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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING......MARCH. 14, 1885.

The latest advices state that Gen. Grant's health is somewhat improved.

The degree of M. D. was conferred upon twenty-two graduates of the Women's Medical College of Philadelphia this week.

War between England and Russia is imminent, and may be declared at any moment, if Russians do not retire from the Afghan frontier.

The Philadelphia *Times*, referring to the Pennsylvania assembly, says, "if the people of Illinois want to trade Legislatures let them speak."

Daniel Manning resigned his place as President of the National Commercial Bank of Albany before his nomination to the office of Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. Daniel M. Henry, ex-member of Congress from this Congressional District, and a prominent lawyer of Cambridge bar, has failed. The assignment includes the entire property of Mr. Henry, both real and personal.

The Rev. Dr. Burchard, of "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" notoriety has been retired by his congregation as pastor emeritus on a salary of $500 a year, to make room for a younger and more energetic pastor.

Gen. George B. McClellan has accepted an invitation to deliver an address on Decoration Day, May 30, at Antietam National Cemetery, Sharpsburg, Washington county, Md. He was the commander of the Federal troops in that memorable battle.

Gen. E. C. Walthall, of Grenada, Miss., has been appointed United States Senator by the Governor of Mississippi to fill the unexpired term of ex-Senator Lamar, and has arrived at Washington. He states that the people of his State are delighted with the Cabinet.

It looks as if the Democrats who are least importunate in pressing themselves for office, might come out best in the end. There is an impression in Washington that it would be well for the office to do a little seeking of the man, instead of the man doing all the seeking of the office.

Hon. Chas. B. Lore, member of Congress from Delaware, was robbed in the railroad station at Washington last week of $410. He got into a crowd and was badly jammed. When he had extricated himself he found both his coats unbuttoned and the inside pocket emptied of its contents, including money and various papers.

Col. Wm. F. Vilas, the new Postmaster-General, is warmly indorsed by the Madison (Wis.) *State Journal*, republican, published at his home. It pronounces him a "strong man, mentally and physically, an able lawyer, an eloquent and powerful speaker, a first-class business man, a radical democrat, and a high-toned gentleman," and says he enters the cabinet with a bright prospect for future usefulness to his party and his country.

The resignation of Senator Thomas F. Bayard was read in the Delaware Legislature Monday afternoon. The House adopted a joint resolution for a committee to prepare resolutions expressing appreciation of his public service and regret at his retirement from the Senate. It is said that Attorney-General George Gray, ex-Congressman Martin, Congressman Charles B. Lore and Judge Wooten will make a contest for the vacant seat. The balloting for senator commences next Tuesday.

The railway strike on Gould's Texas Pacific and branch lines has assumed enormous proportions. The freight blockade is complete and when the freight happens to be of a perishable nature a serious loss must result to somebody. The passenger and mail coaches are allowed to go over the Missouri Pacific Line and there seems to be a general disposition on the part of the strikers to keep within the pale of the law. There is little doubt that public sympathy is with the strikers, who are resisting a 10 per cent. reduction of their wages at the season of the year when business should be reviving and the profits of the road fair.

A new strike among the coal miners in the Pittsburg district was inaugurated on Monday in which it is claimed two thousand men are engaged. The confusing manner in which differences are submitted to arbitration, the awards agreed to and afterwards repudiated by one or the other of the parties to the dispute, is enough to make the ordinary spectator dizzy. Between strikes, lock-outs and low water one wonders that any bituminous coal is mined at all. The new strike is said to be for a three-cent rate, the miners having been at work of late for two and a half cents per bushel.

Gen. John C. Black, of Danville, Ill., the new commissioner of pensions, who has been appointed by President Cleveland to that position without solicitation, entered the United States service as a colonel of the 37th Illinois volunteer infantry. This regiment was organized at Chicago, Ill., September 18, 1861, to serve three years. On the expiration of its term of service the original members (except veterans) were mustered out, and the organization, composed of veterans and recruits, retained in service until May 15, 1866, when it was mustered out, in accordance with orders from the War Department. Mr. Black was promoted to brevet brigadier-general March 13, 1865. He resigned August 16, 1865, was wounded in both arms, and now draws a pension (by special act of Congress) of one hundred dollars per month.

Soft-Handed Farmers.—The Deer Creek, Harford county, Farmers' Club at their meeting last week talked over the State convention of farmers recently in session in Baltimore. One of the talkers was a Mr. Moore, who said it was gratifying to be at the State convention and see the interest that lawyers, judges, ex-Governors and orators took in farming. They were the finest lot of talkers he ever heard. He had noticed, too, how soft and white their hands were. There was not a plowman on his farm who could compare with them in this respect. Mr. William Webster said he was pleased to see that the non-talking farmers who attended knew what they wanted, however and always voted right. Deer Creek did not catch on with any extraordinary enthusiasm to the State convention. They seem to have apprehended that there were chestnuts somewhere in the fire.

The President's Secretary.

Col. Daniel S. Lamont, the trusted friend and private secretary of President Cleveland, is a native of Cortland county, N. Y., and is in his 35th year. He received a collegiate education, and having developed a passion for politics was appointed a clerk in the State Legislature through Gov. Hoffman's influence. He there attracted the attention of Hon. Samuel J. Tilden, then a member of the Legislature who had him transferred to the democratic State committee, and in 1874 he became one of the valuable attaches of that body. Under Mr. Tilden's tutelage Mr. Lamont learned political skill and wisdom, and for four years he held the position of secretary of the State democratic committee. In 1876 he became managing editor of the Albany *Argus*, and was a potent factor in the nomination and election of Cleveland as Governor. When the new Governor was installed he selected Col. Lamont as his private secretary. Gov. Cleveland found him to be the very man he needed. His private secretary was thoroughly versed in the history of current politics and of public men. He has been a most valuable aid to his chief, who leans, in his enlarged sphere of duties, more than ever upon his private secretary.

First Meeting of the New Cabinet.

The new Cabinet held its first meeting on Tuesday. President Cleveland took the head of the table, the Secretaries of State, War and Postmaster General on his right; the Secretaries of the Treasury, Navy and Attorney General on his left, and the Secretary of the Interior at the foot of the table.

There was a general expression of opinion on subjects relating to the various departments. Each member stated the condition of affairs in his department, and made such suggestions as he deemed necessary to facilitate the transaction of public business. Without committing himself as to what actually occurred, a member of the cabinet remarked that the time consumed at the first meeting was spent profitably and in the interest of good government.

It is understood that the session was devoted almost entirely to the consideration of federal appointments. It is asserted on good authority that each member of the cabinet submitted a list of appointments in his department, held to be essential to the administration of public business under the present regime. The lists, it is understood, included only such offices in which a change was desirable at once, in order that the new Secretaries might discharge the duties of their offices without the least friction or embarrassment. The President was in remarkably good temper, and said that after his experience at the cabinet council just ended he felt more than ever gratified with his selection of cabinet advisers.

Wilmington is to have a government building to cost $150,000.

A bill is before the Delaware legislature which if passed would drive all "patent medicines" out of the State. It would be a bonanza for the doctors.

Hon. Charles H. Gibson, congressman from the first district of Maryland, has appointed Charles Percy Hammond, son of Hon. Ormond Hammond, of Talbot county, to the vacant naval cadetship.

The expenses of the inauguration ball foot up $45,000, and one piece in the pyrotechnic display is said to have cost $13,000! This is a little stretch of "republican simplicity" surely. However, the public purse was not taxed — the people paid the fiddler!

The temperance cause in its political bearings was discussed in an animated way at last Tuesday's session of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church. Several of the members declared that the attempt to make the question a political one in the last campaign had thrown the cause back many years.

A Warning.—A youth named John H. Ritter was arrested in Baltimore last Saturday on the charge of sending an improper postal card to Miss Stella Winters. The postal was intercepted in the mails. The boy if guilty certainly deserves punishment for his folly, but what of the P. M. who gratified his curiosity by reading a private postal?

He had $2,000 to Start With.—Frank Rowe, a young man of 22, connected with the best families of Emmittsburg, Md., had $2,000 bequeathed to him which he hastened to spend. He is now convicted of stealing money from his cousin and will spend the next three years in the house of correction. He narrowly escaped the penitentiary.

What a Lie!—Some of our republican contemporaries are inclined to jealousy over Senator Bayard's prominence. One of them in a recent editorial says: "There are 40,000 democrats in Delaware, and on the files of the State Department there are 40,000 applications for consulate positions." The Delaware patriots are numerous no doubt, but this estimate certainly stretches a little. Possibly a few of the republicans of the "Little Diamond" are "on file" also.

"Undertakers generally agree that in the pursuit of their calling they frequently bury people who are not dead." This language is a literal quotation from a reputable daily of our chief city. Can the statement be true? Is it possible that undertakers do bury people before they are dead? Now and then we read of some such case having occurred, as of that recently going the rounds of the press, but they are nine times in ten—like the one referred to—pure fiction. We doubt whether any undertaker will seriously say that he believes he has ever buried a body before death has perfected its work. It is a horrible thought to contemplate that such a thing is possible and a declaration like the above would be calculated to disturb us all if it were true. But it is far from the truth we think.

The Mahone Postmasters.

A Virginia delegation waited on Postmaster General Vilas on Wednesday to see him about the policy of the administration towards the Mahone Postmasters. Eppa Hunton showed what a corrupt set of men Mahone had foisted upon the people of Virginia and declared that every Mahone Postmaster should be removed immediately. Mr. Vilas listened very patiently and was much interested in the statements of Mr. Hunton and others. When they were made he turned to Mr. Hunton and inquired whether it would not have the same moral effect upon the State if, as fast as the commissions of these Postmasters expired, they were simply dropped and Democrats appointed in their places.

The Virginians were not pleased at this and replied that "they ought to go now, at once."

The Cabinet.

The leading papers of the country, with rare exceptions, speak of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet in terms of highest praise. The Baltimore *Sun* says: The gentlemen selected by President Cleveland to aid him with their counsels in the conduct of the government will compare favorably in point of character and ascertained ability with the membership of any previous cabinet from the inception of the republic to the present time. They constitute, indeed, a body of advisers of exceptional strength, each being well fitted by his individual experience for the duties to which he is assigned, and all possessing the qualities that entitle them to a place in hard-working reform administration.

Reduction of Clerical Force.

One-half of the clerical force of the White House have been notified that after the 15th instant their services will be dispensed with. It has been concluded by Private Secretary Lamont, with the approval of the President, that the work of the executive office can be simplified and more efficiently performed with the reduced number. This indication of retrenchment in the White House will be apt to cause consternation among the army of superfluous employes in the departments.

Old Bonds Pan Out a Bonanza.

Recently an old man from a New England State went into the Treasury Department in Washington and said that about 20 years ago he found some old bonds among the papers of an uncle, a man of national reputation for ability and wealth from 1820 to 1836, whose name he bore and whose estate he inherited many years ago. They seemed to be United States bonds, he said, but he could not find a banker who knew anything of them or their value, and as he was coming to Washington he thought he would bring them along and see if they really had any value. They were indeed curiosities, old and yellow as they were from age, for they were part of "the old debt," and ceased to bear interest in 1836. The amount of the principal was $50,000, and there was ten years interest due on them. He said he would gladly have taken $5,000 for them, and that he had once offered them to a Massachusetts bank for that, but his offer was contemptuously declined. The old man walked out of the Treasury with a check in his pocket on the New York Sub-Treasury for $70,000.

Mr. Thomas C. Bruff, of Baltimore county, has been appointed a member of the State Board of Education.

Bishop Linus Parker, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, died on Thursday at New Orleans, aged 56 years.

Federal Offices in Maryland.

Who will be appointed to fill the Federal offices in Maryland under the new democratic administration will soon be a lively question in Maryland politics. Collector of the port of Baltimore, deputy collector and naval officer, postmaster at Baltimore, United States district attorney and United States marshal are the most important offices to be filled. In the first named place, Col. Edward Lloyd, of Talbot, Hon. Thomas J. Keating, of Queen Anne's, Dr. Geo. W. Bishop, of Worcester, Hon. Wm. Pinkney Whyte and I. Freeman Rasin, of Baltimore, have been mentioned. It is not known that any of these named will stand in the attitude of applicants for the place. Gen. J. W. Horn, the warden of the city jail, is a strong applicant for the Baltimore postoffice, and Col. Henry S. Taylor, formerly city collector, is another. There are others, and it is said that Senator Gorman's influence will most likely be used for one of the others. Mr. John H. Handy is a candidate for United States district attorney, but as there are a dozen other able Maryland lawyers willing to put their feet in Mr. Stirling's brogans, Mr. Handy will surely not have a walk over. Hon. F. S. Hoblitzell wants to be commissioner of patents, so the papers say, but he has opposition in the person of Hon. Robert B. Vance, of North Carolina, who also wants the place. Hon. J. F. C. Talbott is down on some slates for an assistant postmaster generalcy. It is evidently the purpose of the President and his cabinet to move slowly in the matter of making appointments, and those who are anxious to get into the public service or to put their friends there must possess their souls in patience for awhile.

Pool Selling Not Gambling.

The Court of Appeals has decided that pool selling on horse races is not gambling. The court must be right of course, but some people will yet be simple minded enough to believe that such "institutions" are nothing more nor less than gambling concerns. If betting on a horse race is not a "game of chance," then it must be twin sister thereto, and the distinction is without a difference. A gaming table may be kept and no gambling allowed; it is not the table that makes the gambling, but the money risked upon the game when that table is so used. So horses may trot or run and no money be lost upon the race. It is when the money is staked that the transaction becomes a pernicious game of chance. We say again the decision may be legally correct, but it is certainly not in the interest of morality. The horse racing pool rooms of Coney Island and Long Branch—two places widely divergent in their class of patrons—are all alike vicious and demoralizing in their practices and tendencies, and Baltimore city will not be likely to maintain a higher type of the institution.

Fatal Railroad Accident at Easton.

Mr. James T. Earle was killed and Mr. Thos. H. Trippe very seriously injured by a train running over them while driving over a railroad crossing in Easton, Md., on Wednesday. The horse was instantly killed and the carriage broken into small fragments. They were both young men and salesmen in the store of Shannahan and Wrightson. Mr. Earle was in his 19th year, and the son of Dr. John C. Earle, of Easton. The *Ledger* says he was one of the best and most promising youths in Easton, a great favorite with all who knew him, and a perfectly upright and religious boy. A jury of inquest exonorated the railroad company from all blame.

Mr. Eugene Higgins Gets an Office.

Secretary Manning has selected Mr. Eugene Higgins, of Baltimore, to be chief of the appointment division, Treasury Department. The appointment clerk has an important position. All the applications for place are sent to his bureau for record, and he must keep himself advised of the action of the Treasury Department concerning them. No patronage is attached to the office, but under republican administrations it always had a large political value attached to it. The Baltimore *Sun* says that "the appointment caused a stir among the local politicians of that city which had almost the proportions of a sensation," and adds:

"For some time all sorts of stories have been printed or privately circulated to the effect that the senior Maryland Senator would not have much influence with the administration. The early appointment of Mr. Higgins had the effect of opening the eyes of many of the local politicians to the fact that there must have been some erroneous impressions abroad. It is conceded that Mr. Higgins, while he is a practical politician, is a competent and experienced clerk. He has for years been a warm supporter of the senior Senator, and thoroughly identified with that wing of the party."

The Wilmington Conference.

The 17th annual session of the Wilmington Conference of the Meth. Episcopal Church met at Snow Hill, on Thursday, Bishop Merrill presiding. Territorially, the conference comprises the State of Delaware, and the Eastern Shores of Maryland and Virginia.

There will be numerous changes in the appointments this year, it is said. The maximum term of continuous service on one charge is three years. Hence all three-years preachers — 23 in number—will be changed, and there are always more or less changes amongst those who have not served three years. 45 are serving the second year and 57 the first year.

The presiding elders are appointed by the presiding Bishop and hold office four years. These are at present Charles Hill, Wilmington district, 2d year; J. H. Caldwell, Easton district, 1st year; A. W. Milby, Dover district, 2d year; J. A. B. Wilson, Salisbury district, 2d year. There will therefore be no changes of presiding elders at this session.

Maryland Postoffices.—The commission of Postmaster Adreon, of Baltimore, expires on the 5th of May, next. Up to the present time no applications for that office have been received at the Postoffice Department. There are 535 postoffices in the State of Maryland. The salaries range from $4,000 down to $5 a year. Up to date about 200 applications for appointment have been received from various sections of the State.

HAND TO HAND WITH A LIONESS.

A Keeper's Terrible Struggle in a Cage in the Paris Circus.

The great lioness in the Winter Circus at Paris, attacked Edward Williams, lion tamer, while he was putting her through her regular performance in the cage Sunday night. The scene at once threw the vast audience into horror, and for a while the people were spellbound. Williams made a most desperate struggle, and the fight between him and the enraged beast lasted for some minutes, during which he was terribly lacerated, the lioness bounding about the cage howling with rage.

The circus attendants who ran to Williams' assistance with iron bars and prongs, while they finally succeeded in saving his life, goaded the lioness to such ferocity that her actions threw the spectators into a panic and they rushed pell mell from the place, the men crushing the women and children down and in many cases passing over them. During all this excitement the lion-tamer preserved his self-control and gradually neared the gate of the cage, his person torn and mangled and bleeding from innumerable wounds. At a favorable moment the door was opened and Williams slipped out and sprung it behind him. The moment he touched the ground he sank down from exhaustion into a prolonged swoon. He had to be removed to a hospital, where his injuries were pronounced very serious.

President Cleveland has taken a new departure in the matter of accepting favors from Washington theatres. He will see the plays when he is so disposed or can find time, but he will pay for his own boxes with his own money, without obligations to anybody. This is a most commendable proceeding. For the last twenty years the Presidents of the United States have manifested a swift willingness to take whatever they could get without money and without price. It may somewhat shock the persons who have been accustomed to give out these privileges with a live sense of favors to come, but the position of a President resolved to pay his own way will find general popular indorsement.—*Phila. Times.*

Cut His Eye Out.— Mr. Samuel T. Bird, living with Mr. Geo. H. Snitcher in Queen Anne's county near Chester river bridge, met with a painful accident one day last week. He was yoking a pair of oxen when one of the animals suddenly threw his head around and his sharp horn gored Mr. Bird in the left eye, rupturing the ball and throwing out the vitreous humor, thereby destroying its sight. Dr. Catlin was called in and dressed the wound. Mr. Bird not only loses his eye but suffers greatly from pain caused by the wound.

Eddie Bird, a twelve-year-old son of the above mentioned gentleman, came to town last Wednesday with his father. While standing over the heater warming himself in Stam's drug store he suddenly fell to the floor at full length. Drs. Whaland and Catlin happened to be present and prescribed restoratives. The sudden warmth after his cold ride caused him to faint. He was evidently in ill-health.

Painful Accident.— Mr. Vachel Burgess, a successful farmer residing near Edesville, met with a severe accident one day last week while preparing some fence posts for use. He had made a novel instrument of iron with which to hold the posts in position, which fell unnoticed from the bench and two of its prongs entered through the boot, passed on through the big toe and the one next to it, making severe wounds. He is now doing well and hopes soon to be out.

The Enterprise Sale.—The property of the Enterprise Steamboat Co. was offered for sale last Tuesday at the company's wharf. There was a good attendance of persons, including all but one of the stockholders of the company, but very little disposition was manifested to invest in this kind of stock. After some dull bidding the whole property was knocked off at $15,000 to Mr. J. F. Black, of West Chester, Pa., the only stockholder not present. It is not as yet known what will be the outcome of the sale. The sum stated is certainly very low for so valuable a property. The amount invested by the company in this line was about $33,000, and the indebtedness at the time of the sale was estimated at about $16,000. Mr. Black formerly owned the "Round Top" property on Chester river.

The Wheat.—The wheat prospect in Kent at this time is the worst known in the recollection of any with whom we have conversed. Many fields look as bare as a desert waste, and others show a very scant growth. The spring sunshine and rain will of course make a very different showing soon, but it will be something wonderful if anything near an average crop of wheat is harvested this year. Judging from observation in a ride through a good portion of Queen Anne's county this week our neighbors are equally as unfortunate in their wheat prospects. The peach crop in both counties is thought to be safe as yet.

The Baltimore *Herald* prints reports from all sections of Maryland of the condition of the growing wheat. According to these reports the roots of the grain are everywhere injured by the severe weather and the succession of alternate freezing and melting. It does not appear possible at this time that the crop will reach 50 per cent. of the average. Farmers are generally discouraged at the outlook, and many are seriously discussing the question of abandoning wheat culture for cattle raising.

Trips Resumed.—The steamer Emma A. Ford has been making regular trips this week. She was considerably delayed in Queenstown creek by the ice on one or two trips.

The steamer Pilot Boy will resume her trips to Tolchester, now that the ice is gone, every Wednesday and Saturday. By this route it gives over three hours in the city for shopping.

The steamer Trumpeter of the Sassafras river line resumed her trips last Tuesday.

Merchant Tailoring.— Messrs. Downes and Jennings, whose card appears elsewhere, have formed a copartnership to carry on merchant tailoring, at 33 Hanover street, Baltimore. Mr. Jennings has a reputation as one among the best cutters in Baltimore. Mr. Downes is well known in Kent and Queen Anne's counties. Call and see them.

Death of T. S. Arthur—A Personal Reminiscence.

T. S. Arthur, the well-known writer and publisher, died at his residence in Philadelphia on the 6th instant from kidney trouble, aged 76 years. Mr. Arthur wrote many popular tales illustrative of domestic life and designed to promote morality. Among his works may be mentioned "Lights and Shadows of Real Life," "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," "Tales for Rich and Poor," "Library for the Household," "Three Years in a Man-trap," "The Good Time Coming," and kindred works.

In the spring of 1861, soon after the war broke out and travel was interrupted between Baltimore and Philadelphia, Mr. Arthur stopped in Chestertown on his way home from the former city by the peninsula route and spent several hours in the News office. He made a lasting impression upon us by his personal appearance and charming conversational powers. He did much good in his day and generation and "his works will live after him."

New York Fruit Growers Dismayed.—Dispatches from the interior of New York state that the reports from the fruit-growing districts of the State confirm the previous accounts of the failure of the peach crop, and, it may be, of one or two other varieties of small fruits. Peach-growers say they have examined the orchards thoroughly and hardly a live bud is to be found. They have been living in hopes since January that the damage by severe cold weather following a wet, moist spell might not be as bad as they had reported, but now they say their worst fears will be realized. Hudson river peach-growers usually examine their orchards March 1, and all accounts received state that the failure is the worst on record. This will kill the peach business for years to come, and the prospective loss for the season of 1885 alone amounts to thousands of dollars. Grape growers say that in a number of localities the vines have been nipped; the temperature in January having been the lowest in 25 years. Raspberries and strawberries are said to be injured to some extent.

Prof. M. A. Newell, principal of the State Normal School, was married on the 4th inst. to Mrs. C. D. Murphy, at the residence of Col. R. E. Withers, Wytheville, Va.

Senator E. K. Wilson is still quite unwell at his home in Snow Hill and unable to attend the extra session of the Senate. He has retained as his private secretary Ed. D. Martin, of Berlin.

For Spring Crops.—T. W. Eliason, Jr., offers his popular fertilizers to the farmers for spring crops. See advertisement.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, March 10.—Present Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Joseph R. Usilton, guardian to Peter Taylor, filed his release from said ward.

Jas. S. Harris, guardian to Thomas B. Crew, filed his release from said ward.

The auditor's report of the sale of the real estate of Samuel and John Maslin was ratified and confirmed.

Mary E. Scotten, adm'x of James E. Scotten, filed the inventory of the personal estate of dec'd.

C. H. Price, of Still Pond, killed 175 young Duchess pear trees last year by applying pig pen manure around them. This should be a warning to growers.—*Cor. Transcript.*

A Fatal Amputation.—The Pocomoke City, (Md.) *Record and Gazette* says: "A girl baby was born to a colored woman named Boston on last Tuesday. The child was born with six fingers on each hand. These extra little appendages did not seem to please the parents of the child, and on Wednesday they performed a surgical operation on the youthful patient, who died from its effects Thursday. With the aid of an old colored man one of the fingers on each hand was removed. As we were informed, the old man said he 'could do it just as well as the doctor.'"

The Revival at the M. E. Church in this town is still continued with most gratifying results. Mrs. Smith returned on Monday and with her came Miss Stewart, also of Philadelphia, and both have rendered valuable assistance during the week. Miss Stewart spoke Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and her discourses were earnest and effective. There was an all-day meeting on Wednesday. The church has been uncomfortably crowded every evening by the multitudes of people that flock to the services, and during the day interesting exercises are held. There have been about two hundred conversions, and the altar is yet nightly crowded with penitents. Miss Stewart returned home on Thursday, and the stay of the other two ladies will be governed by the interest which may continue to be manifested in the meeting. Rev. C. H. Baker left for Conference on Tuesday morning, since which time Dr. J. A Perkins has been in charge.

Death of an Aged and Estimable Lady.—Mrs. Eliza Baker, widow of Thomas Baker, whose death is noticed elsewhere, was born in Delaware, Aug. 29, 1800. Her maiden name was Smith. When quite young she removed with her parents to this county where she has since resided. For many years prior to 1860 she kept a millinery store in the house now occupied by C. M. Lucas. In March 1860 she was married to Thomas Baker, whom she survived a little more than four years. In early life she became converted and united with the M. E. Church, to which she has given liberally of her means. She had been very feeble for several weeks past, but was able to sit up until a day or two before her death. She was conscious to the last and died peacefully.

Anniversary.—The anniversary of the Juvenile Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Protestant Church, Chestertown, will be held next Tuesday evening. Rev. Wm. S. Hammond, of Baltimore, will be present and deliver an address. Other addresses will be delivered and the classes will report their contributions for the past month and the year.

A Bar-room Found.—In the rear of a stable on Front street recently a box was found which evidently had served the purpose of a traveling bar-room in this local option region. It was well supplied with bottles, &c., and was furnished with a strong lock. It had been broken open and the "dynamite" was all gone. The finder requests the owner to come forward and get his bar-room.

Personal.—J. A. Pearce and C. T. Westcott, Esqs., were in Centreville yesterday engaged in the taking of testimony in the Catlin case.

Mr. Wm. Conyer, one of our oldest and most respected citizens, has been extremely ill for a week past, and his condition at this writing is very critical.

Capt. R. S. Emory's new wharf on Chester river is a great improvement to his home farm. It is both neat and substantial. It will prove a great convenience in the shipment of farm produce and fish. Capt. Emory is probably the largest shipper of fresh fish on the river. We noticed about twenty boxes received by the Ford at his wharf one morning this week. The business no doubt pays him handsomely.

Conference Delegates.—Mr. David Jones has been elected delegate and Mr. S. A. J. Wickes alternate to represent Chesapeake circuit, and Mr. John P. Nicholson delegate and Mr. John Gale alternate to represent St. James' in the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church, which meets at Alexandria, Va., April 1.

Corn Thinner.— We noticed last week the patent Corn Thinner of Mr. Bryan, in Centreville. In another column he advertises for sale the right for Kent county. We have seen the article and it is certainly a valuable invention.

Vendues Next Week. — Wednesday, 18th, A. R. Parks, executor of Wm. A. Parks, near Stanley postoffice.

Thursday, 19th, Archibald Ramage, adm'r of James Ramage, near Fairlee.

The 20x30 foot building moving slowly up High street this week, was purchased by Mr. W. T. Smith, and by the aid of Mr. Sparks' man and mule power changed its location from Front street to near the railroad depot.

Seed Corn.—Jos. P. Ireland, Esq., Galena, offers for sale Peter Henderson's "Golden Beauty" seed corn, which is said to have produced 100 bushels per acre under ordinary culture.

Spring Crops and Fruit Trees.— Mr. John W. Hines advertises in another column his well known fertilizer for spring crops and fruit trees.

MARRIED.

In Chestertown, March 11, 1885, by Rev. W. M. Strayer, GEORGE W. HANCE and SADIE WINCHESTER.

DIED.

At the residence of Chas. H. Baker, Esq., in Chestertown, Thursday, March 12, 1885, Mrs. ELIZA BAKER, consort of Thomas Baker, in the 85th year of her age.

In Philadelphia, on the 4th instant, MARY JANE, daughter of Samuel W. and Catharine Whitehill, aged 26 years.

All is dark within our dwelling,
Lonely are our hearts today,
For the one we loved so dearly
Has forever passed away.—S. V. W.

Her faith and trust was in the Lord,
Only gone to her reward.—J. T. F.

Near Grey's Inn, March 1, after a brief illness, RICHARD C., beloved son of John and Ellenora Collyer, aged 14 years, 10 months and 10 days.

Can it be that our boy is gone?
His merry voice is hushed;
Help us to bear the burden Lord;
Our hearts with sorrow crushed.

Brother, thy life is ended, —PARENTS.
All its hopes and joys are o'er;
Every earthly tie is ended,
Playmate, schoolmate, friend no more. —BROTHERS.

Farewell my friend and schoolmate dear,
Your days on earth are past;
You're free from all earth's toil and care,
You're sheltered from its blasts.—F. S.

At Rock Hall, March 6, OSCAR COOPER, youngest son of A. B. and Mary L. Frazier, aged 1 year, 8 months and 2 days.
[Delawarean and Baltimore Sun please copy.]

Those sparkling eyes once clear and bright
No more our heart shall cheer,
But in a glorious world of light
They will in bliss appear.

Ere sin could blight or sorrow fade,
Death came with friendly care,
The opening bud to heaven conveyed,
And bade it blossom there.—PARENTS.

Weep not for little Oscar,
His gentle spirit's gone
Up to his home in heaven,
His bright and happy home.
It is the sweetest bud that's missing
From our beautiful bouquet;
We his little lips were kissing
When our darling fled away.—GRANDMA.

WANTED—THREE GOOD FARM HANDS, one of them as a working manager. A good, comfortable house for their use. Apply to ABEL J. REES, fe21-4t. near Edesville, Kent co., Md.

TUBS, Wash Boards, Butter Prints, Clothes Wringers, ½, ¼ peck and ½ bus. Measures, Buckets, Churns, Well Buckets Cord Sieves, Flour Sieves, Wood Spiggots and a large assortment of Wooden ware, for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

TINWARE! TINWARE! A large assortment of our own manufacture and selling cheap.—Stoves of the best makes sold as cheap as the cheapest. J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

PLOWS! PLOWS!— The ROLAND Chilled Plows and Repairs, for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

ROOFING and SPOUTING done at short notice and on reasonable terms mh14 by J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

FARM BELLS!—all sizes, for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

BUY A GOOD PUMP from J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

RT. REV. BISHOP BECKER, D. D., of Wilmington, will make a visitation to St. Denis', Galena, to-morrow. He will preach in the morning at 10.30 and at 3.40 P. M. will deliver a lecture on the "life and times of St. Patrick."

LOST on High street in Chestertown, on Tuesday night last, between the Voshell House and Kent street, a Lady's GOLD WATCH CHAIN AND CHARM. The finder will be liberally rewarded on returning the same to the loser in Chestertown.
mh14-3t. MAGGIE E. HODGKIN.

CAUTION.— All persons are cautioned against negotiating a Note drawn on the Kent National Bank for $550.00 to the order of the undersigned and endorsed by Geo. T. Williams and Elias Walraven. Said note, with other papers, was lost in Chestertown on the 5th instant. ISAAC PARSONS.
March 14, 1885—3t*

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby cautioned not to set any fykes, weirs, or seines on the shores of my property known as "Drayton," or to gun or hunt on the same, as the law will be strictly enforced.
EDWIN P. JANVIER.
Still Pond, March 7, 1885—tf.

BALL!— There will be a GRAND HOP at the new Hall in PINEY NECK MONDAY EVENING, March 23d, 1885, if fair, if not the next fair evening. Tickets are out for the occasion and can be purchased at Messrs. Strong & Maslin's, Piney Neck; J. F. Leary's, Rock Hall; Maslin & Bro., Grey's Inn wharf. Tickets admit gent and lady. mh7-3t.

NOTICE! NOTICE!

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO J. K. ALDRIDGE will please settle either by cash or note as my accounts MUST BE CLOSED TO JANUARY 1st, 1885.
J. K. ALDRIDGE.
Chestertown, March 14, 1885—4t.

WHITE MOUNTAIN, JR.
I will stand my Horse at my farm at Worton Station this season. Terms—$10 to insure or $5 for the season; $2.50 in advance. Persons parting with mares will be held responsible for the insurance.
March 14—3t* P. H. GEARS.

RAG CARPET
Woven to order at 25c. a yard.
JOHN BARTLEY,
mh14-tf. Chestertown, Md.

No More Stooping to Thin Corn!

"BRYAN'S PATENT CORN THINNING CANE."
The right for Kent county for sale. Terms reasonable. For terms address
J. C. SLAUGHTER, Chestertown,
or CHAS. B. BRYAN, Centreville, Md.
March 14—2t.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of The Chestertown Straw Board and Manufacturing Company of Kent County will meet at the office of Thos. W. Eliason on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of April, 1885, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of considering a change of amount of the capital stock of the company.
By order of the Board of Directors.
WILBUR ELIASON, President.
fe28-5t.

SEEDS! RELIABLE SEEDS!
All varieties of Clover and Grass Seed, Extra Early and Choice Late and Marrow Peas, Best varieties of Field and Sugar Corn, all at low prices; a full assortment of Garden Seeds, tested and true to name. Seeds in packet sent free by mail at catalogue prices. Send for catalogue. C. B. ROGERS, Seedsman,
fe28-3t. 141 Market st., Philad'a.

JOS. L. DOWNES. W. R. JENNINGS.
DOWNES & JENNINGS,
Merchant Tailors,
33 Hanover Street,
BALTIMORE.
mh14-3½m.

GARDEN SEED!
Fine—Large—Stock
THE VERY BEST and most Reliable Seed in the market.
PRICES LOW.
STAM'S
mh14. Drug Store.

Hardware! Hardware!
HINGES, LOCKS, BOLTS, KNOBS, Screws, Latches, Hooks and Staples, Hammers, Saws, Planes, Chisels, Hatchets, Broad Axes, Augers, Braces and Bits, Files, Tacks, Mallets, Hinge Nails, and every kind of Hardware kept in a first class Hardware store.
J. K. ALDRIDGE & CO.

Farmers' Hardware!
Forks, Shovels, Hoes, Spades, Rakes, Trace Chains, Hames, Traces, Backbands Plow Lines, Grindstones, Vises, Hedge Shears, Bush Hooks, Pruning Shears, W. Wash Brushes, Horse Brushes, Curry Combs, &c., &c. The largest and best assortment and at moderate prices.
mh14. J. K. ALDRIDGE & CO.

For Sale or Exchange.
I have at HALL'S STABLES, Chestertown, Md., a lot of Superior YOUNG WESTERN MARES, which I will sell cheap. C. H. DAVIS.
March 7, 1885—4t.

HORSES!
Mules! Mules!
The undersigned have for sale at their Stables in Middletown, Del., a very fine lot of MULES, from 3 to 6 years old; broken and unbroken. Also, some fine young MARES for the farm and drivers. Old Horses and Mules taken in trade.
Persons wishing young stock will please give us a call. All stock guaranteed as represented. Stables cor. Main and Cass streets, Middletown, Del.
ECHENHOFER & LONG.
March 7—4t.

REMNANTS!
We have recently gone through our entire stock of goods and we find a great many REMNANTS of PANT GOODS, FLANNELS, CALICO, SILKS, GINGHAMS, MUSLINS, and almost everything in our line of business, and a great quantity of SHOES, all of which we will sell far below their value in order to close them out. They are certainly BIG BARGAINS. Come and see them.
March 7—4t. J. B. BURCHINAL.

THE NORRIS Chilled PLOWS with Reversible self-sharpening Share and Repairs, by J. K. ALDRIDGE & Co.

Seed Corn!

Peter Henderson's "GOLDEN BEAUTY"

LAST MAY I bought of Henderson at a cost of over $5 per bushel, some of this Seed Corn; raised a fine crop and now offer Seed at $2.50 per bushel.

Last season Henderson offered this corn for the first time, and says "it is one of the most beautiful varieties of field corn ever cultivated—ears perfect, with 10 to 16 rows, full to the end of bright golden grain, largest size, not hard and flinty nor shriveled; vigorous grower, stalks 8 to 18 feet bearing one and two ears; matures early and unsurpassed in size, appearance and productiveness. Has produced 100 bus. shelled corn per acre under ordinary culture." Mr. Henderson now asks $2.50 per bus.
JOS. P. IRELAND,
mh14-8t. GALENA.

FERTILIZERS
FOR SPRING CROPS!
T. W. Eliason, Jr's
"CHESTER COMPOUND,"
"No. 1 AMMO. SUPERPHOSPHATE OF LIME AND POTASH,"
"THE HOME IMPROVED,"
DIS. ANIMAL BONES,
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KAINIT, PLASTER.
T. W. ELIASON, Jr.
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KENNEDY LIME!
THE PORT KENNEDY LIME CO.
Successors to the late John Kennedy,
Are now buying and shipping this WELL KNOWN LIME which needs no recommendation. IT IS FULLY EQUAL TO THE BEST in the market.
Address all orders to
J. B. POWELL, Manager,
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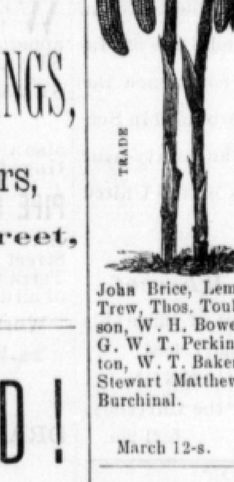
The Best Fertilizers!
—FOR—
SPRING CROPS AND FRUIT TREES.



I am now prepared to fill orders, in carload lots, of
PURE GROUND BONE and BONE MEAL;
also, Dissolved Gr'd Bone and B. Meal, at very low prices for the Cash.
Pure Unbleached Wood Ashes at low prices; also,
ACID PHOSPHATE
at very low figures; and the Old Standard
Old Kent Phosphate
No. 2, for Spring Crops and Fruit Trees. For the action of this brand, I refer to
John Brice, Lem. Stephens, Gus. Startt, Bat. Trew, Thos. Toulson, W. Bowers, John H. Gibson, W. H. Bowers, Wm. Jones, Rich. Hynson, G. W. T. Perkins, Joseph Cornelius, J. N. Usilton, W. T. Baker, Wm. Thomas, J. A. French, Stewart Matthews, Joseph R. Usilton, Wm. D. Burchinal.
J. W. HINES,
March 12-s. Chestertown, Md.

VENDUE!
BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county the undersigned, as executor of William A. Parks, will sell at the late residence of said deceased, near Stanley Postoffice,
On WEDNESDAY, March 18th, 1885,
the following property:
6 HEAD OF HORSES,
two of them young, well-broken and good drivers;
1 Colt, 4 Cows, and 3 Calves,
9 SHOATS.
1 Buggy and Harness, 2 Wagons and Harness, 1 Sleigh, 1 Dearborn, 1 Champion Reaper and Binder, 1 Self-Rake Champion Reaper, 1 Grain Fan, 1 Grain Drill, 50 bu. of Corn, ½ interest in 60 acres of Wheat seeded, 6½ bushels of Clover Seed, 2 Tons of Hay, 1,000 Bundles of Blades, 2,000 lbs. of Bacon, 280 lbs. of Lard, 1 Cook Stove and Fixtures, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators and other farming utensils.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
TERMS:—All purchases under $10, cash; all over that amount a credit of Six Months, on note with approved security, payable at the Chestertown National Bank. No property to be removed until terms are complied with.
ALEX. R. PARKS, Exec'r.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auc'r. m7-tds.

VENDUE.
BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, the undersigned, as administrator of Jas. Ramage, will offer at Public Sale at the late residence of said deceased, near the village of Fairlee, on
THURSDAY, March 19th, 1885,
the following property:
3 HEAD OF HORSES,
1 COW, 1 CALF,
7 SHOATS,
1 Champion Drop Reaper, 1 Wagon, 1 Fan, 1 Drill, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Forks, and other farming utensils. Also, 1,000 lbs. Bacon, Lard, 40 bushels Wheat seeded; also, 1 good Cook Stove and fixtures and other articles of Household and Kitchen Furniture.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
TERMS:—All purchases under $10, cash; all over that amount a credit of Six Months, on note with approved security. No property to be removed until terms are complied with.
ARCHIBALD RAMAGE, Adm'r.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auc'r. m7-ts.

COLORED BLANKETS!
We have Fifty Pairs (50) COLORED BLANKETS suitable for farm hands that we will sell at 90c. per pair, cash.
March 7—4t. J. B. BURCHINAL.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
Valuable Real Property
IN CHESTERTOWN.
BY virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from Benj. H. Gardner and Sarah C. Gardner his wife, to the Chester Loan Association of Kent county, dated March —, 1884, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent county in Liber S. B., No. 5, folio 342, &c., the undersigned as Attorney for the said Association, will offer at public sale at the Court House door in Chestertown, on
TUESDAY, the 7th of April, 1885,
AT THREE O'CLOCK P. M.,
the Equity of Redemption of the said B. H. Gardner and wife in and to
All That LOT OF LAND
situate at the South corner of High St. and College Avenue in Chestertown; having a frontage on said High street of 50 feet and depth of even width along said College Avenue of 138 feet.
The IMPROVEMENTS
Consist of
FOUR
TWO-STORY BRICK
Dwelling Houses,
Nearly New.
The above property will be offered in two parcels; the part containing the Dwellings will be sold subject to a prior lien, the amount of which will be shown at the sale; the other parcel is a
Building LOT
fronting on College avenue, and will be sold clear of the abovejlien.
TERMS OF SALE are cash on the day of sale or on the final ratification thereof, at the option of the attorney; with bond and approved surety, the purchase money to bear interest from the day of sale.
MARION DEK. SMITH,
mi4-ts. att'y named in mortgage.

Kent County Commissioners'
ANNUAL NOTICE.
THE County Commissioners of Kent County will meet at their office in Chestertown, on
TUESDAY,
the 10th day of March, 1885
at 10½ o'clock A. M., and will continue to meet at the same place and hour
EVERY TUESDAY,
until the Fifth Day of May, next,
for the purpose of noting Transfers and correcting assessments.
All persons who have sold or transferred any assessable property since their last sitting for said purpose, are particularly requested to attend at an early day to have their assessments corrected and adjusted
After Tuesday, the 12th day of May, next,
NO ALTERATIONS or corrections in the assessments will be made for the present year.
TRUSTEES OF THE POOR will be appointed on the Second Monday—13th day—of April, next.
COLLECTORS
Of State and County Taxes,
For each Election District, and a
Keeper of the STANDARDS
—OF—
Weights and Measures
will be appointed on
TUESDAY, the 7th of April, next.
All persons having ACCOUNTS against the County are requested to present the same on or before
Tuesday, the 2nd day of June, next,
otherwise they will be excluded from the levy of this year. All accounts properly chargeable to the county are required to be made out in a clear manner and itemized, and rendered under oath.
All applications for Pensions must be made in writing, stating the condition and circumstances of the applicant, and vouched for by three or more freeholders having a knowledge of the facts therein set forth.
N. B.—All persons neglecting to have their assessments corrected are hereby notified that no allowance for taxes paid in error in consequence of such neglect will be made.
C. P. LOPER, PRESIDENT.
JOHN B. PARROTT,
RICHARD C. SMYTH,
V. HENDRICKSON,
J. C. WHEATLEY,
Commissioners.
Attest— T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk.
March 7, 1885.

BUY YOUR CARPET
FROM THE MAKER,
IT WILL PAY YOU!
WE keep constantly on hand a good selection of
RAG CARPET
¾ and full yard wide, which we are selling
EXCEEDINGLY LOW.
We are often asked how we can sell such a HEAVY GRADE of Carpet so much lower than dealers do? It is an open secret. The dealers buy them made up—we do not. We buy the material and make the Carpet ourselves and save to you a good profit. You see it we make but journeyman's wages it pays us.
Respectfully,
JOHN BARTLEY,
Cor. Calvert st. and College avenue,
mh7-6m. Chestertown, Md.

SEED POTATOES.
NEW YORK EARLY ROSE,
by WM. A. WHEATLEY,
m7. adj. Chestertown Nat'l Bank.

REMINGTON PLOWS
"and Plow Shares, for sale
by WM. A. WHEATLEY,
m7. adj. Chestertown Nat'l Bank.