned Goods, for sale cheap at
dec14. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

NEW CURRANTS at 8c. lb. at HUDGINS' BAKERY.

GOOD CHEESE at 10c. per pound, at WHEATLEY BRO'S.

PURE CHAMPAGNE CIDER at WHEATLEY BRO'S.

REDUCED PRICES!
Enterprise Roasted COFFEE at 23c.
Good Roasted Coffee, 20c.
Best Green Coffee, 20c.
Good Green Coffee 12½@18c.
Best Brown SUGAR at 8c.
Best A White SUGAR 11c.
at
THOMPSON'S,
UP TOWN.

JOHNSON'S MEDICATED SILK FELT INSOLES, a sure preventive for cold feet, cramp in the feet, Chillblains, Rheumatism, and excessive perspiration, and can be had at only 20c. a pair, at
THOMPSON'S, Up Town.
Dec. 28, 1878.

GRAND DISPLAY
OF
CARPETS!

The LARGEST in KENT COUNTY!

By a new and novel process a whole New York city stock of FINE CARPETS can be seen at
Our New Store Room
Call at once and see them.

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!
PRINTS at 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9c.
ALPACAS, CASHMERES, &c.
MUSLINS at all prices.

Notions! Notions!
GROCERIES at the lowest prices.

Boots! Boots!
They must be sold. Women's Shoes in great variety and at low prices.
We mean business, and intend to sell goods. Look to your interest purchasers, and call at the
"GREEN FRONT"
Store for Cheap Goods. Give us a call and learn our prices, and see our goods.
Very resp'y,
J. STAFFORD, JR.
Dec. 28, 1878.

Ratification Notice.

In the matter of the Real Estate of D. A. Benjamin, late of Kent county, dec'd.

In the Orphans' Court for Kent Co.
DECEMBER 24, 1878.

ORDERED, this 24th day of December, that the audit made in said estate be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 25th day of January, 1879, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, Maryland, once in each of three successive weeks from this date.
ROBERT NICHOLSON,
THOS. J. SHALLCROSS,
R. B. WILLSON,
Judges of Orphans' Court.
True copy.—Test:
WM. STEVENS, Reg. Wills.
Dec. 28, 1878—4t.

New Goods! New Goods!
CHRISTMAS GOODS!

I HAVE just returned from the city with a well selected stock of Goods suitable for the season, especially such as are wanted about Christmas.
Those wishing to make presents can find something that would please their friends by calling and examining my carefully selected stock of
Handkerchiefs, Collars and Cuffs,
Pictures, Picture Frames, Oil Chromos,
MOTTOES in great variety, and very beautiful.
A large stock of
Zephyrs and Card Board,
and many other things that you may see by calling. Goods bought low and sold at small profits. Come and see.
MRS. E. N. MELVIN,
d14. Opposite the Bank.

New Coal and Wood Yard!
H. M. THOMAS,
HAS opened a COAL & WOOD YARD on Cannon St., adjoining Lambert's Carriage Factory, and has now on hand a fine stock of COAL of the different varieties, and OAK and PINE WOOD, all of which he will sell at lowest prices.
NEW SCALES guaranteed correct.
HAY, BLADES, &c., weighed carefully. Terms moderate.
n16-tf. H. M. THOMAS.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of
JAMES J. BOWIE,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.
All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 15th day of July, 1879; otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate.
Given under my hand this 17th day of December, 1878.
H. W. VICKERS,
Dec. 21, 1878—4t. *Administrator.*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of
JAMES M. AYERS,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.
All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 15th day of July, 1879, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit in said estate. Given under my hand this 17th day of December, 1878.
WESLEY K. AYERS,
Dec. 21, 1878—4t. Adm'r.

$15. THE BEST $15.
Sets of Teeth.
GOLD FILLING, $2.00.
SILVER FILLING, $1.00.
No extra charge for extracting Teeth. MARYLAND DENTAL ASSOCIATION, Dr. F. E. Brown, Operator, No. 61 Lexington St., 3d door west of Charles, Balto.
REFERENCES—J. P. DeCorse, Esq., Dr. Whaland, C. H. Baker, Esq. dec14t*.

FINE LOT OF MEN'S BOOTS now closing out at $2 per pair.
d21. at J. H. THOMPSON'S, under Kent News office.

NEW RAISINS at 8, 9, 10 and 12c. lb. at HUDGINS' BAKERY.

HOME MADE MINCE MEAT at 10c. lb. at HUDGINS' BAKERY.

Administrator's Sale!

BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, the undersigned, administrator of JAMES J. BOWIE, will sell at public sale at his late residence, Eastern Neck, formerly the Vachel Burgess farm, on
FRIDAY, Jan'ry 3d, 1879,
The following property:

6 Head of Good HORSES,
TWO COWS,
5 SOUTHDOWN SHEEP,
12 FATTENED HOGS,
1 LARGE TWO-HORSE WAGON,
1 Jump-Seat JAGGER WAGON, nearly new;
1 TOP BUGGY;
1 MARSH No. 4, Reaper and Mower combined;
1 DORSEY REAPER;
1 UNION CIDER MILL;
Carriage and Wagon Harness;
1 Carriage Pole; 1 Bridle and Saddle;
1 Sinclair Cutting Box;

Farming Implements,

Consisting of Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Plow Gears, &c.
13 bush. Wheat; Clover & Timothy Seed;
37 bush. Wheat seeded, fertilized heavy, now growing on said farm.
1 "Grove" No. 10 Breech Loading GUN, (double;) 1 Leather Gun Trunk and fixtures; 1 "Remington" No. 10 Breech Loader, (double;)
1 SAIL BOAT AND SAILS;
HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
Carpets, Furniture, Extension Table, &c.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under cash; all over that amount a credit of 9 months, with note and approved security, bearing interest from date. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.
HARRISON W. VICKERS,
Administrator.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct'r.
Dec. 28—ts.

VENDUE!

BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, the undersigned as administrator of JAMES M. AYRES, will sell at public sale at the late residence of said deceased in Swan Creek, on
Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1879,
The following property:

Two Head of HORSES,
LOT OF SHOTES;
TWO COWS with Calves by their sides;
1 COW giving milk;
1 FARM WAGON; SPRING WAGON;
1 Horse Cart and Harness; lot of
FARMING UTENSILS.
Household Furniture,
1 Cook Stove; 1,000 lbs. Corn Blades, &c.
Sale to commence at 10½ A. M.
TERMS:—All purchases of $10 and under, cash. All over that amount a credit of nine months, with note and approved security. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.
WESLEY K. AYRES, Adm'r.
Dec. 28, 1878—ts.

New Goods! New