The Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - - FEB. 8, 1879.

BISHOP WHITTINGHAM, who has been ill for the last two months, at his residence in Baltimore, has sufficiently improved to set up and transact some minor business.

THE Columbia (S. C.) *Register* emphatically denies a recently published report that Gov. Hampton has had a relapse. On the contrary it conveys the gratifying information that the Governor "is rapidly improving and was out riding both Saturday and Sunday last."

THE Vice President on Tuesday, says the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, called Senator Dennis to the chair in the Senate. Senator Dennis presided for several hours, both in open and executive session, and administered the duties of the chair with marked ability.

THE President sent to the Senate on Tuesday the nomination of Thomas S. Hodson as collector for the eastern district of Maryland for another four years' term, Mr. Hodson's present commission having expired. In the executive session the nomination was referred to the committee on commerce.

GOV. JOHN LEE CARROLL gave a farewell dinner to Hon. A. B. Hagner, who has recently been appointed Associate Judge of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, previous to his leaving Annapolis to enter upon the discharge of his duties. Among those present were the Judges of the Court of Appeals, Commodore Parker and others.

JUDGE GILES, of the United States District Court, for Maryland, contemplates retiring from the bench unless his health improves. Under the law he has the privilege of retiring on full pay. Among the names spoken of to fill the vacancy are R. Stockett Matthews, Ex-Judge Jno. E. Smith, of Carroll county, Geo. C. Maund and Henry Stockbridge.

MR. R. STOCKTON MATTHEWS, chairman of the republican State central committee, has proposed to call that committee together about the middle of March. This proposition has been accepted by the leaders in the Raine's Hall meeting of January 8, and it is stated that whatever action the central committee may take when convened in March will be acquiesced in by all.

A MEETING of the Peninsula Fruit Growers' Association was held at Dover, Delaware, on Tuesday, at which several speeches were made urging upon the Legislature the justice of action looking to the protection of the growers of fruit against what they declare is an unjust freight tariff charged by the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN JONAS has been elected by the Democrats of Louisiana as the successor to Mr. Eustis in the United States Senate. He is 41 years of age and is a native of Kentucky. The wife of Mr. Jonas is a Baltimore lady of great beauty and accomplishment. She was a Miss Block. The Legislature of Kansas has elected John J. Ingalls to the United Stated Senate.

MARSHAL MACMAHON resigned the presidency of the French Republic on the 30th ultimo, giving as the reason his unwillingness to assent to measures contrary to good army organization; he has filled the post since the resignation of M. Theirs in 1873; M. Grevy was elected by the Congress, receiving 536 votes out of 570, and was proclaimed President for seven years. There appears to be a decided feeling of relief that MacMahon is out, and that the contests between the legislative and executive branches are over.

MATT CARPENTER's election to the Senate in place of the "stalwart" Howe is not much of a triumph for the Republicans if he continues to talk as he did in a speech to the citizens of Milwaukee after his election. He said: "Bayonet rule has had its run as long as it was useful, and civil government is now the proper instrumentality to use in dealing with the affairs of the South." This sounds more like the talk of a statesman than a Republican politician.

A DISPATCH from Washington states thar Mr. Hayes, to the great surprise of Conkling and Blaine, has pronounced in favor of General Grant as his successor. The adhesion of the President to the Grant movement it is thought will give the Ex-President the nomination for a third term. The Whiskey Ring, the Indian and other Rings in and about Washington, are in high glee over Grant's present prospects. It is also said if Conkling can't get the nomination himself, he will go for Grant, as he prefers him to either Blaine or Sherman.

SENATOR CONKLING, contrary to general expectation, has been defeated in his fight with the Administration over the New York custom-house appointments. The contest took place last Monday and is said to have been one of the most extraordinary and exciting executive sessions of the Senate held for years. Mr. Conkling spoke about two hours, which proved to be an effort by the side of which all previous speeches of Conkling's life, in the direction of bitterness, are declared by good judges to sink into insignificance. The vote resulted in a majority of 9 for Merritt and 12 for Bust, both of the Maryland Senators voting with the Administration side for confirmation. Conkling is greatly humiliated at the result, as he confidently expected to win.

A MARYLANDER VICTIMIZED.—Thos. F. Lang, of Price's Station, Queen Anne's county, while waiting in the depot of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad at Philadelphia, on Thursday night of last week, was induced by a stranger of good address to go up the street and look at some furs he had just received. While there another man came up and demanded of the stranger the money for the furs. The latter, of course, had nothing but a check for $100 with him, and asked Lang to cash it, which he was foolish enough to do. Then Lang was asked to watch the furs for a moment, and that was, of course, the last Lang saw of the stranger.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1879.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. John S. Wirt, adm'r d. b. n., c. t. a. of Clement F. Jones, passed his first administration account. Benj. F. H. Caulk, exec'r of Rich'd A. Frazier, returned his fourth administration account which was examined and passed. Benj. F. H. Caulk, exec'r of Hannah E. Frazier, passed his first administration account. H. W. Vickers, adm'r of Stephen Cox, received an order to give notice for a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased on Tuesday, March 4. The release of John F. Wilson to Wm. J. Wilson, executor of Alexander Wilson, was filed and ordered to be recorded. The release of Wm. J. Wilson to Jno. F. Wilson was filed and ordered to be recorded. Lewin Usilton, guardian to Peter Taylor, passed his accounts for the year 1878. Abel J. Rees, guardian to Sarah, Susanna and Thos. A. Rees, filed his guardian accounts, which were passed and ordered to be recorded. Releases of S. M. Wilkins, Benj. N. S. Wilkins, Fannie L. Jones, Edward B. Jones, and W. N. E. Wickes, guardian to Frank Wilkins, also M. A. and E. M. Wilkins to E. M. Wilkins and R. S. Emory, administrators of Edw. Wilkins, dec'd, were filed and ordered to be recorded. The third and final administration account and distribution of Wm. Ford, adm'r of George B. Ford, was passed and ordered to be recorded.

RESUMPTION OF STEAMBOAT NAVIGATION.—The steamer B. S. Ford made her first trip to this town last Tuesday since the ice embargo. The Ford was preceded in the river by the new ice boat Latrobe, which steamed up above Queenstown creek. Very little ice was encountered in Chester river before reaching Hail Point, where it was found in a solid belt across the river, and extending to the mouth of Queenstown creek.—After letting the Ford through this the Latrobe returned to the city, and the former has since been making regular trips without assistance. Both Queenstown and Grey's Inn creeks were frozen up on Tuesday, and the Ford did not stop at Queenstown, but landed her Centreville passengers at Booker's.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—As Mr. W. J. Davis, of Quaker Neck, was riding from his home last night week to the literary circle at Bond Chapel, his horse stumbled and fell on his knees and in recovering struck Mr. D. in the mouth with his head, knocking one of his front teeth out, mashing in the left maxillary bone from the front to the second molar tooth. Nothing daunted, however, he continued on and participated in the exercises of the evening, acting as a teller in the election of officers. Next morning he came in to see Dr. Twilley, who set the bone and teeth in place, and made a dental plate to hold them steady, while nature repaired the damages. Mr. Davis is evidently a plucky young man, and may be relied upon by the circle as a "regular attender."

"WOODEN WEDDING."—For the second time in this Conference year the Methodist Episcopal Parsonage in this town was made last Wednesday the scene of gladness and good cheer by the organized incursion of friends. This time it was because of the fifth anniversary of the marriage of the Rev. W. H. Hutchin and his wife. The day had been observed in a quiet way by the family, without any visitors. About 3 o'clock P. M. they went to the residence of Sheriff Davis for tea. On returning to their house about 8½ o'clock P. M. they saw no evidence of anything unusual until the street door was opened, when a large assemblage of ladies and gentlemen greeted them with bright smiles and warm congratulations. Quite a handsome display of presents was made, and not all "wooden" either. Before many minutes had passed the Rev. I. Jewell made his appearance and, for the second time, the marriage ceremony was performed. The contracting parties were compelled to stand alone, their little four years old girl refusing to act as bridesmaid. The responses were made with clear voices and the ring was carefully replaced where it belonged. Congratulations were then in order, after which the bride and groom were invited into the dining room, where a long and beautiful table laden with delicacies awaited the coming of the bridal party. The occasion was a very pleasant one if the verdict of the many who packed the house is to be accepted.

FORMATION OF A MEDICAL SOCIETY.—Pursuant to notice, a meeting for the formation of a Medical Society, by the regular practicing physicians of Kent county, was held on Tuesday last in Chestertown. There were present Drs. Samuel Beck, Samuel G. Fisher, James A. Perkins, J. H. Price, Wm. S. Maxwell, B. S. Roseberry, J. H. K. Jacobs, W. Frank Hines. A permanent organization was effected by electing Dr. Samuel G. Fisher, President; Dr. J. A. Perkins; Vice-President; Dr. S. Beck, Treasurer: Dr. Wm. S. Maxwell, Corresponding Secretary; Dr. W. Frank Hines, Recording Secretary. A committee to draft a constitution and by-laws was appointed. Dr. W. A. S. Maxwell was selected to open the discussion at the next regular meeting, on the subject of "Pneumonia, its origin, clinical history, diagnosis, prognosis and treatment." The object of the organization is for the mutual good of the profession throughout the county. It is proposed to conduct it in such a manner as to make it beneficial to their patients as well as themselves. The next meeting will be held on the first Tuesday in March.

PURCHASE OF A FINE ESTATE.—Mr. Thomas S. Wickes, of Chestertown, has purchased of Capt. John T. Skirven the farm situated near Fairlee, known as "Tulip Forest," containing about 380 acres—terms private. This estate belonged to the ancestors of the recent purchaser from the earliest settlement of the county until the year 1830, when it was sold to the late John R. Stroud. Now, in 1879, after a lapse of 49 years, it reverts to the hands of the youngest representative of the original family and bearing its name. It is somewhat rare to find an instance in this county of an estate remaining in the same family for so long a period, and much more rare that estates pass back into the family of the first owners.—This instance proves what perseverance, industry and enterprise will do.

A GENTLEMAN from Eastern Neck Island reports that on Saturday last the light house at Love Point was almost covered up with drift ice. The northwest winds had driven large quantities of ice in the river, and it had piled up around the light house until the whole thing looked like an iceberg. He says it was a magnificent spectacle.

LECTURE AT KENNEDYVILLE.—Rev. C. B. Middleton will deliver a lecture at Kennedyville—in the M. P. Church—next Thursday evening. Tickets 25c.; children 10c.; benefit of the Church.—The lecturer's well known ability ought to draw a crowded house.

DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE.—Wm. B. Usilton has been elected Delegate, and Jas. W. Lambert alternate, to represent Kent Circuit in the Maryland Annual Conference, which meets in Centreville on the 11th March. Warwick Circuit elects B. F. H. Caulk delegate; E. S. Marsh alternate.

THE protracted meeting at the M. P. Church in this town has been continued during the past week with increased interest. In addition to the evening services, meetings are held each day at 10 o'clock, continuing one hour.

D. B. STEWART, son of W. H. Stewart, residing not far from Chestertown, has been appointed by the county school board to the vacancy in Western Maryland College, in the stead of Mary R. Stevens, who resigned the appointment.

THE threatened rencounter between Prof. J. N. Baird, of Sudlersville, and Mr. Busteed, of the *Observer*, has been averted by mutual explanations. We are gratified that the affair has had so fortunate a termination.

As an evidence of the mortality in Talbot county, Md., it is stated that seventeen letters of administration were issued during the month of January, against two last year.

THE Groome Guards, of Elkton, have received from Adjutant General Bond a supply of overcoats, knapsacks, haversacks and canteens.

GOV. CARROLL has appointed Wm. Kent Sparks, Esq., County Commissioner for Queen Anne's in the place of Capt. R. T. Larrimore, deceased.

Chesterville and Vicinity.

Messrs. Editors:—Our vicinity seems to be enjoying a reasonable share of the matrimonial fever this winter. What appears remarkable about the matter is the fact that several of our old bachelors, who have withstood the charms and attractions of the fair sex for so long a time, have suddenly been taken seriously ill with the fever, and recovered not until each had secured to himself a lovely bride. Like many other fevers, this seems to be contagious, and, what is equally strange, appears to confine itself to one and the same class. The bachelor fraternity have thus far fallen victims to this wide-spread epidemic, but 'tis by no means certain that it will stop with them. Since it has been the privilege of "Walter" to note the items matrimonial, or otherwise, for the *News*, no more startling event has occurred than the marriage of our genial old bachelor friend, Edward Slaughter. Having trod life's pathway alone for so long a time, and become so settled and fixed in all the attractive ways of single blessedness, the public were taken by complete surprise upon the announcement of his matrimonial alliance. Bachelor like, he kept the secret well in his own breast, as if ashamed of what he was going to do. 'Tis true there was now and then a straw flitting about, indicating which way the wind blew, some of which straws "Walter" saw and wondered. On Tuesday last, however, the forces centred at Slaughter's Landing to celebrate the birthday of our hospitable friend.—Among those specially invited was Parson Brown, (how useful and accommodating these preachers are) who, by the power in him vested, at the proper time and without previous notice to the guests, securely united in the bonds of wedlock Mr. Edward Slaughter and Mrs. Martha Bratton. Thus the same occasion was made to serve two purposes—the celebration of both a birthday and marriage feast. Glad indeed that the advice we volunteered last spring has been so closely followed. We tender to the newly married pair our best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity.

Right on the eve of this another bachelor friend fell into line. On Wednesday evening at 6½ o'clock, in the Chesterville M. E. Church, Rev. J. E. Bryan, in the presence of numerous witnesses, united in wedlock's holy bonds, Mr. W. E. Sanders and Miss Laura Covey, eldest daughter of Mr. Joshua Covey, residing on Cherry Lane. The ceremony ended, the invited guests, about 40 or 50 in number, repaired to the residence of the bride's mother, where a sumptuous supper was prepared and reception held. So numerous the guests, so bountiful the provision, so pleasant the moments, that the wee sma' hours of morn crept on apace ere the company were aware of it. As the hand on the dial indicated that the meridian had long since passed and that ere long old chanticleer would be giving forth his clear and warning notes, by couples and quadruples the guests retired, leaving the happy couple amid the dazzle and bliss of newly-wedded lives. Long live Edward and his modest little bride. Who next?

A singing school has been started in Chesterville under the tutorship of Prof. S. W. Aldridge. The young folks appear to take great interest in it, and we trust it will prove a success.

On Wednesday last about two inches of snow fell in this neighborhood. About two o'clock P. M. it turned to rain, and considerable slush ensued. A few sleighs were out that night and next morning.

A revival of considerable magnitude is now in progress at the Galena M. E. Church, Rev. J. E. Bryan, pastor. On Tuesday night there were as many as fourteen at the altar. WALTER.

Letter from Quaker Neck.

Messrs. Editors:—We promised in our last letter (which was very hurriedly written) to give a fuller account of the proceedings of Bond Musical and Literary Circle, which meets every Friday evening in the Sabbath school room at Bond Chapel. They met last Friday evening as usual, when upwards of sixty members answered the roll call. There were also a number of visitors, among them Capt. A. L. Corey.

A very interesting feature of this circle is the Children's Department. They are admitted as members and appointed to read and declaim, and in every case I am informed answer promptly when called upon. For instance, last Friday evening a sweet little girl of scarce five summers, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Baker, read a piece entitled "My Doll" with such child like simplicity, presence of mind and dignity of manner, that satisfied all present that children, even in their earliest years, are susceptible of extraordinary development. Master Edward Maslin did himself much credit in a declamation. Miss Katie Trew was appointed to sing a solo; she showed good taste in her selection, "Loula," and was deserving of the applause she received. Whilst her voice seemed week, it was nevertheless musical, and every word was uttered distinctly. Mr. Andrew Cruikshanks read an essay on "Irish Letters," which caused considerable mirth. The address was next in order, when Mr. Bake Lamb arose and announced as his subject "Hope and Consider." He commanded from the beginning the very closest attention, and the address throughout was most favorably received. The circle has been to him and many of the young men an inestimable advantage. They have a bright future before them, if they follow the advice he gave in his address. After the address a recess of ten minutes was taken, and generally during the recess apples, cake and nuts are passed around, which shows that the inner part of man is not forgotten. It was during recess that the two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Trew sang, by request, and certainly with much credit to themselves, a piece called "Katie's Secret." After recess the election of officers was the first thing in order. I would just add here that the last Friday of every month is the appointed time for the election. The following were chosen: President, Cordray Loud; Vice-President, Hidie Brown; Secretary, Miss Bessie Brown; Treasurer, Fannie Davis; Chaplain, Jno. Davis, Jr.; Usher, Thos. Gardner; committee on *Graphic Gem*, James H. Baker, chairman; Literary Committee, Miss Mamie Hazzard, chairman; committee on discussions, R. Groves, chairman. The President on leaving the chair thanked the circle for their hearty co-operation, which he certainly had during his entire term of office. Mr. Cordray Loud in taking the chair made some timely remarks, which proved his ability to master the position. The question for discussion next Friday evening we withhold, as we can see no possible good that can result from it, nor would it be of any credit to the circle for the public to know it. It is our intention to make note of all good points brought out in debate and the name of the person or persons making them, and give them in our letters.

The *Graphic Gem*, a monthly paper, and full of spicy letters, will be read the second Friday of this month—hence the second Friday of every month. The circle open their doors to all visitors, and none go but feel at home; and but few attend the first time who do not join or continue their visits. Many persons have paid twenty-five and even fifty cents to visit exhibitions or plays of some kind, who would be better entertained and profited most any Friday evening at this circle; and we venture the assertion that they would hear more applause (noise) when any one reads or speaks than they would hear at Ford's Opera House, Baltimore, after Booth had closed one of his successful plays. Some of the young men seem to have no control over their feet and hands. And now, Messrs. Editors, is there any reason why persons living in other parts of the county should not learn from this circle that much can be accomplished toward improving the mental culture of the young by similar associations?

NOW AND THEN.

[We see none, and believe that something of the kind would result in good to every neighborhood.—EDS.]

FROM A LETTER OF BISHOP LAY, dated Nice, Jan 16, published in the *Easton Star*, we make the following extracts:

"The journey from London to Nice is a long one, nearly 950 miles. Although we were a week accomplishing it, yet by reason of the inevitable fatigue on the cars, the unusually inclement weather, and the endeavor to see something at the various halting places, we reached Nice in rather a dilapidated condition, and are very glad to rest in this sunny spot for a fortnight before proceeding to Rome.

"We lead a very quiet life, taking our meals in our own room. The universal table d'hote dinner is at six, and this does not suit any of us.—So we have coffee and bread and butter at eight, "breakfast," so called, at one, and coffee and bread at seven.

"As for health, I think I am on the mend. I have been obliged occasionally to undergo much fatigue. Drafts of air could not always be avoided. Hence have come some inconveniences.—But I shall I hope continue to improve, now that the arduous travel is over."

THE fine old mansion house of the Paca family, on Wye Island, was destroyed by fire Monday morning. The fire commenced on the roof, and originated from a tinner's furnace while workmen were engaged repairing the roof. The mansion was one of the finest in the State, and was built by Gov. Paca before the Revolutionary war.—Many an old revolutionary worthy has enjoyed its hospitality. Mrs. Wm. B. Paca, who owns the property, resides in Baltimore.

MR. JOHN MONTAGUE, residing near Ruthsburg, planted a pumpkin seed last year in his garden, from which he gathered in the fall twenty pumpkins, the whole weighing nearly 600 pounds. The heaviest weighed 57½ lbs. So says the *Observer*.

DEATH OF A COLORED MINISTER.—Rev. John Manluff, pastor in charge of Charles Wesley Church, ("Sandy Bottom") near Centreville, died at his residence in that town last Friday week of pneumonia. The *Observer* says he was a very accomplished man for his race, and far above the average.

THE Northeast *Record* says: "Our fishermen tell us that a cold winter like this promises a good catch in the spring, as the fish try to keep warm in the deep water and don't get scattered, coming up in crowded free schools at the appointed time. So look out for a good season."

HON. R. B. CARMICHAEL, of Queen Anne's, experiences great inconvenience from the failure of his eyesight.

Lynch's and Vicinity.

Messrs. Editors:—Like Banquo's ghost, local option pops up once in a while, and some of its supporters are getting fidgety as the first of May approaches. A newly enfranchised remarked: "I never done anything in all my life I hated so bad as puttin' dat little bit of paper in de box for local option, and nobody can ever git me to do dat agin."

Rural life is somewhat humdrum at present, as there is little to stimulate our best energies.—Methods for passing the winter hours pleasantly away are not manifold in this part of the county, and such as do not like books have monotony to spare. The human mind is divided between labor, recreation, study and amusement, and must be active to enjoy a consciousness of comfort.

The polar wave has partially yielded to a milder persuasive. Business is almost at a stand still. The fact is, we are in a collapsed condition. Last winter we were stirred by the temperance cause, but if local option has not killed it, it certainly has administered to it a heavy dose of narcotics. Some things, however, appear to grow—doctors' bills, store accounts and candidates for office.

The "Get up and Get" base ball club of Lynch's made its debut last Saturday. We may chronicle its future achievements.

At the marriage of Mr. Williams at Union Church, I am told they sung—

"This is the way I long have sought,
And mourned because I found it not."

Miss Annie Apsley, of Virginia, is on a visit to Kent. Will. Apsley has been *slaughtered* by a Virginia lady. These are the youngest children of W. R. Apsley, who is well and favorably known in this county, and who went to Virginia some years since.

J. Horton Kelley is preparing for the medical profession. The health of Mr. Louis S. Hepbron, I am sorry to say, is not the best, but he is looking hopefully to the spring for an improvement.

I have heard of a number of people that have declared their intention to subscribe for the *Kent News*. Good idea.

The grim monster's hand has made fearful inroads into the domestic circle of late; the frequency of the slow moving procession along our roads has made one shrink at the thought of the chill waters and shudder at the mysterious parting of soul and body. It is hard to stand the trials, tears and pains of bereavement, but these are the things that bring us to the joys that never die—to a world of enduring good, and

"We soon shall be called to that beautiful land,
There to dwell with the just evermore;
There to join in sweet songs with the friends that we love,
Safe at home on the beautiful shore."

SENTINEL.

Kent Co. Agricultural Association.

FEBRUARY 3, 1879.

Messrs. Editors:—The association, on motion, which was adopted, officially requested me to act as its correspondent. This position, as you are aware, requires some sacrifice of time and effort, and, were I simply to consult my convenience, I should decline the honor. But your kindness in the past, the favor with which my communications have been received, not only by members of the club but by farmers generally, with the possibility of advancing the paramount interest of the county and of benefitting the club, prompt me to accept the office. This association will be just what the farmers of Kent choose to make it; they are its builders, and its possibilities are as broad as the county and as many as its citizens. Financially, it stands upon the solid rock. Having a corps of trained officers and all the appliances of success, it offers an agricultural centre inviting the farmers to rally to it, not so much for its good as for their advantage. Shall it not be an electric light lighting up the dark corners of our calling, giving us faith for fear, knowledge for ignorance, and brightening up all the future pathway of the struggling farmers of Kent.?

Jan. 27th, the meeting was most attractive and instructive. Two subjects, "The rate of wages," and "The economy of spreading manure on the surface," were ably and thoughtfully discussed. As to the first, all were agreed that in view of the universal depreciation of values, farmers could not sustain themselves and pay the price for labor they have been paying. The association could not and would not wish to fix the rate of wages, but one thing is plain, a material reduction is not a matter of choice, but a necessity. On the other subject the club resolved that, "It is more economical to apply barn-yard manures on the surface" and to keep them as near the top of the ground as possible.

To-day, Feb. 3, our hall was well filled and much interest was manifested in all the exercises. The Corresponding Secretary was authorized to purchase two standard works of different authors on "Agricultural Chemistry" for the use of the club. Two of our books, "Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Law" and a "Treatise on Sheep," have been borrowed and not returned. Any member having either of these books will please return it as soon as possible. The regular question, "Are oxen profitable on the farm?" was considered pro and con. To some it might seem a question of but little interest, but the time has come when rightly deciding these small economies may decide the success or failure of the farmer. The members were about equally divided as to their value, and probably the views of individuals came more from location and circumstances than from any merit or demerit in oxen. The tendency seems to be to use horses in their place, chiefly from their greater speed and adaptation to more uses, but the value of the ox when past work is a strong argument on the other side, whilst a dead horse is worth nothing.

On Feb. 17th the subject of intermitting the County Fair on account of the State Fair will be considered, although at the meeting Jan. 27th the association decided to hold its regular exhibition this fall.

The regular question for next Monday is "When is the best time to sow grass seed, and how much seed to sow to the acre?" PARTICEPS.

THE LATE EDWARD WILKINS.—At a meeting on the 5th instant of the Executive Committee of the Maryland Horticultural Society, the death of Col. Edward Wilkins, a vice-president and one of the most useful members of the society, having been announced, it was voted that it is proper to place on record and make public an expression of the deep sorrow occasioned by the loss of a citizen of the State who had done so much to foster and elevate horticulture and pomology, and whose active and disinterested efforts to promote the success of this society always merited our gratitude and acknowledgment.

WM. B. SANDS, *Sec'y*. WM. H. PEROT, *Pres't*.

THE attention of those in want of lumber is invited to the advertisement of Messrs. E. E. Jackson & Co., in this issue. †

MR. CHAS. ROLPH has re-opened a Clothing Store next door to T. W. Wickes.

A Handsome Income

For an Energetic Lady or Gentleman. The Ohio Scale Works of Cincinnati have just completed and are now introducing to the public a handsomely finished Family Scale, an article that has always been needed in every household, and in a communication addeessed to the publishers of this paper the proprietors ask us to refer them to some reliable party, to introduce it for them to the people of this county. It is very seldom that a new article steps so suddenly into universal favor.—Housekeepers are loud in its praise, it is always ready, there are no weights to get lost or to be hunted up, is reliable, and will not get out of order. The description of them is a handsome base surmounted by a column in which works a spiral spring so scientifically adjusted as to weigh anything up to twelve pounds with perfect accuracy. On the top of the column is the platform on which the articles to be weighed are placed, and they have an adjustable indicator so that you can take the tare of any vessel you may use in weighing, giving you the exact net weight. Housekeepers at once see their value in weighing fruits, sugars, &c., in preserving, cooking, &c., or in testing the weights of purchases.

The Scales are made of all brass, are highly polished and are finished in a skillful manner.

They are very attractive and take the eye of every one who sees them.

It seems to us that nearly every family in Kent will want one, and is certainly a rare opportunity for some smart and enargetic party to pick up a nice little income. Agents in other counties easily make from $5 to $6 per day selling them, and parties in need of employment should drop the OHIO SCALE WORKS, No. 125 and 127 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, O., a Postal Card, and all information, etc., will be cheerfully given them by mentioning this paper. fe8-4t.

THE LARGEST STOCK OF *HAMBURG EDGINGS* in the County, Just received by T. W. ELIASON, JR. ☞Prices low. feb8.

REPAIRING CHAIRS.

THE subscriber is prepared to put new Bottoms in Cane Seat or Wooden Chairs, and also to Varnish and put them in complete order, looking good as new. Charges low. Shop on Queen st., formerly occupied by Jones, the barber. fe8-tf. JOHN C. RUTH.

$15. THE BEST $15. **Sets of Teeth.** GOLD FILLING, $2.00. SILVER FILLING, $1.00. No extra charge for extracting Teeth with Gas. 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. jan4-y.

TOBACCO at 60 and 75c. per lb., that can't be beat. Try them. Jan. 25. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

MARRIED:

On Tuesday, Feb. 4th, by Rev. T. W. Brown, EDWARD SLAUGHTER and Mrs. MARTHA BRATTON, all of Kent.

At Chesterville M. E. Church on Wednesday evening last, by Rev. J. E. Bryan, W. E. SANDERS and Miss LAURA COVEY, daughter of Mr. Joshua Covey.

DIED:

In Still Pond, Jan. 30th, Mrs. ELIZABETH KELLY, in the 62d year of her age, relict of the late John Kelly.

On Jan. 30, at Cassilis, West Virginia, MARIANA EDEN, widow of the late Edw. Tilghman Paca, of Queen Anne's county.

A CARD.

MESSRS. EDITORS: Josh Billings says: "Mi dear fellow, yu kant git ennything out ov this world unless yu ask for it, and yu aint a going to git mutch ennyhow unless you insist on it." I think Josh is about correct, and propose to take his advice. I want to be the next REGISTER OF WILLS in this county, and ask for it, and propose to insist upon it.

Yours, truly, fe8-tf. JOEL C. SLAUGHTER.

AUDITORS' NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested in the distribution of the proceeds of the sale of Benj. F. Joiner's personal property, made by the Sheriff of Kent county, to file their claims duly authenticated before me within one month from this date.

H. C. CHASE, Special Auditor.

February 8, 1879—3t.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE —OF— **VALUABLE TOWN PROPERTY.**

BY VIRTUE of authority contained in a mortgage from Dr. William H. Lassell and wife to William C. Mercer, dated July 24th, 1875, and recorded in Liber D. C. B., No. 1, folio 478, the undersigned as Attorney for the mortgagee, Wm. C. Mercer, will offer at Public Sale at the Voshell House in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, *The 4th day of March, 1879,* At 11½ o'clock A. M.,

ALL THE INTEREST of the said Wm. H. Lassell and wife in the property situated on High Street, in said town, and generally known as the

Lassell Property.

This is one of the best business stands in this town, and is a very valuable property. It has been divided into lots, and will be offered in parcels, in order to sell only so much as is necessary to discharge the mortgage debt.

LOT No. 3 CONTAINS THE **Store House and Old Dwelling** 

and FRONTS FORTY-TWO FEET ON HIGH STREET, running back to Cannon Street, with a front on that street of seventy-three feet.

LOT No. 4, CONTAINS THE **DWELLING HOUSE**

now occupied by Mrs. John W. Carroll, who holds a life estate therein. It is 29 feet front by 133 feet in depth.

LOT No. 2, Is immediately in the rear of Lot No. 4, and fronts on Cannon Street 29 feet, with a depth of 168 feet.

LOT No. 1, Fronts on Cannon street 67 feet by 168 ft. deep. The two last are without buildings.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE: $1200 cash on the day of sale or in thirty days thereafter; the balance on reasonable credit, to be announced at the sale. If more than one parcel is sold, the cash payment will be apportioned. Deed at the cost of the purchaser.

JAMES A. PEARCE, Att'y for W. C. Mercer, Mortgagee. Feb. 8, 1879—ts.

NEW CLOTHING STORE!

CHAS. ROLPH

Respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has RE-OPENED

A CLOTHING STORE

next to T. W. Wickes' drug store, where may be found at all times an assortment of SEASONABLE GOODS, which will be sold

At the Very Lowest Prices!

☞FURNISHING GOODS a Specialty. CHAS. ROLPH, Adjoining T. W. Wickes'. Feb. 8, 1879—tf.

ARRIVAL OF THE **STEAMER B. S. FORD,** With a full supply of **FINE GROCERIES** Consigned to **BELL'S, opposite the Bank,**

Consisting of COFFEES, TEAS, SUGAR, SYRUPS, MOLASSES, CHEESE, Washing and Crystaline Soaps; Broiling Beef, Fish, Buckwheat, Oatmeal, Dried Sugar Corn, Peas, Hominy, Canned, Roast and Corned Beef, Lobster, Green Turtle, Salmon, Green Sugar Corn, Tomatoes, Dried Peaches and Apples, French Prunes, Pickels, and all goods found in a *FIRST CLASS GROCERY.*

Apples of the best variety, which I offer at bottom prices for cash, and Country Produce. Feb. 8, 1879. J. BELL, AGT.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

ESTATE OF STEPHEN COX. On application ordered, that H. W. VICKERS, administrator of Stephen Cox, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made in this court on TUESDAY, the 4th of March, 1879.

Test: WM. STEVENS, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—The creditors of Stephen Cox, are notified and requested to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Register of Wills, on or before Tuesday, March 4th, 1879, or they will be excluded from the dividend in the personal estate. H. W. VICKERS, Feb. 8—4t. Administrator.

FOR SALE

At the Market House in Chestertown, on *Saturday, Feb. 22, 1879,* At 12 o'clock M.,

From Two to Four ACRES of LAND

in Quaker Neck, late the property of Mrs. John Broadway, and now belonging to her heirs. It adjoins Capt. John Hadaway, Mr. J. P. DeCorse and others. It has a HOUSE on the land and a small Apple and Peach Orchard. THE TERMS will be liberal; part cash and part credit, and made known at sale.

WILLIAM BROADWAY, GEORGE BROADWAY, JOSEPH BROADWAY, MARY E. RINGGOLD. Quaker Neck, Feb. 8—ts.

PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned, having discontinued farming, will sell at Public Sale at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, on *TUESDAY, February 18th,* At 10 o'clock A. M., the following Stock, Farming Implements, &c.:



7 HEAD OF HORSES, And 1 SUCKING COLT; Two of the horses are excellent workers to the cart;

3 Good Milch Cows, 1 two-year old Heifer; half Alderney; *1 YOKE of GOOD OXEN,* 1 four-year old STEER, and 2 two-year old STEERS;

17 Chester White Shoats,

2 to 3,000 POUNDS of PORK.

1 Ox-Cart; 1 Bickford & Huffman Wheat Drill, in good order; 1 Champion Reaper, Self-Rake, in good condition. Also, lot of **FARMING UTENSILS.**

TERMS:—All purchases of $10 and under, cash. All over that amount a credit of six months, with note and approved security. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.

ROBERT T. FORD. J. W. CARROLL, Auct. fe8ts.

New Goods, Just Received!

R. F. PARKS, *Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.,*

HAS on sale at his store (the Brick Building adjoining the Bank, old stand of W. W. Parks & Sons,) a well selected stock of

Domestic Goods, SUCH AS **PRINTS, MUSLINS,** &c., &c.

My stock of CALICO is very pretty; indeed even our 5 ct. Prints are DURABLE and CHEAP. Stock of MUSLINS ranging from 3-4 to 10-4 wide is replete. WAMSUTTA N. B. No. 2 at 11c.; quite a bargain. Would also call the trade's attention to his Stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES! 

which in order to reduce stock will sell regardless of cost for Cash. ALL WINTER GOODS and REMNANTS *closed at a Sacrifice.* Attention also is called to my stock of

GROCERIES,

which is replete and AS LOW AS THE LOWEST for same grade. Coffees at "hard pan" prices. Sugars from 7c. up. Syrups from 25c. up. New Crop New Orleans, a fine article for sale cheap.

Tobacco from 60c. up.

Our 60c. Tobacco can't be beat. In fact all goods are to be sold as low as the lowest for same quality. I desire the public to call and examine stock and prices before purchasing.

☞FUR *and all kinds Produce*☜ wanted in exchange for goods or cash. Respectfully. R. F. PARKS.

N. B.—CLOVER SEED furnished to farmers at a small advance for cash. Feb. 8, 1879.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Mortgage from E. Lavenia Benny to Susan E. Heighe, dated the twenty-ninth day of March, 1872, and recorded in Liber J. K. H., No. 11, folio 171, one of the Record Books for Kent county, the undersigned as administratrix of Susan E. Heighe and Trustee for the sale of the property mortgaged as above stated, will sell at public sale on

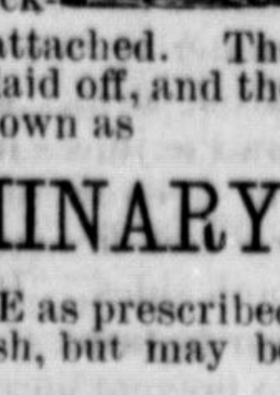
SATURDAY, FEB. 8, 1879, At Twelve o'clock M., At Pennington's Hotel, in Galena,

THAT LOT OF LAND And Premises,

near the village of Galena, on the Eastern side of the street leading to Georgetown, adjoining the lands of Franklin M. Gooding, and containing

TEN ACRES OF LAND, More or Less;

Together with the BUILDINGS and Improvements thereon. The BUILDING is a

Two-Story Frame, 

in fair condition, with Back-Building, and Kitchen attached. The grounds are beautifully laid off, and the property has long been known as

GALENA SEMINARY.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the Mortgage are cash, but may be modified.

MRS. J. C. SUTTON, Adm'x of Susan E. Heighe, and Trustee for sale of Mortgaged Jan. 18—ts. premises.

REMOVAL.

SAM'L GORMAN & BRO., **Practical Pump-Makers,**

Have REMOVED to corner Cannon and Cross sts., opposite G. E. Lambert's Carriage Shops. Jan. 18—*

NOTICE.—Found, Jan. 11, 1879, in the ice in Chesapeake Bay, a YAWL BOAT, about 14 feet long. The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take possession of said boat.

DAVID JONES, Eastern Neck Island, Kent co., Md. Jan. 25, 1879—3t.

HARD TIMES! LOW PRICES! Call and see how Cheap goods are selling, at an4. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S

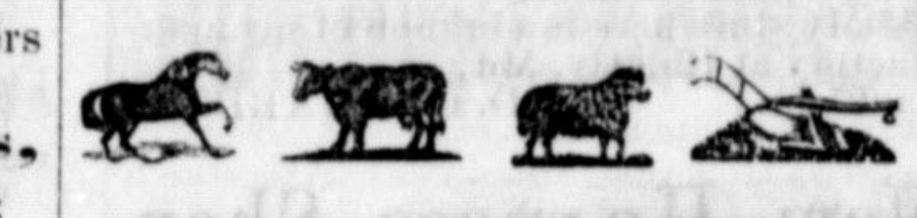
MEN'S HEAVY BOOTS and GLOVES, at Reduced Prices. fe1. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE OF THE *LARGE and VALUABLE* **Personal Estate** OF THE LATE **COL. EDW. WILKINS.**

BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent County, the undersigned as Administrators of COL. EDWARD WILKINS, will sell at PUBLIC SALE at "RIVERSIDE," his late residence, Kent county, Maryland, commencing on

Wednesday, Feb. 26th, AT TEN O'CLOCK, AND CONTINUING DAILY UNTIL EVERYTHING IS SOLD.

The Property we name in part as follows:



4 HEAD of HORSES Among them the Celebrated Stallion **"Roan Chief,"**

2 Tankerville MARES, with foal by Roan Chief,

2 Roan Chief COLTS, *Two years old*

14 Head of Mules

11 Thoroughbred Alderney Cows, 1 BULL and 4 HEIFERS.

9 Head Pure Southdown Sheep

24 BERKSHIRE SHOATS, **FIVE SOWS,** 1 SOW AND BOAR, thoroughbred *Small Yorkshire.*

ALSO, THE ENTIRE **HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE,**

Consisting in part of Chairs, Lounges, Sofas; Parlor, Dining-room and Library Sets; 1 24-foot Extension Table, 1 very handsome Sideboard, 1 Cellaret; Solid Walnut Chamber Suits; also, a number of common Bedsteads; Brussel Carpets, Druggets, Feather Beds, Hair Mattrasses, Blankets, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Spreads, and two Eider-down Covers; Towels, Napkins and Table Linen, French China Sets, Tea and Dinner; Glassware, plain and cut: Plated-ware, Spoons, Forks, Waiters, and Cake Baskets; 2 large Mantel Mirrors; Pictures, consisting of Oil Paintings, Chromos, Engravings and Lithographs.

A Large LIBRARY consisting of a large lot of STANDARD WORKS; a Very Superior BOOK CASE and WRITING DESK.

Also, a large lot of CANNED FRUIT, Sugar, Coffee, Tea and Spices. Also, 5 Fire-place Grates, with wire fenders, shovel and tong racks.

The LARGEST and CHOICEST LOT of **WINES and LIQUORS** that has ever been offered at a public sale on this Peninsula, consisting in part of COGNAC, PEACH and APPLE BRANDIES, OLD SANTA CROIX RUM, Eichleberger, Riverside, Grey and Wheat Whiskeys. A large lot of AMONTILLADO SHERRY (imported by the late Col. Wilkins.)

IMPORTED MADEIRA.

A large lot of DOMESTIC WINES, manufactured by Col. Wilkins, consisting of Riverside Sherry, Port, Madeira and Catawba. Clarified Cider in bottles; 5 bbls. Pure Cider Vinegar.

Farming Implements,

Consisting in part of Ploughs, & Plough Gears, Bridles, Collars, 6 Wagons and Harness, 1 Horse Cart, 2 Randall Harrows, 3 Sulkey Cultivators, 1 Champion Reaper and Mower, 1 Lawn Mower, 1 Wheat Rake, 1 Pelton Horse Power, Hand and Barrel Corn Shellers, Shovels, Forks, Spades, and a hundred things too numerous to mention.

Also, 1 COOLER'S CREAMER, 16 galls. capacity, all attachments complete.

1 TOP BUGGY and Harness; 1 FAMILY CARRIAGE and Harness; 2 No-top BUGGIES; 2 SLEIGHS and Sleigh Bells; Robes and Horse Blankets; 2 Saddles; 12 Tons Coal, hard and soft; 200 ft. new Lightning Rod & extra Points; A lot of CLOVER SEED; 2 CIRCULAR SAWS and Frames; 50 feet GUM HOSE; 6 Coils Leather Machine Belts.

150 Bushels Seed Early Rose Potatoes

About 10 Tons Fertilizer,

A lot of FERTILIZING MATERIAL; 1,000 lbs. Old Iron;

20 Tons Clover Hay, 3,000 lbs. BLADES;

A LOT OF BACON, Consisting of HAMS, MIDDLINGS, SHOULDERS, &c.

POULTRY, consisting of TURKEYS, Ducks, Chickens, and 6 Pea Fowls. PEACH LADDERS and BASKETS.

TERMS OF SALE:

All sums of Twenty Dollars and under cash; all over, notes respectively at Seven months, payable with interest from date, at the Kent National Bank, with approved sureties, will be accepted.

E. M. WILKINS, *R. S. EMORY.* Administrators of Edw. Wilkins.

J. W. CARROLL, U. A. C. GARRETT, } Auctioneers.

N. B.—A full and authenticated pedigree given of all thorough-bred animals. Feb. 1, 1879—ts.

Announcement!

S. M. REYNOLDS & Co MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

THREE STORES IN ONE!

Dry Goods Store, No. 1 COCHRAN SQUARE.

An elegant assortment of Ladies' Beaver and Matelasse CLOAKS, at $2 50, 3 75, 4 00, 5 25, 5 75, 6 00, 6 50, 6 75, 7 50, 15 75. *Bleached Muslins*, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9c. per yard. *Unbleached Muslins* 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9. per yard. *Canton Flannels* 5, 6¼, 7, 8, 10, 11 & 12c. yd. *Prints* 4, 4½, 5, 5½, 6, 6½ & 7c. per yard. *Dress Goods* from 10c. to $1 per yard. *Balmoral Skirts* 45, 65, 90c, $1, $1 25, $1 75. *Underwear*—Ladies' Vests 50c. to $1 12½. Misses' " 12½ to 70c. *Hosiery*—Ladies' 12½ to 90c. Misses' 10 to 45c. *Gloves*—a splendid assortment of Ladies', Misses' and Children's. *Collars and Ruches*, Linen Collars 10to25c. Rufflings..........10 to 25c.; Crepe Lisse Rufflings 20 to 50c.; *Neck Ties*—a beautiful stock of Ladies' Silk and Lace Neckties, to which we invite their attention. *Shoes*.—Our stock of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes is full and varied.

CLOTHING STORE, No. 2, COCHRAN SQUARE.

The shelves and counters are literally crowded with CLOTHING for Men & Boys, of all qualities and of best makes at prices as low as anywhere—city or country. Overcoats—Men's $4 to $20; Boys 2 50a$7. Children's from 2 25 to $5. SUITS—Men's $5 to $20; Boy's 3 76 to $10 Children's $2 25 to $7. Underwear—fine white Muslin Shirts for Men and Boys 50, 65, 90, $1. Cheviot (Working) Shirts 40 to 50c. Buck, Kid and Cloth Gloves, for men and boys, from 25c. to $1 50. Hosiery for Men and Boys, 5 to 25c. Collars—Linen 8 to 18c. each; Paper 5, 10, 12½, 18 and 20c. per box. Neckties—a choice selection 5c. to $1. HATS—all the latest and nobbiest styles, men's from 56c. to $4; boy's 25c. to $2. BOOTS.—Our Boot department is complete and heavily stocked. Call and see them and learn the prices.

GROCERY STORE, No. 2, SOUTH BROAD STREET.

Our stock of and prices for Groceries cannot be excelled. We mention a few only though all are sold at same low rate:

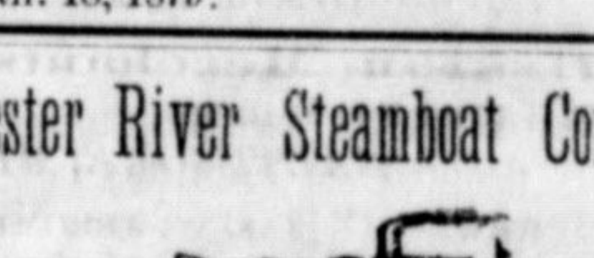
Granula'd Sugar	10c.	New Prunes	10c.
Pure white "	9c.	Buckwh't flour	3c.
Green Coffee	16a22c.	Coal Oil 110°	16 gal.
Roasted "	18a24c.	Cranberries	10 qt.
New Raisins	10a12c.	Mince Meat	10 lb.
New Currants 4 lbs. for 25c.			

(The above are cash prices.)

☞Ladies and gentlemen, we cordially invite you to call and examine our goods; and we think it will pay you to do so.

S. M. REYNOLDS & CO. Jan. 18, 1879.

Chester River Steamboat Company



The Steamer B. S. FORD

Will leave Chestertown every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 A. M., for Baltimore, stopping at Rolph's, Booker's, Quaker Neck, Grey's Inn Creek, Queenstown & Kent Island.

RETURNING, leave Baltimore every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 10, A. M. making the above stops. feb8. B. S. FORD, Pres't.

Rockwell House.

JOHN W. RASIN, Prop'r.

THE undersigned, wishing to act the part of the "Good Samaritan," and having taken the "Rockwell House" opp. the Market House, recently occupied by Mr. John Armstrong, has conveniently refitted the same and is now conducting a FIRST CLASS RESTAURANT.

OYSTERS, of fine quality, served in all styles of cooking by polite and attentive waiters.

His BILL OF FARE embraces everything usually furnished in a

FIRST CLASS EATING HOUSE.

All the delicacies of the season in their season. ICE-CREAM of the first quality in its season.

☞MEALS AT ALL HOURS.☜

Prices reduced below the usual regular rates in order to meet the wants of the times. A trial is asked.

☞Oysters by the bushel or gallon, delivered at any station on the Kent R. R. at reasonable prices on short notice, and private families supplied fresh.

JOHN W. RASIN, "ROCKWELL HOUSE," Chestertown. Feb. 1, 1879.

DR. C. P. GILPIN, *DENTIST,*

Having located in Chestertown, offers his professional services to the public. feb1-tf.

Up-Town Grocery.

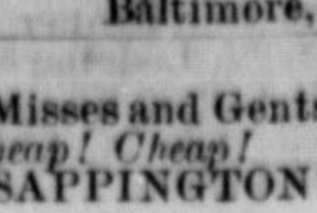
JAMES WOOD, at his up-town Family Grocery, makes a specialty of FLOUR, MEAL and FEED STUFF. Families will find a variety of such goods as are requisite to the wants of the household; also Tobacco, Cigars, &c.

☞"Quick Sales and Small Profits" my motto. Give me a call. feb1-3t* JAMES WOOD.

Repairing and Cleaning Furniture.

THE undersigned is prepared to repair, clean, varnish, and put in excellent condition all kinds of Furniture. Work done promptly, thoroughly, and at very low prices. JOHN N. DODD, Undertaker. Chestertown, Jan. 18—tf.

EXTRA EARLY Marrowfat and other good varieties of SEED PEAS. CLOVER, TIMOTHY, ORCHARD and HERD GRASS SEEDS, and a general assortment of Garden and Field Seed of reliable quality. Send for priced Catalogue. C. B. ROGERS, 133 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa. Feb. 1—3t.

STRAYED from the premises of the subscriber at Edesville, One PALE RED HEIFER and one BLACK HEIFER—no ear marks. A suitable reward will be paid for any information that will lead to their recovery. 

Jan. 4—3t. B. B. ADKINSON.

$50,000 TO LOAN IN SUMS TO SUIT, on good Farms in Kent County. THOS. HILL, Fayette & St. Paul sts., jan11-m. Baltimore, Md.

GUM SHOES for Ladies', Misses and Gents. *Cheap! Cheap! Cheap!* at J. B. SAPPINGTON'S. Jan. 4, 1879.

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