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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.........MARCH 8, 1884.

THE Cecil county Orphans' court has appointed Reuben E. Jamar register of wills for that county, vice Harry D. Miller, deceased.

SENATOR GORMAN has been chosen chairman of the executive committee of the democratic congressional national campaign committee.

A HEAVY GALE approximating a hurricane prevailed for a short time at Kent Island on Monday morning. There was a blinding snow-storm at the same time. Two houses on the island, between Love Point and Blood Point, were blown down.

PROFESSOR SKINNER has resigned his position as Principal of the Conference Academy, Dover, Del., to take effect at the end of the present school year, in June next. He proposes to devote himself to farming to recuperate his health. Under the professor's management the school has been a great success, about 125 scholars now being in attendance.

JOHN McGINNIS was hanged at Philadelphia on Tuesday for the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Reed, in September, 1881. His wife separated from him on account of his brutal conduct. He went to her mother's house and shot his wife, though not fatally. Her mother appearing, McGinnis shot and killed her. Strenuous efforts were made to save McGinnis on the alleged ground of insanity.

THE County Commissioners of Cecil county have passed an order notifying collectors that they "must strictly enforce the law providing for the sale of property of Delinquent Tax-Payers after April 1st., and that a failure upon their part to comply with the law will not be considered by the commissioners a sufficient reason for granting them an extension of time for the settlement of their accounts with the State and county."

THE bill introduced in the U. S. Senate by Mr. Gorman January 17, providing for the erection of a public building at Annapolis, Md., passed the Senate on Monday without a single objection. The bill authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase a site and erect thereon a suitable building, with fire-proof vaults, for the accommodation of the postoffice, custom-house and other government offices, at the city of Annapolis, Maryland.

THE State Central Committee of the Republican party has been called to meet in Baltimore on Wednesday, March 12th, to arrange dates for primaries and congressional district conventions and a State convention to select delegates to the Chicago convention. Already, it is said, the two wings of the party are skirmishing for advantage, and it is probable the struggle this year will be as bitter and attended with as much fraud and deception as was that at the Frederick convention in 1880.

Republican State Politics.

The Baltimore *Sun* of Thursday states that the Republican leaders of that city are showing considerable activity in advance of the meeting of their State central committee next Tuesday, when the dates for the political events preceding the national nominating convention will be arranged. Mr. Holton, who has been an infrequent visitor to Baltimore since his gubernatorial fight, spent Tuesday night in this city. Mr. Orson Adams, his lieutenant, was here too, and they met some of their co-laborers in the republican vineyard. It is said that Mr. Holton would like to be a delegate to Chicago, and others in his wing of the party are credited with having an ambition to be with him. East of the falls there is a lively canvass probable between the friends of Mr. Joshua Horner on one side and Mr. D. P. West on the other for places in the delegation. These gentlemen are said to have different party affiliations, and when the issue is settled one of them will probably be left at home. The federal departments do not appear to be pulling together any better than they did last fall, but as the Holtonites have the machinery in hand their prospects for leading the delegation to Chicago are good. President Arthur has the inside as the favorite for the nomination, but it is asserted that the Maryland delegation will not get into the same hole in which they fell in 1880, when they made part of the Grant 306. They will stand by Arthur, no doubt, but will be in position to fall in with the winner if some one else should win. Gen. Logan has a quiet following in this State, and there are plenty of prominent republicans who are ready to whoop it up for Busy Blaine if they get anything like a good chance.

The Denton *Union*, a republican paper, comments upon the dissensions in its party in the following scathing language:

"With this call begins the tug of war in the Republican ranks. Cover up, hide or try to dissemble facts as have been done, and as will be attempted again, still it is a stubborn truth that in Maryland there are two factions at war with each other. One of the factions is seeking to eliminate from the party and force itself from the control and domination of a class of politicians which live and feast on the emoluments of office, and to sustain them in their course would bind the consciences of honest Republicans to the car of their political ambitions and drag them into the mire and filth of the rotten and festering corruption on which they feed. This faction is arrogant, dictatorial, and crack the party whip over the heads of those who bend the 'supple knee' to servile masters.

"We do not intend to go back and discuss the causes that led to this state of affairs, but will pass the subject by with the single remark that bad men—selfish men—corrupt men—incompetent men have by some means come to the front and imagine themselves the masters of the people.

"This lamentable state of affairs has existed chiefly in the city of Baltimore for years past. The breach has been gradually widening until it has reached most of the counties. Our county has been comparatively free from rings and bosses until within the past year or more, but this tornado of the factions has overtaken us at last, and now a small junto of local politicians in our midst are striving to shape the current ... political ideas, and will soon in tones of au... the ... begin to order into their camp every Repu... n voter, as though they were their chattel ... erty, and they owned them, soul and body. ... alf dozen party backs can ride rough-shod ... ing the Repulican masses of this county, and th... d better not attempt it."

PENSIONING THE M...XICAN VETERANS.—The House of Representatives on Monday suspended the rules, and after a brief d... passed a bill pensioning the survivors of the Mexican war. Mr. Townshend, of Illinois, introduced the bill, which he explained did not apply to soldiers of the Black Hawk and other Indian wars. ... does another bill now pending before the House. ... sons under political disabilities are exclude... from the benefit of the bill. Mr. Browne, a strong republican partisan from Indiana, was the chief opponent of the bill, and ungraciously referred to the fact that of the 70,000 men who went to the Mexican war 50,000 went from the slaveholding States, and that the bill was brought in "because the rebel soldiery could be put on no other pension bill." But Mr. Browne failed even to carry with him his colleague, Mr. Calkins, who was a colonel in the Union army, and who declared that the time had come when the survivors of the Mexican war should be pensioned as a graceful tribute to gallant service. The bill passed by a vote of 227 to 46.

THE report of the Congressional Railway and Canal Committee, which recommends the Maryland and Delaware Ship Canal, states the cost at from $7,000,000 to $18,000,000, according to route chosen, and the cost of repairs and maintenance at from $111,000 to $122,000 in round numbers. These estimates, which are founded on the three Government surveys made, indicate a very small outlay for the benefits contemplated, and if we compare them with the cost for other great canals they furnish an additional argument for the construction of this one.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

We have written to Annapolis for a copy of the amended local option law for this county, which has passed both houses, but as yet it has not come to hand. We learn, however, that it provides that the violator shall be fined as before, and in event of failure to pay the fines imposed, shall be sentenced to serve a term not exceeding six months in the House of Correction. When the fines are paid half shall go to the party informing against the violator, and the other half to the county school fund. The amendment also places additional restrictions upon physicians and druggists, but allows druggists to sell, in cases of urgent necessity, without a prescription. It provides that the physician shall write the prescription in ink, shall name the person for whom it is given and shall date each prescription. It also requires that the druggist shall endorse upon the prescription the date upon which it was filled, and shall keep a separate file of all prescriptions for intoxicants, and shall produce the same on demand of the State's attorney or the grand jury. The amendment imposes fines and penalties upon physicians and druggists for violation of its provisions.

Unfavorable reports have been adopted in the House on the bills making county school commissioners elective, and abolishing the charge for text-books in the public schools.

Mr. Randall, of Anne Arundel, is making a persistent effort to encourage the planting of forest trees in Maryland. He has offered joint resolutions in the House to authorize the Governor to issue a proclamation annually, designating a day in April to be know as "Arbor Day," and recommending that that day be devoted by the people to planting trees; recommending also to parents and teachers in public schools that they encourage their children or those under their influence to plant or transplant at least one forest shade-tree by the side of a public road or near their school-houses and homes. A dollar will be allowed for every four trees fifty feet apart. Persons injuring the trees will be punished.

Senator Lane's mortgage bill, providing that after the 1st of June it shall not be lawful for mortgagors to covenant for the payment of taxes for the mortgaged debt, has been defeated for the want of a constitutional majority. The vote was as follows: Yeas—Messrs. President, (Lloyd,) Bishop, Hodson, Jackson, Lane, Moore, Roe, Shriver, Slingluff, Turpin, Warfield—11. Nays—Messrs. Brace, Brewer, Bowlus, Burchinal, Clark, Getty, Gill, Hayes, Lancaster, Mearns, Rusk—11.

The oyster committee of the House of Delegates last week took up and discussed the proposed oyster law. They discussed the matter in its various branches but decided finally on but one thing—to make the dredging season from November 1 to April 1, instead of from October 15 to April 15, shortening the season one month. The committee has practically decided to impose a fine on the vessel and imprison the captain from one to three years for violation of the law.

The House committee on labor has reported favorably on a bill of Mr. Seth to make wages of employes and clerks preferred claims where the employers, whether individuals or corporations, have become insolvent or deceased. It directs the person making sale of the property to first pay the cost of proceedings, the taxes due the State, arrears of rent, and then the amounts due clerks and employes for six months preceding the deed of trust, the death of the employer, proceedings in insolvency, or sale under forclosure or execution.

The bill abolishing distress for rent and substituting summary ejectment was reported unfavorably by the judiciary committee. After the adoption of the unfavorable report Mr. Wiener introduced a bill, which was referred to the city delegation, abolishing distraint for rent in Baltimore city. It gives the landlord, instead of distraint, the power of summary ejectment in six days.

Harry S. Francis, of Kent has been appointed an assistant to the engrossing clerk of the House for the balance of the session.

The Senate on Wednesday, by a vote of 16 to 18, passed a bill reducing the marriage license to 60 cents. It is believed this bill will pass the House.

The bill providing for the probate of wills during lifetime of testators, which had been reported unfavorably by the Senate judiciary committee, was substituted for the unfavorable report.

THE OYSTER INTEREST.

Gov. McLane's Recommendations—His Policy to Insure Order and Revenue.

The correspondent of the *Sun*, writing from Annapolis on the 4th instant, says: Gov. McLane gave his views to the "oyster" committee this morning. A meeting took place in the executive chamber. The Governor claimed that the oyster beds belonged to the entire community, and should be administered in the interest of the whole State. All he wanted was order and revenue. The man who takes a bushel of oysters for his own profit in commerce should pay from one to five cents a bushel for the privilege—not less than one cent. Fifteen millions of bushels is a moderate figure for the present annual consumption. He considered it necessary to set aside portions of the bay for rest and recuperation. He recommended the establishment of an oyster bureau at Annapolis with an oyster commissioner at the head, and that the first reservation be made directly opposite Annapolis, where experiments could be tried to great advantage. The Governor thought the present police force very inefficient, almost valueless. He recommended building two new and swift steamers, capable of encountering all kinds of weather, and to cost $100,000, and to be built under the direction of the oyster commissioner. The cost of these steamers as well as the expense of the police should be all provided for out of the oyster revenue, and not be a charge on the State. This should be an indispensable condition.

The Governor further recommended that riparian rights be respected and cared for. Every riparian owner should have the privilege of buying the rights for 100 yards below low-water mark at $1 an acre. He should have an actual fee-simple title and pay taxes on it according to its value, as he would on any other property. He should also pay his tax per bushel on all oysters he may sell. The Governor also recommended a modification of the five-acre law, giving the owner the fee-simple title and the right to sell it, which he does not possess now, and he should be subject to taxation on it, as well as paying his tax per bushel on oysters sold. The Governor believed the result would be to give annually to the State more than $500,000 revenue. The oyster commissioner would have no difficulty in collecting the tax at the same time that he verified the license. Every man could get from the commissioner with his license the stamps to cover any amount he might have in his boat. The execution of these riparian and ...-acre laws would not be difficult if all pro... p...rs would stake out and mark their property with ...s. The maps of all grants, filed in the office of ... commissioner, would describe every foot of the ...om of the bay. The system has been tried and ...ked successfully in Connecticut. He recom...d that the Potomac and Pocomoke be exclude... the laws until an understanding could b... with Virginia. He believed in yielding anyth... in reason to get the agreement. He promised ... graft his ideas in a bill for the use of the commi...

IMPROVEMENT OF THE ELK RIVER.—... Seager, assistant engineer under Col. Chas L. ..., in charge of the improvement of the Elk Riv..., was in Elkton last week to make arrangements to commence dredging out the channel this week. He says there is a balance of about $5,500 available, which will be used in increasing the depth of the channel to seven feet at low water and a width of eighty feet. The bar below the junction of the two Elks and the old crib at Frenchtown will be removed. Charles L. Boulden, of Elkton, has been employed as inspector.

NAVAL CADETS JOHN W. MAXEY, of Texas, and L. H. Jastremski, first class, and Frederick Parker, of Massachusetts, third class, have been dismissed from the Naval Academy, in accordance with sentence of the court-martial, for hazing.

SENATOR GORMAN was in Annapolis on Wednesday and dined with Governor McLane. How does this comport with the reported flare up between these two distinguished gentlemen?

REV. JAMES H. RICH is living near Denton. He is announced to fill the pulpit in that town tomorrow in the pastor's absence. He is also booked for an address on the occasion of the celebration of the 83d birthday of Wm. Andrew, the veteran leader and exhorter. "Bro. Rich" is well and favorably known in Kent—especially in Worton and Chestertown; he was sheriff of the county one term. His numerous friends here will be glad to hear from him. When he celebrates *his* 83d anniversary he must not forget us.

The Senate Led Astray.

THE Maryland Senate did worse than waste its valuable time on Wednesday, when it entertained and passed Senator Hayes' order to investigate Mayor Latrobe. It compromised its dignity by stooping to analyze the doings of Baltimore politicians, knowing full well if knowledge was sought that no profit to the State or the City of Baltimore could result therefrom. Senator Slingluff, of Baltimore county, very aptly expressed the situation when he said that "he was opposed to helping Baltimore city politicians to wash their dirty linen in the Senate." After reflection President Lloyd moved to reconsider the order, discussion upon which was postponed until Thursday.

WHERE IS THE GOOD OF IT?

Gen. Geo. S. Brown, president of the Baltimore City Democratic Convention, publishes in the *Sun* of Wednesday a lengthy address "to the Democratic party and citizens of Baltimore," in which he severely arraigns Mayor Latrobe for alleged bad faith to himself and others. The Mayor is certainly made to appear in a very unfavorable light by the statements therein set forth, but, after all, we are led to inquire, where is the good of it? We do not see that the Baltimore community is benefitted by the exposure, nor that Mr. Brown himself is particularly exalted. Certainly the Democratic party has gained no enviable plumage thereby.

In his address Mr. Brown proves two things pretty conclusively. First, that Mr. Latrobe could not have been elected without the support of the President of the Democratic City Convention. Second, that he could not have been elected without the support of Mr. Robt. Garrett. The one held an important official relation to the party; the other, according to Mr. Brown's showing, contributed twelve thousand dollars to his support. Now, to those who know these two distinguished democrats—Messrs. Brown and Garrett—it would seem passing strange that Mr. Latrobe, who was conceded to have been fairly and regularly nominated by his party for the mayoralty, should have found it necessary to do anything to *conciliate* either of them, or to go a hair's breadth out of his way to secure their hearty support. But it seems that he did. If the "address" be true he was required to make *promises* concerning certain official patronage in the event of his success. The city collectorship was the big plum sought after. Mr. Brown wanted Mr. Taylor—who had made a most efficient officer—retained in that position. Mr. Robert Garrett wanted Mr. Edw. Higgins appointed, and we are not told that he was an unfit man for the place. Mayor Latrobe appointed the latter, and the city council confirmed the appointment. Hence the rumpus.

Mr. Brown now thinks it his duty to annihilate the Mayor, and in this effort is ably seconded by Mr. Wm. Keyser and Mr. Lewis N. Hopkins. The question very naturally arises, suppose Mayor Latrobe had disregarded the wishes of his twelve thousand dollar friend, would he not have simply grasped the other horn of the dilemma? Would he not have been as sore perplexed as now?

The truth of the matter is—if we admit that Mr. Latrobe was properly the candidate for mayor, and his nomination by the popular vote of the party is the best evidence of this—he was in danger of being engulfed in a vortex of ruin brought about by jealousies and bickerings in his own party, and he would have been more than human to have successfully piloted his bark through such a maze of political ugliness without running afoul of somebody's strings. All hands, it seems, were looking to the spoils, and of course there is disappointment among the losers. It will do no good now to cry over it and "tell tales out of school." It is simply an unnecessary parade of men's infirmities and rotten political methods.

In the *Sun* of Thursday we find a rejoinder from Mayor Latrobe, in which he emphatically denies the expenditure of twelve thousand dollars in his interest by Mr. Garrett, and says "it is equally false that I am now, or ever was, under any obligation, pecuniary or otherwise, to Mr. Garrett, in connection with the municipal or any other election." He further contradicts Mr. Brown in the essential points in his address.

MR. TILDEN AND THE PRESIDENCY.—Mr. Chas. A. Dana, of the New York *Sun*, who is considered to be one of Hon. Samuel J. Tilden's confidential friends, says "it is surprising how the people all over the country are insisting upon the old ticket." Mr. Dana says "this feeling has been much strengthened by the rumpus about the tariff," and that "everybody feels that if Mr. Tilden could be nominated the tariff business would be pushed by such a nomination into the obscurity proper to theoretical abstractions." Indeed, as the case now stands, nothing seems to Mr. Dana more probable "than that the democratic convention will nominate Mr. Tilden and wait for his reply before proceeding any further. In this connection, the recent declaration of Mr. John Kelly becomes of interest, which was to the effect that Tammany Hall will cordially support the nominee of a democratic national convention. He thinks New York should have the candidate, in which event he is confident the State will be democratic, and that "Tammany Hall does not care who the man may be, Tilden, Hewitt, Flower, or anybody else."

THE LEGAL-TENDER ACT CONSTITUTIONAL.—The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the legal-tender act of May 31, 1878, is valid and constitutional, and that treasury notes reissued under it are a good and legal tender in payment of debts. The act of January 14, 1875, which provided for the resumption of specie payments on the 1st of January, 1879, removed all restriction upon the amount of national bank notes that might be issued in accordance with the provisions of law, and directed the Secretary of the Treasury to redeem legal-tender notes from time to time in the proportion of eighty per cent. of the increase of bank notes, until the whole amount of legal-tender notes outstanding should be brought down to $300,000,000. The Secretary of the Treasury, acting under this authority, redeemed many millions of legal-tender notes, and but for a change in the law would have brought the amount down to the sum named in the act of 1875. Congress, however, by the act of May 31, 1878, arrested his process of redemption, and provided that legal-tender notes coming into the treasury and belonging to the United States should be reissued and paid out again and kept in circulation, thus changing the policy adopted by the act of 1875. The specific question which was before the Supreme Court for a decision was whether Congress in 1878 had the constitutional power to authorize and direct the reissue of legal-tender notes that had been redeemed. The court decides that it had such power, and that it may exercise such power again whenever it sees fit.

TH... formerly Geo. F. Bristor, now of Baltimore, Newark, ...tor of St. Luke's M. E. Church, charges ag... has received a copy of the formal that church. ...him from the official board of ed, were first pr...rges, it will be remembered. At that time he a...d about six months ago, charges and only re...r a copy of the formal now very sick at the re...it last week. He is North Exeter street, but if ... of his father, 140 but the charges before the ...gh will come which meets the latter part of th... Conference, ...nth.—*Sun.*

FROZEN TO DEATH.—H. Haynes, section boss on the Kent county railroad, went up to the Chestertown station before 6 o'clock on Tuesday morning, and found a dead colored man on a log back of the tank house. On being notified, Coroner Bordley summoned a jury and held an inquest. On being searched, pension papers were found upon the man, which identified him as Perry H. Wright. There was also found nearly eight dollars in money and a half pint bottle that had contained whiskey but was then empty. He probably left his home late Monday evening, intending to walk to Chestertown that night and get some necessary signatures to his papers on Tuesday. It is probable that numbed with cold and stupefied with drink, he sat down on the log at the railroad station and passed into a sleep from which he never waked. The verdict of the jury was that Wright came to his death from exposure. After the inquest his remains were taken to J. N. Dodd's cabinet shop and thence to his residence near Kennedyville for interment. He worked last year for Mr. J. R. Bennett, and is said to have been a faithful hand.

DEATH OF DR. WM. H. LASSELL.—A telegram received by Mr. T. W. Russell, on Tuesday last, announced the death of Dr. Wm. H. Lassell, on that day, at his residence in Berkley, Va. Dr. Lassell was a son of the late Wm. S. Lassell, a well known citizen of this town, and a brother to Rev. Jas. T. Lassell, of the M. P. Church, now on Warwick circuit. Dr. Lassell leaves six children.

ENTERTAINMENT AT SALEM.—The threatening aspect of the weather having kept many from attending the exhibition at Salem Church on Wednesday evening last, it will be repeated, with variations, next Wednesday evening, the 12th inst. These Fairlee entertainments are always good, and those who attend next Wednesday evening will be more than doubly repaid for the small outlay.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. W. M. Strayer, of the Meth. Prot. Church, Chestertown, has been confined to his house by sickness for some days past, and several members of his family are also sick. It is not likely that he will be able to fill his pulpit tomorrow, but requests us to say that Rev. Dr. D. W. Bates will take his place.

Rev. E. P. Aldred, of the M. E. Church, being absent at Conference, Rev. C. H. Baker will fill his pulpit tomorrow.

UNLIKE SPRING.—The weather the present week has been anything but spring-like. A heavy snow storm gave excellent sleighing and for several hours on Thursday morning our streets were vocal with the music of the bells. A number of fine trotters were out as usual.

PROF. STUBBS, who cures stuttering and stammering, is at the Voshell House. He has shown us a number of certificates, some from persons of advanced years testifying in the strongest terms to the efficacy of his treatment.

CARPETS.—Crane Bros., 67 W. Baltimore st., Baltimore, call attention to their fine selection of Spring Carpets, Oil Cloths, Mattings, &c. They claim to sell strictly for cash and at very low prices. Give them a call.

JUDGMENT REVERSED.—The Court of Appeals has reversed the decision of the circuit court of Kent county in the case of Lambson vs. Moffett and awarded a new trial. Judge Miller delivered the opinion of the court.

THE TOLCHESTER LINE.—The Pilot Boy began yesterday her spring trips. She will make two trips on Tuesdays and Fridays. See new schedule for particulars.

THE "Maltby House," Baltimore, is not run on the "Vanderbilt Plan," as a visit to that popular Hotel will demonstrate.

THANKS.—Mr. L. C. Justis will accept our thanks for a lot of delicious oranges received direct from Florida.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, March 6.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Daniel Jones, adm'r of George W. Jones, filed his first and final adminstration account.

Benjamin F. H. Caulk, guardian to Eddie Estelle Frazier, filed his guardian account.

THE attention of our readers is respectfully called to the advertisement, in another column, of D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Mich., the celebrated seedsmen. They do the largest business in their line in the United States; raise the bulk of their seed on their own farms; by the most approved methods, and have obtained a world-wide reputation for the quality and variety of the seed they put upon the market, and their integrity in filling all orders entrusted to them. Their beautiful Seed Annual for 1884, sent free to all who apply for it, will be found of practical value to all who desire to purchase seeds true to name.

THE BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY.—After a rather protracted discussion the House of Representatives has passed in a modified form the bill reported by Mr. Hatch, of Missouri, which extends the functions of the commissioner of agriculture by authorizing him to organize a "bureau of animal industry." The chief of this bureau will investigate and report upon the number, value and condition of the domestic animals in the United States, the causes of contagious diseases and the means of preventing and curing such diseases. Two competent subordinates are to be appointed by him, whose duty will be to report upon methods of treating, transporting and caring for animals, and particularly the means of suppressing contagious pleuro-pneumonia. These provisions were favorably regarded by the House, but many democratic members objected strongly on business and constitutional grounds to the remaining ones, which empower the commissioner of agriculture to slaughter animals alleged to be diseased, and also to prohibit, at his discretion, the transportation from one State to another of "any live stock affected with any contagious or infectious disease." The commissioner is authorized to pay for animals which it is deemed necessary to slaughter, and also the cost of disinfection, but one-half of such expense is to be borne by the State within which such slaughter or disinfection is performed. The sum of $250,000 was appropriated to carry the bill into effect.

JOHN GLASCOCK, of Delaplane, Fauquier co., Va., last Sunday morning, while in a fit of passion, supposed to have been caused by jealousy, murdered his wife and three small children, and after setting fire to his house, proceeded to a woods about half a mile distant and shot himself through the heart. The fire in the house was discovered and extinguished before the bodies were consumed or much damage had resulted. John Glascock was the second and youngest son of Thomas A. Glascock, one of the wealthiest land-owners in that section.

NEW STEAMBOAT COMPANIES.—Mr. H. V. D. Johns, solicitor for Wm. C. Eliason, Edward B. Taggart, James H. Truitt and John L. Hudson, of Baltimore city; Calvin Taggart, of Camden, N. J.; Jonathan Pennell, of Chester, Pa., and John L. Robeson, of Wilmington, Del., incorporators, yesterday filed two certificates of incorporation in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court. One is for the "Little Choptank Steamboat Company of Baltimore City," with $25,100 capital, and the other for the "St. Michael's Steamboat Company," with $29,600 capital. The incorporators, except Mr. Hudson and Robeson, are the directors for the first year of both companies. The purposes of the corporations are to navigate the waters of Maryland and the adjoining States, to transport freight and passengers, and to maintain a hotel and public baths. A third certificate was filed by the same parties of the "Tolchester Beach Improvement Company," having a capital stock of $11,400, with the same directors and for the same purposes.—*Balto. Sun, 5th inst.*

THE dwelling-house on Col. Edward Lloyd's farm in Miles River Neck caught fire and burned to the ground at half-past 2 o'clock on Friday morning of last week. Wm. Lister, the overseer, his wife and six little children barely escaped with their lives. Neither furniture nor clothing was saved.

WI...GTON M. E. CONFERENCE.—The 16th annu... session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference opened at Wilmington Tuesday evening in As... church, and the celebration of the anniversary of the Sunday School Union was held. Addre... were made by the Rev. W. S. Robinson a... the Rev. J. H. Vincent, D. D. The Rev. W...am L. Harris, D. D., L. L. D., Bishop of Ohi... and editor of the Discipline of the M. E. Churc... presides over the conference. Few ministeria... changes are anticipated. Asbury Church, where ...nference meets, is the oldest church buildi... in the conference, being 97 years old. Especi... interest attaches itself to this session of confere..., since it is the centennial anniversary of the ...ablishment of the M. E. Church in the penins.... The Rev. B. F. Price, of Queenstown, ..., delivered the centenary sermon Wedne...ay afternoon.

THE ...yland annual conference of the Methodist Pro...ant church meets at Pocomoke City next W...esday. The Rev. J. T. Murray, D. D., who ... only been president for one year, will pr...ly be re-elected. There will be about ... ministers and laymen in the conference, wh... embraces the whole of Maryland, the Dist... of Columbia, a section of Delaware and a fe... counties in Virginia, and representing a membership of 16,000. The conference will elect 20 delegates to the general conference of the chur..., which meets in Baltimore May 16th, 10 of th... delegates being ministerial and 10 laymen.

ALL lo... of Choice Flowers should send to the Ding... & Conard Co., West Grove, Pa., for some of th... lovely roses. These roses are certain to bl...m, and are the finest in the world.—They are ...t safely by mail postpaid to all post-offices in ... United States. This company is perfectly ...able, and noted for liberal dealing. They *give away* in premiums and extras more roses than ...ost establishments grow. Send for their new ...ide, a complete treatise on the Rose, (70 pages ...legantly illustrated), *free*. See advertisement in this paper.

MARRIED:

In Ches...town, on the 2d inst., by Rev. E. P. Aldred, J...N D. W. VANSANT and Miss RACHEL ...LEMAN, both of this county.

At the ...E. Parsonage, Chestertown, Feb. 26, 1884, ... Rev. E. P. Aldred, WILLIAM B. ROLAND ...d Miss IDA GARDNER, both of this county.

DIED.

In Berkle... Norfolk county, Va., on Tuesday, Feb. 5th, 18..., DR. WILLIAM H. LASSELL, aged about ... years.

In Quake... Neck, Feb. 25th, 1884, MARY E. BROWN, c...ort of the late Wm. T. Brown, aged 38 yea...

In Worto... Feb. 25, 1884, WILLIE, son of Thomas V. ...d Annie E. Mullen, aged 3 years and 6 days.

We hu...ed and kissed thee, Willie,
And ...ok thy little hand;
And m...e these little cords of love,
Draw... to the happy land;
We wo... like to see thy little form
Amo... the angel band.

In Wilmin...on, Del., Feb. 21, JOHNNIE, infant son of ...ilip J. and Ida Moss, aged 15 months and ... days.

"Little ...nny was our darling,
Pride ...all our hearts at home;
But the ...gels came and whispered,
Little ...unny do come home."

In Memo...m of Mrs. Hannah Ireland.

It is a sad ...k to record the death of one so loved and lov.... The aged tree hath fallen beneath the chas...ing rod of our Heavenly Father, leaving us to ...urn the loss of a devoted mother, an affectionate ...ster and a sincere friend. The battle has bee...ought, she hath won the victory and is now one ...f that happy band of angels who are singing the ... sweet songs in that heavenly home, where ...re is neither sorrow, pain nor death. Asle...p in Jesus! What words of consolation to the ...reaved heart when torn, lacerated and ble...ng beneath the affliction of our Heavenly Fath..., Sleep on, and take thy rest. God has but re...lled His own. We shall miss you at morn, ...noon and at night—the vacant chair, thy bri...t and cheerful smile which brightened the ...eside, when many times it was lonely. She ha... only gone before to lead those loving ones on ...at she might be their guiding star to the Gold... City, whose pearly gates were opened that sh..., whom you loved so well on earth, might e...r in. Think of her as only gone before, aw...ting the happy reunion of parent and child, ...here there is no more parting or separation. A FRIEND.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. DR. D. W. BATES will preach at the Methodist Protestant Church, Chestertown, tomorrow (Sunday) morning and evening. 1t.

NOTICE. MR. F. H. RIVERS is now in my employ as traveling agent. Any business entrusted to him will receive prompt attention. WM. A. HYLAND. Mar. 8-2m. Galena, Md.

FOR SALE—SEED OATS, grown last season from Northern seed. Apply to W. S. MELVIN, mh8-3t. Morgan's Creek.

WANTED—An active, intelligent YOUTH, about 16 or 18 years of age, as CLERK in a general store. Address B, ml-2t. Galena, Md.

WANTED—AN APPRENTICE to learn Blacksmithing. Apply to SHAFER & MEDDERS, mh1-3t. Kennedyville, Md.

WANTED—PRIME, PENT BUTTER, Prime Country Lard, Bacon, Fresh Hen Eggs, Good Wheat and White Corn, at a cash value, in exchange for merchandise AT COST, as advertised in this paper. H. C. LAYMAN, ml-3t. Chesterville.

NOTICE.—All persons are forewarned not to negotiate a PROMISSORY NOTE for $340, dated it is thought in February, 1884, at either 9 or 12 months, payable at the Citizens National Bank of Middletown, Del., to the order of John Clendaniel, and signed by a person or persons unknown, and endorsed by John Clendaniel. JOHN CLENDANIEL.

A liberal reward will be paid for information leading to the discovery of the above note. Address JOHN CLENDANIEL, Kennedyville, Kent county, Md. March 1, 1884—3t.

GARDEN SEED. AMERICAN WONDER PEAS! The most desirable in the market for Family use, for sale by C. F. STAM. mh1.

MONEY TO LOAN. $10,000 Trust Money to loan on Mortgage. Apply to T. W. ELIASON, JR. Feb. 2, 1884—tf.

RAG CARPET! RAG CARPET! *IN CHESTERTOWN*, by the SAME weaver. Rag Carpet wove to order on the best cotton or woolen chain, at short notice. JOHN BARTLEY, Corner Calvert st. and College Avenue, fe23-3m. Chestertown, Md.

POTATOES! The Choicest Varieties by bushel or barrel. These are Northern grown, extra fine. COLIN F. STAM. mh1.

FOR SALE—One 10 F. Oneida ENGINE, One Buffalo Pitts Separator, One Victor No. 3 Clover Huller, One Sinclair Fan Corn Sheller, together with Water Cart, Belting, &c. The above machinery is nearly new, in good order, and will be sold low on easy terms. MACOMB CLAYTON, fe23-3t. Middletown, Del.

DRIFT LOGS. The owner or owners of the Drift Logs upon the Shore of my farm in Eastern Neck, Kent county, Md., are hereby notified to call and pay the legal charges and remove said Logs within thirty days from this date, otherwise they will be disposed of according to law. LAVINIA SMITH. February 23, 1884—4t.

CAME ADRIFT—On the shores of the subscribers, a large quantity of WHITE PINE and other logs variously marked. The owners are hereby notified to prove property, pay charges, and take them away, or they will be dealt with according to law. R. B. WILLSON, R. B. WILLSON, JR. Feb. 23-4t.

Once More! March 12th!
FOR SALEM CHURCH.

THE threatening aspect of the clouds kept many from attending the exhibition at Fairlee on the 5th inst. For the benefit of these, and the gratification of all, the CREAM OF FOUR ENTERTAINMENTS will be presented on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 12th inst., at the usual hour and same terms. Humor, sentiment, wit and fun. Give the boys and girls a BOOM this time! 1t.

Stuttering and Stammering Cured
By PROF. STUBBS,

Who can be consulted at the VOSHELL HOUSE, Chestertown. He has certificates from several prominent physicians of Baltimore, and others, testifying to his successful treatment. Call and see him as he will remain in Chestertown but a short time. A cure guaranteed on certain conditions. March 8.*

Enterprise Transportation Company
—OF—
KENT & QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Enterprise Transportation Co. of Kent and Queen Anne's Counties, will be held at their office in Chestertown, *On THURSDAY, April 3d, 1884* at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing FIVE DIRECTORS to serve for the ensuing year. By order, J. C. SLAUGHTER, Prest. CHAS. F. C. HARLEY, Sec'y. m8-tm.

HAMBLETONIAN STALLION *LANKFORD,* No Record; has Trotted better than 2.35, So says his trainer, Jas. M. Startt, Esq.

Sire Charles Bachman by Rysdyk's Hambletonian; dam Susie Grey, by Vermont Hambletonian: both registered in Wallace Trotting Register, Vol. 2. LANKFORD has five (5) strains of thoroughbred in him; is a beauty, and kind and gentle as a kitten, and has proven himself a sure foal getter. Will make season of 1884 commencing March 15 and ending June 15, at $15 the season—limited to 30 mares. Persons desiring his services will call on or address W. J. VANNORT, OWNER. mh8-3t.

WHITE MOUNTAIN, JR. I will stand my Horse at my farm at Worton Station this season. Terms—$10 to insure or $5.00 for the season; $2.50 in advance. Persons parting with mares will be held responsible for the insurance. P. H. GEARS. March 1—3t.

FOR SALE—One Superior Young COW, with second Calf by her side, perfectly gentle; FOUR BROOD SOWS, will be in profit the last of April. Also, 20 HEAD OF SHOATS, weighing from 50 to 100 lbs. in good condition. This stock will be sold at private sale. JOS. VENABLE, ml-3t. near Lynch's, Md.

CARPETS!
CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS
—AND—
Mattings.

GEO. T. CRANE. CURTIS E. CRANE. [Formerly of Queen Anne's county.]

CRANE BROS.,
67 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland. Opposite Dime Museum.

WE CALL THE ATTENTION of our friends and the public in general to our FINE SELECTION of *SPRING CARPETS, OIL-CLOTHS, MATTINGS, &c.*

We also call your attention to the fact that our expenses are small, and, as we sell strictly for CASH, it enables us to sell at lower prices than any other carpet-house in the city. Give us a call and see for yourselves what we (Eastern Shore) fellows are doing in styles and prices at CRANE BROS., 67 W. Baltimore St. Mar. 8-3m.

—TO—
Bridge Contractors.
PROPOSALS

Will be received by the County Commissioners of Kent county, at their office in Chestertown, on *Tuesday, March 18, 1884,* up to 2 o'clock P. M., for REBUILDING THE DRAW OF

Sassafras River Bridge.

The draw is of the "Howe Truss" pattern and is to be rebuilt according to the present plan; the lumber to be White Pine and Maryland and Delaware White Oak, free of sap; or Georgia Heart White Pine may be used instead of White Oak. The iron now in the draw is to be used.

Contractors may bid both to do the work and furnish the material; or they may bid for the work alone—the county to furnish the material.

Both the work and material will be subjected to the inspection of a joint committee appointed by the Commissioners of Kent and Cecil counties.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

By order of the Board, T. W. RUSSELL, CLERK. March 8—2t.

PETITIONERS'
ROAD NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby give notice that thirty days from the date of this notice they intend to apply to the Honorable, the County Commissioners to appoint examiners to view and determine whether the public convenience requires that a PUBLIC ROAD should be opened, commencing at Kennard's Corner and to run through the lands of F. H. Boulden, Robert H. Rouse, Wm. T. Hepbron, Geo. W. Davis and Mrs. M. E. Haman's lands to intersect with the Turner's Creek Road. JOHN F. BEEKS, J. F. IRELAND, G. W. COVINGTON, F. H. HARPER, J. R. STAVELY, GEO. W. PRICE, and 23 others. ml-5t.

PUBLIC SALE!

THE undersigned will sell at Public Sale in Still Pond, on *MONDAY, MARCH 10th,* the following Personal Property:

14 HEAD OF HORSES
And ONE PAIR OF MULES.

One bright bay horse called Baby, four years old, about 15 hands high, fine style and fine action; good driver, sound, quiet and gentle in all harness; can trot in 3.15 untrained.
One pair Dark Brown Mares, Fannie and May, well matched fine lookers, good drivers and quiet for lady to drive; also good saddle mares and can trot in 3.30. Seven years old each.
One handsome Dark Brown Mare, Charlotte, 4 years old, nice driver and saddle mare, promises to trot well; good stock.
One Bay Horse, Charley, 4 years old; excellent driver; fine looker and good mover; quiet in all harness.
Five Sound Mares from 5 to 9 years, handsome and good workers in all harness.
Four Sound Young Horses from 6 to 11 years, good workers and quiet.
One Pair Brown Mules, 7 years old, 15 hands, nicely matched, quiet and good workers.

Also, TWO GOOD MILCH COWS,
TEN SHOATS,

1 two-seat Family Carriage, nearly new;
3 Side-bar Brewster Spring Carriages, manf. by J. M. Cox, Middletown, Del.
2 Dearborns, 2 Carriage Poles,
1 Trotting Sulky; 2 new Wolf Robes,
Lot of nice Lap and Horse Blankets;
1 set of Double Harness,
3 sets Single Harness, two sets nearly new, made by Sam'l Hunt, Balto.
Lot of Fly Nets, Ear Bobs, Surcingles, Whips, Toe Weights, Overdraws, Halters and Hitch Straps.
1 good Saddle and Bridle.
2 new Sleighs, and full set of Bells.
2 No. 10 Breech-loading Guns.
Also, Plows, Cultivators, Harness, &c,

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
TERMS:—All sums of and under $10 cash; over that amount a credit of Nine months, with approved security. J. C. COVINGTON. U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct'r. ml-ts.

T. W. ELIASON, JR.,
Dealer in General Merchandise, Lumber and Fertilizers.

Prices Reduced!

Fruit of the Loom 4-4 Bl'd Muslin 8½ cts.
Standard 4-4 Wamsutta 10 cts.
Latest Styles Seersucker Ginghams 10c.
The best 25c. Linen Towel in the county.
A large reduction in prices of Velvets—black and colored.
Bargains in Ladies' Black Dress Silks.
A nice line Baby Flannels, blue and white, at reduced prices.
A LARGE line of WHITE GOODS at greatly reduced prices from last season, embracing INDIA LINENS, PLAID NANSOOKS, White and Brown Pique, LACE STRIPES, &c.
A fine line of Hamburg Edgings and Insertings.
Also, Gents' Dress Shirts.
Large stock of Ladies', Children, Misses and Gents' Hosiery.
BLACK CASHMERES, COLORED " WHITE "
White Table Linen Damask, Cream " " Turkey Red " "
Napkins—Stand and Table. Linen Covers.
Dr. Warner's Flexible Hip Corset, " " Health "
Madam Strong's Nursery Corset.
CALICOES from 5c. up—good goods.
Granulated Sugar 9c.
Pure Sugar Syrup 45c. " " Drips 50c.
Pure N. O. Molasses. Fine Teas. Coffee, Spices, &c.
Ladies', Misses' Children and Infants' BOOTS and SHOES.
☞ Would be pleased to have you call and examine stock. T. W. ELIASON, JR. Feb. 24, 1884.

Carpetings! Mattings!
DRUGGETS,
RUGS,
LINOLEUM, with Borders to Match,
(The Most Durable Floor Covering known.)
OIL CLOTHS, &c.

☞ Our SPRING DESIGNS for 1884 are now in stock, and will be offered at the lowest prices for STANDARD and RELIABLE GOODS.

Wm. D. Primrose & Co.,
(Successors to HAND & PRIMROSE,)
135 LEXINGTON STREET, BALTIMORE. mh1y.

GARDEN SEED! WATERMELON SEED. If you want FINE, ROUSING MELONS of delicious flavor, buy your Seed from C. F. STAM. ml.

2500 CIGARS! More than we intend carrying in stock, will sell cheaper than can be found elsewhere. SPARKS, opp. Court House. jan12.

GARDEN SEED! String and Stringless BEANS, White and Black Wax—Large Lima—by the pint or bushel. At the CORNER DRUG STORE. COLIN F. STAM. mh1.

WE will sell you a pound of good Black Tea at 50c. a pound, and give you as a premium with it a fancy stone china Cup and Saucer. THOMPSON, up town. j26.

WE will sell you a full nickle-plated 7-shot 22 calibre Revolver for $1, or a full nickle-plated 6-shot No. 32 or 38 American Arms Co. double action Revolver at $5. THOMPSON, up town.

VERY BEAUTIFUL line of Window Shades, very low at LOUIS K. STAM'S.

BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT
SHOWING THE CONDITION OF
The Mutual Fire Insurance Company
—OF—
KENT COUNTY, MD.,
DECEMBER 31ST, 1883.

ASSETS.

Loans on Bond and Mortgage	$77,350.00
Stocks and Bonds absolutely owned by the Company—(market value)	14,050.73
Judgments	3,488 21
Interest on Mortgages not due	2,111.00
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Comp'y deposited in Bank	5,386.58
Premium Notes in force—$153,409.	
Total cash assets	$102,386.52

LIABILITIES.

Losses reported and unpaid	$ 174.81	
Surplus uncalled for	216.13	
Surplus to be returned to Policy holders	2,600.00	
Premium Notes in force....$153,409.00		
Total liabilities		2,990.94
Surplus as regards Policy holders		$ 99,395.58
Total income		$ 12,126.38
Total expenditures		3,530.50
Amount of Policies in force in Maryland on the 31st December, 1883		2,081,041.00
Amount of Policies written in Maryland during the year 1883		63,841.00
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1883		6,605.47
Losses paid in Maryland during 1883		925.28
Losses incurred in Maryland during 1883		1,100.09

STATE OF MARYLAND, Insurance Department. COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ANNAPOLIS, February 23, 1884.

In compliance with Act of 1878, Chapter 106, I hereby certify that the above is a true abstract from the statement of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of KENT COUNTY, MD., to December 31, 1883, now on file in this Department. JESSE K. HINES, Insurance Commissioner. mh8-3t.

BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT
SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE
Kent County Mutual Insurance Company
—OF—
DOVER, DEL.,
DEC. 31, 1883.

ASSETS.

Value of Real Estate owned by the Company; less am't of encumbrance thereon	$	6,240.85
Loans on bonds & mortgage		44,225.00
Stocks and bonds absolutely owned by the Company—market value		57,306.48
Interest due and accrued on Stocks, Bonds and other securities		2,989.28
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company deposited in bank		275.12
Premium Notes in force—$628,767.79		
Total Assets		111,036.73
Assets not admitted; Judgment bonds doubtful		180 00
Total admitted assets		110,856.73

LIABILITIES.

Losses reported, adjusted and unpaid	6,023.85
Premium notes in force—$628,767.79	
Surplus as regards Policy-holders	104,832.88
Total income	43.187.00
Total expenditures	35,891.13
Amount of Policies in force on 31st Dec., 1883	6,888,365.00
Amount of Policies written in Maryland during the year 1883	915.067.00
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1883	5,011.48
Losses paid in Maryland during 1883	1,515 00
Losses incurred in Maryland during 1883	4,237.00

STATE OF MARYLAND, Insurance Department, Commissioner's Office, Annapolis, Feb. 5, '84.

In compliance with Act of 1878, Chapter 106, I hereby certify that the above is a true abstract from the statement of the Kent County Mutual Insurance Company of Dover, Del., to December 31st, 1883, now on file in this Department. JESSE K. HINES, Insurance Commissioner. March 1, 1884—3t.

ATTENTION FARMERS.

YOU who have to buy in the Spring BEDCLOTHING for your hands, come and see those extraordinary cheap **Gray Blankets for $1.00 a Pair.** We have SEVENTY-THREE PAIRS left from the purchase of Two Hundred and Fifty Pairs. Five per cent. reduction for ten Pair Lots. J. B. BURCHINAL. feb16-6t.

GARDEN SEED! Little Gem, Landreth's Extra Early, White Marrow, Champion of England, Tom Thumb, and numerous other varieties of PEAS, at the lowest possible prices in keeping with good seed. For sale at STAM'S DRUG STORE. mh1.

CHEAP LOT of FURNITURE In sufficient quantities, Will be delivered to your home free of charge. LOUIS K. STAM.

30 TONS of TIMOTHY HAY *FOR SALE.* Will be delivered if required. R. COMLY, fe2-7t. Locust Grove, Kent co., Md.

GARDEN SEED. ONION SEED AND ONION SETS, a very fine stock, very low, at STAM'S DRUG STORE. ml.

NOTICE TO TRAVELLERS. Take notice that TRAVEL over Radcliffe Bridge will be suspended, except for foot travellers, until further notice. By order, T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk Co. Comm'rs. n10-tf.

TRY Punch, Henry Clay, Log Cabin, Bub and Key West Cigars at LAMBERT'S. d8.

PIPES and Smokers' Goods—the finest line in town. Pipes from 1 cent to $2.50. SPARKS.