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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.....April 12, 1884.

The funeral of ex-Minister James R. Partridge, who died at Alicante, Spain, on February 24, took place in Baltimore on Monday afternoon. Interment was made in Greenmount Cemetery.

The Maryland State Temperance Alliance will hold its eleventh annual meeting in Baltimore, April 15th, 16th and 17th, to which all kindred societies and organizations are expected to send delegates.

A grand pigeon match between Delaware and Maryland will take place at Crumpton on Thursday, April 17, for a purse of $200. Mr. W. H. Scotten gives an oyster supper in connection therewith.

Easton Enterprise.—The merchants of Easton, Md., are noted for their thrift and enterprise. One firm last week occupied a whole page of a *Ledger* supplement to advertise its goods. Advertising pays, as all live business men know.

Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, besides his salary of $5,000 as United States Senator, has an income of $50,000 a year from his law practice. This is better pay than the presidency, without its troubles and the expense of the White House.

The democratic convention of Pennsylvania met at Allentown on Wednesday and selected delegates to the national convention at Chicago. Hon. Samuel J. Randall was indorsed for the democratic nomination for the presidency.

Governor McLane has signed this week over three hundred bills passed by the late Legislature. He has not yet approved the bill allowing police officers in Baltimore to leave off their uniforms when not on duty, and it is intimated that he proposes to veto it.

A bill passed the Legislature, and has been signed by the Governor, forbidding in future the creation of irredeemable ground rents. It provides at the expiration of fifteen years that the lessee may capitalize his loan at six per cent. interest and pay the principal.

A meeting of ex-Confederate soldiers and members of the Grand Army of the Republic was held in New York last Wednesday night to make arrangements for raising a fund for the proposed home for ex-Confederate soldiers at Richmond, Va. Speeches were made by Gen. John B. Gordon, Corporal Tanner and others.

Mr. Alexander F. Lesby, the actuary and librarian of the Maryland Institute, Baltimore, shot and killed himself in Philadelphia Monday evening. The deceased had been suffering with malaria for several years. Both his wife and sister had noticed for a month that he was mentally unsettled at times, which they attributed to the large amount of quinine he had to take regularly for his malady.

A bill has passed the United States Senate, and has been favorably reported in the House, allowing office rent to postoffices of the third class. If the bill becomes a law, and it is certainly just, Chestertown postoffice would be allowed, under the schedule prepared in the bill by the Post Office Department, 250; Cambridge, 250; Centreville, $250; Easton, $325; Elkton, $250; Salisbury, $250, and Port Deposit, $150.

A New Paper.—We have received the first number of a small Republican paper, called *The Appeal*, published at Elkton, Md., by the Appeal Publishing Co. It advocates the nomination of Blaine and Lincoln, and expresses the opinion that the Republicans of Cecil county are in favor of the same candidates. The *Appeal* antagonizes the *Cecil Whig*, whose editor is an officer in the Baltimore custom-house and favors the nomination of Arthur.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling has declined a request from the Pittsburg *Commercial Gazette* to give his views on the political situation and his presidential preference. Mr. Conkling says he is wholly out of political movements and affairs, and wholly absorbed in professional work which taxes all his energies. Apart from preferences, Mr. Conkling declares that it is impossible for him to participate in or be drawn into discussion at this time. Mr. Conkling's inclinations ought certainly to be respected.

A Heavy Failure in Baltimore.—Quite an excitement was created in business circles in Baltimore Tuesday morning by the announcement that the old firm of T. Robert Jenkins & Sons, provision dealers, had suspended, and that their paper had been protested the day previous. The firm has been established many years, and has always been considered one of the wealthiest houses in the provision trade in that city. Mercantile agencies rating it at over half a million dollars. It is said that the firm's indebtedness will reach at least $200,000 and that its assets are not far from that amount.

An Able Ticket.—The Boston *Post*, the most prominent democratic paper in New England, recently hoisted the names of Hon. Thomas F. Bayard for President and Hon. Joseph E. McDonald for Vice-President, subject to the action of the democratic national convention. In a leading editorial the *Post* defies ticket-makers to produce a better one than it has indicated, and pronounces it "a ticket of honest and progressive statesmen, whose election would insure to the benefit of the country." The *Post* adds that it is a ticket that would win.

The bill of Senator Blair, of New Hampshire, looking to the extension of federal aid to the common schools of the country, passed the Senate on Monday. The computation by which each State's share is to be fixed will be based on the census of 1880, and the payments are to extend over eight years. The amount to be distributed the first year is $7,000,000, the second year $10,000,000, the third year $15,000,000, the fourth year $13,000,000, the fifth year $11,000,000, the sixth year $9,000,000, the seventh year $7,000,000, the eighth year $5,000,000. The whole number of persons in the United States of ten years of age and upward who cannot write, according to the census of 1880, is 6,239,958, of which number 134,488, or 2.15 per cent., are in Maryland. Maryland's share, therefore, of the entire appropriation of $77,000,000 would be $1,655,500, and of the first year's payment $150,500. This sum would be a considerable addition to the receipts from the State school tax, which for the year ended September 30, 1883, were $242,247, but as the receipts of the several county school boards from all sources were for the same year $1,577,819, it will be seen that Maryland's entire expenditure for school purposes would not be very materially increased by the Blair bill, should it become a law. It has, however, yet to run the gauntlet of the House, where it may be conjectured its chances are fair.

For three days last week a gale from the northwest swept down the Chesapeake bay so that navigation by the smaller class of vessels was seriously obstructed. A large three-masted schooner was sunk off Point Lookout, at the mouth of the Potomac. A schooner was ashore on North Point, at the mouth of the Patapsco, and an oyster schooner at Sandy Point. Edward Ross, colored, master of the schooner Hester Ann, while helping to reef the mainsail on Friday, off the mouth of Magothy river, was blown overboard and drowned before assistance could reach him. The schooner was taken in tow by a tug and taken to Baltimore. A large number of oyster schooners were on the bay when the gale began, having just closed the dredging season, and were returning to the sections where they belong. Officers of the steamer Pilot Boy report that on Saturday night about 9 o'clock, they picked up four ladies adrift in a small skiff in the Little Choptank. The ladies, who proved to be three sisters by the name of Dixon and Miss Bramble, of Church Creek, were found clinging to the boat in an exhausted condition. They were safely landed at a wharf near their home. The pungy Eastern Light was struck by the gale while between Cedar and Hackett Points. The anchors were thrown out but proved of no avail. The vessel dragged until Piney Point was reached, when she succumbed to the hurricane, capsized and disappeared. Capt. Edward Lynch and mate John Doyle and a crew of six men are supposed to have been lost.

When a man loves lager beer so well as to drink molasses and water as a substitute, is there any danger of his filling a drunkard's grave?—*Rising Sun Journal*.

No; not if he adheres to the "substitute."

Death of Hon. Joshua Vansant.

The Hon. Joshua Vansant, comptroller of the city of Baltimore and former mayor, died Tuesday morning, in the 81st year of his age. In the death of Mr. Vansant, says *The Sun*, Baltimore has lost one of its most valued citizens, one who has been for over half a century closely identified with the public welfare. The bells on the City Hall and engine-houses, as they tolled for an hour Tuesday morning after Joshua Vansant had quietly passed from earth, never rang out the death-knell of one more loved and more generally esteemed than he for honest worth and integrity of purpose. Mr. Vansant did his duty conscientiously, and oftentimes within the past year or two, when bodily infirmities called for rest and quietude, he remained at his post and discharged his duty faithfully.

Mr. Vansant was born at Millington, (then called "Head of Chester,") Kent county, Md., December 31, 1803. His father and grandfather were also born there. His great-grandfather, according to tradition, emigrated from Holland, and settled in Kent county. They were all members of the Society of Friends. The Vansants in the upper part of this county are remotely related to him.

Destructive Fire in Church Hill.

A very destructive fire occurred at Church Hill at half-past seven o'clock last Sunday evening. The fire started in the carriage shop of Wm. W. Bowen and is supposed to be of incendiary origin. The older inhabitants of the town were at church at the time, and the alarm was given by some little children who were the first to discover the fire. In a few minutes after the alarm was sounded the churches were deserted and the scene of fire became one of great activity. The flames spread rapidly from Bowen's shop to the warehouse of Cook & Temple, and destroyed the building and contents. It then caught to the warehouse of E. S. Valiant, burning it to the ground, and destroying in addition seven new carriages. The flames by this time had gotten beyond control, and the whole of that section of the town was in danger of being destroyed. The next building destroyed was that of R. T. Armstrong, used as a shoe shop. While attention was being directed to the suppression of the flames in this quarter, the dwelling house of the Newsam heirs, occupied by Mr. Samuel T. Spry, caught fire, and before anything could be done it was burned to the ground. The wind blowing from the north the sparks flew in a southern direction, catching to the stable of Mr. W. T. Todd, entirely destroying it. A little shop between Armstrong's shoe shop and Guest's Opera House was torn down to prevent the flames from spreading to the opera house. Several houses in the southern section of the town caught from sparks, but were extinguished without great loss. The buildings on the opposite side of Walnut street were very much damaged by fire and water, but not destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been started by a colored man named Edward E. McGrath, who had been employed by Mr. Bowen as a blacksmith, but who had been discharged. He was arrested and carried to Centreville jail and locked up. It was with considerable difficulty that the officers got him away, as the excited and indignant populace were anxious to apply the laws of Judge Lynch to him. The losses are reported as follows: B. E. Cook, $1,000, insured in the Cecil Company for $600; Cook & Temple, $1,000, no insurance; E. S. Valiant, loss $1,000, insurance not known; Wm. Bowen loss $1,500 on shop, $500 on stock, insurance $1,500 in the Kent Mutual of Chestertown. Newsam heirs, loss $1,500 on dwelling, insurance $1,375 in Kent Mutual of Chestertown. Todd's stable and damage to store from $500 to $1,000, fully insured.

Shipwreck Off Sambro Island.

The steamship Daniel Steinmann, of the White Cross Line, was wrecked on the night of the 4th instant, off Sambro Island, at a point about twenty miles distant from Halifax, and on the Western side of the entrance of the harbor, with the loss of ninety passengers and thirty-four of the crew, but nine persons escaping. The disaster is comparable in its features with the destruction of the White Star steamer Atlantic, near Cape Prospect, twenty-two miles west of Halifax, on April 1, 1883, when out of a total ship's company of 978 as many as 560 lives were lost. Sambro Island is a long granite rock about three miles from the mainland. Within a half mile in every direction are partially concealed ledges and shoals. On the island is a lighthouse showing a fixed light 115 feet above the sea, and visible twenty-one miles in clear weather, and a revolving steam fog whistle which is sounded in foggy weather. Five miles distant, to the northeast, is Chebucto Head, a bold point also on the western side of the entrance to the harbor of Halifax, for which place the unfortunate vessel was making when the wreck occurred. The explanation of the disaster given by Captain Schoonhover, who, when his vessel went down, escaped drowning by perching himself on a yard-arm that projected above the waves, amounts substantially to the statement that the engineer in charge of the steam whistle on Sambro Island was remiss in attending to his duty. Though within 400 yards of the island, he failed to hear the whistle, while on account of the fog he could not make out clearly the character of the light. According to his account, which is confirmed by the man on watch, the weather had been rough and foggy for several days.

A Horrible Outrage.—Two masked men one night last week walked into the house of John Smith, living in the vicinity of Rising Sun, Cecil county, and, having beaten him until he was insensible, ransacked the house in search of an alleged sum of money which Smith was reported to have secreted. Failing to find the money they lighted a fire, and over it swung Smith back and forth, he having recovered consciousness, in hopes of making him disclose the hiding place of the treasure. This was continued till their victim again became insensible, when the robbers, believing him dead, departed. The neighbors found the man horribly beaten and burned the next morning. A posse is in pursuit of the villains, who, if caught, will be lynched.

Partial Destruction of a Young Peach Orchard by Mice.—Several weeks ago, after the examination of his young peach orchard on the farm whereon he resides, Mr. Alfred Tucker discovered that the majority of his trees had been either killed or nearly severed from their trunks by mice that had secreted themselves during the winter in the straw that had been placed around the roots of the trees for the purpose of mulching. Hundreds of the pestiverous little "varmints" had harbored there, being driven into this shelter from the wet and rigor of the winter no doubt. When once ensconced in their comfortable haven of refuge a means of sustenance was discovered which was forthwith substituted for the corn crib —the continuous and destructive method of feeding by the process of mastecation of the succulent bark and sappy fibre around the base of trees, next to their barbor. As a result from these depredations, many trees that were not literally gnawed in two, have since snapped from their trunks.—*Centreville Record*.

What Mr. Tilden's Brother Said.—When General Gordon called on Mr. Tilden General Pierce Young was present. General Gordon, after listening to Mr. Tilden's statements about his physical condition, said:

"Ah, Mr. Tilden, I wish that I could give to you a portion of my own physical strength and vigor."

"Yes," said Mr. Tilden, in his famous whisper, "that is just what my poor brother said to me three years ago, and we buried him on yesterday."

A Horrible Case of Cruelty.—At Wilmington, Del., Monday, Martha Smith, colored, was arrested for cruelly treating a six-year-old daughter of a woman named Wesley, which has been in the keeping of Mrs. Smith for some time. On the child's back were two immense scars, from which the flesh had been burned almost to the spine, which she stated had been inflicted by the woman setting her upon a red-hot stove for disobeying a command. Her tongue was badly lacerated, which was the result of the woman sticking a fork through the child's tongue to keep her from crying.

Loss of Life.—A fire at the Bull Frog, Cecil county, serious from the fact that a human life was lost, occurred at the Frog on Saturday night last. A small house in which John Earle, colored, lived, and two old store-looser were destroyed. The fire originated in Earle's house and his daughter perished in the flames.

An unsuccessful attempt was made by burglars to rob the safe at the Easton, Talbot county depot on last Wednesday night. Entrances was gained to the office by breaking one of the large panes of glass in the window and removing the bolt which confined the sash on the inside.

The Baltimore *Morning Herald*, rep., says: "The selection of W. L. Venellis to be a delegate to the Colored National Convention is an insult to the many honest and intelligent colored people in this city."

There is a boy living near Elk mills, Chester county, Pa., who is 15 years old, stands 6 feet 5½ inches in height, 40 inches around the breast and weighs 195 pounds.

THE OYSTER LAW.

If we understand the new law aright oysters are not allowed to be caught even for private consumption after the fifteenth of April. So that *after Tuesday next* it will be unlawful to catch the bivalves for any purpose before the fifteenth day of August, and the law imposes heavy penalties upon any one having the same in possession during the prohibited interval. The 15th section contains a proviso to the effect that if oysters are caught before the fifteenth day of April, they may be disposed of any time before the twenty-fifth day of the same month.

This oyster law is one of the important general Acts that should be officially published in the newspapers at the earliest practical moment, as the people interested in its observance have no means of acquainting themselves with its provisions in any other way. It may be promulgated in time for publication next week.

A Water Supply.—The commissioners of Chestertown are now in correspondence with parties looking to the introduction of water works in the town. As yet nothing definite has been reached, but it is hoped that before many days some practical proposition will be received and arrangements consummated for the commencement of this important work. The town is sadly in need of a proper water supply, first for the convenience of householders and the general public health, and also for protection against fire. Should a fire break out now in many prominent sections of the town whole squares would be at the mercy of the devouring element because of the lack of water available for extinguishing the same. We should not await for a fearful conflagration to arouse us to action in this matter, but awaken to the danger in time and promptly prepare for what may happen at any moment.

A Case of Accidental Shooting.—A shooting accident, that will probably result fatally, occurred on last Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. C. C. Morgan, near Black's Cross Roads. James Holmes and Robert Roy, two colored men, natives of Virginia, have been living with Mr. Morgan for a short time. Another colored man from Virginia recently visited them and left his baggage which contained a pistol. Both Holmes and Roy supposed the pistol not to be loaded. On last Sunday morning Roy picked the pistol up, and said to Holmes in jest: "Look out, Jim, I am going to shoot you." Jim answered, "Blaze away." Roy pulled the trigger and sent a thirty-two calibre bullet just beneath the left eye. Surgical aid was summoned and a probe was inserted in the wound three inches without touching the bullet. The physicians decided that, from the locality of the bullet, it would be best not to attempt to remove it. They think it barely possible that the wounded man should recover. Drs. Kelley, Latimer and Dulaney were in attendance.

Accident.—Dr. J. Horton Kelley, of Locust Grove, met with an accident on last Monday week. He sometimes uses an English dog-cart in making his professional rounds. While jogging along the road, the doctor's horse stepped into a rut, stumbled and fell. The cart was turned over and the occupant thrown out. He landed upon and dislocated his right shoulder. He was assisted home by friends and suffered for a time severe pain. The dislocation was set and the doctor was well enough to visit Chestertown on Tuesday last.

Grand May Concert.—The Kent Cornet Band proposes to give a grand vocal and instrumental concert in Chestertown early in May. Mr. John N. Dodd, leader of the band, has been in Baltimore this week consulting with Prof. Holland and others in reference to musical assistance. The concert will be of the highest order, and it will, no doubt, be largely patronized by the community.

The schooner John Copper, laden with lumber from the Rappahannock river, consigned to Mr. Joseph Turner, of this town, ran ashore on the Queenstown flats during the squall about noon on Wednesday of last week. The high wind of Wednesday night caused her to thump and leak badly, the crew remaining at the pumps all night and until she bilged. Thursday morning the crew abandoned her. Her cargo, 72,000 feet of lumber, will be saved, but her hull will prove a total loss.

Lecture by a prominent Delaware lady, for the benefit of the widows, infirm, lame and disabled Confederate soldiers of the late war. Mrs. M. A. Stuart is a lady that knows of what she is talking. Subject: "What are the girls going to do?" is a matter of vital importance of today. Mrs. Stuart is the daughter of the late Major John Sorden, a prominent Delawarean, who was a member of the Delaware Legislature during the war and assisted in managing the affairs of that little State. She is refined and fearless. Come out and hear her for the benefit of the needy.

Labor Saving Machinery.—Farmers will now soon be concerned about the wheat harvest, and reliable labor is one of the greatest in connection therewith. Of late years labor saving machinery has played an active part in relieving the farmer to some extent, and the self-binding reapers are among the most important inventions of the age. It is better, however, to be without one, and rely upon hand-binding, than to purchase a so-called self-binder that will not do the work it professes; such a machine only adds to the farmer's labor troubles, besides wasting his money. It is therefore important that no mistake should be made in so essential a matter as the selection of a self-binder. Mr. Wm. A. Hyland claims that the "Deering" always gives satisfaction, and in another column gives the names of some of the best farmers of Kent who use it in preference to any other. Read what he says about it.

Mr. T. W. Wickes calls the attention of farmers through our advertising columns to several brands of fertilizers which he is selling and considers them inferior to none on the market for corn, notwithstanding their reduced price.

Messrs. Pennington & Justis, of Kennedyville, invite the attention of farmer to their advertisement of Riding Cultivators and Johnston's Self-Binders, which are guaranteed to give general satisfaction.

Mr. John W. Hines is agent for a new patent wire fence, a panel of which he has put up in front of his office on Court street. Farmers and others are invited to call and examine it.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, April 8.—Present Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Letters of administration upon the personal estate of Margaret J. Roeder, late of the State of Pennsylvania, were granted to Geo. W. Jacoby.

Mary M. Toulson, adm'x of John W. Toulson, returned an account of sales of personal estate.

If competition tests with fertilizers, such as are suggested by manufacturers of the I. P. Thomas fertilizers, were accurately made for a few seasons, the standard of all fertilizers would be materially improved. Read the I. P. Thomas advertisement in another column.

Vendue.—Mr. S. C. Shuster will sell next Monday at Fairlee some stock and farming implements.

Gordon, the photographer, advertises to remain in Chestertown but one week longer.

Messrs. R. F. Bruce & Co, of Baltimore, advertise in this issue carriages of various patterns.

The board of visitors and governors of St. John's College at Annapolis have received the resignation of Dr. J. M. Leavitt as principal of the college, to take effect at the beginning of the term in September. The resignation was referred to a committee, who are also to consider and report the most available course to pursue for the future maintenance of the institution. Dr. Leavit had announced some time ago his intention of resigning his position as principal in the event of the college failing to receive its annual appropriation from the Legislature, the failure of which must necessarily cause a curtailment of the expenses of the institution.

The statement is published that the steamer Georgeanna sunk $60,000 in the five years she ran on the Choptank route as an opposition boat, and has done nothing since she has been withdrawn.

Personal.—We regret to learn that Mr. R. Bennett Willson, late judge of the Orphans' Court, has been confined to his bed for several weeks with a heavy cold and threatened with pneumonia. At last accounts he was no better.

R. Hynson, Esq., has been confined to his house several days this week by a severe cold supplemented by a touch of the bilious. He is now able to be out again.

John S. Wirt, Esq., one of Elkton's prominent lawyers, spent several days in Chestertown this week on business.

Mr. W. Register, marble cutter, who has been confined to the house for more than two months, suffering from a complication of diseases, was taken to the Maryland Infirmary on Monday, where it is expected that in due time he will be restored to health.

Cantata.—The sacred Cantata entitled "Under the Palms," will be rendered at the Meth. Prot. Church in Chestertown on Thursday evening next, April 17, by members of the Sunday School and Choir of that Church. Admission fee of 35 cts. will be charged—15 cts. for children under 12 years. The exercise will commence at 7½ o'clock.

County Appointments.—The county commissioners on Tuesday made the following appointments. Tax collectors: first district, Geo. W. Jacoby, re-appointed; second district, Samuel Comegys; third district, James S. Gemmill; fourth district, John W. Loud; fifth district, Nathan Voshell, re-appointed. Those re-appointed have been in office but one year. Standard Keeper: John L. Jester, of the second district.

Town Election.—The annual election for one commissioner of Chestertown will take place on the 28th inst. The term of C. T. Westcott, Esq., expires, and as he has given as much attention to the duties of the office as could be expected of any one, and his qualification being unquestioned, he should be chosen his own successor.

Rough Weather.—For an April day last Wednesday exceeded anything in rough weather we have known in this latitude for years. It not only snowed continuously all day but the wind blew almost a hurricane at the same time from the west and the northwest. The "slush" in the streets added greatly to the discomfort of pedestrians.

Farm Sold.—John S. Wirt, Esq., trustee, sold on Tuesday last the Walmsley farm on Chester river, containing 127 acres, to Mr. Jas. R. Ford, the tenant on the place, for $4,950.

A Steam Engine came puffing through town the other evening, exciting considerable interest upon the part of our citizens. The engine belonged to Messrs. Elliott & Gemmill, and had in tow a large thresher and other implements, which were thus conveyed from the railroad depot to the exhibition ground near the market house. The agricultural implement firm of Elliott & Gemmill are largely engaged in the business. The running of these engines by steam upon the public highways indiscriminately would be calculated to frighten horses, but this firm is very careful to guard against this in every possible way.

The two big shows — Barnum's and Forepaugh's — are now exhibiting in Philadelphia. Each has a white elephant. O'Brien's show is advertised in the lower peninsula papers and will be in Chestertown on the 21st.

Palm Sunday was observed at the Catholic Church in town last Sunday. Father Brady officiated, and palm leaves were distributed to all present.

The Entertainments to be given at Kennedyville next Monday and Tuesday evenings, for the improvement of the streets of that village, should be liberally patronized.

The Republican primaries will be held in this county at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

MARRIED:

In Middletown, April 7th, 1884, by Rev. T. J. Cochran, assisted by Rev. A. Stengle, WM. WILLIS, of this county, and Mrs. M. A. REESE, of Middletown, Del.

On Tuesday, April 8th, 1884, at 1425 S. 12th street, Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. C. M. Boswell, pastor of Bethany M. E. Church, WILLIAM DURBIN LEEMING, of Manchester, England, to Miss VERMIDELLA CREW, of this county.

DIED.

At Stanley, April 2, of pneumonia, WALLACE MAXWELL, infant son of W. J. and Sarah F. Coleman, aged 5 months and 11 days.

In Chestertown, April 6, 1884, at her late residence, Mrs. SARAH A. CANNAN, consort of the late Wm. B. Cannan, aged 79 years.

CAPADURA 5c. CIGARS, at SPARKS'.

RELIGIOUS.—BISHOP LAY will make the following visitations: April 22, 23, 24, Convocation in N. Sassafras; April 25, evening, Galena; April 26, 3 P. M., Shrewsbury; Sunday, 27, morning, Chestertown; 3½ P. M. I. U.; April 28, 7½ P. M., Still Pond; April 30, morning, St. Paul's. Besides the above appointments of the Bishop, the Rev. John Martin will officiate and administer the Holy Communion at I. U. on Sunday morning, April 20, at 10½ A. M. a12-2t.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS are hereby warned against taking or negotiating a NOTE from Josiah Massey and A. E. Massey, his wife, payable to me, for $382.33 at 8 months from February 1st, 1884, as the same has been either lost or stolen. THOS. W. WICKES.

ENTERTAINMENTS Will be held in the Town Hall in Kennedyville, Md., on the evenings of April 14 & 15, consisting of Dramas, Farces, Music, &c., &c. Proceeds for improving the streets. Admission 25 cents; reserved seats 35c. Children under 12 years 15c. Reserved seats sold at T. E. HAYES' Drug Store. By order of Kennedyville Improvement Association. a5-2t.

FOR SALE—20,000 Chestnut Posts. Large, fine, from ripe timber and nicely dressed by experienced workmen. Delivered at Delany's Station. WILLIAM GREEN, H. A. NOWLAND. apr12-tf. Middletown, Del.

OFFICERS' COMMISSIONS. The Commissions for Justices of the Peace, Officers of Registration, Coroners and Notary Public, have been received. The law requires that they shall qualify (before the Clerk) within thirty days from receipt of their commissions at this office (April 5th), as their places will otherwise be vacated. SAMUEL BECK. April 12, 1884—4t. Clerk Cir. Court.

Election of Town Commissioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election will be held at the COURT HOUSE in CHESTERTOWN, on MONDAY, the 28th day of APRIL inst., for the purpose of electing one person to serve for three years as Commissioner of Chestertown in place of Charles T. Westcott, Esq., one of the present Commissioners, whose term expires on that date. Polls open from nine o'clock A. M. to six o'clock P. M. JAMES A. PEARCE, a12-3t. Pres't Town Com'rs.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS are notified not to cross the premises of the undersigned near Still Pond village, particularly the wheat fields, as paths across such are very unsightly. The law will be enforced against all disregarding this notice. LOUIS S. HEPBURN. apr5-3t.

FOR SALE, Very Low.—*A CARRIAGE*, Warner patent wheels, steel tire, shouldered and grooved axles, leather curtains, cloth-lined, made by Rodgers, Philadelphia. Apply at this office, or to apr5-8t. Z. P. JANVIER, Drayton.

CHESTNUT RAILS *FOR SALE CHEAP*, Delivered at Landings on Chester River when wanted. Terms easy. W. C. CRANE, a5-2t. 5 S. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md.

WE CLAIM to sell the best 2 for 5 c CIGAR that there is in this county. Come and try them. THOMPSON, up town. apr5.

CHAIRS—very large lot of many kinds cheap. LOUIS K. STAM.

FOR SALE. The undersigned has for sale *TWO YOUNG MARES*, both well broken to farm work. HIRAM BROWN, apr12-3t* Pomona.

FOR SALE—*1 BAY MARE*, 9 years old, good worker in any kind of harness, and good brood mare. Will be sold cheap. JOHN WALLS, apr12-3t. Quaker Neck.

FOR SALE—*TWO YOKE OF OXEN*, terms liberal. Also about Fifteen Tons of TIMOTHY HAY. T. C. PARSONS. apr5-3t*

FOR SALE at a Sacrifice.—A First-Class *Frame DWELLING-HOUSE*, 16x36, with Back Building, situated adjoining Catholic Cemetery near Lambson's, will be sold at a BARGAIN. The purchaser to remove the house from the property. Address Rev. GEO. S. BRADFORD, apr5-3t* Dover, Delaware.

SHEEP FOR SALE. THE SUBSCRIBER will sell on TUESDAY next, the 15th inst., at his YARD opposite the Voshell House, SIXTY Head of Young Stock *SHEEP* and Eighteen *LAMBS*. They will be offered in lots of ten, with the privilege of taking more. TERMS—a credit of six months, with approved security. WM. H. COOPER.

FOR SALE. THE UNDERSIGNED have for sale at their Stables at Middletown, Del., a fine lot of Young, Well-broken MULES; also a Superior lot of Young Western MARES and HORSES, which will be sold at reasonable prices. Old Horses and Mules taken in exchange. mar29-3t. ECKENHOFER & LONG.

PUBLIC SALE. THE subscriber will sell at public sale on MONDAY, APRIL 14, 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Village of Fairlee, ONE HORSE, 5 years old, 1 FRESH COW, 2 Carriages & Harness, 2 Wheelbarrows, and other articles. TERMS made known at sale. S. C. SHUSTER. J. Frank Wheatley, Auct'r. mh29-4s.

Public Sale. WILL be sold at Public Auction on the Market House green, on SATURDAY, April 26th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., the following Personal Property of the late Mrs. S. A. Cannan: Household and Kitchen FURNITURE, consisting of Feather Beds, Bureaus, Stands, Chairs, Sideboard, Book-case and Books, Carpets, Matting, Stoves, Glass, Chin. & Crockery ware, Window Shades and Fixtures, 2 Sewing Machines, and numerous other articles. TERMS OF SALE:—Sums of $10 and under cash; above that amount six months credit on negotiable note properly endorsed. JOHN A. CANNAN, John W. Carroll, Auct'r. a12-3t.

POSITIVELY THE LAST WEEK! GORDON, THE PHOTOGRAPHER, Will remain but one week longer. Don't miss the opportunity now offered to obtain first-class pictures at home. Cartes deVisite, Cabinet and other style Photographs of the first quality. Large Picture with frame $1.00. Four Card Size Pictures for 50 cts. Four Gem Pictures for 25 cts. Special attention paid to copying old pictures. Pictures of children taken in the morning only. Pictures taken of Horses, Houses, &c. Cloudy weather no objection. Satisfaction guaranteed in every particular. GORDON. April 12—1t.

MATT' RE[SS] WE have now t[he] FLOOR MATT[ING] ever had in Plain Check and prices low[er] apr12-2m. J. B[.] [Stock of] [we have] [ney and] [Kent]

Oh Yes! Oh Y[es!] RE[MOVAL.] All manner of persons h[ere] in Chestertown during or any other week fail n[ot] [vin]g business Court week, [t] call at SPAR[KS'] directly opposite Court H[ouse, between] J. K. Aldridge and T. W[. Eliason, and] be convinced of the fact [that he is sell]ing all goods at bottom p[rices.] TO THE LADIES: [Call your at]tention to our stock of [SHOES, SLIPPERS and] the largest to be found [in town and] cheaper than ever before. Also, a fine stock of [Notions, Clocks,] Notions, Fancy Goods, [Toilet Soaps,] Perfumeries, Work Boxes, [Fresh Goods.] TO THE GENTLEMEN: [Logging boots.] tention to the fact that [DUCE] Spanuola and Hold Fast [Cigars] GARS are as good as the [best.] Call and get a package [of genuine] Havana Cheroots, 5 in a [box] per box. [10 cents] Our Piper Heidsick [Champagne Flavored] TOBACCO is the [sweet To]bacco on the market. [Try it.] TO GENTS, LADIES and [CHILDREN.] We keep one of the largest [assortments] of CONFECTIONERY [in the county.] Fruits of all kinds in their season, Cakes and Crackers in great variety, Pickles, Chow-Chow, Chocolate, [Extracts] and hundreds of other [things.] BASE BALLS and BATS [at prices.] All we want is a call and we can suit you in our prices. at SPARKS.' April 12, 1884. opp. Court House.

TO THE LADIES! DRESS MAKING at EDESVI[LLE.] By MISS FANNIE B. JUMP[CAKE.] Also, Agent for DOMESTIC Paper Pa[tterns.] Subscribe at once for the Domestic M[onthly.] apr5—3t*

PUBLIC SALE of DRIFT LO[GS.] Notice is hereby given that o[n] April 23, 1884, at 9 o'clock A. M. nearest the dwelling on my farm [on] Island, I will sell for cash certain heretofore advertised, to pay cost on same. LAVIN[IA.] March 29, 1884—4t.

LOCUST POSTS FOR S[ALE.] 2,000 No. 1 LOCUST POST[S.] Apply to A[.] Harrisville, [Del.] mh29-3t.

MATTINGS! MAT[TINGS!] To arrive this week [Over] 2,000 Yards C[hoice] in Fancy, Whites and Check[s] than ever. R. F. [PARKS.] 25 and 50

DURHAM and Bob Wh[ite] Tobacco, at [GILPIN & C[O.]]

GENUINE HAVANA [Cigars and Lombard] at S[PARKS'.]

A PRIZE Will be given to Every Farmer WHO TRIES THE DEERING Twine Binder! AND DOES NOT DISCOVER THAT It is Excelled by None! But is Superior to Most! It is warranted equal to or better than *any Binder and Harvester made*. Unequalled for Simplicity, Beauty of Design and Durability. During the Harvest of 1883 this machine gave renowned proof of its incomparable excellence, and stands as the leader and most successful Twine Binder offered the Farmer in Kent Co. to-day, and now as you are preparing to meet the harvest of '84 we would respectfully request you to look at the record of the DEERING TWINE BINDER in the past in Kent Co., or in other words, at home. In 1882 we sold Eight Deering Binders. On the merit of these eight in 1883 we sold THIRTY-ONE! Every Machine Sold Settled for and Giving Satisfaction. No other Binder sold in the County can produce as satisfactory a record both to patrons and manufacturer.

Our list of Patrons:

Samuel Hurlock 2	Henry J. Gray,
Moses Lambson 2	Alex. H. Crew,
P. A. M. Brooks,	J. E. Newcomb,
Henry W. Carvill,	William Morris,
Wm. Crosby, 2	Capt. E. B. Woodall,
Samuel Cacy,	Dr. E. S. Clark,
Samuel J. Hill,	William Hurlock,
Wm. H. Kennedy,	Samuel Taylor,
John Morris,	John F. Dodson,
Thomas Gale,	R. W. Jones,
Jas. W. Bird,	Wm. R. Gale,
Eugene Gooding,	Walter Sutton,
Benj. F. Beck,	Geo. Beck,
John F. Copper,	Wm. Purnell,
Thos. L. Bowers,	Harrison I. Parsons,
Mrs. Simon Wickes,	Samuel Vannort,
Elias Walraven,	Wilbur Eliason.
John W. Fowler,	

We would be pleased to have you enquire of the above owners of "DEERING Self Binders" from all parts of the county as to the merits: simplicity, durability, light draft and good work of their Harvesting machines. REMEMBER, we use but ONE-FIFTH as many parts in our knot-tying device, and ONE-THIRD as many in our tucker as other binders to do the same work. That the DEERING BINDER was introduced in 1879 and has been a thorough success, while many other Binders fail entirely. That we now enter our sixth year and harvest with every assurance of a thoroughly successful and satisfactory career for the DEERING Self Binders with all its patrons. That the agency of the Binder remains the same year after year, making it convenient for repairs and instructions—a decided advantage over most competitors, many of them changing agencies as often as their managers pass through the county. That the 5 ft. Deering cuts actually 5 ft. 4 in.; the 6 foot cuts 6 ft. 5½ in.; the 7 foot 7 ft. 5½ in., and the 8 foot 8 ft. 6 in., and without driving the near horse into the grain;—a market GOOD JUST with many of our competitors. One of the latter put out a machine last year with a cutter bar exactly 7 ft. long and called it an 8 foot cut! POSITIVELY no Harvester and Binder can speak so loudly in its own praise as the DEERING.

The Deering Light Mower was equally successful in its capacity. Fourteen sold in 1883 in Kent county. Call and see sample machines before purchasing for your harvest of 1884.

WM. A. HYLAND, *Agent for Kent Co., Md.*

Sample Machines at his Agricultural works in GALENA and CHESTERTOWN. P. O.—Galena. apr12-10t.

GALENA MILLS—NOTICE. THE REPORT is out that I am buying my fancy Flour that is selling so fast from the city. This is not the truth. I am buying my wheat but I grind the flour, and any one who has five or more bushels of good wheat can get the same flour, or get paid for their wheat in case I fail to make it. No miller can make a first-class flour out of one bushel grist. Remember this when you go to mill. Yours, resp'y, WM. J. SPICER. March 29, 1884—3t.

Estate of Edward B. Gallup. NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I have executed a power of Attorney to Mr. GEO. W. HARPER, of Still Pond, authorizing him to transact all business pertaining to the estate of the late Edward B. Gallup. SUSAN S. GALLUP, Adm'x. All persons having claims against the said deceased are notified to present them to me for settlement, and all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment to me at the earliest possible moment. GEORGE W. HARPER. mh29-4t.

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

SUGAR and MOLASSES by the barrel a specialty, and lower than ever.—Molasses 25c. per gallon and up. Sugar 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9c. lb. R. F. PARKS.

WANTED—All kinds PRODUCE, for the cash and trade, especially Lard and Meats, at THOMPSON'S, up town. apr5.

ONION SETS. SILVER SKIN and RED SKIN. Very cheap. M. A. TOULSON, mar. 29. Druggist.

BEST stock Bridles, Collars, Traces, Backbands, &c. R. F. PARKS.

Rambo Lime, *UNEXCELLED BY ANY OTHER*, For sale by car load or bulk, by H. E. COOPER, Worton Station. WM. B. RAMBO, Norristown, Pa. ap12-2w.

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