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The Kent News.

SATURDAY.....APRIL 23, 1881.

LORD BEACONSFIELD, the great English statesman, died last Tuesday morning.

THE President has decided to appoint Capt. Henry, of Ohio, United States Marshal of the District of Columbia in place of Frederick Douglass. The latter is to be provided for in another direction.

GEN. JOSEPH LANE died Wednesday in Roseburg, Oregon, aged 79 years. Gen. Lane was for many years in the United States Congress, and was candidate for Vice-President in 1860 on the Breckinridge ticket.

THE Delaware Legislature passed a bill which puts a stop to torch-light processions in future in that State. It is a good thing and will help very greatly to keep the election free from the influence of irresponsible parties, and prevent annoyance for money for useless electioneering; preserve the peace and give more dignity to political action.

THE suit of Miss Mary A. Murray against Gen. E. B. Tyler, postmaster of Baltimore, for damages for insults offered whilst an employee of the postoffice, was concluded at Ellicott City last Thursday week, the jury rendering a verdict for plaintiff and assessing the damages at $5,000. The case will go up to the Court of Appeals on exceptions taken by defendant's counsel to certain rulings of the circuit judges.

THE public schools of Anne Arundel county were closed for the summer term on Thursday of last week. Cause—no money to pay teachers' salaries. Less than one-fifth of *last year's* county levy has been paid over up to this time; for the balance superintendent Harwood says that the teachers "are expected to wait until the incoming of the Jews!" There must be woeful negligence or inexcusable fault at the doors of some of the officials of that county.

As the days pass it becomes plainer and plainer that the Democrats have the best of the fight now going on in the United States Senate. The Republicans have made an issue out of a matter that does not concern the people, and the longer they hang on to it the more the people will be convinced that the Republicans think more of a few fat offices than they do of the best interest of the nation. This is the way Mr. Garfield and Mr. Blaine see it, too.

GENERAL TYLER has resigned the postmastership of Baltimore, and the President on Wednesday last nominated Mr. Harrison Adreon as the successor. There were large delegations of Marylanders at Washington on Wednesday when the selection of Mr. Adreon was made, representing respectfully Mr. Peter Thompson, Mr. Jehu B. Askew, Mr. David Creamer and the appointee: The Sun's correspondent says:

The big fight for the place was between the "ins" and the "outs," Mr. Thompson representing the custom-house party and Mr. Askew the anti-custom-house party. The friends of Mr. Adreon, although they went to work in his behalf a week or two ago, made no demonstration here until within two or three days. The fact that he was presented and urged as a man free from entangling alliances with either wing of the party in Maryland, and that he was backed by the Union soldiers of the State, constituted an important element in settling the mind of the President in his favor. From the action and the utterances of the President it is assumed that he is disposed to give great consideration to any statements or suggestions which may emanate from Mr. Gary.

HALSTEAD ON GARFIELD AND CONKLING.—If he (Senator Conkling) wages war upon the Garfield administration in the spirit in which it has been opened by the journals that made a specialty of the third term it is the duty of the president to use his whole power to teach the Senator the virtue of discretion. Our idea of civil service reform would be, if Senator Conkling continues implacable, to use the machine for his destruction. If he wants peace on terms becoming reasonable beings with responsibilities, he can have it without trouble; but if he is resolved upon war, if he cannot use the Treasury Department of the United States as his pig-pen and corn-crib, then the administration owes it to the country and the Republican party and its own self-respect to defend and sustain itself by instant, incessant and relentless aggression and the full employment of the war-club and the scalping-knife. Let it be understood that there is to be that sort of war, if war it is, and we shall have peace.—*Cincinnati Commercial, Rep.*

MORTGAGED HIS BODY.—A strange deed of mortgage was put upon record in the register's office at Charlotte, N. C., last week. According to the terms of this mortgage Chas. Didenoven, an intelligent but impecunious man, conveys himself and all the right and title to himself to another, to have and to hold forever, to secure a debt he owes the mortgagor. The deed was duly witnessed, signed and sealed. Didenover is a married man, and, therefore, under the laws of North Carolina, before a man can convey any real estate his wife has to give her signature thereto, acknowledging before a notary public or magistrate, although it is doubtful if the object in this case has the character of property. Didenover's wife waives all of her rights, title and claims to him in favor of the mortgagor, and signed the deed of conveyance and acknowledged the same with all due form before a magistrate.

MR. HY. E. ABBEY, under whose management Mlle. Sarah Bernhardt has made her starring tour through the United States and Canada, says that Bernhardt will take back to Paris about $200,000 as her share of the most successful dramatic engagement of 150 nights ever played in this country. It is understood that Mr. Abbey will also pocket at least $75,000 as his share of the profits. The manager speaks in the highest terms of Mlle. Bernhardt's lady-like and considerate deportment throughout the engagement.

PEACHES.—The Somerset Herald thus sums up the peach prospect of Somerset county: "While it has been guess work for the last two months as to peaches or no peaches in this county, it is now positively certain there will be no crop of this fruit in Somerset. Some of our farmer who have been watching for their trees to bloom have been disappointed by seeing them put forth leaves instead of blossoms. It is believed that not more than one tree in two dozen will blossom."

AN INTERESTING DECISION.—In the United States Circuit Court at Memphis, Tenn., last week, Judge Baxter rendered a decision affirming one previously delivered by Judge Hammond, of the United States District Court, to the effect that a merchant furnishing supplies to a steamboat at the home port has a claim which, in settlement, takes precedence of a mortgage given before the supplies were delivered.

SOUND AT LAST.—That noted Southern Abolitionist, Mr. Cassius M. Clay, writes to a Northern friend: "I cannot go with the Republicans for centralization, corruption in office, extravagant expenditures and imperialism. I am a Jeffersonian Democrat, and maintain that the rights of the States and the Federal Government are grants by the people and equally sacred."

A BILL has passed both branches of the Indiana Legislature conferring the right of suffrage at all elections upon women, and now only needs the signature of Gov. Porter to become a law. In the Senate the democrats voted with the republicans in favor of the bill, which originated and was championed by the latter party.

A MEETING of the citizens of Church Hill and vicinity was held last week at that place for the purpose of taking into consideration the advisability and practicability of establishing a cemetery at Church Hill.

MR. JOHN W. E. SUDLER, a prominent and estimable citizen of Queen Anne's county, died at his residence near Sudlersville last Sunday. He was twice a member of the House of Delegates, and was in his 64th year.

A BERLIN pipe manufacturer recently presented Bismarck with a superb meerschaum pipe, bearing the prince's arms. The latter returned it with a note from his secretary, saying that when he wanted a pipe he could afford to buy one.

GEN. JOHN GANO dropped dead at Princess Anne on Monday morning. He was 55 years old, had been a gallant naval and army officer, and was for nine years deputy register of wills for Somerset county.

THERE was a shucking match at an Oxford oyster house lately, and one Moses Johnson unshelled 160 bushels in five minutes and twenty-eight seconds. Then the exercises closed with a general row.

THE Local Preachers and Exhorters of the Wilmington M. E. Conference will meet in Smyrna May 13th, 14th and 15th.

THE PROT. EPIS. CHURCH IMPROVEMENT.—*An Old Landmark Disappearing.*—The work of demolition this week upon the Potestant Episcopal Church building in this town has been witnessed with an interest akin to heartache by those of our older citizens whose "bump of veneration" is more fully developed than in young America. Many of the members of the church secured parcels of the sacred old edifice—pieces from the pews and altar and shingles from the roof—as *souvenirs* for preservation.

On Monday the bell was taken down—the old bell, that was cast in 1805 in Philadelphia, and which has ever since kept its place in the old belfry, and in clarion voice, with glad music, regularly called together God's people for worship; which also has in muffled tones so often sounded the sad death toll for the departed. The pillars of the belfry were cut off, and with ropes it was toppled over, striking the roof with mighty force and breaking a hole through the sheathing inside, then falling to the ground it was smashed into a thousand pieces. An incident of this was the narrow escape from injury of Mr. H. C. Chase. He was in the organ gallery at work in the removal of some part of the organ when the belfry fell, and a heavy piece of sheathing timber crashed down from the high ceiling upon the very spot where a second before his neck was exposed.

It may be interesting to refer to the history of the ancient edifice. An act passed by the Maryland Legislature of 1765—*one hundred and sixteen years ago*—created Chester Parish out of St. Paul's and Shrewsbury parishes, and directed a levy of tobacco on the taxables of the county "to make up with that in the hands of the vestry of St. Paul's 100,000 pounds," and in November, 1767, there was to be a further levy of 80,000 pounds, the vestry "to lay out any quantity of tobacco not exceeding 130,000 pounds in the purchase of two acres of ground near I. U. cross roads and the erection of a brick church thereon, except the pews and seats, which are to be erected on the credit of the money they are to be sold for to the freeholders of the parish, and they are to be sold on such terms as will defray the cost of erecting them." The vestry is further empowered "to expend 50,000 pounds tobacco in an addition to the church in Chestertown, which they are to finish in every respect except the pews, the expense of which is to be defrayed by the sale of them to such owners of lots in Chestertown as have not already pews." The incumbent of this new parish is to perform service at the two churches alternately, the latter (the one in Chestertown) "to be hereafter called and esteemed a Chapel of Ease." By act of 1768, Liber H. S., folio 681, a "part of the public ground at the corner of High and Cross streets, 90 feet on former and 120 feet on latter," was appropriated to the Chapel of Ease, "the yard to be enclosed but no burials to be made, under penalty of £10, to be recovered in action of debt, one half to vestry and other half to the person who shall sue." James Anderson, Wm. Ringgold, Wm. Bordley, Emory Sudler and Jas. M'Clean "are empowered to contract for building the chapel with brick, on a stone foundation, to be sixty feet long and forty feet wide, the expense to be defrayed with the 50,000 pounds appropriated to this use by the Act of Assembly to which this is a supplement, with the money subscribed, which these trustees are authorized to sue for, and lastly with the money to arise from the sale of the pews and of the material of the old church." These acts are signed by Horatio Sharke, Esq., Governor.

The building has been materially changed inside several times since its erection, but the exterior has remained essentially just as the architects modeled it more than a century ago.

TOWN AFFAIRS.—*The Corporation Election.*—On Monday next will occur the annual election for Town Commissioner. Only one is to be elected this year instead of seven as under the old law. The Board now consists of three members, one of whom is elected annually under the present law; the term of Chas. T. Westcott, Esq., will expire on the day of election, and his successor is to be chosen. The annual report published elsewhere in our columns shows the financial condition of the town at this time, but the surplus in hand is entirely inadequate to the needs of the town for the repair of pavements and streets. Some complaint has been made about the present condition of the pavements, and there are many places which need prompt repair, but the Commissioners say they have had a bricklayer engaged for several weeks, but there has been so much demand for brick masons and other mechanical labor this spring that it has been impossible to have the needed repairs made. We are assured, however, that such repairs will shortly be made.

The Town Commissioners have nearly eight miles of streets and roads under their charge to keep in repair, and it requires nearly half the whole revenue of the town to keep them fairly passable. Chestertown, with its increased area and growing population, is far behind many of her sister towns in the amount of her revenue. The town of Easton devotes over $4,000 annually to its corporate improvements and expenses, and Havre de Grace—not a county town—receives twelve hunderd dollars from Harford county for town purposes annually, in addition to the town tax. The citizens of Chestertown pay about one-fifth of the whole county taxes and receive only $300 from the county! The town requires, and ought in all fairness to have a much larger annual revenue; her streets should be graded and shelled; much drainage is needed and new pavements demanded; and if her revenue was ample, and distributed with economy and judgment, Chestertown ought to soon take her proper place as the fairest and best regulated town on the Shore.

MARRIED WOMEN IN LAW.—In rendering a decision in the case of Hall vs. Massey, in the Kent county Circuit Court, last Tuesday, Judge Wickes said: A married woman cannot be sued in a court of law to make good any *verbal* contract or promise; her separate estate can only be bound by her written signature *given jointly* with her husband. The plaintiff, however, might have recovered in a court of equity.

BROKE JAIL.—Joseph Offner, a white man, confined in jail charged with stealing a watch and two pistols from James P. Carothers, liberated himself last Monday night from his confinement, by breaking off his leg-irons with a poker, and picking a hole through the brick wall with the same instrument. The grand jury found an indictment against him Tuesday.

REV. ELIJAH MILLER DEAD.—This distinguished divine died at his residence at Sudlersville on Friday week. He was for many years an active and efficient minister in the M. E. Church, but for the past few years has been superannuated, and spent his declining years at his pleasant home at Sudlersville. But few men have done more efficient service than Mr. Miller, and few have held the affections of his people more closely than he.

OYSTER POLICEMAN.—Capt. Samuel Travers has resigned his position as captain of the oyster police steamer Lelia, and the Board of Public Works will shortly appoint his successor. It is stated that Mr. C. I. B. Mitchell will be the fortunate man.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, April 19.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson.

Wesley K. Ayres, adm'r of James M. Ayres, returned his 2d and final administration acc't.

J. B. Parrott, one of the administrators of John Thompson, returned list of debts due the said deceased.

B. B. Adkinson, adm'r of Lemuel J. Elbora, returned his second and final adm'n acc't and dividend of the personal estate of said dec'd.

B. F. H. Caulk, adm'r of James Powderly, returned his list of sales of the personal estate of said deceased.

CUT THIS OUT.—It is presumed that barely one-fourth of purchasers of Clothing are fair judges of their purchases; and it is therefore important to know where you can buy with confidence that you will get your money's worth. C. N. Ohem & Son, 230 W. Pratt St., through to 55 Hanover St., have been in the business in Baltimore for over a quarter of a century; they manufacture every garment sold by them. Their experience enables them to give satisfaction in quality, price, material and workmanship. No one in need of Clothing should neglect to call upon them. It will pay you.

THE PEACHES NOT ALL DEAD YET.—We have talked this week with many growers from different sections of the county, and have made personal examinations of several orchards, and are prepared to assert that at the present time the prospect is good for a considerable crop of peaches in Kent this year. We do not mean that there can be anything like a full crop, as the injury has beyond doubt been very serious; some orchards will not yield a single peach, but many have a few and others promise full yield. It is not difficult now to distinguish the live buds, as they are swollen and in a few days will be in full bloom, while the *black speck* buds remain small and are dying. So that, should no further injury befall them, the yield of this valuable crop this season may yet "astonish the natives," and outside world as well.

VISITING ATTORNEYS.—The following Attorneys have been in attendance at our circuit court this week: Wm. J. Jones, Esq., Elkton; Joseph Richardson, Esq., Wilmington, Del.; Richard Calbreth, Esq., Baltimore.

T. P. DIXON, Esq., president of the board of County Commissioners, was in his seat last Tuesday for the first time for several months. He has not yet fully recovered from the prostration and feebleness caused by his recent severe illness, but has rapidly improved.

HEAVY FROSTS several nights this week, together with ice and frozen ground, is rather discouraging to the farmer in pushing forward his spring work. The "season" is a month later than usual in this section.

THE APRIL TERM OF THE CIRCUIT COURT was commenced on Monday; present, Hon. Joseph A. Wickes. Judge Stump took his seat on Tuesday. The court appointed Cornelius J. Scott foreman of the grand jury. The following persons were then drawn to serve as grand and petit jurors:

Grand Jury.—Foreman, Cornelius J. Scott; John M. Armstrong, Alday Clements, Sam'l A. Reed, Albert Medders, Benj. F. H. Caulk, L. A. Thomas, Elijah E. Miller, Jas. H. Plummer, Jos. Clinton, T. Waters Russell, John F. Becks, T. A. Jacobs, Joseph S. Trew, Wm. W. Stephens, Samuel J. Hill, James L. Beck, Thos. H. Hague, H. M. Stuart, Josiah Lusby, Dennis J. Nowland, Wm. J. Vannort, Andrew Woodall.

Petit Jurors.—Jeremiah Peacock, John W. Ireland, J. Burton Burchinal, B. J. McCauley, J. H. Simpers, John W. Loud, James H. Gale, Thomas Rasin, Jr., Joseph R. Usilton, Thos. C. Parsons, Albert L. Corey, James J. Spear, Jas. H. Baker, Wm. H. Stewart, Geo. W. Chrisfield, James S. Harris, Charles Bacon, Geo. W. Covington, B. B. Adkinson, John Brice, Clarence S. Hurlock, Thos. W. Skirven, Robt. G. Nicholson, James Rankin, Thomas W. Eliason.

The grand jury was then charged by the court. George C. Adkinson sworn as bailiff to grand jury. John W. Carroll and John W. Greenwood continued as bailiffs. The following cases have been disposed of:

R. B. M. Massey vs. Vermadella S. Massey, his wife, vs. John T. Hall. Appeal from Justice of the Peace. An action to recover a sum of money on open account for blacksmith work done, against a married woman. Tried before the court. Judgment reversed and each party to pay their own costs. Appellant not represented by counsel. Pearce for appellee.

John A. Miller vs. Thomas Wiggins. Appeal as above. An action to recover wages for work done upon farm, where it was contended contract was violated. Tried before the court. Judgment reversed, and judgment for appellant for costs. Hynson for appellant, Pearce for appellee.

Alex. B. Hanson, Esq., a member of the bar of Cecil county, was admitted as an attorney of this court.

Wm. Dolman, a native of Holland, was admitted to citizenship.

The grand jury found indictments against Jos. E. Offner for stealing watch and two revolvers from Jas. P. Carothers, valued at $30; against Aaron Comegys for stealing clothing from the dwelling of Thos. J. Parsons, valued at $5.

State vs. Henry Urie. Indicted at October term, 1880, for selling a pint of whiskey to W. K. Ayres; also to Thomas Rodney and others Sept. 25, 1880. Tried before the court and adjudged guilty. Fined $50 and costs. Hynson for defense.

Richard J. Foard vs. Oliver Jervis and Wm. R. Jewell. Action to recover the price of a reaper sold defendants by the plaintiff, the defendants alleging to have taken it on a trial, and that it proved defective. Tried before a jury. Verdict for plaintiff for $120.67. Judgment as above. Hynson for pl'ff, Pearce for def'ts.

Jacob B. Cazier vs. Charles A. Lum. Action on attachment on warrant and motion to quash attachment. Argument by counsel, and held *sub curia*. Wm. J. Jones for plaintiff, Pearce for defendant.

The grand jury has found true bills of indictment against Edward Sanders for larceny; Henry Urie for selling liquor; Ella Brown for false pretences; Joseph Anthony (2) for selling liquor; John Stevens for an assault with intent to kill; Wm. H. French for serious bodily injury.

State vs. George W. Hynson. Presented at an earlier term for allowing gambling on his premises and for keeping a disorderly house during the months of December, 1879, and January and February, 1880. Plea of not guilty admitted by State.

State vs. John J. Pearce. Indicted at an earlier term for keeping a gambling house. Plea of not guilty admitted by State. Hynson for def.

State, at the instance and for the use of Henry C. Layman, vs. John N. Dodd, Mary J. Dodd and James H. Plummer. Action on constable's bond to recover a claim placed in the officer's hands for collection, where the officer is alleged to have been derelict of duty. Tried before a jury. Verdict for defendants. Pearce for plaintiff, Hynson and Smith for defendants.

John C. Voshell, indicted for selling spirituous liquors, plead guilty, and was fined $50 & costs.

The Grand Jury having made a report as to the condition of the Jail and the abuse of physicians' prescriptions and finished its labors, was finally discharged on Thursday. The following is their report:

To the Honorable Judges of the Circuit Court for Kent County, April 21, 1881: The Grand Jury beg leave to respectfully report that they have had a harmonious session of four days and have discharged their duty with much unanimity. They have examined the seven Constables of the county and about thirty-two witnesses, a number of whom have been recalled and examined the second time. They have found twelve true bills of indictment. They have visited the county jail in a body and find the comfort of the prisoners provided for and their apartments as clean as can be reasonably expected. The building is *badly arranged* and *insecure*, and the prisoners confined therein cannot be retained, in our judgment, against their will without being securely ironed. The Sheriff, we think, is not censurable for the recent escape therefrom. The evidence before us shows that physicians' prescriptions are much used to obtain spirituous liquor as drink. All of which is respectfully submitted.

CORNELIUS J. SCOTT, Foreman.

T. W. RUSSELL, Secretary.

Contrary to the expectation of the court and bar the session, which it was thought would occupy but a few days, will probably continue until the middle of next week.

Kent Co. Agricultural Association.

CLUB ROOM, April 18, 1881.

Messrs. Editors:—Court being in session, we just had a quorum to-day. If the judges would arrange things so as court would not be in session on Monday afternoons, our meetings would not be interfered with!

There was no discussion of any question, and very little business before the meeting. A resolution that we have a strawberry festival was made the order of the day for next Monday, as was a resolution that one Monday in the month the ladies be invited to attend our meeting, and that suitable preparation be made for their entertainment; and that the members be requested to bring on those days whatever fruits, flowers, vegetables or other things they may have that would be entertaining to exhibit.

Agricultural books and papers are to be considered next Monday, and fruit dryers the Monday following. J. W. Corey, Esq., essayist for next Monday. The president expressed a desire that the essays should be orginal whenever possible. Any member can read the papers at home, and he thought if the habit of writing the essays prevailed, the meetings would me more interesting.

I hope, if spared until another Monday, I shall be able to send you a more interesting article, as both the festival and the ladies' day will be considered, and, I hope, favorably. PARTICUS.

BISHOP FOSTER has shocked old time Methodism by saying that "continued growth is better than an avalanche of revivals" and declaring that getting up revivals is an odious phrase and a disgusting fact.

COL. THOS. A. SCOTT, ex-president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, is spoken of as the wealthiest Philadelphian. His wealth is variously estimated at from $20,000,000 to $30,000,000.

WE learn that Mr. Barnard has about 10,000 Peach Trees of first and second size to dispose of, mainly of late canning varieties.

C. M. LEAS has just opened a beautiful line of gold watches—stem and key winders—to which he invites the attention of all.

THE car fare between Smyrna and Clayton has been reduced from 10 to 5 cents.

Democratic Co. Executive Committee.

CHESTERTOWN, April 19, 1881.

At a called meeting of the Democratic County Executive Committee, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the last resolution passed on the 28th of March (being inconsistent with the district plan of nominating adopted on that day) be rescinded, and in lieu thereof the following be taken:

Resolved, That the primaries shall be held on the 14th of August, between the hours of 1 and 6 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That as explanatory of the district plan adopted at the last meeting, the following be passed: Each district shall appoint or elect five delegates who shall meet in convention, in the court-house in Chestertown, on the Tuesday succeeding the primaries, at 11 o'clock A. M., to nominate and publish the names of candidates for all offices to be filled; *provided*, that each district shall be entitled to one candidate for county commissioner, who shall be voted for only in the district in which he may reside. Provided, further, that all candidates shall be balloted for at the time of the appointment or election of delegates. The candidate or candidates having a plurality in the district shall be entitled to the votes of the delegates in convention.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Court be and is hereby requested to furnish the judges a copy of the registration lists of their respective districts.

There being no other business, the committee adjourned. W. S. WALKER, Chairman.

J. HORTON KELLEY, Sec'y.

EASTER OBSERVANCES.

At several of the churches in Chestertown last Sabbath Easter was observed with more than usual interest, and drew together large audiences.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

At the Protestant Episcopal Church the services opened by the children of the Sunday School singing a processional hymn as they came from the school room into the Church, bearing in front a beautiful silk and gilt banner, upon which was inscribed the church's Easter salutation, "Christ is Risen." Morning prayer was read by the Rector, Rev. S. C. Roberts, and Holy Communion administered to an unusually large number. The choir rendered the numerous chants which adorn the services in a very creditable manner, especially as the music was entirely new, save two or three rehearsals. The special Easter anthem, "Christ our Passover," by Rogers, came first with full chorus, then a tenor solo, followed by quartette strains and chorus. The "Gloria" in E flat, by Montell, full of joyous praise, was sung in unison. The grand "Te Deum" in A flat, by Rogers, always the most difficult chant in the service, was rendered in solo and chorus with fine effect. And the "Jubilate," by Cromwell, was very joyous and beautifully chanted, with base and tenor solos, supported by full chorus. The Rector read the interesting report of the Treasurer of the Children's Aid Society, an organization composed exclusively of the children of the parish, and who during the present year and chiefly through the Lenten season have, by special personal efforts and individual sacrifices, accumulated the sum of $133.25, which, with their donations of the three years previous, now aggregate the sum of $460, and which they intend to devote in some special manner towards the repair of the church. At the evening service the Rector delivered an address, commenting on the historical associations of the old church building, and announced that on the morrow the house would be placed in the hands of the contractor for reconstruction.

METHODIST PROTESTANT.

At the Methodist Protestant church the pastor, Rev. Wm. J. Neepier, delivered appropriate sermons morning and evening. The floral display was very fine; within the chancel, at either corner, were two magnificent calla-lilies, and upon the centre table stood a cross of green moss, four ft. high, with its base surrounded and covered with a bed of beautiful blooming flowers. A feature of the morning service was the very fine rendition by the choir of that grand "Old Easter Anthem," so popular with all the churches.

The afternoon exercises by the Sunday School were of special interest, consisting of responsive readings, recitations and music; the recitations being excellently given by Misses Lottie Russell, Madge Slaughter, Nettie Russell and Mary Bowers. A very pretty "Easter Cross" exercises concluded the whole, and was participated in by Misses Mary Fowler, Mollie Parks, Katie Plummer, May Sullivan, Fannie Russell, Carrie Caleb, Fannie Simpers, and a host of the little folks: one after another of the seven young ladies entered within the chancel, the foremost bearing a wreath of flowers (white narcissus), the second a wreath of laurel, and the others small boquets, each reciting an appropriate selection and presenting the offerings, which were placed upon the cross—the narcissus crown taking the place of the crown of thorns, and beautiful colors decking the whole cross; then during the singing of a selection by the young ladies the infant class filed through the chancel, strewing flowers at the foot of the cross as they passed. Miss Mary Bowers and Miss Lulie Lambert very nicely performed the instrumental music, and the school sang appropriate selections.

THE Governor of Michigan has imitated the Governor of Nebraska in appointing an "Arbor Day" upon which day every citizen is expected to plant a tree. The idea is a good one but why these two Western Governors have appointed an "Arbor Day" instead of a plain English "tree day" is hard to understand.

MARRIED:

On the 17th instant, at the residence of Mrs. Shaw, at Rock Hall, by Rev. D. W. Bates, D. D., THOMAS H. CASEY and Miss SALLIE J. JEFFERS, both of this county. [Harford co. papers please copy.]

REFORMED CHURCH.—The Rev. J. W. HANNABERY, of the Reformed Church, will preach at his residence (lately occupied by J. K. Speyd) near Millington, Kent co., SUNDAY (to-morrow) April 24, at 2.30 P. M. The community is respectfully invited to attend. 1t.

ENTERTAINMENT.

The "Edesville Orchestra" will give an entertainment at Rock Hall on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, April 26th and 27th, consisting of good Music—vocal and instrumental—comic dramas, &c., &c. The public are cordially invited to attend. Doors open at 7 o'clock P. M. Performance commence at 8.

Admission 25c.; reserved seats 35c. 1t.

CALL AND EXAMINE

C. M. LUCAS' NEW LOT

Key and Stem Winding Waltham WATCHES, just received from New York.

For correct time and beauty of finish these Watches have no superior, and have in every case given perfect satisfaction. Also, new assortment of solid Gold Rings, Ear Rings, Sleeve Buttons, &c., of latest style. apr23.

MRS. MARY R. DUGAN

Respectfully informs her old customers and the ladies generally that she still continues DRESS MAKING at her residence on Queen Street, where she will be found at all times ready to fill orders promptly. She has on hand a new and beautiful lot of Embroidery Patterns for Stamping, and ready now to fill all orders satisfactorily.

Thanking my friends for their former patronage, I solicit a continuance of the same.

apr23-4t. M. R. DUGAN.

CARD.—Mr. S. MERRITT, lately in the clothing business in this town, is now with A. Friedman at the New Clothing House in the Masonic Hall building, where he will be pleased to receive a call from his old friends and customers. tf.

WANTED: A First Class WHEELWRIGHT, who understands country work. Married or single. Apply to or address,

R. B. NOLAND,

April 2, 1881—3t* HANESVILLE.

FOR RENT, For the balance of the present year, "THE ROCKWELL HOUSE,"

Chestertown, Md. For terms, &c., apply to

mh19-tf. C. H. BAKER, Att'y.

WANTED—A middle-aged WHITE WOMAN to take charge and do general work in a small family. One with a knowledge of cooking and the care of poultry preferred. Residence in the county. Apply to J. L. CREW,

apr9-3t* Chestertown.

FORKS, Shovels, Spades, Rakes, Hoes, Spading Forks, Plow Lines, Rope and Chain Traces, Rope Halters, Back Bands and Hooks, &c., at

March12. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

GENTS' English Super Stout HALF-HOSE. Fine, do. "Fine Laundried SHIRTS,

For sale by T. W. ELIASON, JR.

A large line of Ladies', Misses', Children's and Infants' SHOES, and of Men's, Boys' and Youths' Fine and Heavy Shoes, for sale by

apr2. T. W. ELIASON, JR.

BLACK CASHMERES, Black Silks, Black Satins, Black Alpaca worth 50c., price 25 cents. For sale by

apr2. T. W. ELIASON, JR.

HORSE FEED for sale by

apr23 J. A. PERKINS.

TO THE DEMOCRATS OF KENT COUNTY.

As my name has been put before you as a candidate for the House of Delegates at the coming nomination by the action of my friends, and believing that, as there are three candidates from the upper part of the county, there should be at least two from below, to get in the nomination a true expression of the will of the party, I hereby endorse the action of my friends.

Placing myself before you as a candidate for the House of Delegates, I pledge myself, if the party see fit to honor me by an election, to use the power delegated to me to the best of my abilities in legislating for the interests of the State and of Kent county.

apr23-3t. J. R. GRAY.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF KENT COUNTY.

At the solicitation of many friends, I hereby offer myself as a candidate for the House of Delegates at the coming nomination. Thankful for your hearty support and kind co-operation, trusting that I have not been a faithless steward of the people, I hope that I can confidently ask the people for a re-nomination, pledging myself to a faithful performance of the duties of a representative, to do the will of the people and work for the interest of the commonwealth. I also pledge myself to support the successful nominees.

a16-3t* WM. H. FORD.

NOTICE OF ELECTION of TOWN COMMISSIONER.

The legal voters of the corporation of Chestertown are hereby notified that an election will be held in the Court House in Chestertown on Monday, the 25th day of April, 1881, to elect one Commissioner to serve for three years in the place of the Commissioner whose term will expire on that day. The polls will be opened at 9 o'clock A. M., and will be closed at 6 o'clock P. M.

By order of the Board.

JAMES A. PEARCE, Pres't.

Attest:—JOS. N. WHEATLEY, Clerk. a16-2t.

PUBLIC SALE OF DRIFT LOGS.

The following notice having been published, to wit: "A number of DRIFT LOGS have recently lodged on "Huntingfield" shore, near the mouth of Chester river. The owner or owners are notified to come forward, identify property and take them away, otherwise they will be disposed of as provided by law;"—and not having been reclaimed, I will sell the said Logs, on MONDAY, the 9th day of May, 1881, at 10 o'clock A. M., on the said shore, to the highest bidders for cash to pay expense of securing, costs of advertising, damages, &c. THOS. B. HYNSON.

April 23, 1881—3t.

DRIFT LOGS.

A number of DRIFT LOGS have recently lodged on the shores of the undersigned, near the mouth of Chester river. The owner or owners are notified to come forward, identify property, pay charges and take them away, otherwise they will be disposed of as provided by law.

R. B. WILLSON,

apr16-3t. R. B. WILLSON, JR.

Clothing Made to Order.

WE are now taking orders for one of the most reliable TAILORING HOUSES in Philadelphia.

Call and examine our large and beautiful line of SAMPLES before purchasing. A good fit guaranteed.

WHEATLEY BROS., Up Town.

apr23.

A BARGAIN!

WANTED TO CLOSE OUT my entire stock of MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS at the lowest cost figures.

Will also RENT STORE ROOM to purchaser. It is an excellent stand for this business.

For terms and full particulars apply to

MISS G. E. CLARK, STILL POND.

April 9—3t.

Examiners' Notice.

THE undersigned, by virtue of a commission issued by the Hon. County Commissioners, hereby give notice, that

ON THURSDAY,

The Twenty-sixth day of MAY next,

At 10 o'clock A. M.,

they will meet at "Crumpton Lane," to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires that said lane should be widened.

GEORGE W. DAVIS,

RICHARD F. MOFFETT,

JOHN W. LOUD,

April 23—5t. Examiners.

Petitioners' Notice.

THE undersigned hereby give notice that in thirty days from date hereof they intend to petition the honorable board of County Commissioners to open

A NEW ROAD,

commencing at Morris' Station and running through the land of Freedman Vansant's heirs, and through the land of William Morris' heirs, to intersect with the road leading from Galena to Smyrna, terminating at John Golt's.

JOSEPH W. PEACOCK,

E. S. MORRIS,

JOHN M. DAVIS,

JOSEPH MORRIS,

W. E. TARBUTTON, M. D.

April 23, 1881—5t.

BUY THE LIGHT RUNNING NEW HOWE SEWING MACHINE!

SOME PEOPLE think I have quit selling Sewing Machines and left. But I have returned. Any one wanting a good, reliable, honest Sewing Machine, wait till I come with the HOWE, or write me at Chestertown, Md.

apr16-3t* A. M. GUDGEN.

New Feed Stables!

HAVING erected new FEED STABLES near his hotel in Chestertown, the undersigned is prepared to take care of and feed Horses at reasonable rates.

Persons are requested to stop in front of his Hotel, where careful and attentive hostlers will take charge of their teams.

apr16-tf. JOHN ARMSTRONG.

COLLECTOR'S SALE.

BY virtue of authority conferred by act of Assembly, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of Joshua Little's (col'd) heirs, of, in and to all that

TRACT OF LAND

Containing 29 Acres, more or less,

lying along Dead Branch, adjoining the lands of T. J. F. Smith, and others, in the First Election District of Kent co.

And I hereby give notice, that on

MONDAY, May 9th, 1881

on the premises, at ten o'clock A. M., I will sell the said property for cash to pay the taxes due from said Joshua Little's heirs, as follows:

For the year 1879.....$16.64

" " 1880.....14.80

together with interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

R. F. MOFFETT,

April 16—ts.[5.00] Coll. 1st Dist.

LAST NOTICE

To Delinquent Tax-Payers OF THE FIRST DISTRICT.

ALL delinquent tax-payers of the first Election District are hereby notified that I shall now proceed to collect taxes due in the shortest time possible. I have waited until forbearance has ceased to be a virtue. The next time you hear from me will be through the columns of this paper. R. F. MOFFETT,

apr16-3t. Coll. 1st Dist.

WALL BRUSHES at all prices.

mh19. J. H. SIMPERS.

CONSTABLE'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of one writ of Fieri Facias, issued by C. W. C. Johnson, justice of the peace, and to me directed, at the suit of Perry Chambers, against Marshall Pittman, I have taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of said Marshall Pittman, in and to

Two Lots of Land

Located near the Railroad Depot in Chestertown, adjoining lands of Jos. Pearce and Jacob Jeffers, purchased of Capt. W. D. Burchinal.

And I hereby give notice, that on

SATURDAY, May 14th, 1881,

at 3 o'clock P. M., at the Court House door in Chestertown, I will sell said property to the highest bidders for cash, to pay said writ, interest and costs due and to become due thereon.

CHAS. H. DAVIS, Const.

April 23—ts. [4.75]

ENGINE and THRESHER

At PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned, as attorney for the owner, will offer at Public Sale, on

Saturday, April 23, 1881,

in front of the Market House in Chestertown, at 12 o'clock M., a

STEAM ENGINE and THRESHER

said to be in good running order and repair. Terms made known on day of sale.

CHAS. T. WESTCOTT, ATT'Y.

apr16-2t.

NEW SPRING GOODS! AT R. F. PARKS'.

Having just received another new supply of SPRING and SUMMER GOODS we take great pleasure in announcing to the trade generally that our stock is varied and attractive, and not to be surpassed outside the cities. Our stock of

DRY GOODS

embraces some of the latest novelties in Dress fabrics, such as Black and Colored Buntings, bl'k and col'd Cashmeres and Silks, Sateens, Flannels, Debages, &c.

Novelties for Trimmings in Worsted, Plaids, Stripes, Brocades, &c. Also, Silk Satins, Plain and Brocades.

In WHITE GOODS we have Dotted Swisses, Persia Laces, Peeques, India Muls, Nainsooks, &c.

Our stock of Domestics is replete, embracing a full line of Muslins, Prints, Percales, Ginghams, &c. Also, Cloths, Cassimers, Cottonades, &c.

Our stock of NOTIONS is also replete, embracing a full line of Hosiery, Gloves, Corsets, Laces, of all the new styles; Dental, Vermicella, Valencia, &c. Swiss and Hamburg Edgings, Cotton edgings, Irish Trimmings, &c.

Buttons in great variety.

Full stock of STRAW HATS, of newest styles, just opened.

MATTING—white, check and fancy.

Oil Cloths and Carpets in great variety.

Large stock of Men's, Women and Children's SHOES, all kinds, sorts and sizes, all as cheap as the cheapest.

apr 23. R. F. PARKS.

1881 Harvest! 1881

BUCKEYE SELF BINDER,

With WIRE or TWINE.

We challenge the World to produce a Self-Binder of any description that has given better satisfaction in the field for good, reliable, clean work, or for simplicity and durability, than the

"BUCKEYE."

Also, lightness of draft and strength.—We claim to have the simplest and strongest machine in the market.

Come and see before you purchase, as we have one in full operation on the Green in front of the Market House.

Send for price list and circular.

For sale by

ROLPH & DeF