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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING .....FEB. 21, 1885.

LETTER FROM STILL POND.

STILL POND, February 18, 1885.

EDITORS KENT NEWS:—We of Still Pond begin to feel something like I would imagine would be the feelings of an old horse that for years had been on the verge of starvation and suddenly finds himself in the hands of a master that feeds him plentifully on the very best. Ourselves and our children have been intellectually starved for years, and have suddenly fallen into such an abundance of good things, tending to improve the mind and afford entertainment at the same time, "that we are getting too big for ourselves;" and in order to let off superfluous steam your correspondent writes this letter.

Well, as of course most of your readers know, our Town Hall is about finished. There are curtains, scenery, &c., yet to be secured for the stage, but to all practical purposes it is completed. About a year ago a very funny correspondent of the News, in a long letter ridiculing the idea of a Town Hall, stated that the board of directors had about decided to build the tower on wheels so it could be run around the country and whenever necessary it could be attached to the hall. The letter proceeded at great length to show how a hall could not be built, but in his great wisdom said "never a word" as to how it might be done. In spite of all croakers and "Job's comforters" the hall is here and we are proud of it. Although the cost is in the neighborhood of $6.000, yet there is now an assumed rental equivalent to 7 per cent. on the entire cost.

Guiding Star Lodge, No. 216, I. O. G. T., gave the first public entertainment in the hall on Thursday evening, February 5. They gave an interesting entertainment consisting of readings, essays, music, dialogues, &c. The audience numbering about three hundred went away apparently much pleased. This lodge intends at some future date to give a similar entertainment, at which there will be a charge for admission. They are needing an organ, new regalia, &c., and feel that the public will support them in their good work.

Ralph Bingham captured the hearts of about two hundred and fifty people here on Wednesday, February 11. His entertainment is clear, pure and wholesome. Those that have not seen young Ralph should do so at the earliest opportunity. He is certainly a wonder in his way. He treads the boards with the air and assurance of a man of forty, and his natural eloquence is something wonderful. We expect to have him here again in the course of two or three weeks.

The Cecilton Minstrel Troupe held forth here on Thursday, February 12. They drew a good audience and, for amateurs, gave a very satisfactory entertainment.

All day Sunday and during the evening our village was full of sleighs. Our young men ought to enjoy themselves, but it is certainly carrying the thing too far when on Sunday, as soon as church is out, they jump into their carriages or sleighs, as the case may be, and drive off like "Satan's imps" was pursuing them. That accidents so seldom occur can be thanked to an all-wise Providence, and not to the care or skill of the drivers. The remnants of the sleigh of one of the Sunday evening revellers still ornaments our sidewalk.

In the death of Wm. A. Parks our community meets with a great loss. He was a loving husband and a kind friend. To all with whom he came in contact he had a pleasant word. We could ill afford to lose him, but from death there is no escape; he takes both the just and the unjust; the rich and the poor; all must fall before his fatal breath.

Guiding Star Lodge, No. 216, now has about one hundred and eight members, and an average attendance of about sixty. Can any other lodge in the county give a better showing for an existence of a little over a year? Any persons wishing to join the lodge should address I. R. Starkey, W. S., at this office.

The Still Pond Concert Troupe has been organized with the object in view of furnishing our village with street lamps. They intend to give a series of entertainments and apply the proceeds for that purpose. This is an improvement long needed and we hope to see it succeed.

There is also a whisper in the air of having sidewalks in our village, but as yet it has taken no definite shape. As we "Still Ponders" do not care to occupy your whole paper we will adjourn. JACK.

LETTER FROM EDESVILLE.

Messrs. Editors:—The village is growing in interest in various respects, and we are glad because of the improvements soon to be made, as reported by your correspondents from time to time. Letters from here are no doubt read with interest, and we think the fact is of itself commendable. "Observer" might with all propriety, owing to lapse of time, assume the *nom de plume* of "Occasional." We are personally acquainted with him, however, and take occasion to say it is not his desire to deal in personalities, and more particularly so because your valuable space is granted the use of corresponding friends, whose endeavor should be to chronicle facts in the shape of information, so that we need not be compelled to read between the lines to properly adjust or define the meaning of what is written. The letter of your correspondent, "Joe," is the cause of us sitting up late to write you. There is certainly no absolute means for us to ferret out the original, whose attack upon the official character of the undersigned has been wantonly drawn into newspaper notoriety.

"Joe" may be good-looking, jocular and pious in a measure, but we care not to define the *kind* and measure. There is a kind that extends good-will to your neighbor, such as is commended by our Heavenly Father; there is also a kind (if we are to learn anything from human nature) that seeks the commendation of men; most assuredly he must be of the latter class, else he, when the abominable practices of the gambler came directly under his observation, as one would infer from his letter, would at once have communicated such intelligence to some officer of the law, and thus obeyed the mandate obligatory upon every good citizen.

"Our Constable" can think just as much as other men; but this getting up and not knowing where you are going to come down is another matter.

Come now, "Joe," be candid and honest, if "Our Constable" has failed in your judgment to properly perform his duty, of which you are personally aware, as you allege, put him before the proper tribunal, and do not condemn him until found guilty. If you expect him to enter your premises and make inquiries as to what is going on in the parlor you are greatly mistaken. You say, why don't the constable arrest those parties who are engaged in the sale of whiskey? Why, my friend, I am again lost, as in the other case. Most assuredly if there be such violators of the law they should be compelled to meet the demands of the law. Such information as *you* could give might prove greatly to the advantage of the community. Go like an honest man to the grand jury of next April term and present the case against the offenders and constable as well.

Our politics, friend "Joe," is of the grand old Hickory Jackson school. Have learned many lessons from such men as Thomas Jefferson, Jas. K. Polk and Franklin Pierce, whose political lives are worthy your perusal, that you may know that public office is a public trust. We do not understand how one could better learn the extent of the wickedness practiced here, than engaging personally in the same. Surely conscience hath rebelled, and if the constable just knew "Joe" might arrest him (or her) and unearth matters as they exist (Joe's story) and be enabled to hand down to his children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren, the wonderfully immortal deed.

If the constable is to give "Joe" a catalogue of the different points he is watching, like unto a quack doctor distributing his circulars, when in the whole world would this monstrous tide of criminal practice cease? Not I my friend.

Friend "Joe," please do not entertain the idea that the above is in rebuttal of the charges you have preferred against your neighbors, such is not my mission on this occasion. Indeed, it is hoped you fully understand that your communication has been circulated among two thousand or more subscribers of this excellent paper, assailing the official character of an officer, and he therefore prayed the same means of defence.

"OUR CONSTABLE."

Legal Holiday, but not School Holiday.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—The Act of Assembly of 1882, referred to in your last issue making February 23d, a "Legal Holiday," is "An Act to designate the Holidays to be observed in the acceptance and payment of Bills of Exchange, Bank Checks, Drafts and Promissory Notes," and clearly has no relation to schools, and is so held by the State Board of Education and by the School Board for this county. I write this because your paragraph seems to have produced the impression that that day will be a school holiday. E. F. PERKINS.

SALES.—Wednesday, February 25, M. C Ranleigh, near town, by C. H. Baker, attorney.

A desirable small property near the village of Fairlee, owned by the late Capt. F. Wing, on Tuesday, February 24, by Wm. Kline, agent.

LYNCH'S AND VICINITY.

Messrs. Editors:—As it has been some time since there appeared in your valuable paper a communication from Lynch's, I thought it would not be amiss or uninteresting to your readers to hear of some of the doings in and around this thriving little village.

New Year's day caused several changes among the farmers in this neighborhood. Mr. J. R. Bowers moved to the Gale farm, tenanted last year by Mr. Wm. Brice. Mr. Charles Toulson, who has lately taken to himself a "willing helpmeet," occupies the farm vacated by Mr. B. Mr. J. P. Jones lives where Mr. Thos. J. Willis formerly resided.

Our popular young blacksmith, with his bride of a few months, who lately moved into the new house, were startled the other night by the merry jingle of many bells, intermingled with shrill blasts of the "small boy's" horn, the rattle of the tin pan and the roll of the drum all combined to make up a genuine juvenile serenade by the big boys. All were invited in by Mr. S., and, after chatting awhile, we were all bountifully supplied with refreshments. We wish them lasting happiness.

New blacksmith and wheelwright shops have been erected and will soon be occupied and in operation. Altogether peace and contentment seem to reign here as usual.

We noticed in a former issue of the News a letter from Edesville, which spoke of a proposed boarding-house for the accommodation of, among others, tourists from Lynch's. Now, Joe, while we do not for a moment wish to discourage an enterprise that would be to the advancement of your town, yet we fear your proposed boarding-house would be poorly patronized by the so-called "tourists" from this place, while there is such hospitality but a short distance from your town where "entertainment is of the highest order and the *menu* unexcelled."

The snow fall of Saturday afternoon and night made very fine sleighing Sunday, but the warm rain early Monday morning played sad havoc with the plans of a great many—especially one of the writer's acquaintances—who had to leave his sleigh at a friend's, where he had stayed over night, and ride home horseback, considerably chagrined. ISCOG.

Grand Ball at Rees' Corner.

The select gathering at Rees' Corner on the evening of February 11, given by Messrs. G. W. C. Shuster, James A. Groves, Albert S. Groves and Walter Kendall, was participated in by a number of invited guests, which proved highly enjoyable to all. Dancing commenced at 7.30 P. M. and continued during the evening—the most popular quadrilles and waltzes being chosen for the occasion. The ladies were most attractively costumed, and in the rounds of the waltz formed an angelic and fairy-like spectacle. After enjoying themselves to their heart's content all joined in the march at 11.45 P. M., preceded by Mr. G. W. C. Shuster and Miss Ida Clothier, to the spacious dining-room, which was finely decorated, and the tables fairly groaned beneath the delicacies of the season. After partaking heartily all returned to the ball-room where dancing was again indulged in until an early hour in the morning, when all returned to their homes highly pleased with their evening's enjoyment. Among those present were Misses Ida Clothier, May Kendall, Mamie Clothier, Annie Jewell, —— Maslin, Fannie Jump, Macie Calder, Georgie Kendall, —— Brown, Emma Glenn, Sadie Thomas. Messrs. G. W. C. Shuster, J. A. Vannort, W. Kendall, Harry Kendall, Wm. Groves, Dixey Smyth, Addie Starit, Richard Baker, Walter Hadaway, John Hadaway, Will Thomas, James Groves, Wm. A. Smith, Walter Sutton, John Groves and Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Groves, Mr. and Mrs. James. H. Shuster, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kendall, and many others. GUEST.

The Washington County Jail.

The grand jury of Washington county before being discharged last week visited the county jail, and reported to the court that "the institution is a most revolting place and a burning shame and a disgrace to any civilized community." "Brute-like," says the jury, "the prisoners of Washington county, regardless of sex, color or condition, are thrown promiscuously together in this horrible and demoralizing place, alike deprived of air, light and other necessary elements to health, the cells being nothing more than dungeons, reeking with bad odors and foul air that no amount of scrubbing and washing will obviate. The building is entirely unfit for the purpose for which it is used."

A revolting picture, truly! What can the humane people of that prosperous county be thinking about?

GOING FOR THE OYSTER POLICE.—Some of the citizens of Dorchester county are going for the scalp of the commander of the Julia Hamilton of the Oyster Police. Wm. H. Pritchet, Elias Jones and Wm. Murphey, of Bishop's Head, published a letter in the Cambridge *Era* of last week, in which they say:

"The police boat Julia Hamilton and her officers, George H. Roberts and William Travers, are to us the most disgusting and useless mass of hetrogeneous matter that the dignity of the law ever combined. Under the present oyster law, a great navy of three steamers and nine sailing vessels, manned, armed and equipped at an enormous cost to the State of Maryland, in some places may be doing valuable service, but here we have comparatively no protection. The chief object of our police captain seems to try and make trips from one whiskey shop on Fishing Bay to another on Honga River before the supply of liquor on board is exhausted!

For the last six weeks, as many non-resident dredgers as choose, varying in number up to fifty boats, chiefly from Somerset county, come into Fishing Bay every night when the weather is favorable, dredge as long as they please, and then sail to some harbor to call their oysters next day. Our police boat is generally the first to cast anchor in the evening and the last to weigh anchor in the morning, thus permitting dredging at night.

GREAT EXCITEMENT was created in London on Monday by the riotous conduct of a large number of unemployed workmen. Three thousand of them paraded the streets with banners bearing mottoes of their grievances. Several bands of music accompanied the procession, which marched to the building occupied by the Local Government Board. A committee from the ranks entered the office and demanded relief for the people they represented. They wanted immediate employment on the construction of municipal works, which they said were needed for the public good. The officials of the board repulsed the committee and the crowd became a howling mob. The police attempted to interfere, but were soon overpowered. The paraders then invaded Downing street and stopped in front of the official residence of Mr. Gladstone. They howled and hissed invectives against the government. A Cabinet council was being held at the time and the mob attempted to force their way into the room where the council was sitting. The police at this point received reinforcements and ejected the intruders. The mob then attempted to storm the Admiralty and Home Office, but were driven off and finally dispersed by the police.

EASTERN SHORE DEVELOPMENT.—The Baltimore *Sun* of Monday contains an unusually large installment of interesting correspondence from different points on the Eastern Shore, covering a wide range of topics, and editorially remarks: "Taken as a whole, the correspondence indicates a remarkable degree of healthful activity at various points on the Eastern Shore, for this season of the year, when trade, as well as farming and other industrial occupations, is usually almost at a stand-still. The Eastern Shore, in fact, is now one of the busiest and most wide-awake sections of the country, and its growth within the past decade has been little short of marvelous. Its undeveloped resources, however, are still very great, and the wide-spread attention it is attracting among Northern men desirous of removing to a milder climate and more fruitful soil promises to greatly accelerate its growth in the future, and make it, what its well-informed and public-spirited men have long regarded as being its "manifest destiny," one of the most productive and most thickly populated garden spots of the Atlantic seaboard."

A DRUNKEN MAN'S WILL SET ASIDE.—Israel Buckholder, of Lancaster county, Pa., disinherited some of his children because they notified tavern-keepers not to sell him liquor. He subsequently reformed and made a second will, dividing his estate among his family, but got drunk one day and destroyed this second will, leaving the first one as the only will in existence at the time of his death, which was caused by an accident that resulted from driving fast horses while drunk. The family brought suit against the legatees and showed by the dates of the notices to tavern-keepers and the disinheriting will that at the time of making the latter the deceased was in an unfit mental condition for such a duty. The jury set aside the will, giving Buckholder's family the entire estate.

WILLIAM W. MASSEY, ex-paying teller of the Bank of Commerce, of Baltimore, whose defalcation amounted to about $36,000, was arraigned in the Criminal Court on Monday and plead guilty to an indictment charging him with forging the name of the cashier, John S. Edmunds, last May, to a check for $5,000. He was given five years in the penitentiary.

A CRISFIELD ROMANCE.

A Young Couple Long Separated Reunited and Happy.

Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.

Crisfield has a genuine romance with a pretty girl for heroine. She is the daughter of Capt. Jacob Cullen, a respected citizen of this place. Miss Annie is about twenty years of age. She has a lovely face, and a rounded, graceful figure. She has had a number of admirers ever since she left school. The most devoted gentleman who waited upon her was Mr. Charles W. Souder, of Delaware. Mr. Souder is a jeweler, and is well known in many of the towns on the Eastern Shore, where he has sold goods. In May, 1881, he took Miss Annie out riding, and they were married. When they returned she alighted from the carriage at her father's residence, and he put up at Venable's Hotel. It was thought they would take the steamer next day for Baltimore, but instead of meeting her husband Miss Annie sent him a note saying she did not love him. To the surprise of everybody Mr. Souder went away alone. Then it was reported that Captain Cullen was opposed to the marriage, and that Miss Annie had said she had been forced to marry Mr. Souder against her wish by threats and intimidations. It was even said that Mr. Souder had threatened to kill her and himself too if she refused. When Mr. Souder heard these reports he denied them, and declared she had married him of her own free will. The minister who performed the ceremony said he never saw a happier couple than they appeared to be when standing in front of him. The news of the strange separation of the young couple soon spread over the county, and was published in the Baltimore *Sun*. As the years passed by and the young couple still remained apart from each other, the people began to forget about it, when the circumstances were recalled by efforts on the part of Miss Annie to obtain a divorce. Mr. Thomas S. Hodson was counsel for Miss Annie, and Col. Henry Page for Mr. Souder. Matters stood thus until about two weeks ago, when Mr. Souder came to Crisfield and went to Miss Annie's home and told her that he still loved her, but that if she was disposed to insist on the continuance of the separation he would no longer interpose any obstacle to her wishes. His patience and devotion touched her heart, and she concluded that she did love him after all. A reconciliation was the result. They spent a night at the residence of a friend, and next morning took the early train, as happy as birds in spring time. Capt. Cullen is up the Potomac somewhere dredging for oysters. When he returns and finds out about the second elopement his friends hope he will send the young couple his blessing. Mr. Souder and wife went to Frederick, Del., where Mr. Souder has a pleasant home. Mr. Souder's customers says he is an excellent young man. Miss Annie is said to be worth all the sacrifices Souder has made for her.

A LITTLE GIRL ATTACKED BY HUNGRY DOGS.—Two men, while crossing a lot at Forty-eighth and Market streets, Philadelphia, on Tuesday afternoon, were attracted by the screams of a little girl who was lying on the ground surrounded by a dozen or more mongrel dogs They ran to where the child lay, and after no little trouble drove off the dogs, which were tearing the little one's flesh in the most savage way. Although very badly bitten and almost frightened to death, the child was able to give her name as Mamie Hasson, and to tell the men that she had been followed by three or four dogs while returning from a butcher shop with some meat. The starving animals commenced to jump around her and snap at the meat, at which the child, who is but twelve years of age, became frightened, and as the place where she was first attacked is a considerable distance from any house, she started to run. The dogs were joined by others, and quickly secured the meat, after which they attacked the little girl, and, throwing her down, bit her cruelly about the face, arms and lower limbs, and almost denuded her body of clothing. Several of the wounds are large and dangerous ones, and great care will be necessary to save the child's life.

MR. BAYARD AT ALBANY AGAIN.—Senator Bayard visited Albany Sunday last and spent several hours with President-elect Cleveland. The consultation was entirely private. Col. Lamont, Mr. Cleveland's private secretary, being questioned Sunday evening in regard to the visit of the Delaware statesman, said: "Senator Bayard spent a few hours with Mr. Cleveland today. I can give no further information. There is no doubt that Senator Bayard came here to make know to Mr. Cleveland whether he would accept or refuse a position in the cabinet. What his decision was is kept a secret."

Senator Gorman, of Maryland, Congressman-elect Scott, of Pennsylvania, and Hon. Smith M. Weed also visited Mr. Cleveland Sunday. After leaving the President-elect they proceeded in a sleigh to Mr. Daniel Manning's house. The nature and result of their visit could not be definitely ascertained. The gossips insist that the three gentlemen went to Mr. Manning's residence for the purpose of arguing that gentleman into the belief that it would be well for him to enter the cabinet as Secretary of the Treasury.

A SLEIGHING RACE ON BALTIMORE STREET.—Jarrett Kidd, Charley North and Richard Hentschel, all own fast roadsters. Sunday morning they, with many other owners of speedy horses, met on Baltimore street, and a little brush was the result, to try the speed of their animals to sleighs. Mr. Kidd had Billy Barefoot, North the well-known gelding Joseph, and Mr. Hentschel had a new mare by Almont, which he calls Ida H. Billy Barefoot is a good roadster, but Joseph, while fast on the track, is not good at road racing. The gentlemen had a nice time driving their animals from Green street to the bridge on Baltimore street, the mare getting the best of it, but Sergeant Ryan, of the Central district, saw the contest, and as the gentlemen were going beyond regulation speed he had them before Justice Cashmyer yesterday on a charge of fast driving. They all took their arrests cheerfully, and each paid $2 70 good naturedly.

A FERTILIZER CASE.—The Greensborough *Free Press* says: W. I. Simpson for Stayton & Simpson fertilizer manufacturers, brought suit against Dennard Willis at Bridgetown to recover the cost of one ton of their mixture. It appeared that Mr. Stayton tried to sell Mr. Willis some phosphate but the latter didn't believe in it and wouldn't buy. The manufacturer then urged him to try a ton on corn, assuring him that if the phosphate didn't make enough more on the ground where used than was raised on a piece of equal size without phosphate no charge would be made. Summer drought and other causes conspired against that ton of phosphate and judges say it didn't do a bit of good. Willis refused to pay. Suit brought as stated, and Willis released by non suit.

HORRORS OF A LIVING BURIAL.—A dispatch from Romney, Va., to the New York *Tribune* says: "At Okonoko, east of this place on the Little Capon river, some days ago a Miss Cox became ill. A physician administered a dose of morphine, leaving another to be taken a day later. By mistake it was given in an hour or two. The girl apparently died and was prepared for burial. One woman protested, but was not heeded. The night after the young woman was buried, dogs in the vicinity visited the graveyard and made so much noise that the grave was opened. A sickening spectacle was revealed. The girl had died in the coffin. She had torn her clothes from her body and ripped them to shreds. The flesh hung in strings from her arms. A lip was nearly bitten off, and nearly all the hair was pulled from her head."

A MARYLAND MEMBER.—The Washington correspondent of the St. Louis *Republican* writes: "Mr. McComas is a handsome man. His beauty is classical—even, regular features, a perfect Grecian nose, finely chiseled mouth and chin, complexion clear white, made paler by the black, well-trained moustache and black hair, which is not always paried straight or in the middle. He is tall, graceful, and slender in physique, and dresses in a business suit that has the fit of being made to order. Surely a finer modeled head I never saw."

There will be another handsome man in the House when the member-elect from the first district of Maryland takes his seat.

A FINAL DECISION IN MRS. SHARON'S FAVOR.—In the Sharon divorce suit Judge Sullivan at San Francisco on Monday gave his final decision, awarding Sarah Althea Sharon, the plaintiff $55,000 counsel fees and $2,500 per month alimony, dating from January, 1884. George W. Tyler, chief counsel, gets $20,000, and associate counsel, Terry, Flourney and Levy, $10,000 each, and Clements, advisory counsel, $5,000. From this decision there is no appeal. Sharon is given until March 9 to pay the money. Mrs. Sharon is absent from the city, traveling through the State in company with David S. Terry, one of the counsel, who, rumor says, will soon marry his fair and now wealthy client.

THERE is a "preacher" gyrating over this Peninsula, essaying to instruct people in righteousness, who has been found guilty by the quarterly conference of his church, and that finding approved by his own annual conference, of a crime that ought to send its perpetrator to the penitentiary. Yet we are complacently told that when he meanders into a church and the preacher in charge has too much respect for decency to invite him into his pulpit, that the congregation is disappointed.—*The Appeal, Elkton.*

Who is he? Speak out and let all the people be on their guard.

MR. CHAS. B. BUYAN, the deputy Register of Wills for Queen Anne's county, has patented a device for thinning corn.

COL. ANDREW JACKSON, the grandson of the late President Andrew Jackson, who resides at the "Hermitage," in Tennessee, has brought suit against the widow of the late Hon. Montgomery Blair and her son, Woodbury Blair, to reclaim a large number of very valuable papers now in their possession relating to the public and private life of Gen. Jackson, and praying an injunction against the defendants to prevent them from disposing of or publishing any of the said papers. The representatives of Mr. Blair, however, claim that the papers were given to Francis P. Blair, Sr., by Gen. Jackson, and it is upon this question that the suit just instituted will probably turn.

MRS. DUDLEY was arraigned in New York on Monday for shooting Rossa and held in $3,000 bail for her appearance before the grand jury. The only novel feature of the examination was the absence of the man who had been shot. He stayed away because his attorney did not think it safe for him to appear in public owing to the dynamite excitement. In other words, the result of Rossa's teaching had been to render a public appearance unsafe for the man who advocated dynamite methods. This would indicate that the engineer was being hoisted by his own petard with a vengeance. Perhaps—but no, the leopard does not change his spots nor the fool learn wisdom. Rossa will hide his cowardly head for a little while and then become as blatant as ever.—*Philadelphia Times.*

THE SMYRNA *Record* says:—The much talked of growth of Clayton has now commenced in earnest, a very earnest man taking the lead. Superintendent I. N. Mills, of the Delaware road, has purchased of Mrs. Harris eighteen acres of land and is going to lay them out at once in building lots and is going to place them at such figures that people will buy and build upon them. He says that others who own land there will be obliged to sell also or stand by and see their land unimproved, for he has bought his to sell at a low price; not only this but he is going to build a residence for himself and is going to bring his family there to reside.

BEAUREGARD BUTLER, a son of Mr. Thomas Butler, of Clermont Mills, Harford county, came near losing his life in Deer creek, near "the Rocks," Monday, his horse being drowned and his buggy wrecked. Mr. Butler held on to the buggy, and was carried down the stream thirty or forty yards, landing in a shallow place, from which, nearly exhausted, he was soon afterwards rescued. The only parts of the buggy remaining with the dead horse were the shafts, one wheel and some of the running gear.

THE Postoffice department have, at last, decided the question as to the continuance of the mail by steamboat between Baltimore and Easton, Oxford and Cambridge, and have awarded the contract to the lowest bidder, E. S. Johnson, Esq., who represented the Choptank Steamboat Co. The contract was given for $1470.00 and will take effect from the first of July.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR has put down his foot with some positiveness upon the Postmasters and other Federal officials who thought to extend their own tenure by resigning and being reappointed for full terms of four years. He has refused to accept their resignations, and if these are pressed he will leave the offices vacant, thus permitting the new administration to do its work in its own way.

A LETTER from Middletown, Del., says that two colored men, whose names are not given, visited Jacob Kazier's farm on Friday night to steal chickens. Mr. Kazier fired upon them and wounded one so badly that he died the next day. The other, in his hurry to escape, fell over a fence and broke his neck.

MR. FRANCIS A. DREXEL, the senior of the two brothers at the head of the famous Drexel banking-houses in Philadelphia, New York and Paris, died in the former city last Sunday.

WM. FRIST, of Port Deposit, killed himself on the 12th instant on the track of the Baltimore Central Railroad by throwing himself under a moving train.

MR. SAMUEL SPRY, a highly respected citizen of the 2d district of Queen Anne's county, died on Sunday afternoon, of pneumonia, aged about 58 years.

THE terms at the "Maltby House" are most reasonable and the accommodation unsurpassed. Try it when you visit Baltimore. *

BALTIMORE MARKET.—The Baltimore papers of yesterday quote as follows:

WHEAT—Longberry 95c.@98c.; Fultz 93c.@96c. for fair to good. CORN—White, prime 55@56; yellow, 50@53. OATS—Maryland, 34.

CLOVER SEED.

WE ARE NOW TAKING ORDERS FOR

CHOICE

Western Clover Seed

which we propose to furnish at a very close profit.

TERMS CASH or exchange for Grain.

TURNER BROS.,

Feb. 14, 1885. BETTERTON.

SOAPS

For Toilet Purposes.

Beware of using the Common Soaps in the market! Many Skin Diseases are brought on by using common soap! We have been very careful in making our selections and we believe have the best in town.

COLIN F. STAM,

feb7. DRUGGIST.

$100 REWARD!

OWING to the many depredations lately made upon the Poultry houses in this town and vicinity, a number of citizens have contributed the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, and have authorized the undersigned to pay the above reward in sums of Twenty-five Dollars for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of any person for the stealing of poultry or other things in this town a vicinity.

ALBERT J. DUGAN,

jan24-tf. Deputy Sheriff.

30 DAYS GRACE!

Thirty Days Grace, from this date, will be given all parties who have not settled for Taxes for 1883, and then I shall proceed to collect without fear or favor.

NATH'L VOSHELL,

Feb. 14, 1885—4t. Coll. 5th Dist.

FOR

Man and Beast.

Mustang Liniment is older than most men, and used more and more every year.

CHESTERTOWN

Marble Works!

OWING to my health I am compelled to SELL OUT MY ENTIRE STOCK OF MARBLE regardless of cost.

My stock is very large, comprising all the latest designs that can be found in the city yards, with a full line of Marble Posts of all sizes; galvanized Railing for fencing. All of my work is finely finished and set up by myself.

Persons wanting anything in my line of business will find it to their advantage to call and examine my stock.

Thankful for past patronage, I remain yours, respectfully,

j31-tf. W. REGISTER.

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Full Line of White and Colored Blankets, Horse Blankets and Lap Robes.

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ROAD NOTICE!

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New Public Road,

in the 2d Election District of Kent co., beginning at the east corner of Mrs. Mary A. Wilmer's woods, and running thence over the lands of Mrs. Annie S. Wallis, along the division line between the lands of said Wallis and the said woods, to the new road which leads to Caulktown, and also to straighten that part of the continuation of said road towards school house No. 6, extending from said new road to Caulktown, through the lands of Hannah Gleaves and Mrs. Mary A. Wilmer to John Bryan's land; and also that the old road through said woods be closed when the road petitioned for shall be made and opened for public travel.

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