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The Kent News.

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THIS issue of the NEWS will reach our numerous readers just in time to wish them one and all as happy a Christmas as it is possible for mortals to enjoy.

GOV. FOSTER, of Ohio, has withdrawn from the senatorial race. This insures the election of Secretary Sherman to succeed Senator Thurman.

CONGRESS adjourned on Wednesday until the 5th of January. So far scarcely anything has been done except the passage by the Senate of an act donating a portion of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands to educational purposes.

JUDGE HOUSTON, of Wilmington, Del., has notified Hon. E. L. Martin, through his counsel, that he will withdraw his contest of the election of the latter as congressman from Delaware. No reason is assigned for this action, but it is believed to have been taken on account of the threatened removal of the judge from the bench.

THE Directors of the Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange have appointed a committee to assist in obtaining the $25,000 stock subscription to the Elkton and Middletown railroad, required by the Legislature. The completion of this road would place the whole Eastern Shore, from Kent to Somerset, nearly as close to Baltimore as it is now to Philadelphia.

REMOVING THE DRONES.—Mr. Allan Campbell, the newly appointed comptroller of New York city, is a thoroughgoing business man, and is determined to have no drones around him. He has removed fifteen clerks and messengers from his department, in the interest of economy, as it is not his intention to fill the places vacated. In notifying those discharged he simply informed them that the number of persons employed in his department was to be reduced to a proper business standard, and that, accordingly, there was no longer any necessity for their services. Mr. Campbell is evidently the right man in the place.

IT appears, according to a carefully prepared election summary of the popular vote, made by the Chicago *Times*, that Hancock was the real choice of the people of the United States, having received a plurality over Garfield of 6,513 votes. The exact figures were Hancock, 4,438,641; Garfield, 4,432,128; Weaver, 306,740; Dow, 10,835. It will be seen that as between Garfield and Hancock the difference in a popular vote of nearly ten million was only a few thousand. It is a noteworthy fact that Hancock's majority on the white vote of the country over Garfield is at least half a million. The numerical strength of the Democracy is thus shown to be greater than the Republican, again demonstrating that to mismanagement on the part of the leaders and the base treachery of John Kelly is to be attributed the defeat of Gen. Hancock. But it also shows conclusively that the Democratic party is as powerful as ever, and there is every reason for believing that its strength will increase rather than diminish during the next four years of Republican rule.

THE MARYLAND STATE GRANGE held its annual session in Baltimore last week. The attendance was very large, and delegates were present from all parts of the State. The special committee on the proposed Produce Exchange reported that the institution was one greatly needed for the accommodation of producers of the State, and commended it to the favorable consideration of the State Grange. The report was approved by the grange. A special committee was appointed to confer with the executive board or managers of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association at any time when they may think it desirable or useful, and to co-operate with them, if practicable, in their efforts to prevent the exaction of discriminating or extortionate freight rates from citizens of this State and of Baltimore city. The grange determined to circulate and have signed memorials asking Congress to make the department of agriculture equal with the other executive departments in rank, and its head a member of the cabinet, and to pass a law making venders and manufacturers of implements infringing patents alone responsible, and not innocent purchasers and users. The grange adjourned to the second Tuesday in December of next year.

Deepening of Chester River.

Gen. H. G. Wright, chief engineer of the War Department, has submitted to the Secretary of War a report of Colonel Craighill giving the result of surveys of Maryland waters, made by direction of Congress, among them being Chester river, between Kirby's Landing and Spry's Landing. The Secretary of War has transmitted the report to the Senate, which referred it to the committee on commerce.

Colonel Craighill says that the portion of the river covered by the surveys is about five and a half miles in length. Seven feet of water can now be carried at all stages of the tide to Spry's Landing. The bridge at Crumpton, two miles further, is an obstruction to navigation, the width of the drawer being only 37½ feet. Above Crumpton the channel becomes narrow and shoal, and the range of the tide at that point is about two and a-half feet. It is proposed to improve it by dredging and placing the excavated matter near the sides of the cut, where it will not find its way back again, but will form banks, the effects of which will be to force more of the water from the river into the dredged channel.

The estimate submitted is in two parts, referring to the portions of the river respectively from Spry's and Kirby's to the bridge at Crumpton. Below the bridge there are alternative estimates for channels one hundred feet wide and one hundred and twenty feet wide, and each eight feet deep at mean low water, costing respectively $11,000 and $13,000. There are also alternative estimates for channels above Crumpton, only fifty and sixty-five feet in width at six feet depth at mean low water, and costing $7,000 and $9,000 respectively. The estimates are divided as follows: From Spry's Landing to Crumpton, for a channel of 120 feet width and 8 feet deep at mean low water, 39,900 cubic yards' excavation, at 20 cents, $11,970; add 10 per cent. for expenses, superintendence, &c., $1,197. Total, $13,167.

For a channel 100 feet wide and 8 feet deep at mean low water, 32,500 cubic yards' excavation, at 30 cents, $9,750; add 10 per cent. for expenses, $975; total, $10,725.

From Crumpton to Kirby's Landing, for a channel 65 feet wide and 6 feet deep at mean low water, 28,000 cubic yards' excavation, add 10 per cent. for expenses, $9,240; and a channel 50 feet wide and 6 feet deep, requiring excavation of 20,800 cubic yards, $6,864.

Accompanying the report are commercial statistics showing that there is an arrival or departure of vessels from Crumpton to Baltimore every day in the week, and the amount of freight carried to Crumpton from Baltimore is between $100,000 and $200,000. But for the obstruction formed by the bar, causing uncertainty in the arrival and departure of vessels, the trade between the two points would be much greater, particularly as far as the peach trade is concerned.

GEN. BUTLER AND THE SOLDIERS' BONDS.—Gen. B. F. Butler has paid to the board of managers of the Homes for Disabled Volunteers the sum of $122,000 bonds. There have been stories that Gen. Butler had defaulted, as president of the board, in the amount mentioned. He never explained it, and there had been a law-suit about certain bonds, out of which the trouble grew. Gen. Butler having paid the $122,000, which included accrued interest, out of his own pocket, now makes an explanation. Some years ago Horatio Ward, an American living in Europe, willed $125,000 in bonds of various States, to the Soldiers' Homes. The will was contested, but Gen. Butler won the suit. The bonds were sent to him by messenger across the ocean. Before the messenger arrived Gen. Butler went on a yachting cruise, and left word for the bonds to be deposited in bank. When he got back the bank had failed, and the bonds were all lost. In replacing them Gen. Butler bought the same issues of bonds and paid in the accumulating interest. As some of the $125,000 of the bonds left to the homes by Mr. Ward are not at par, it took but $122,000 to do this. It was at the Wednesday night meeting of the board of managers, who have been in session at Willard's the past few days, that Gen. Butler walked in and laid down his pile of bonds.—*Washington Star, December 22.*

SENATOR BURNSIDE entertains like a prince. He has retained his camp servants and cooks since army days. The butter and vegetables used at his Washington dinners are made and raised on his Rhode Island farm.

"THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW" AND GOOD SLEIGHING.—Snow commenced falling here about noon on Monday and continued almost uninterruptedly until a late hour Tuesday afternoon, leaving an average depth of six to eight inches. The sleighing is excellent and almost everybody able to procure a turnout has indulged in the sport. Gentlemen from the country report it the best sleighing we have had for twenty years.

SALE OF A LARGE FARM.—The Chambers farm, in Queen Anne's, containing 618 acres and some perches, was sold at public sale on the premises, by G. W. T. Perkins, executor, on Wednesday, and purchased by Dr. S. E. Ford, of the Chester River Steamboat Company, at $39 per acre, aggregating over $24,000. This is considered a good sale, when the character of the buildings on the premises is taken into account.

THE ladies of the M. E. Church closed their very successful fair at the town Hall Thursday evening. They had several beautifully decorated tables filled with good things and goods suitable for presents, all of which, we believe, were disposed of. The suppers were excellent.

MR. T. W. WICKES, one of our enterprising druggists, has just purchased and placed in his establishment an elaborate show case, which for beauty of design and finish is hard to surpass. His store room has been newly papered, and presents a very handsome appearance.

OUR GENTLE HINT.—A subscriber in Philadelphia writes as follows:

"I blush to think your 'gentle hint' should have caught me among the remiss ones, and hasten to discharge my obligation. Will you please send me a receipt for the enclosed money order for my subscription to the NEWS. I can only add, your consideration and patience far exceeds mine; and in the stirring up of delinquents like myself I would have used a sharper stick."

Our gentle reminder has caused a number of delinquents to call and settle within the past few days, and we trust there will be a more general response during the coming week.

KENT COUNTY TO BE COUNTED AGAIN.—It has been announced that Kent was entitled to an additional member of the House of Delegates, but it appears from the following, which we find in the Washington correspondence of the Baltimore *American* of Wednesday that it is probable the census of the county will be retaken:

In consequence of the imperfect returns of the population of Kent county, the Census Office has been compelled to order a re-enumeration, causing another delay in the complete returns of the State. To this end General Walker, Superintendent of the Census, to-day ordered a special agent to proceed to Kent county and supervise the work. The census officials decline to divulge the cause or causes of the delay. It is rumored, however, that for some reason the Kent county returns were tampered with during the first two enumerations, and, though a source of considerable annoyance, the work is to be, for the third time, gone over. At the time the first returns were received a rumor of tampering with the figures was afloat. This was not made public though, as the census officials refused to confirm it. They are not willing to admit anything of the kind now, but it is thought very strange that so much time and so many delays should arise in collecting the census of a county with a population that certainly does not exceed twenty thousand. The last returns of the enumerators place the population at 18,240, which is just enough to give the county an additional member in the House of Delegates. It is thought possible that the figures may have been increased in order to reach that result. Kent county now has two members of the House of Delegates.

COL. EMORY'S SALE.—The sale of the personal estate of the late Col. John R. Emory took place at his late residence in Spaniard's Neck on the 18th instant, and was well attended, many persons being present from this county, and stock brought very fair prices. The oxen sold for $140, $135 and $100 per pair. The mules ranged from $350 to $175 per pair; horses from $30 up to $135, steam engine $496. The whole sale aggregated about $3,000. The property of E. B. Emory, Esq., sold the same day as follows: Twenty-eight head of cattle, most of which were calves and yearlings, averaged about $40 per head. They were Alderney grades, short-horn grades and pure bred short-horns. The two yearlings, short-horn heifers, registered, were struck off to Joseph E. Elliott at $60 each, and the registered short-horn bull calf, eight weeks old, to Mallalieu & Bro., at $49.50; short-horn cow "Milkmaid" and heifer calf, not registered, were sold to Frederick Hall for $58; five-year-old short-horn heifer to same party for $58; yearling heifer to same party for $40; bull calf to same party for $33.50; two yearlings, short-horn heifers, to W. Kent Sparks for $40 and $45; heifer calf to John McFadden for $36, all pure short-horns, but not entitled to register. The grade short-horns were sold as follows: Yearling heifer to W. T. P. Turpin for $38.50; yearling heifer to Wm. Taylor for $48.50; five-year-old cow to John Taylor, for $48; brown horse "Frank" to John H. K. Shannahan, for $171. Alderney grade heifers sold at $20 to $25.

VENDUES TO TAKE PLACE.—Advertisements elsewhere in our columns give particulars of the following sales to come off on dates named:

Monday, Dec. 27—Wm. J. Vannort, on the Nicols farm, in Broad Neck.

Wednesday, Dec. 27—John Schwatka, at Chesterville.

Tuesday, 28—J. Severson, near Still Pond.

Wednesday, 29—Wm. Hague, on the Dr. Kennard farm, near Kennedyville.

Wednesday, Dec. 29—Thomas J. Vickers, administrator of Francis T. Maslin, Broad Neck.

Thursday, Dec. 30—Joshua Vansant, at the Hotel in Kennedyville.

Real Estate.—Tuesday, Dec. 28.—Wharf property, granary and dwelling at the head of Still Pond creek, by J. A. Pearce, trustee.

CONCERT.—The M. E. Church South Sunday School of Chesterville will have an entertainment and concert on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29. The program includes fine musical selections by Prof. D. J. Quimby and choir, which with other features, should insure a full house.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Dec. 21.—Present Judges Nicholson and Shallcross.

There was very little business before the Court. They passed several orders, and adjourned to meet on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1880.

THE Middletown *Transcript* of last Saturday says: Early in the week there was some little excitement in town over a reported case of small-pox in the family of Mrs. Martha C. Reynolds. The infection was brought from Philadelphia by a son of Mrs. Reynolds, who came home, as it was supposed, afflicted with the chicken-pox. He got well and returned to the city three weeks ago. It is a brother of this boy that now has the disease. The case is an isolated one, and the physician in attendance assures us that there is no danger of its going any further. The excitement has entirely subsided.

THE large planing mill and store-house of Tschudy & Catts and residence of Mr. Van Fozen, at Smyrna, Delaware, were burned on Saturday night. Loss on mill $15,000, insurance $3,000; loss on dwelling $1,800, insurance $1,200. For a time the whole town was in danger, and aid was telegraphed for from Wilmington, but the fire was gotten under control before the train with engines started.

DR. JOHN T. KING, referring to the political barbecue of ye old time on the Eastern Sho' of this grand old State, says it was generally composed of beeves, swine, fish, lambs, fowls, all immolated and roasted whole with peach and honey, apple jack, old French brandy and hard cider, to wash down the solids; all hands, rich and poor, were welcome and even the women and children were around when the eating came off.

THE promising calculator of the Almanac announces two new moons for this month. The first we have had, the other one we may expect on the last day of the month, the dying year leaving a legacy of a new moon to light his heir into existence. It is the only month of 1880 that has been so generously favored.

THE farm of Chas. E. Cockey, on Kent Island, Queen Anne's county, 362 acres, has been sold to Dr. Stephen E. Ford for $34 per acre. W. S. Price has sold his 100 acre farm, on Kent Island, to Alfred J. Farries, of Philadelphia, for $46 per acre.

MR. ARCHIBALD GIVEN, the builder of the new court house in Wilmington, did not make an independent fortune out of his contract. He has just settled with the Levy Court of that city, and is said to be $10,000 out of pocket, to say nothing of his labor of a year and a half.

PROGRESS.—The Wilmington *Morning News* of Monday says: "Grace Methodist Church choir was yesterday strengthened by the addition of a cornet, played by Mr. Merrill. The orchestra now consists of three violins, a violoncello, two flutes, the cornet, the organ and the piano."

MR. ROBERT JARRELL, of Caroline county, died last week after a lingering illness. He was for many years one of the associate Judges of the Orphans' Court. He was about 60 years of age.

THE Middletown *Transcript* says that a purse containing eight cents has been left at that office, and if not soon called for the amount will be subscribed to the Grant pension fund.

THE North East *Record* has completed its second year. It has been well managed and edited and is a decided success.

Letter from Galena.

Editors Kent News:—It is only at rare intervals that I see in your newsy columns a communication from this classic (?) locality, and yet Galena and her sister village, Georgetown, *exist*, having neither been devastated by any fatal pestilence or swallowed up by an earthquake. Your interesting paper being very much read in this locality, it is but natural that we should want to be represented occasionally, hence I use this as an excuse for jotting down a few items of more or less interest.

Our accommodating postoffice official, Mr. Rodgers, has recently been *accommodating himself* by a convenient alteration of his office and store. He has also displayed some very seducing articles in the shape of Christmas gifts on his counter. The balance of our merchants—well, to say that they were alive to the occasion would only be doing them half justice—they are just "boiling over" to sell goods, under which their shelves and counters are fairly groaning.

As nature has wrapped us in a blanket of purest white and navigation on our beautiful Sassafras practically ceased for the present, it is probable that the majority of our townspeople will register among the "stay-at-homes," and yet the liberal use of printer's ink "availeth much," and the excursion to Philadelphia over the Kent county Railroad on Wednesday was well patronized.

The Presbyterian Sunday School at Georgetown are making considerable preparations for a forthcoming Christmas celebration. Some very novel and exceedingly interesting features, I am told, will mark the occasion.

The church at Georgetown is still without a pastor. The congregation, however, will soon have a settled pastor probably, as it has only to decide upon one of the various candidates that have preached there.

As of scientific interest, it may please some of your readers to know that our dentist, Dr. Phelps, successfully extracts diseased teeth, and after therapeutic treatment, *replants* them in the jaw from which they were taken, to do good service for years. He has replanted several within the last two years. It is truly wonderful what advances skillful men are making in this and kindred professions, within the last decade even. More anon. OBSERVER.

PRESIDENT HAYES' FINANCES—*A Detailed Statement Concerning His Business Affairs.*—The Chicago Tribune in a recent issue says: "When a pressure was made upon Mr. Hayes five years ago to make the race for Governor in his State he was at first very positive in his refusal to be a candidate. The reason of his disinclination to re-enter public life at that time was due to the conviction that it was his first duty to attend to his own private affairs. He and his uncle had engaged in certain real estate transactions, and the depreciation in the value of the property after the panic had seriously embarrassed him. This embarrassment was increased by the death of his uncle, who bequeathed to Mr. Hayes the entire burden of their joint indebtedness, and in addition thereto the duty of paying off a large number of cash bequests, amounting in all to about $65,000. This was a hard load to carry. Nevertheless, Mr. Hayes finally yielded to the importunities of the party managers in Ohio, and consented to run for Governor upon the representation that he was the only man at that critical time with whom the republicans could confidently hope to carry the State. He accepted the nomination at some personal sacrifice and was elected. The brilliancy and importance of this triumph prepared the way for his nomination and election as President of the United States. His private affairs were still neglected, and it was evident that he would have but little time to devote to them during the ensuing four years. It was this outlook which prompted him to fund his indebtedness, and he made a loan of $100,000 upon terms that would relieve him from annoyance during his term of office. He entered upon a position to which a salary of $50,000 a year is attached, and during a term of nearly four years he has paid off about $75,000 of his personal indebtedness. This represents the sum total of his savings, and during the same period the White House accounts are said to show an expenditure of about $30,000 more out of the President's private purse than was paid out, as a rule, from the salaries of his predecessors. This is a showing of which the President has no reason to be ashamed, and in which the American people may properly feel considerable pride. A saving of $75,000 of a total income of $200,000, in order to meet private obligations which had been increased by the demands of public life and party service, is an accomplishment that is much more deserving of praise than censure."

A JURY'S "MORAL COWARDICE."—Judge A. M. Aiken, of the Corporation Court of Danville, Va., created quite a sensation a few days ago in sentencing a prisoner who had been tried for the murder of a man named Hankins, and whose punishment was fixed by the jury at eighteen years in the penitentiary. He said:

"Scott Thompson, your present situation, whether you be guilty or innocent of the murder of Hankins, is due to the moral cowardice of twelve men. Either you are innocent of the accusation made against you by the Commonwealth, or you perpetrated a murder of the first degree in law, and the foulest in cold-blooded and unfeeling atrocity. If you were believed innocent a monstrous crime rests upon those who declared you guilty. If you are guilty, your wicked life has been saved by the criminal weakness of a jury who had not the moral courage to act fearlessly and to the full extent of the law upon evidence the truth of which they indorsed by the verdict they rendered." His honor then reviewed the evidence and concluded as follows:

"Upon this testimony it was not even insisted that Hankins was dead when he was thrown into the canal, and the verdict of the jury in ignoring the evidence and finding you guilty of voluntary manslaughter was a despicable evasion of their disagreeable duty to vindicate the outraged law of the Commonwealth by inflicting on you its awful but well-merited penalty. The court has no power to set aside the verdict against you. If you are innocent, curses and contempt must be mingled with your feelings of grief at the injustice that has been done you. If you are guilty, you should rejoice and praise God that you fell into the hands of and was tried by a jury of your peers. The judgment of the court is that you be imprisoned in the penitentiary for the period found by the jury."

STRANGE CASE—*Prespiration of Blood.*—The Chichago *Daily News* says: "The doctors are puzzled and interested by a peculiar case on the west side, at 86 Seeley avenue. Willie Crowford, aged 17 years, son of Wm. Crowford, captain of a tugboat, has for seven years been sweating blood at times, and lately has had severe attacks, which alarmed his parents. His infirmity comes on him usually after taking cold. Great black patches appear on his body, from which blood drops the size of a pin head exude. Blood flows from his mouth, nose, eyes, stomach and even from the bladder and kidneys. No pain accompanies these discharges, but they make his blood thin and weaken him. Sudden fright or excitement will temporarily check the flow. He is mentally bright, and his father, mother, brothers and sisters are strong and healthy. The physicians who have taken an interest in his case propose sending him to Edinburgh and London for examination by the Academy of Surgeons."

WILLIS JONES, a negro, imprisoned at Charlottesville, Va., on a charge of attempting to kill his mistress, put an end to his life last week, like Dido of old, by cremation. He was much dejected by the desertion of his mistress, though he declared himself innocent of any attempt on her life, and was heard frequently to say that he would rather be dead than alive. About 1 A. M. taking the oil which was kept in the room for filling the lamp he saturated his shirt, and drawing it over his head he applied a match. A fellow-prisoner who occupied the same cell was awakened by his strugglings over the floor, but he was then in the agonies of death. Before the jailor arrived he died, his head and shoulders being horribly burned. This is one of the few cases of suicide by a negro on record.

THE CAR BLOCKADE IN THE NORTHWEST.—It is represented in New York that it has been ascertained by actual inspection that the stock of wheat in the elevators, warehouses and other depositories of the Northwest is larger than was ever known before. This wheat cannot, it is said, come forward to market in consequence of the car blockade. The railroads are said to be short of motive power and fuel as well as cars, while frost and snow have greatly obstructed work. The Northern Pacific railroad has 600,000 bushels in its elevators, the St. Paul (Minnesota) and Manitobo has 2,000,000, and at various other points in Dacota and Minnesota there are more than 6,000,000 bushels waiting to come forward to market.

THE snow storm in New Jersey has prostrated the telegraph wires along the shore, and two locomotives on the New Jersey Southern railroad are buried in a snow-slide at Branchport. The storm was the severest on the Jersey coast since 1834. Eighty feet of the Long Branch pier have been destroyed, the sea breaking thirty feet of the large columns. The damage is estimated at $30,000. The New York and Long Branch railroad trains are delayed at Little Silver by a snow-drift ten feet high. The roof of a railroad bridge on the Camden and Burlington (N. J.) railroad tumbled under the weight of snow Tuesday upon the engine of a train from Philadelphia, slightly injuring the engineer, Jos. Carman.

JOHN PRICE was pardoned and released from the penitentiary last week, where he had been incarcerated for fifteen years, lacking one day, for the shooting of Clinton James, in the old American Museum, which stood on the corner of Baltimore and Calvert streets. Price is now 65 years of age, has killed at least three men in his life and has served 35 years, in all, in a convict's cell. He was pardoned one day before his time expired, in order in save his rights as a citizen

COL. A. K. MCCLURE AND MR. JEFFERSON DAVIS—*An Interview with the Confederate Chief—His Personal Appearance and Pleasant Manners.*—Col. McClure devotes his letter to the Times of Tuesday entirely to a description of his visit to and conversation with Mr. Jefferson Davis. He writes from Mississippi City, and describes the Dorsey place, where the ex-Confederate President lives, with his nephews and their families. Col. McClure writes:

"Soon after I had been bowed into the parlor Jefferson Davis entered alone, and his greeting was the cordial welcome of the proverbial hospitality of the South. I confess to disappointment in the general appearance of the man, who stands in history to-day as the soldier-statesman without a country. I expected to find the strongly marked traces of a grievously disappointed life, and serene civility and studied reticence in discussing all things of the past; but those who believe Jefferson Davis to be misanthropic in temperament and embittered against the nation and the world, greatly misjudge him. Nor is he the broken invalid that he is generally regarded. His yet abundant locks and full beard are deeply silvered, and his face and frame are spare, as they always have been; but his step is elastic and steady, and the hard lines of his brow, which are so conspicuous in his pictures, are at once effaced when he enters into conversation. Instead of impressing the visitor as a habitual recluse, who has no interest in the land to whose citizenship he will live and die a stranger, he at once invites the freedom of the planter's home by chatting without reserve save when his contemporaries are likely to be criticised, when he adroitly and pleasantly turns the discussion into inoffensive channels. He is yet the same positive man in all his convictions and purposes that made him the leader of a causeless rebellion. He well understands that he cast the die for empire or for failure that must make him alien to the country and the world, and that he lost; and he knows that he is to-day the most powerless of all men in the land to retrieve the fortunes of those who followed him to bereavement and sacrifice."

After referring to the fact that his Vice-President (Mr. Stephens) had been elected to a seat in Congress; that two of his unnoted warriors have sat in republican cabinets; that "Lee's ablest lieutenant is the republican minister to Turkey; the man who marched the first regiment of volunteers to Charleston and who served as Confederate Senator until Appomattox became historic, died as the republican minister to Russia," and that the Senate, House and the Washington departments contain other men who were abreast with Jefferson Davis in the war, Mr. McClure continues: "But Davis is the embodiment of humiliation, while his fellows go in and out without displeasure. I heard no allusion to or complaint of this injustice, but it is plainly evident that Davis entirely appreciates it, and that he believes he would not be consistent with himself and the grave responsibilities he assumed, however mistaken he may have been in assuming them, if he did not deliberately remain an alien to the government that he, more conspicuously than all others, struggled to overthrow. He could not help the South or himself by seeking or accepting restoration to citizenship, and he is wisely content with stubborn faith in the rectitude of his lost cause."

THE TIME TO SETTLE.—This is not a dun. Indeed, we seldom find it necessary to *dun* anybody. We prefer having nothing to do with this class of humanity. The man who gets you to do his work—acknowledges his indebtedness, and then gives you as much trouble to collect the bill as it was to do the work—is a swindler to the exact amount of this *extra work*. And so you are better off if you never work for him. It is not, however, out of place, now and then, to "jog the memory" of your best customers; those who have running accounts, or are forgetful of small obligations, need reminding of your necessities, &c. And so this article is not intended or expected to penetrate the "rhinocerous hide" of the "never-pay-without-you-make-'em," but to simply suggest to our good customers, one and all—those who may be owing us small or large amounts, for subscription, advertising or job-printing—that *this is the best time in the whole year to settle up accounts.* The year will close in a few days, and every man (and woman, too,) ought to know where he stands financially at the beginning of a new year. This is our desire. We want to pay our debts and start fresh Jan. 1st, and to do this must ask settlements with those who owe us. We hope, therefore, that a liberal response will be made to this 'gentle hint.'

TWO BOLD YOUNG HUNTERS.—On Tuesday of last week Eppa Hunton Maddox, aged eleven, and Jefferson Davis Maddox, aged thirteen, sons of Mr. Martin Maddox, of Augusta county, Va., denned a fox near Moscow and killed it. On their way home with their hounds they started a deer and chased it across the country on horseback for five miles, and caught it with their dogs. They made the run straight across fields, taking fences and ditches as they went. When they had killed the deer it weighed 225 pounds, and was too heavy for the little fellows to lift on their horses, so they disemboweled it, and lightened it to that extent, threw it over the horse and took it safely home.—*Staunton Vindicator.*

CHARLEY ROSS' FATHER.—Christian K. Ross, the father of Charley Ross, who is on a visit to Pittsburg, is quoted as saying: "The only tidings I have ever received of Charley since he was stolen was the demand for a ransom of $20,000. If I had paid that I would have had him long before this. As it is, I have spent $60,000, and have not got him. I am still engaged and have detectives employed, and hope in time to find him. I have examined over 300 lost children in the search, some of whom had been stolen, but none of them was Charley. I would not pay the ransom; I wanted to protect the community and secure the thieves. As it is, I have lost all my fortune and my boy."

THE court of inquiry, convened at the instance of Col. Burgwyn, to inquire into his efficiency as Colonel of the Fifth Regiment I. M. N. G., and the discipline maintained by him in the regiment, has made its report to Governor Hamilton exonerating Col. Burgwyn from the charges made against him by officers of the regiment.

MARRIED:

In Baltimore, Dec. 20, by Rev. Thomas Kale, EDWARD F. LAMBERT, of Chestertown, to Miss EMMA NICKLES, of Baltimore city.

At Lynch's M. P. Church, Dec. 15, by Rev. F. T. Little, Mr. JOHN C. DAVIS to Miss HELEN JERVIS, both of this county.

On the 14th instant, at the residence of Mrs. Alexander Thompson, in Baltimore, by the Rev. S. S. Hepbron, of St. Paul's Parish, Kent co., Dr. J. H. W. G. WEEDON, of Kent Island, and Miss MARY R. THOMPSON, daughter of Wm. S. Thompson, Esq., of this county.

On Nov. 8, 1880, by the Rev. B. R. Wilburn, EDW. W. DUNLAP and LETITIA HIGGINS.

A CARD.

J. B. MERRITT, M. D., having sufficiently recovered from the effects of his late accident, will resume the practise of his profession at Hanesville on MONDAY NEXT, Dec. 27. 1t.

FOR a CHOICE SEGAR call on M. A. TOULSON.

LAMPS! LAMPS! LAMPS! at TOULSON'S Drug Store.

CALL and examine the selection of CHRISTMAS GOODS at TOULSON'S Drug Store.

FLEXIBLE WEATHER STRIPS

Keep out cold wind, snow, rain and dust; save fuel and secure comfort for windows and doors. For sale by

d25. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

SLEIGH BELLS!

A large assortment. Also, SKATES for Ladies, Gents or Boys; Christmas Tree Holders, &c., at

d25. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

For Christmas Presents

GO TO M. A. TOULSON'S DRUG STORE.

Holiday Goods!

IN GREAT VARIETY,

At

TOULSON'S

DRUG STORE.

SWEET CIDER—Oh! so Sweet and nice, at THOMPSON'S, up town.

RAISINS, Currants, Citron, Mince-Meat, &c., at THOMPSON'S, up town.

CANDY TOYS, Fancy Cakes, Fire-Works, Paper-cap Pistols and Paper Caps, at THOMPSON'S, up town.

CURRANTS, Raisins, Citron, Oranges, Mrs. Myers' Mince Meat, Apple Butter, &c., at WHEATLEY BROS', d18. up town.

PUBLIC SALE

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue Wheelwrighting, will sell at public sale at his residence in Chesterville,

On WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27th, 1880,

The following property:

1 Black Mare,

1 YORK CARRIAGE and Harness;
1 TURNING LATHE;
1 Lot of HICKORY AXLES;
1 Lot of Turned and Morticed Hubs;
1 Lot of Gum Hubs;
1 new No. 4 WILEY PLOW;
1 Lot of NEW DEARBORN WHEELS, boxed, with axles and irons complete;
1 SHOP WOOD STOVE;

1 New Wheelbarrow, lot of Spokes and Rims, 1 lot of Walnut Board, lot of Coffin Fixtures, 1 Large Cupboard, 1 Secretary, lot of Oak and Hickory Board, Spades, Rakes, Hoes, Coal Stoves, 1 Large Grindstone, 1 Paint Mill, Tables, Stands, Bedsteads, lot of Tools, Desks and other articles too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

TERMS OF SALE.—All purchases of $10 and under, cash; all over that amount a credit of seven months, on note, with approved security. No property to be removed till the terms are complied with.

SALE POSITIVE, rain or shine.

JOHN A. SCHWATKA.

Dec. 25, 1880—1t.

PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned having discontinued farming and moved to town, will offer at Public Sale on the Nicols farm, in Broad Neck, on

MONDAY, DEC. 27, 1880

the following Property:

5 Head of Driving and Work Horses,

7 Head of PRIME MILCH COWS,

1 Pure Bred ALDERNEY COW, all in profit to pure bred Alderney Bull.

One Yoke of Work OXEN,

1 Pure Bred Alderney BULL, 2 yrs. old, solid French Grey out of Regist'd Cow;
1 Pure Short Horn BULL, Emory stock;
BROOD SOWS and lot of PIGS;
1 Broad Tread Wagon and Harness;
1 Horse Cart and Harness;
1 Single Wheel CHAMPION REAPER, nearly new, in good order;
1 new Wheat Rake, 1 good Grain Fan.
1 Three-spring Peach Wagon,
1 Peach Culler; full assortment of *FARMING IMPLEMENTS*, all nearly new and in perfect order.

Household & Kitchen FURNITURE,

Coal and Cook Stoves.

This stock will be sold without misrepresentation or reserve.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; all other sums a credit of 10 months on note and approved security, interest added, will be given. No property to be removed until the terms are fully complied with.

WM. J. VANNORT.

J. H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r. d11-ts.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at PUBLIC SALE at his residence on the Dr. Kennard farm, near Kennedyville, on

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29, 1880,

THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY:

4 HEAD of HORSES,

among them two good Drivers; 1 good Brood Mare; 1 good Mare Colt, two years old next Spring.

6 Good Milch Cows,

1 BULL CALF.

1 good iron-axle Farm Wagon & Harness;
1 Dearborn and Harness, 1 Carriage Pole,
1 Sleigh, Bells and Harness;

Champion Self-Rake Reaper & Mower

Combined, nearly new;

1 Grain and Fertilizer DRILL,
1 WHEAT RAKE, 1 GRAIN FAN,
1 HAND SHELLER,
2 CORN DROPPERS,
1 HAY RIGGING, 1 Wood Rigging,
130 Peach Baskets, 1 long Ladder,
PLOUGHS, HARROWS, CULTIVATORS, Plough Gears, Shovels, Forks, Hoes, &c.
1 FEATHER BED, 2 BEDSTEADS,
1 large Spring-bottom Sofa;
1 good Dish Cupboard, 1 Bureau,
1 Air-tight Wood Stove, lot of Chairs,
1 Tilden Steam Washing Machine, nearly new, 1 Kitchen Table, &c.

SALE POSITIVE, rain or shine, and to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

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

WILLIAM HAGUE.

U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct'r.

Dec. 11—ts*

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Many of the Tax-payers of the Fourth District have failed as yet to pay their taxes for the year now closing. They have but a few days left in which to do so, as it is absolutely necessary for me to collect ALL taxes by Jan. 1st, in order to pay the levies due at that time. I can make no exceptions; EVERY ONE owing me taxes *must settle within the next Twelve Days*, or, after that time, pay the costs of legal proceedings. Respectfully,

d18-2t. JOHN N. DODD, Coll. 4th Dist.

NOTICE.—Those desiring to subscribe for any Publication issued in any part of the United States, can obtain the Publication at a lower rate by subscribing through me, as I have special arrangement for supplying all classes of Periodicals—Newspapers, Ladies' Magazines, &c.—at reduced rates. JOHN W. COLLINS,

d11-3t. Postmaster, Chestertown, Md.

TRAVILLA POULTRY YARD.

I have TEN BRONZE TURKEY GOBBLERS, Thirty pair of PLYMOUTH ROCK CHICKENS, and Five Trio of PEKIN DUCKS for sale.

Address EDWARD SLAUGHTER,

Dec. 4—tf. Chestertown, Md.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ENTERTAINMENT and CONCERT

At CHESTERVILLE M. E. CHURCH SOUTH, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29, 1880. The Musical part of the program will be conducted by Prof. D. J. QUIMBY AND CHOIR. Doors open at 6 o'clock P. M. Admission: Adults 15c.; Children 10c.

Dec. 18—2t.

KENT NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTERTOWN.

DECEMBER 16, 1880.

The Stockholders are hereby notified that the annual election of FIVE DIRECTORS for this Bank will be held at the Banking House on THURSDAY, the 20th day of January, 1881, at 11 o'clock. JOS. PETERSON,

Dec. 18—3t. CASHIER.

NOTICE.—The ANNUAL MEETING of THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF KENT COUNTY will be held at the Court House in Chestertown on MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 1881, at eleven o'clock A. M.

N. G. WESTCOTT, Sec'y.

Dec. 18, 1880—3t.

ORDERS taken for all kinds B. L. Guns and implements, at

d18. THOMPSON'S, up town.

NOTIONS and DRY GOODS, cheap for cash.

d11. E. W. F. SIMPERS.

FOR cheap BOOTS or SHOES call on

Oct. 6. J. H. SIMPERS.

CHRISTMAS GREETING

Again the Festal Season Approaches!

AGAIN

C. F. STAM

announces to the public that he has now ready a

MAGNIFICENT ASSORTMENT OF

Christmas Goods

SUCH AS YOU RARELY FIND IN A COUNTRY TOWN.

Silver Plated Ware.—Cake Baskets, Card Receivers, Castors, Berry Dishes, Flower Stands, Cups, Waiters, Knives, Forks, and Spoons, of the best quality and most artistic designs.

Bohemia and Majolica Ware.—Vases, Toilet Sets, Pitchers, Plates, Tea Sets and Pickle Dishes, elaborately adorned in antique designs.

Books! Books!!—Works of Standard Literature, Poetry and Song, in attractive and substantial bindings.—Bibles, Hymn Books, Prayer Books, Children's Toy Books, Albums, &c.

Alphabet and Building Blocks.

Perfumery.—The choicest Foreign and Domestic Perfumes & Colognes, in cut glass and pressed bottles.

Special Notice.

Our stock of HOLIDAY GOODS is so large and varied, we can only enumerate a few articles. We beg you to come in and examine for yourself. We pledge you a cordial welcome, a comfortable store and low priced goods.

Respectfully,

COLIN F. STAM, DRUGGIST.

Notice large sign "CHRISTMAS GOODS," on the Corner. d18.

THIS is the Place

TO BUY YOUR

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

AT THE LOWEST PRICES:

C. E. ROLAND,

(Adjoining Mr. Levi Fidd