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The Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - MARCH 15, 1879.

☞The undersigned having met on Tuesday, the 11th instant, at the request of a meeting of Democrats, held in Chestertown on Tuesday, the 26th ult., a committee of five appointed by said meeting, and as the result of that conference now make the following request:

The Democratic Voters of Kent county are hereby requested to assemble in their respective Districts, at the usual places of meeting, on SATURDAY, THE 22D OF MARCH, instant, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of selecting Five Delegates to meet a like number of Delegates from each District, at the Court House in Chestertown, on THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, at 11 o'clock A. M., to consider and determine whether the interest and harmony of the Democratic party will be promoted by the appointment of a County Executive Committee, and if determined desirable, then to determine the number of delegates to constitute it, the mode of their appointment, and the powers and duty of such committee.

GEO. W. T. PERKINS,
JOHN F. BEEKS,
DAVID JONES,
State Central Committee for Kent co.

SPEAKER RANDALL is credited with the statement that one hundred and forty-eight members would attend the Democratic caucus. This will be a majority of nine over all, as there will be but two hundred and eighty-seven members of the next House at the time of organization. The new House will contain 133 new men—72 Republicans and 61 Democrats.

IT is strongly intimated in political circles, says the Baltimore *Morning Herald*, that there is a movement on foot by prominent city politicians, under the leadership of Senator Whyte, to throw Mr. Hamilton overboard as the Gubernatorial candidate, and take up Hon. Charles B. Roberts, of Westminster, who has just closed his Congressional career.

THE Republicans of Baltimore are organizing what they call a Tax Payers' Party, in the hope of sneaking into city offices under a new name. The real tax payers of the city understand the drift of the matter, however, and are not likely to be caught by the taking bait.

A WILMINGTON dispatch states that seven prisoners, two white and five colored, broke jail in Georgetown, Del., Tuesday night. One was a murderer, who was filling a life sentence. Exit was secured by cutting through the floor of the cell in which they were confined, and then scaling the wall by a rope made of blankets.

JUDGE WM. F. GILES, for the past twenty-five years Judge of the United States Court for the District of Maryland, has tendered his resignation to the President, having attained that age required by law for his retirement from the bench. Judge Giles has reached the age of 72 years. His salary is $4,000 a year. There are numerous applicants for the position, and the names of Wm. J. Jones, Esq., of Elkton, and Col. S. A. Graham, of Salisbury, are mentioned among the rest.

HON. CHAS. B. ROBERTS, of Westminster, late member of Congress from the second Maryland district, was the recipient of a banquet at the Mt. Vernon Hotel, Baltimore, Thursday evening, given to him by a large number of merchants and others. The *Sun* say the excellent services rendered by Mr. Roberts in Congress in securing legislation advantageous to the port of Baltimore and in laboring for the defeat of inimical measures have gained for him an enviable popularity among all business men, and the banquet was given as a token of esteem for him.

THE Washington *National Republican* of Wednesday, in a lengthy double-leaded article, makes the announcement that the President will approve of the repeal of the jurors' test-oath law and of the statute authorizing the use of troops at elections, but that he will veto the repeal of the election supervisors' law. The *Republican* says its statements are not made with the President's knowledge or consent, but "are nevertheless as reliable as they would be if he were permitted, under the proprieties or courtesies of public position, to authorize their publication." The Washington *Star* says the statement is reliable.

THE Delaware Senate has passed unanimously a bill for the removal of the county buildings of New Castle county from New Castle to Wilmington. It is the general opinion that the bill will pass the other house without much trouble.

WHY MONEY MUST BECOME PLENTIFUL.—The *Staunton Vindicator* advances the following reasons why money must become more plentiful than it has been for some time past, or rather why money will be diverted from government securities and employed in the channels of trade and manufacturing industries:

The present rate, four per cent., paid by the United States on its bonds must force money into enterprises that will give people employment. A man may work a life time and accumulate $30,000 if he has good luck, and if it is put in United States bonds he will only get $1,200 a year. Such a sum if the man has a family will fall short of supporting them. Your careful man must look somewhere else now for a place of investment. This has been illustrated within the past few days by cases which have come to our knowledge in which the holders of U. S. bonds that were called in, have taken the money and put it into business enterprises—the holders were gentlemen of moderate means and couldn't afford to lend money at the government rates.

GEN. WM. T. SHERMAN and Mr. Jefferson Davis were passengers on the same train from Vicksburg, Miss., a few days ago. A friend of Mr. Davis remarked to him that he would have good company to travel with him in the person of Mr. Sherman, when he replied: "Well, I suppose there is room enough on the cars for both of us."

THE Chicago *Tribune*, the leading republican paper of the Northwest, says of the Grant movement that "the only States that are howling for Grant are those like Missouri, with its 60,000 democratic majority, and the only parts of those States that howl are the whisky crooks."

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, March 11, 1879.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. On application, letters of administration on the personal estate of Wm. Glenn (col'd) were granted to R. Hynson; Arthur B. Wheatley and Chas. H. Wickes were appointed to appraise said estate, and the usual notice to creditors ordered. Joseph Catlin and John H. Evans, adm'rs of B. C. Catlin, returned their second and final administration account. The indentures of Mary Cath. Godwin to Caroline Hadaway were filed and ordered to be recorded. On application, Frisby H. Boulden and George W. Price were appointed appraisers upon the personal estate of the late Dr. T. C. Kennard. George Vickers, guardian to John L. and Nora Deputy, passed his guardian accounts for the year 1878. The release of Emeline Tench to Thomas E. Norris, adm'r of Perry Watters, was filed and ordered to be recorded.

PROSPECTIVE TROUBLE—*Paradoxical Proceedings.*—At a meeting of certain persons held in Chestertown on the 25th ultimo a committee of one from each election district was appointed to wait upon the State Central Committee for Kent county and solicit them to call a public meeting to consider the advisability of appointing a County Central Committee. The conference was held last Tuesday, the State Central Committee acceded to the request, and publish the call in this issue. On the same day the committee reported to an adjourned meeting then in session in this town that the State Central Committee had acceded to their request. But, strange to say, the meeting refused to consider the report of their committee, and instead passed a resolution directing the chairman, Mr. S. W. Aldridge, to appoint one hundred persons, twenty from each election district, who shall constitute a county central committee, with authority to name the time and manner of making the nominations, or if in their judgment deemed advisable to nominate a ticket themselves. This project if carried into effect virtually confers upon one man the power of making the ticket for the whole county, and is an absurdity in itself. The cause for this action it appears lies in the fact that the *purpose* for which the original meeting was called miscarried, the resolutions of Col. Hanson being voted down, and the meeting on Tuesday was composed of a majority of persons who were determined that the *object* of the first meeting should be carried out. The movement of course looks to an independent ticket.

We gather the statement in regard to what took place at the meeting from persons who were present, and as there is some difference in their versions, it may not be entirely accurate, but is no doubt substantially so. We made an effort to procure the proceedings, and especially the resolution adopted, but were told they were not as yet in shape for publication.

SAD CASE OF DROWNING.—Mr. John Dwyer, residing near Worton Station, was drowned in a shallow stream of water near his dwelling about nine o'clock Thursday morning. He was confined to the house nearly all winter from the effects of a severe attack of paralysis, and it is supposed that he had another stroke while walking across the bridge over the stream. The water was not a foot deep, and he could easily have gotten out had he fallen in accidentally. He was going from the house to where some hands were at work when the calamity befell him. The body was discovered shortly afterward, still warm, but life was extinct. Mr. Dwyer was about 72 years of age. He was kind and neighborly, and respected by all who knew him.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE.—Mr. A. M. Gooding sold at Galena last Saturday part of the Gooding farm adjoining that village to the following parties: 19 acres, 2 roods and 7 perches, to Jeremiah Peacock at 35 per acre; 15 acres, 3 roods and 21 perches, to A. M. Gooding at $22 per acre; J. C. Jones, two lots, $64 and $59; Briscoe Chrisfield, two lots, $56 and $63; Thomas H. Horsey, two lots, $46 and $25; F. M. Gooding, one lot, $116; A. M. Gooding, one lot, $125; George Steel, one lot, $102. About 16 acres remain to be sold, and can be purchased of Mr. A. M. Gooding at private sale.

The Galena Seminary property was sold on the same day and purchased by John C. Sutton for $2,500.

ELIHU BURRITT, the "learned blacksmith," who died on the 7th inst. at his home in New Britain, Conn., was born December 8, 1810. He was the son of a shoemaker, was apprenticed to a smith when seventeen years old, and then began the philological studies which have earned him so much respect and consideration throughout the world, instigated in the first instance, by a pious curiosity to read the Scriptures in their original texts and tongues. Mr. Burritt later tried editing, and was successful as a lecturer. He resided for many years in England, and was at one time United States consul in Birmingham. At the outbreak of the civil war he seemed horrified at the contemplation of the bloodshed and internecine strife that impended, and, in a most pathetic appeal to his old "reforming" associates, (which was of course rejected with ridicule,) proposed that the people of the North should settle the difficulty by buying all the slaves of the South and setting them free—and which, as the result proved, would have cost far less than the war itself and saved us all its horrors.

THE TENTH CENSUS.—Early next year, remarks a contemporary, we are to have the tenth census taken, at a cost of $3,250,000, which is considerably less than the cost of the ninth census, a decade ago. Under the new act there are to be general and State superintendents appointed by the President, who are to appoint enumerators for every four thousand inhabitants, and these actual takers of the census are to be selected for their competency and fitness for the work and without reference to their political proclivities. Under such arrangements, with the proper penalties for the non-performance of duties, there should be such a census report made as will be perfectly satisfactorily, entirely trustworthy, and full enough to show our people and the statisticians of the world just what our country is in the matter of population, trade, productiveness, industries and prospective wealth.

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT IN TALBOT COUNTY.—Mr. and Mrs. Lambert P. Kirby, of Oxford Neck, lost their youngest child, about three years old, on Sunday afternoon under the following distressing circumstances: Mr. and Mrs. K. were at Easton in the morning and reached home about 1 P. M., soon after which dinner was served. After the dinner was sent into the dining-room, the ham boiler, filled with boiling water, was taken off the stove and set upon the hearth. Afterwards the little child went into the kitchen to play, fell into the ham boiler, and was so badly scalded that it died the same evening.—*Easton Star.*

TENNESSEE was a member of the Southern Confederacy, and yet the Knoxville *Tribune* says it is estimated that $880,000 of the money appropriated to pay arrears of pensions will be distributed in that city. If the States who were loyal put in claims in proportion, the amount required to pay arrears of pensions will not run far short of one hundred millions.

THE board of inquiry into the case of General Fitz John Potter, at New York, closed its public sessions on Wednesday. The report will be made up and sent to the President next week.

METHODIST PROTESTANT CONFERENCE.—The Maryland Conference of the Meth. Prot. Church met in its fifty-first annual session at Centreville on Wednesday. The body is composed of 110 itinerant ministers and an equal number of lay representatives. Its work covers Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia: it has stations in Alexandria, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Va., and Newark, N. J., and supplies the pulpits of St. John's Independent Church in Baltimore and the First M. P. Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

The current church year has been one of general prosperity. A number of churches have been built and extensive revivals have prevailed at various points, notably at Newark, N. J., and Cumberland Md. In Baltimore upwards of 300 have been gained as the fruit of the prevailing revival. Towards the liquidation of the debt of $25,000 resting on the fine college property at Westminster, Md., $18,000 have been secured during the year. The "Bible School," a Sunday school paper, has been established with a large circulation.

We find the first day's proceedings in the Centreville *Record* of Thursday. Rev. D. W. Bates was re-elected President, receiving 72 votes, the next highest getting only 9. The President elect then made the following remarks: "I cannot but thank you for this assurance of your kindness toward me for the third time. I fear though, looking over the District, that the ensuing year will not be a bed of roses. Six ministers during the past year have married, when already the accommodations for the married are perplexing to arrange satisfactorily. Therefore, if you receive disappointment with your appointments you will bear in mind that I do by all the best I can. I hope this will be the most successful year of our conference since its existence."

The death of Rev. John Edgar Reed was announced, and a number of the members delivered eulogies upon his life and services. Rev. A. T. Melvin beautifully portrayed the death-bed scene of Mr. Reed, whom he charged to deliver a message to the conference, which in substance was to tell his brethren to be more faithful, more earnest; as he was going home to the Lord he would see them all again.

Rev. J. N. Nichols preached the semi-centennial sermon, taking as his text Numbers, 23d chapter and 23d verse, "What hath God wrought?" The sermon was able and highly interesting, giving in detail the history of the M. P. Church from the conference of 1829, at St. John's Church in Baltimore, up to the present time, its progress, advancement and usefulness, paying a high tribute to its founders, who were men of learning, talent and culture, and against whose characters as men and Christians their most bitter opponents could say nothing. From a conference of 10 ministers and 15 laymen it had risen to its present large proportion. The remainder of the day was occupied in the examination of credentials, the appointment of the standing committees, &c. In the evening a large congregation assembled at the church and were highly entertained by an able and eloquent sermon delivered by the Rev. D. L. Greenfield, who took his text from Hebrews, vi. 19: "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the vail."

A PROTRACTED MEETING has been going on in the M. E. Church at Galena, Rev. J. E. Bryan, pastor, for two months, during which some sixty persons, ranging from ten to almost seventy years of age, have professed conversion. We are informed that last Sunday night about six hundred persons, including many from a distance, were at the church, a large portion of whom were unable to gain admission. The meeting is still in progress. It is said to be the most extensive revival that has taken place in Galena for 30 years.

SEPARATION OF KENT CIRCUIT.—The quarterly conference of Kent circuit, M. P. Church, held in Chestertown last Saturday, granted the request of St. James' Church, Worton, to be set off as a separate charge. This action, if confirmed by the conference now in session at Centreville, as it no doubt will be, will make stations of Chestertown and St. James', and perhaps a mission of the church at Kennedyville.

THE miniature "Gospel Ship," used in the Missionary Anniversary celebration of the M. P. Sabbath School, has been presented by the Teachers' Association to Wm. B. Usilton, superintendent of the school. Mr. John W. Collins made the formal presentation, to which Mr. U. replied, thanking the association for the altogether unexpected donation.

THE attention of the Democratic and Conservative voters of the county is invited to the call of the State Central Committee published in this issue. The propriety of having a county executive committee has been agitated for some years, and we trust the members of the party generally will turn out next Saturday and vote for delegates to meet and settle the question.

A NEW BUILDING.—John L. Stam, Esq., has taken down the old house on high street, formerly occupied by Mr. George H. Bennett as a shoe store, and is erecting on the site a two-story frame, 16 by 32 feet, intended for a store house. Mr. R. K. Pippin has the contract.

M. DEK. SMITH ESQ., attorney, will offer at public sale at the Court House door on Tuesday next the tract of land called "Davis' Hill," on the road leading from Locust Grove to Galena.

CONTRIBUTION TO MISSIONS.

Messrs. Editors:—I send you the contribution of the M. E. Sunday School of Still Pond to the cause of missions:

Young Men's Bible Class, J. F. Wilson	$15.66
Buds of Promise, Mrs. W. H. Bowers	16.38
Earnest Workers, Miss Gulie E. Clark	16.46
Cheerful Givers, Mrs. F. H. Harper	20.34
Bright Jewels, Mrs. J. F. Wilson	25.01
Basket collection	2.77
Total	$96.62

The address of J. Frank Wilson, Esq. at the Missionary Anniversary was a credit to his head and heart. E. N.

CONVERTS TO CHRISTIANITY IN INDIA.—At a missionary meeting held in Boston, last week, Mr. Elbridge Torry, who is a member of the prudential committee of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, made a statement of facts just received from India most remarkable in their character. While the committee were depressed in view of the financial condition of the board and of the necessity which had existed to cut down the appropriations for missionary stations all over the world, they had, within a few days, received the glorious news that, in what is called the Madura district, India, converts to Christianity had been made numbering in some places 3,000, 6,000 and 10,000, and aggregating in all 60,000. It was stated that these persons had not only thrown away their idols, but had actually been converted.

MURDER OVER A GAME OF CARDS.—Saturday night last, near Locustville, Accomac county, Va., an altercation over a game of poker occurred between a man named Rayfield and another named Rose. Rayfield grew furious, and jumping to his feet struck Rose several heavy blows over the head with a heavy round stool, crushing his skull. Rose fell insensible, and remained unconscious until Sunday morning, when he died. Rayfield was arrested Sunday, and placed in Drummondtown jail. The affair has created great excitement. Rayfield is a middle-aged man, without family, and kept the saloon in which the murder occurred. The murdered man is a poor shoemaker, and leaves a wife and several children.

THE Prince of Wales wants the old lady, as he unfilially styles his royal mother, to visit Canada and the United States after her trip to the Continent of Europe. Let her come, as the Late Lamented would say; we will see that she is treated well even if she is a Queen.

JURORS.—His Honor Judge Wickes on Wednesday afternoon drew the following list of jurors to serve at the April Term of our Circuit Court. It will be seen that the Court will not be lacking for names from which to select a good foreman of the Grand Jury:

George E. Leary, N. W. Comegys, Richard H. Corbaley, John S. Hurlock, I. C. Taylor, Samuel Merritt, James A. Shaw, John K. Aldridge, H. J. Gray, E. J. Watson, R. L. Nicols, John W. Morgan, Andrew Woodall, Alfred Chrisfield, Stephen Boyer, Henry Bramble, S. A. Merritt, John Brice, R. S. Emory, Sam'l Purgess, Sam'l Vannort, James H. Gale, George W. T. Perkins, William S. Walker, James Rankin, Bartus Trew, Jeremiah Peacock, John W. Loud, Sam'l J. Hill, Wm. S. Thompson, Wm. Thomas, of Wm., Stephen Lecates, R. C. Johnson, Wm. V. Lucas, R. W. Jones, Wm. H. Stewart, Thos. A. Jacobs, S. W. Aldridge, Thos. B. Hynson, David Jones, J. J. Spear, R. H. Loud, Vachel Burgess, Daniel U. Dewees, F. A. Wallis, Jas. F. M. Woodall, Geo. R. Stephens, L. M. Bean.

THE *Daily Protestant* is the title of a neat little daily, to be issued from the office of the Centreville *Observer* during the sessions of the Methodist Protestant Conference. Wednesday's number is at hand, but it contains no Conference proceedings, as the body met on that day.

THE county roads are in good condition once more, and our friends in the country can now visit Chestertown without having to plunge through mud a foot deep.

MORE favorable reports are coming in about the growing wheat. The pleasant weather of the past week has added greatly to its appearance.

A LETTER from Queenstown to the Centreville *Record* says:

It is rumored about town that Sol. Wright, Esq., formerly of this county, but now living in Kent, has rented the property in town now vacant, owned by the late R. T. Larrimore. It is his intention to move here and engage in the mercantile business. Mr. Wright is a jolly fellow and a good citizen, and to him we extend the hand of welcome.

QUEENSTOWN has a genuine ghost sensation. Mrs. Nannie DeCourcy, who is staying with Miss Sallie Harris, in response to a knock at the front door late in the evening, opened the door and found herself standing face to face with the ghost of Mr. Wm. Sterrett, Miss Harris' nephew, who died some months ago. Mrs. DeCourcey was startled but not frightened; she did not speak, but the ghost beckoned, and she followed it to the foot of the stairs leading to the room that was Mr. Sterritt's. Here the ghost vanished. The room Sterrett occupied while living had been locked ever since his death, and the key was in Mrs. DeCourcey's possession, but the door was now found to be open and the bed tumbled.

As the down train on the Queen Anne's railroad approached Tilghman's crossing on Saturday night the engineer was signalled to stop by parties at the crossing. In response to the signal the engineer whistled for brakes to be applied, and as the train approached the stopping place some young men standing near by opened a fire of clods at the passenger car, and then ran away. One of the clods came through a window, smashing it and scattering the broken glass upon Col. B. S. Ford, who was on the train.

HEAVY CATTLE.—Dr. W. H. DeCourcy, of Queen Anne's county, writes as follows to the *Maryland Farmer* in regard to some heavy cattle recently sold by him:

"The two heaviest, weighing respectively 1,922 and 1,700 lbs., were a pair of work oxen, about eight years old. Whilst hauling in wheat the latter part of last July the heavier one became so completely overcome and prostrated by heat as to render him almost unable for some time afterwards to crawl about to obtain sufficient pasture to sustain him, and consequently he lost flesh to a considerable amount. When the cool weather of October approached he began rapidly to improve on grass, and from the middle of November was fed on short corn. The second of December he was weighed and stalled—his weight then being 1,750 pounds—from that time he was fed on meal and clover hay, and weighed again on the 26th of January, not quite fifty days, then weighing 1,922 pounds, a gain of nearly 3½ lbs. per day. The other ox was not fed nor stalled until some time after the one above alluded to.

"He was not so promising a feeder in the first instance, but his gain was very satisfactory.—Though it was considered several hundred pounds additional could have been put on them it was deemed advisable to sell at the time referred to.

"The three lighter ones, each weighing upwards of 1,200 pounds, were three-year old heifers, spayed when two years old, and had consumed but a small quantity of meal. These are not solitary instances of the ease with which these animals are readily turned into beef, when it becomes desirable to dispense with them for other purposes."

THE Wilmington *Herald* says it is rumored that Rev. George R. Bristor has had a call to New Orleans, and it is thought by prominent Methodists there that he will be transferred from the Wilmington conference during its session which takes place on the 19th instant.

IT is said that crabs are to be put up in Cambridge next summer, and if the experiment proves successful, a number of other places will follow the example. There is no reason why the splendid crabs of the Chesapeake should not be preserved.

A GREAT many ducks are being killed on the Susquehanna flats. The price is very low, canvassbacks selling at $1.25, red heads $1.00, and black heads 30 cents per pair. The season closes on the first of April.

WE hear it stated that Mr. N. Barnard wishes to exchange Apple, Pear, or Peach trees for one Horse, one Mule and two fresh Cows; and that he has 1,000 Rails and a few posts to dispose of.

DR. JULIUS A. JOHNSON, of Easton, has been appointed by Pension Commissioner Bentley examining surgeon of invalid pensioners of the United States for the eastern district of Maryland.

THE Eleventh Annual Session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference will convene at New Castle, Del., next Wednesday. Bishop Simpson will preside.

JOSEPH E. GEORGE, ESQ., of Sudlersville, has been elected Director of Centreville National Bank, in place of Judge Carmichael, resigned.

EASTON has a telephone. Mr. Dixon can stand in his office in town and give orders to his employees at the Point a mile distant.

LAND buyers have already begun to flock to Cambridge and other towns in Dorchester.

THE Philadelphia *Times* observes that the Delaware Senators are both tall. Mr. Saulsbury measures six feet three and Mr. Bayard six feet two. Joined toe to toe and thrown open like a jack-knife, the head of Mr. Saulsbury would lap over into Maryland and Mr. Bayard's head rest gently on Pennsylvania soil.

MR. SAMUEL WARREN residing near Townsend, Del., is the father of twenty children, all by one wife. Ten of the children are now living. Twins have occurred two or three times, and it is said that there has been a birth in Mr. Warren's family every year since he has been married. He is now about 42 years old, and his wife even younger.

PATERSON has retired from the Senate, and the Governor of South Carolina has dismissed the criminal proceedings against him in that State. Paterson gets rid of South Carolina, and South Carolina gets rid of Paterson, and thus says the Philadelphia *Times*, honors are easy. Let us have peace!

BEASTLY INGRATITUDE.—Henry Bergh, Jr., a nephew of the president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and himself a special agent of the society, was examining the leg of a lame stage horse Saturday when the animal kicked him in the face, from which he suffered a contusion and a compound fracture of the nose.

A FIRE swept over about fifty square miles of forest within a few miles of Yankton, Dakota, Sunday, destroying standing timber, cordwood, houses, household furniture, clothing and cattle, in all valued at about $25,000. A strong wind prevailed, and the fire burned itself out. No human lives were lost.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.—In a case in the United States District Court at Louisville, Ky., Monday last, Colonel McKee, a prominent republican attorney, declared that he could prove that United States detectives had made and passed spurious coin.

MR. GRANVILLE STOKES, of Ohio, has purchased the Ocean House, at Ocean City, Md., for $3,500 cash.

DORCHESTER terrapin catchers have made as high as $100 a week apiece.

Kent Co. Agricultural Association.

CLUB ROOM, March 10.

Messrs. Editors:—Yourselves and your readers will please distinguish, in reading these papers, between those things done or said by the club and the opinions and views of your correspondent; the difference in the putting will clearly indicate the source. If, through want of wisdom or from inadvertence, anything should be written not suitable for your columns, your right to excerpt is fully admitted; and if in your, perhaps, calmer judgment and large experience, you should discover anything likely to damage the society or agriculture, I hope you will please reject it.

The meeting to-day was very large and very spirited, a number of members whose pleasant faces and wise counsels we have missed for a long time being with us. The report of the committee on taxes was, after some amendments, adopted, and a committee of three was appointed to lay it before the County Commissioners, as an attempt on the part of the association to assist them in their arduous and perplexing duties. The report claims that taxes may be lessened as to salaries of all officers paid by the commissioners; the board of prisoners and paupers; keeping roads in order; building no new school houses; lessening the levy for school purposes; the public printing; the rate of wages for men and teams on roads, &c. Some of the items elicited considerable discussion, principally in the way of illustration, and the effort, if not immediately productive of large results, will disseminate information and prepare the way for future success.

The amount of taxes paid for the State Agricultural School and Western Maryland College was given from the law. The former receives from the State a donation $6,006, and from interest on U. S. land script $7,284.44. Sixty students are to receive tuition free, to be taught scientific and classical studies and *military tactics*. This last probably to give the students greater proficiency in drilling horses and oxen to farm work. The State donates $7,800 yearly, for two years, to the Western Maryland College, and for this one student from each senatorial district is entitled to board, tuition, fuel, lights and washing free; 26 senatorial districts gives 26 pupils. A failure to send inures to the benefit of the college. No qualification is required, except a competitive examination, and the student is required to give bond to teach two years after graduating.

The regular question, "How to trim and plow peach orchards?" being limited in its character, was discussed briefly. It was held that it was easier to judge what to trim in May. That young trees had better be trimmed later, on account of sprouts. That trimming should be for quality, not for quantity. Where plowing is done twice, once should be early in May and the other late in June; light land plowed early, heavy plowed late; no plowing to be done after the fruit has matured; one member having crab grass plowed early; thorough harrowing was also highly recommended.

A long and interesting article was read on beet sugar, showing the great value, practicability and the certainty of success of that industry. It stated that $100,000,000 worth of sugar is consumed in the United States yearly, only five per cent. of which is home-made. The Maine factory obtained 95,000 pounds from 450 tons beets, about 10½ per cent. of the green weight of the roots. This company paid four dollars per ton for green beets last year, and offer five this year. There seems to be no earthly reason why this enterprise should not succeed as well in Kent as in Delaware or in Maine. The club would seem to be the right place to thoroughly investigate this business and point out a road to success—if it exists. PARTICEPS.

Letter from Quaker Neck.

Messrs. Editors:—There was but little interest manifested at the circle on Friday evening, owing to the members appointed to read, debate, &c., failing to prepare for the occasion. The question for discussion, "Which was the greater of the two, Napoleon or Cæsar?" was debated by only two members, and then deferred for future discussion. A gentleman in Chestertown asked your correspondent if he could join the circle and what the cost would be? We answered his first question by saying yes, and in answer to his second we said only a penny or two every meeting evening. He seemed surprised that it cost so little. A motion was made and carried to buy a barrel of apples. It must be said to the credit of this circle that the treasurer's report has always shown the finances to be in a healthy condition. REPORTER.

THE barn, stables and stock on the farm of Wm. J. Wilson, in Elk Neck, Cecil county, were destroyed by fire on Saturday night last, together with eight horses, twenty-seven cattle, a quantity of grain, farming implements and a lot of harness. The loss is $6,000; insurance $1,700. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

MARRIED:

At Betterton, on the 6th instant, by Rev. E. B. Newnam, JOSEPH H. CREW to Miss MARY LIZZIE YOUNG, both of this county.

At the East Baltimore M. P. Church, March 4, 1879, by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, TILGHMAN SHAFER, of Kent county, and EMMA, second daughter of A. Copenhaver, Esq., of Baltimore.

DIED:

Near Morgan's creek, on Sunday last, JOHN P. MEEKS, aged about 52 years.

At his residence near Worton Station, suddenly, on the 13th instant, JOHN DWYER, in the 73d year of his age.

Tribute of Respect.

At a meeting of the Vestry of Shrewsbury Parish, at Galena, on the 11th day of March, 1879, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, the Divine Ruler of the universe, by His all wise Providence, has removed from us by death Dr. THOMAS C. KENNARD, for forty years a vestryman of this parish; therefore,

Resolved, That the parish and the church have sustained an irreparable loss in the death of so eminent a vestryman, whose purity, uprightness, talents, culture, decision of character, great experience and mature judgment so pre-eminently fitted him to exercise a leading and conservative influence for good in the parish for so many years.

Resolved, That we who have been long associated with him will ever sadly but gratefully remember his fidelity, liberality, courtesy, kindness and bright example in the discharge of the trust devolved upon us.

Resolved, That we most respectfully tender to his family this assurance of our sincere condolence in their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be entered on the journal of the proceedings of the vestry, and published in the "Kent News," and a copy be sent to his family.

By order of the Vestry,
1t. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Registrar.

A REQUEST.

Persons who are indebted to me on account for the year 1878 will please come forward and settle, either with cash or by note, otherwise I shall be compelled to collect according to law. Resp'y,
mar15-4t. J. FRANK CONNELLY.

FOR RENT,

A SHOE SHOP,

with a good bed-room above, in Piney Neck, Queen Anne's co. An excellent stand for the business. Apply to
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$1,000, $2,500, $5,000, TO LOAN.

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TRIAL OF PLOWS.

There was a trial of Plows on Mr. D. K. Price's farm, near Chesterville, last Monday. The test of Draft showed the three-horse "ADVANCE PLOW" the lightest draft and done the best work. They were also in use on Mr. J. F. Beeks' farm, near Still Pond, on Thursday, and so general was the satisfaction that Mr. B. bought two, and all the farmers present spoke highly of them. It would seem that these Plows are taking the place of every other make. These Plows are what our farmers have been needing for years. There is no ground too filthy or rough for them. The Advance Plow is sold by
JOHN BELL, Agent,
1t. Chestertown.

A CARD.

TO THE VOTERS OF KENT COUNTY:

I announce myself as a candidate for the House of Delegates from Kent Co., at the solicitation of my Democratic friends, and if nominated and elected will adhere to the principles of the Democratic party and my constituents.

BENJAMIN B. WROTH.

Chestertown, March 4, 1879—tf.

District Court of the United States

FOR THE

District of Maryland.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the matter of JAMES H. HURTT, BANKRUPT.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That a petition has been presented to the Court this 11th day of March, 1879, by James H. Hurtt, of Millington, 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 5th day of April, 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 American" and the "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,
Cl'k of Dist. Court for said Dist.
March 15, 1878—4t.

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ATTENTION FARMERS!

WM. A. HYLAND & CO.,

Have now completed their arrangements to meet the demand of farmers for implements, &c., for the present and approaching season. Our stock of material is large and of the best character, while our workmen are excelled by none.

We call special attention to our

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We have overcome the objection heretofore exisiting against the groove; and are selling our Plows at prices to suit the purchaser. Also,

PLOW CASTINGS,

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and Cultivator Teeth, can now be had at Galena or the Foundry in Chestertown. Our Castings are the best we have ever offered.

Early orders are respectfully solicited.

WM. A. HYLAND & CO.,
Mar. 8. GALENA.

Milling! Milling!

THE subscriber most respectfully informs his old customers and the public in general that he has made arrangement with Dr. T. H. Whaland to run his Mill for the present year, and will use his best endeavors to give entire satisfaction. The Mill has undergone a very

Thorough Repair,

and has just finished a NEW BOLTING CLOTH as large as any on the Eastern Shore. This will enable him to do double the amount of work done heretofore, and in a very superior manner.

He hopes by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.

GRAHAM FLOUR a specialty.

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Feb. 22, 1879—tf.

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Made of the best Smyrna Castings!

You can buy them Cheaper than the Cheapest. Also, CASTINGS good and smooth, as low as the lowest.

☞Just come or send to us. We will "astonish the natives" in WAGONS and CARTS.

Also, all kinds REPAIRS and TWIN HARROWS at same astonishing prices.

CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.
Mar. 8, 1879.

Examine our

Stock CYPRESS FENCING BOARDS, CYPRESS WHITE PINE and YELLOW PINE Paling RAILS, and White Pine PICKETS, before purchasing elsewhere.

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Still Pond P. O., March 8, 1879.

JUST OPENED
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Ladies', Misses' and Children's
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We are offering the above at the very lowest prices.

J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.,
March 8. Chestertown.

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Orders by mail directed to Mrs. E. C. PHELPS, Galena, will receive prompt attention. MRS. E. C. PHELPS.
Galena, Md., March 8—tf.

A CHEAP FARM FOR SALE,

Containing 195 ACRES,

Well located on the public road, within a half mile of the village of Still Pond. Good soil and good neighborhood. Terms easy.

Apply to C. H. BAKER,
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FOR RENT,

For the remainder of 1879, A HOUSE and LOT in Still Pond, belonging to the estate of the late John Kelly. There are all the necessary Out-Buildings in good order, and a most excellent Garden attached.

For terms, &c., apply to
W. F. WROTH,
or J. C. ROSEBERRY.
Feb. 22, 1878—3t.

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As a Copyist, by a Young Man who writes a good hand, and has had experience in this line of business. Employment more object than salary.

Address, COPYIST,
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A large assortment of

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Men's and Boys' Shoes and Gaiters, in great variety, and at very low prices.

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BONELESS CODFISH,
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all at very close prices, at
WHEATLEY BRO'S.
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BEST CHEESE
only 11c. per lb.,
N. Y. Buckwheat 70c. per sack of 25 lbs.
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March 1, 1879.

Public Sale

—OF A—

SMALL FARM.

THE undersigned, as Attorney for the owner, will offer at Public Sale at the Court House door in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, March 18, 1879,

At 2½ o'lock P. M.,

That Low or Tract of Land

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situated on the north side of the public road leading from Locust Grove to Galena, and about one and a half miles from the latter place, adjoining the lands of C. H. J. Sparks, Dennis McCauley, Esqs., and others, containing

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Improved by a GOOD ONE-STORY AND A HALF

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The land is all arable, and one with even limited means could make this a first-class Trucking farm. It is in close proximity to Churches, schools and manufacturing shops in the town of Galena, as well as public Landings on Sassafras river and Lambson's Station on the Kent County Railroad.

Possession will be given May 15, 1879.

THE TERMS OF SALE

are as follows:—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, or within th