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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.....APRIL 18, 1885.

TONGING for oysters in Maryland waters closed for the season on Wednesday.

DR. J. P. THOM is mentioned in connection with the postmastership of Baltimore.

WEDNESDAY was the twentieth anniversary of the death of President Lincoln. The event was suitably commemorated in many parts of the Union.

AS a precaution against the cholera health inspectors have commenced a house-to-house inspection in Philadelphia. Every house in the city is to be inspected.

REV. DR. GEORGE LEEDS, rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore, died suddenly in Philadelphia on Wednesday of heart disease, aged 69 years.

GENERAL GRANT is better. His expectoration is less and he is not troubled so much with his cough. He believes that he will recover, but his physicians are not so hopeful.

TWO CHILDREN died in Cleveland, Ohio, last Saturday with symptoms of Asiatic Cholera. The quarter of the city in which the deaths occurred is said to be in a bad condition from defective sewerage.

SENATOR SHERMAN, in a speech on 'Change, at Cincinnati, Saturday, said the signs of the times favored a renewal of business prosperity. He believed that the President meant to insist on honesty and fidelity in the public business.

WAR appears to be imminent between England and Russia and active preparations therefor are being made by both countries. In consequence of these advices wheat has advanced some 13 cts. and corn six or seven cts. during the week.

THE Confederate Relief Bazar held at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore last week was successful beyond the expectations of the most sanguine and it was decided to continue it for three days this week. The total amount realized approximates $30,000. The money will be appropriated to the relief of needy ex-Confederates.

THE Prince and Princess of Wales left Cork for Queenstown on Wednesday. While the procession in which they were riding was passing through the streets of Cork there was much disorder. In the evening there were riotous demonstrations between the loyalists and nationalists. The police charged on the mob with pistols and fixed bayonets. Many persons were injured before the riot was quelled.

BISHOP LAY'S CONDITION.—The Easton *Star*, of Tuesday, says: Bishop Lay expected to leave New York for home today, but last week he had a slight chill and a little fever, and the treatment necessary to relieve him will delay his starting home for a few days. On Saturday and Sunday he had no chill, and no rise of fever, and if he continues to improve, he will probably be able to return home by the last of this week.

REPRESENTATIVE J. HENRY SHAW, democratic member of the Illinois Legislature, was found dead in his bed at Springfield last Sunday morning. This makes the third member of the Legislature who has died during the present session. Mr. Shaw's death will delay a final ballot for United States Senator twenty days longer, as an election to fill the vacancy cannot be held before the expiration of that period. His death leaves the House a tie.

ENSIGN W. F. FULLAM, U. S. Navy, and Miss Mamie Robinson, daughter of Judge John M. Robinson, were married at St. Anne's Church, Annapolis, Wednesday evening. The ceremony was attended by the judges of the Court of Appeals and many leading citizens of Annapolis, Baltimore and elsewhere. The groom is one of the most popular young officers of the navy, and is at present commander of the battalion of naval cadets at the Naval Academy.

OTTO MEYHER'S MURDERER ARRAIGNED.—In the circuit court for Somerset county on Tuesday Capt. John Williams was arraigned for the murder of Otto Meyher, in November last. Williams entered the court-room, accompanied by Deputy Sheriffs Dryden and Phoebus, with a firm and steady step and took his seat beside Messrs. Page and Hodson, his counsel. He was dressed in a neat suit of blue. His face was cleanly shaved and his hair was neatly combed. He listened to the reading of the indictment with perfect calmness. His trial was expected to commence yesterday morning.

THE question of a reduction of the force of the Maryland oyster navy during the closed season came up before the board of public works last week. Under an order from the commander of the force all the crew of the police steamer Governor Thomas had been discharged, the captain and the chief engineer alone being retained, and discharges on the other vessels were also contemplated. The board, however, were of opinion that there was no power given them under the oyster law to make the reduction, and directed Capt. Waddell to reinstate the crew.

MR. A. LEO KNOTT, of Baltimore, assumed on Monday the duties of his position as Second Assistant Postmaster-General. The duties of this office are very extensive and important. He has the arrangement of the mail service in all parts of the United States in charge and giving of mail-carrying contracts to the various railroad, steamboat and stage routes. His office arranges for the number of trips, modes of conveyance and the time of arrival and departure of the mails. The inspection division, which has charge of the mail failures, delinquencies of contractors, etc., is also under the Second Assistant Postmaster-General, as is the matter of furnishing mail locks, keys, mail pouches, sacks, and the placing and construction of railway mail pouch collectors.

THE conviction of James D. Fish, ex-president of the Marine Bank of New York and the refusal of the court to admit him to bail, will go far to restore faith in the efficiency of the machinery of justice in New York. Fish, as president of an important bank, occupied a position of great responsibility to the public as well as to the directors and depositors whose trust in his honesty was implicit. But he plundered the funds of the institution, of which he was the head, in the most conscienceless manner, turning its assets over to his fellow-conspirator Ward without security, or on collateral known to be worthless. Out of his frauds on depositors and stockholders he is credited with having made for himself $750,000, and might have made more if the memorable failure in May, 1884, had not brought his enterprising doings to a close.

MR. LEONIDAS DODSON, of Easton, Talbot co., has received a letter from his son, who is a member of Bishop Taylor's Congo missionary party, dated Sierra Leone, where they arrived on February 19. Mr. Dodson writes very cheerfully in regard to their efforts, and says that the whole party is in excellent health and spirits. The ship—the Bisfra—had arrived at Cape Palmas, where Bishop Taylor was taken aboard, and the vessel proceeded southward towards St. Paul de Loando, where the missionary party will debark.

A CHILD of MR. W. H. LEWIS, of Wye Mills, died a few days ago and a post-mortem examination made by Doctors Hopkins and Bradly revealed the fact that an osage orange thorn had been swallowed by the child, and that the effort to dislodge it had caused it to pass down and become fixed into the lower lobe of one of the lungs.

TAX COLLECTORS FOR QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.—The county commissioners for Queen Anne's county on Tuesday made the following appointments of tax collectors to serve for the next two years: James Cox for first district; Solomon Seeney, second; Samuel N. Smith, third, and Philip T. Poste, sixth.

A Tremendous Crash.

Eight five-story buildings in course of erection in New York city and intended to accommodate ten families each fell on Monday, burying carpenters, bricklayers, plumbers and everybody connected with the tumble-down block except the contractor, who escaped with a bruised foot. About forty men were at work on the buildings at the time of the accident, nearly all of whom were more or less injured, although there does not seem to have been anybody killed outright. It has been ascertained that the walls were made of halves and quarters of bricks, with occasional pieces of scantling for filling, and that the mortar was neither more nor less than loam dug from the cellars, which when dry became dust pure and simple. The walls evidently would have been stronger without the alleged mortar than with it and as they were laid of materials that would have been unsafe to have used in the construction of a child's playhouse, the great wonder is that they did not fall down before reaching one-half the five stories in height.

One of the victims of the accident died from his injuries Tuesday morning. The owner of the collapsed block and the master bricklayer are held for trial. Under the criminal code the former may be indicted for murder in the first degree.

AN INDEX OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY.—Notwithstanding the unusual backwardness of the season this year, the exceptionally crowded condition of the Baltimore *Sun's* advertising columns for the past few weeks affords the best possible evidence of a healthy activity in the spring trade of Baltimore, and of a generally prosperous condition of affairs in that city. The *Sun* has long been regarded as the most reliable index of the actual condition of business in Baltimore, reflecting as it does all forms of commercial activity and all the varied wants of the community. No made-up, bogus, begged, stolen, humbug or fraudulent advertisements are to be found in this exhibit, which represents in every line some actual need or offer straight from the people. The *Sun* spares no pains nor expense to advance its standard of journalistic achievement to carry forward by every possible means the policy of constant improvement and vigilant enterprise which originally won it the cordial good-will and favor of the people, and to supply its readers with the fullest and freshest news from every quarter of the globe.

SECRETARY BAYARD has addressed a letter to the secretary of the Irish National League of New York City in reply to a communication requesting the State Department to secure "a just and fair trial" for Burton and Cunningham, who are awaiting trial in London for complicity in the recent dynamite explosions, in which he indicates clearly the purpose of the new administration to care sedulously for the interest of American citizens in foreign countries, and to do all in its power to secure for them the fullest protection of the laws. Secretary Bayard points out a defect in the existing statutes which leaves the government without the means of defraying the expense of employing counsel for citizens accused and held for trial in foreign countries, and expresses confidence that the President will recommend to Congress to appropriate an adequate sum of money. The State Department has no information of the citizenship of the parties referred to in the league's communication, but inquiry will be made and proper steps taken.

THE New Jersey fishermen are greatly excited over a law passed by the General Assembly of Delaware providing that it shall be unlawful for any person not being a citizen of that State to catch or take fish of any kind in the Delaware bay or river, or any creeks emptying into the same, in the limits of Delaware. A delegation of fishermen visited the governor of New Jersey on Saturday and asked for protection. The Jerseymen alleged that an attempt to enforce the law will lead to a conflict. It is said that the right of Delaware to prohibit fishing by non-residents of the State in the Delaware river, from the Pennsylvania line to Fort Delaware, has twice been affirmed by the Supreme Court, and there seems but little for the New Jersey fishermen to do but to submit. The right was given by William Penn when he made the grant, and the original grant is still in existence.

THE RESULT IN MICHIGAN.—Mr. Don M. Dickinson, the Michigan member of the democratic national committee, writes as follows in explanation of the recent democratic victory in that State:

"The independents have remained with us in this election and have largely gained in strength since November. All administration men have been incited to good work in the campaign by the widely-spread injunction that a majority in Michigan would be a great encouragement to the new administration. This is the great moving cause of the result; and, added to this, has been the widespread belief that our court of last resort is the most advanced of the State of a certain line of judgments favoring corporations. Finally, it may be said that the battle was a fair one between the parties and the conflicting principles held by each. The republicans came out of it badly crippled, if not finally disorganized under that name in this State."

THE APPOMATTOX SURRENDER.

Interesting Statements from Gen. Lee's Corps Commanders.

A representative of the Atlanta (Ga.) *Constitution* has interviewed Gen. John B. Gordon, one of Gen. Lee's corps commanders, in regard to the surrender at Appomattox. After detailing the council of war held on the night of April 8, which was participated in by Generals Robert E. Lee, Longstreet, Gordon, Pendleton and Fitzhugh Lee, and at which it was resolved that Gen. Gordon should attempt to cut through the Federal force which had been thrown across his route of retreat to Lynchburg, Gen. Gordon said:

On the morning of the 9th the troops under my command carried the works which had been thrown up during the night across the line of our march, capturing several pieces of artillery, and advanced some distance beyond. At the same time General Longstreet was sorely pressed by the Federal forces in the rear and on his flanks so that any advance made by my troops only served to increase the distance between General Longstreet's forces and my own, thus increasing the danger to both by inviting the introduction of a force into this intervening space, and at the same time leaving our entire wagon trains with ammunition exposed to capture. Such was the position of affairs at an early hour of the day, and even had it been possible for my forces to continue the advance for a greater distance towards Lynchburg it would have only served to render more certain the ability of General Grant to crush those remnants of Lee's army by concentrating first upon one wing and then upon the other. I soon discovered in addition to the troops in my front there were upon each flank overwhelming forces, which it was impossible for my command to resist.

"It will be perceived from this necessarily condensed statement that it is clearly my opinion that General Grant could have forced an unconditional surrender. The fact that, in my opinion, he could have compelled a surrender without conditions, and yet did not demand it, will also indicate what must of necessity be my opinion of Grant's magnanimity. As to the inquiry in reference to the specific act of General Lee's tender of his sword, and of General Grant's refusal to accept it, I know nothing. But I wish to say in this connection, because I believe it due to the truth of history, as well as to the great commander, that General Grant's every act toward General Lee and toward his army at Appomattox was marked by a degree of courtesy and generosity which impressed every Confederate and which reflects great honor upon himself and upon the American name."

A representative of the Constitution also interviewed Gen. Longstreet, General Lee's other corps commander, and his statement in regard to the council of war and the failure to cut through is confirmatory of what Gen. Gordon says. Being asked how long Gens. Lee and Grant were engaged in discussing the terms of surrender, Gen. Longstreet said: "Not over 20 minutes. Grant simply stated the terms and Lee accepted them. We all knew beforehand exactly what Grant would ask, and we knew nothing was left Lee but to accept his terms. Grant asked nothing more than what he was compelled to, and none of us felt that he ought to have asked less." In regard to the controversy about Gen. Grant declining to ask for Lee's sword, Gen. Longstreet said: "Oh, well, that custom of surrendering the sword belonged to the *old day*. I don't suppose Lee or Grant thought of it." General Longstreet says he never received orders, as has been stated, from Lee to hold himself in readiness to cut through the Federal lines in the event that Grant's terms were not favorable enough.

ANOTHER CASE OF OUTRAGE.

A Black Assailant of an Aged Lady in Worcester County.

Last Saturday night about 12 o'clock a colored man named Chas. Collins, 25 years of age, committed an outrageous assault on Mrs. Sally Hill, aged 60 years, near the Furnace road, three miles from Snow Hill. Sunday morning a writ for Collins' arrest was issued by Justice Nock and placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Duffy. The deputy sheriff immediately proceeded to the designated spot to make the arrest, but found that the son of Mrs. Hill had preceded him, and at the mouth of a shotgun had removed Collins to his own house, on the lands of R. S. Todd, a quarter of a mile distant, and stood guard at the door. The prisoner offered no resistance and was carried to Snow Hill and lodged in jail. Mrs. Hill is a highly respected old lady and lives alone, her son being a tenant on the farm of R. S. Todd. She says that when Collins entered the house to make the assault she struck a match, which he blew out, but not before she recognized him, and he then assaulted her. Collins bears a very bad name in the neighborhood, and there is already a writ against him, at the instance of Mr. Todd, (for whom he had been working,) for stealing corn. Indignation against the prisoner is very strong in the community. The son of the victim certainly displayed marked moderation in making the arrest with a loaded shot gun in his hand. Outrages of this class are becoming quite too frequent in Maryland.

Tongers vs. Planters.

An oyster planter of Somerset county writes to the Baltimore *Sun* expressing the opinion that "the tongers were never so much in their own light as they are in taking their stand against planters," as was done in a recent law suit in Somerset county. "Has not," he asks, "a tonger the same right to five acres to plant on as any one? He can catch his oysters himself and plant a few while they are cheap in the fall and spring, and when they become high in winter he can take up his planted oysters and sell them. He has no capital at stake, whereas a planter has to purchase his stock from tongers as well as dredgers. To give you a practical idea of the benefits conferred by planting, I will cite my own experience: I have eight boats of my own besides others here, all fitted up for the tonging business, and from one to three men go in each of these boats. Last fall they worked on the rocks, or natural beds, and found the oysters very scarce, and hardly made a living, but from the 1st of December to the 1st of April they had steady work taking up oysters from my beds, and made from $1 25 to $3 per day. Besides their pay, their families have had steady employment shucking oysters, and have done well, considering the dull times, whereas had I not planted the oysters these men and their families would have been out of employment nearly all the winter, as it has been so severe that they could not tong on the rocks, and would have suffered in consequence. Now, why should tongers take their stand against planters?"

A Mutilated Human Body in a Trunk.

A sensation was caused at the Southern Hotel in St. Louis on Tuesday by the discovery of the horribly mutilated body of a man packed in a trunk, which was taken out of a room. The stench from the trunk caused the discovery. The hotel register shows that on March 30 a gentleman registered as Walter H. Lennox Maxwell, M. D., from London, and was assigned to that room. On opening the trunk it was found that the head of the man was severed from his body, and written on a paper inside the trunk were the words: "So perish all traitors to the great cause." While Maxwell was at the hotel a telegram was received from C. Arthur Preller, asking if Maxwell were there, and shortly afterwards Preller arrived and registered as from London, England. Both men occupied the same room. Maxwell left the hotel on April 5. Seven trunks and four valises were found in the room, containing a large quantity of valuable clothing. The coroner made an autopsy of the remains which disclosed the fact that the stomach contained poison. Two photographs of Preller were found among his effects.

THE Middletown *New Era* says: Rumors have been extensively circulated in this town for several days past to the effect that E. C. and J. B. Fennimore, living in and near Odessa, had met with serious financial reverses and had to succumb to the inevitable. Their liabilities are variously estimated at from $60,000 to $70,000, with assets footing up to about $31,000. It is also understood that the trouble was brought about by a sudden decline in stocks in which they had been dealing heavily. The paper, however, is all secured and the local banks will not be affected, as their endorsers will have to stand good for the notes coming due. They have the sympathy of all in their sudden reverses, and it is to be hoped that they may be able to tide over the present difficulties. Several prominent citizens of this town will be heavy losers.

AN OYSTER LAWSUIT.—An interesting case is pending in the Somerset Circuit Court, at Princess Anne, which has attracted to that place large crowds interested in the decision. It is a contest between tongers and planters, wherein it is claimed that one of the latter has appropriated for planting purpose a natural bed or bar of oysters; and the tongers therefore petition the court for forfeiture of this place, urging that if such wholesale appropriation of oyster beds be allowed to continue, such of them as are too poor to buy oysters for planting or own vessels for dredging, will no longer be able to follow the business by which they have obtained their livelihood. The great interest of the case lies in the fact that a decision against the planters will involve a forfeiture of some fifty lots recently appropriated for planting purposes in the Pocomoke Sound.

DISHONOR, MURDER AND SUICIDE.—A terrible tragedy occurred on Monday night at the farm-house of Widow Hardin, about fifteen miles from St. Joseph, Mo. William Clark, a farmer and a married man, had betrayed the widow's daughter, and he, the widow and daughter and a lawyer had a conference on Monday with a view to a settlement. No result was reached, but during the evening Clark called at the widow's house. A hot discussion ensued, ending in a quarrel, during which Clark shot and killed the widow, mortally wounded the daughter and badly wounded a young son. He then went home, and did the work about his place. Wednesday morning his dead body was found in a pile of straw near his house, with a bullet hole in his head and an empty pistol in his hand.

OXFORD KATE'S BUTTER-MAKING POWER.—Mr. Andrew Banks has made a test of the Jersey cow Oxford Kate, (No. 13,646,) owned by Mrs. S. Shoemaker, of Burnside Park, Baltimore county. The test began on April 1, and lasted exactly seven days. The test was most carefully conducted, and resulted in a total yield of 248¼ lbs. of milk, from which were churned 38 lbs. and 2 ounces of unsalted butter, which, when salted, at the rate of one ounce to the pound, gave 39 lbs. and 12 ounces of salted butter ready for market. The cow is a little over six years old.—*Baltimore Sun.*

THE pay-train of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad was thrown off the track at 10.30 Tuesday morning near Hayford's Millpond, about a mile and a-half from Pocomoke City, Md. One of the brakes gave way and fell on the track, throwing the engine from the rails. As soon as the engine struck, the fireman and engineer jumped off. The superintendent and several other officials were on the train, but all escaped injury. The brakeman was seriously hurt. The passengers on the 1.15 express bound South were transferred to another coach. The engine was badly damaged.

WATER WORKS will be put into Easton to be supplied with water from artesian wells. The work will be done by home capital. Propositions have been made to Mr. John H. K. Shanahan by responsible citizens, and he is quite sanguine that the work will be done the present year. The water from the deep well at Mr. Shanahan's ice factory is pure and soft and is largely used for drinking water by people who live in the vicinity.—*Easton Ledger.*

WHAT might have proved a serious fire occurred in the Episcopal Church at Chesapeake City last Sunday afternoon. The heat was closed off in the church without attention to the necessary changes to the heater in the cellar, and when looked after later all the joists nearest the furnace were found to be in a blaze. Only prompt exertion saved the new edifice and perhaps other buildings adjoining.

THE Very Reverend John J. Dougherty, one of the best known and most esteemed priests in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, died last Tuesday morning, at St. Joseph's Hospital, North Caroline street, in the 59th year of his age. He had been suffering from cancer in the face, but the immediate cause of death was bronchial troubles, superinduced by an attack of pneumonia. He had been in the priesthood about 32 years.

A DISPATCH from Coshocton, Ohio, says Gov. Hoadley recently received an infernal machine inclosed in a wooden box, and loaded with dynamite. Its character was discovered, and detectives are investigating the case.

RICHARD GRANT WHITE, the well-known author, is dead. He was a Shakespearean scholar and critic of considerable reputation, but was best known as a philologist by his "Words and their Uses" and similar works.

TOWN MATTERS.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT — THE WATER AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS — PROPER DRAINAGE THE NEXT ESSENTIAL.

The annual fiscal report of the Commissioners of Chestertown will be found in another column. Some idea of the needs of our city corporation may be gathered from a perusal of the statement. The commissioners have been carefully husbanding their resources—refusing to lay new pavements, or do any other work not absolutely requisite—hoping to accumulate funds sufficient to at least begin the work of a substantial and efficient drainage system. But the ordinary expenses of the town, added to the cost of the water and fire departments, have been so great that the board finds in hand after paying all claims reported—with money yet to be collected—only the sum of $380.23. The commissioners will therefore be compelled to continue the policy of the past year and even more rigidly prohibit expenditures for paving, &c., if the great desideratum referred to is to be realized in the near future without additional taxation.

The town may certainly be congratulated upon the substantial progress already achieved. The long talked of water supply is now at hand; at our doors and into our dwellings the pure crystal waters from their native springs are poured at our bidding, and that at an expense so reasonable that the most penurious cannot complain; while the fire-plugs are located and in readiness for use to protect us from the conflagration that may burst out at any moment. We have no steam fire engine as yet, but a good supply of hose has been obtained at heavy expense and with the hand machines we have—kept in good order—and an efficient fire company to manipulate them, we may consider our town reasonably well protected against fire.

As above referred to, our town has made a great stride forward in the accomplishment of the improvements mentioned; its walks are as well if not better paved than any town on the Shore, while its system of street lighting is as good as could be asked for a town of its size. Though it may not be as apparent to the citizen it is nevertheless true that the subject of drainage is of equal importance with either of the improvements already secured. It directly concerns our comfort and health. Without it the water supply may prove in some respects a curse instead of a blessing. Its accomplishment is therefore greatly to be desired, and it is hoped that in some way the revenues of the town may be so increased as to allow the work to begin at once.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. W. M. Strayer, for two years pastor in charge of the M. P. Church in Chestertown, preached his closing sermon on Sunday evening, his theme being "There remaineth, therefore, a rest to the people of God," and was attentively listened to by his large congregation. He took his departure on Wednesday morning, and we learn met with a most cordial reception at his new charge, Starr Church, Baltimore.

Rev. Walter R. Graham, who succeeds Mr. Strayer here, arrived and took possession of his parsonage home on Friday. The ladies of his flock had been there before him and made everything cosy and comfortable, and besides preparing a substantial feast, filled the pantry with good things. Mr. Graham is not a stranger in Chestertown, and the hearty reception accorded him by his charge augurs well for both. He will fill his pulpit tomorrow.

The first monthly meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association of Chestertown will be held in the M. E. Church at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, to which the public are invited.

A DIVORCE SUIT.—Mrs. Ximena R. Otto has brought suit in the circuit court of Baltimore against her husband, Frederick A. Otto, a druggist on Broadway, for a divorce on the ground of infidelity and failure to support the family in accordance with his means. In the days of our old friend the late C. Delano, whose hospitable retreat at Quaker Neck wharf was the "Long Branch" of Kent countians and others, this amiable and intelligent lady with her children spent several summers at that famous resort and many of our citizens made their acquaintance. In the taking of testimony before a commissioner, says the *Sun*, Mr. Harry D. Ross, a brother of Mrs. Otto, was asked by the counsel for Mr. Otto "if he ever saw Captain Delano kiss Mrs. Otto in coming and going in his visits to the house?" The witness refused to answer. This must be regarded in the light of a joke on Captain "Joe," for no one who enjoys his acquaintance would hardly consider him capable of such an ungallant act as that of kissing another man's wife.

FERTILIZERS IN TOWN.—Shall fertilizers be allowed storage within the town limits? This question caused considerable discussion last summer and, like most other questions of importance, was found to be one "with two sides." It was understood that the matter would come up for judicial decision on a test case at the session of court next week, but it seems that this case will not be in time for a hearing before the Circuit Court. This is to be regretted if there is to be any further questioning of the position of the Commissioners upon the subject. The ordinance covering the matter is published by the Board for general information, and will be strictly enforced.

PLEASED WITH HIS NEW CHARGE.—From an appreciative letter recently received at this office from the Rev. Louis E. Barrett, now stationed at Port Deposit, we extract the following. His many friends in this county will no doubt be gratified to learn that he is so highly pleased with his new charge:

"I am comfortably fixed in my new home; find the people kind and appreciative; a splendid church built of granite and elegantly furnished; congregations good; large, nicely furnished parsonage; one of the best Sunday schools in the State. Already feel at home. Hope the Lord will abundantly bless both the charge and preacher."

THE RESERVOIR.—Col. Taylor is making rapid headway with his reservoir. The sides and bottom are being covered with a solid coating of oyster shells and over this will be a layer of cement; a capping of puddled clay at the sides of three feet, and above this a rip-rap of stone and the top sodded. The reservoir will have a capacity of one million gallons and from five to seven hundred thousand gallons will be kept in store. A substantial picket fence will enclose the basin, and rigid means employed to protect the water from pollution of any kind.

PROF. A. E. TWIFORD will deliver an address before the Mount Vernon Literary Society of Washington College, in the court-house in Chestertown, on April 24, 8 P. M. Subject: "The Drama, and the Dramatic Art." The Kent Cornet Band will be in attendance. The public is cordially invited to be present.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, April 14.—Present, Judges Walker and Stevens.

Letters of adm. on the personal estate of Robt. H. Rouse were granted unto Charles H. Rouse, (the widow first renouncing), who filed his bond in the penal sum of $10,000, and George W. Davis and Fristy H. Boulden were appointed to appraise the personal estate.

The last will and testament of James Rasin was admitted to probate and recorded.

Wm. B. Usilton, exec'r of Emeline E. Frazier, returned his first and final adm. acc't.

Mary M. Toulson, adm'x of John W. Toulson, returned her first and final adm. acc't.

Francis X. Kraft, adm'r of Agnes B. Woodall, filed his first and final adm. acc't.

The auditor's report on the real estate of Robert Wilson was ratified and confirmed.

NO CORN YET PLANTED.—Mr. Wm. Gould, residing in Spaniard's Neck, on the Queen Anne's side of Chester river, who has made it a rule for thirty years to plant corn the latter part of March or first of April, has failed to come to time this spring. He says the present is the most backward season he has yet experienced.

THE wife of Rev. B. F. Price, of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, died in Wilmington on Wednesday morning after a short illness. She was a daughter of the late Thomas M. Wood, of Queen Anne's county, and had been married about eight months.

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY.—M. deK Smith, attorney for the Chester Loan Association, sold last week four two-story brick houses in Chestertown, known as the Gardner houses. They were purchased by Mrs. Avis E. Vannort, wife of Mr. Wm. J. Vannort, for $800, subject to prior liens of $2,135.

A SUCCESS.—The entertainment by Fairlee School—Miss Carrie Smith, teacher—on Thursday evening last was a perfect success. The room was filled with an appreciative audience, and the tableaux, recitations, duets and plays were all well rendered.

HORSE TRAINING.—Mr. James M. Startt, the horse trainer, who had his arm broken last winter, has recovered, and parties who have horses to put in training may find him at the Fair Grounds of the Kent County Ag'l Association.

WATER RATES.—The tariff of water rates will be found in another column. Col. Taylor calls attention to the thoughtless abuse of privileges granted under the license by some persons. Read the rates carefully, and don't expect to use the water for other purposes than for what you pay.

ALMSHOUSE TRUSTEES.—The county commissioners on Tuesday reappointed S. A. J. Wickes, Wm. Ford and Thos. H. Horsey trustees to the Kent county almshouse.

COURT.—The circuit court for this county will commence next Monday. There are about one hundred and fifty cases on the appearance docket, and the session will probably continue into the second week.

BARGAINS IN CARRIAGES.—C. T. Westcott, Esq., will sell next Tuesday in Chestertown a lot of new and first class Carriages. Attend and secure bargains.

THE machine agents are making their appearance notwithstanding the dull wheat prospect.

MARRIED.

In Piney Neck, on the 14th instant, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. G. S. Conaway, JAMES T. KELLEY to Miss SARAH R. ELBOURN, both of this county.

On the 7th of April, by Rev. J. A. Arters, S. CHARLES RINGGOLD and Miss IDA M. COOK, both of Kent Island.

On the 9th instant, by Rev. J. B. Quigg, WILLIAM T. WOOD and Miss LEVINIA CAMP, both of this county.

DIED.

In Chestertown, April 7th, 1885, MABEL McWHORTER, infant daughter of George B. and Alice R. McWhorter, aged 4 months and 6 days.

At Massey's, March 14th, 1885, of paralysis, JOHN R. SATTERFIELD, aged 45 years.

[Centreville papers please copy.]

In Galena, on the 9th instant, Mrs. CATHARINE A. MILLER, in the 69th year of her age.

Near Rock Hall, Wednesday morning, April 1, of capillary bronchitis, EDWARD RAY, the beloved infant son of Wm. B. L. and Sarah G. Gardner, aged 11 month and 10 days.

Near Lynch's, Saturday April 12th, ELIZABETH, wife of Jerry Miller, in her 29th year.

Yes, we saw her sufferings, hear her sighs
With throbbing hearts and weeping eyes;
But now she calmly sleeps at last,
All pain, all grief, all suffering past.

Farewell husband, children and friends, dear,
Though absent from you, do not fear!
God will protect and comfort too,
So love each other as I loved you. FRIEND.

THE ORPHANS' COURT for Kent County will sit two days, Tuesday and Thursday, next week. It.

JANES M. E. CHURCH.—To-morrow 10.30 A. M.; preaching; 8 P. M. special sermon by the pastor, subject "Snares of Satan." Seats free. J. HUDSON RIDDICK, Pastor.

THE Young Men's Christian Association of Chestertown will hold its FIRST MONTHLY MEETING in the M. E. Church to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, at 4 o'clock. The public are cordially invited to attend. By order of the Exec. Committee. It.

NOTICE—
The MERCHANTS of Chestertown,
exclusive of Confectionery Stores, are requested, according to promise, to close their places of business at 7.45 TUESDAY NIGHT.
a18. By order of the Y. M. C. A.

ENTERTAINMENT IN STILL POND!

MISS KATE PRICE

Will give an entertainment in the TOWN HALL in STILL POND on

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 30TH

The program will consist of Charades, Tableaux, Vocal and Instrumental Music. If Thursday evening should prove stormy the entertainment will be given Friday evening, May 1st.

General admission 25 cts.; children under 12 years, 15 cts. Doors open at 7 o'clock; performance begins at 8 o'clock. s18-2t.

THE SHERIFFALTY.

OWING to repeated solicitations on the part of many friends, I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for SHERIFF OF KENT CO., subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries.
ROBERT K. PIPPIN.
Chestertown, April 18—8t.

A CARD.—With no friends to reward and no enemies to punish, I very respectfully offer myself to the voters of Kent county as a CANDIDATE FOR THE CLERKSHIP of the CIRCUIT COURT, subject to the decision of the Democratic Primaries.
apr4-3t. A. MEDDERS.

PRICE OF GRAIN
IS VERY LOW and EVERY CENT
per bushel counts. To keep my vessels busy I will give good prices for CORN and WHEAT.
mh28. JOSEPH TURNER.

MONEY TO LOAN on Mortgages in sums of $1,000 to $1,500.
ap4-3t. C. H. BAKER, Att'y.

FOR SALE.

A GOOD HORSE, 8 years old this spring; a fine driver and well broken—will work to any harness.
apr18-3t.* HIRAM BROWN, Pomona, Md.

HOUSE AND LOT for Sale, well located in Chesterville. Terms easy.
ap4-3t. C. H. BAKER, Attorney.

FOR SALE AT COST:
TWO NEW ESTEY ORGANS
and
ONE BEAUTIFUL SET OF PARLOR FURNITURE,
a11-3t. at LOUIS K. STAM'S.

SEEDS! SEEDS!
A large and fine lot of
LANDRETH'S FRESH GARDEN SEED
at
J. F. LEARY'S PHARMACY,
mh28-tf* Rock Hall.

NOTICE.—The STOCKHOLDERS of the Chestertown Straw Board and Manufacturing Company of Kent County, are hereby notified that a meeting of the Stockholders of the above Company will be held MONDAY, May 4th, 1885, 8 o'clock P. M., at the office of the Company in Chestertown, Maryland, for the purpose of reducing the Capital Stock of said Company to thirty-six thousand dollars.
T. W. ELIASON, Jr.,
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
WILBUR ELIASON,
J. K. ALDRIDGE,
apr4-5t. Directors.

$25 REWARD!

THE above reward will be paid by the undersigned for any information that will lead to the recovery of one

JOHN PEIRCE,

who escaped Chestertown Jail on Saturday night, April 4th, 1885.

PEIRCE stands about 5 feet 11 inches, is dark complected, with moustache and goatee; had on dark clothes and slouch hat, is rather lazy looking and sickly.

JOHN W. PARSONS,
Sheriff of Kent Co.
Chestertown, April 11, 1885.

MESSRS. EDITORS:

Please give the following Tariff of Water Charges advertising space for four weeks. After a careful examination of all the plans adopted to charge for supplying water, the rates presented to consumers of Chestertown are the most equitable that can be devised. As shown upon its face, is intended to be specific for the various uses for which water is wanted, and like a Bill of Fare at a Restaurant, each dish having its own price.

While water is a free gift of the Creator, it becomes property when on a man's enclosure, or conveyed, at great expense, to people's houses for domestic use and fire protection. This fact—I will charitably say—is being overlooked by some, who from feelings of kindness to their neighbors, dispense it gratuitously, or use it for purposes other than paid for. While in one case it is said to have been sold for two cents per bucketful—this is a little too much on the strength of its being gratuitous from before Christmas to the 1st of March—I am glad to say the cases of abuse are *very* few, and no doubt arises from thoughtlessness.

W. W. TAYLOR,
Gen. Man. C. W. Co.

TARIFF OF RATES
—OF THE—
Chestertown Water Company,
OF KENT COUNTY, MD.

PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.	PER ANNUM IN ADVANCE.
Dwellings of from 1 to 5 rooms	$5 50
" up to 8 rooms	6 50
" up to 12 rooms	8 50
" of more than 12 rooms	11 00
Bath-tubs, private	3 50
" public	9 00
Water-closets, private	3 00
" public	6 00
Barber-shop, each chair; Smith-shop, each fire	3 00
Stable, private, each stall and carriage	1 25
" livery, " " " "	1 60
Hotel, per room	1 05
Saloons	10 00
One Faucet, Store, Office, Hall, Warehouse, Church, etc	4 50
Pave-Wash, including Street-sprinkler	5 00
Slaughter-house	5 00
Bakery	8 00
Wash-Basin in Hotel, each; stationary	5 00
Steam Engine, per horse-power, 10 hours per day	5 00
Restaurant	$5 to $8

Water by Meter measurement, per 1,000 gallons, 25 cents.

Building purposes: Brick, per 1,000, 8 cts.; Plastering per yard, ½ cent; Stone per perch, 5 cents.

Fountains, Work-shops, Schools, Factories—Special Rates.

Irrigation, per 1,000 square feet, or fraction thereof, per year, 75 cents. [April 18-4t.]

Take Notice!

ALL PERSONS in arrears for taxes in the Fourth District are hereby notified that unless settlement is made

On or Before the First of May, 1885,

I shall immediately advertise and sell their property. I am compelled to this by the demands upon me.

GEO. S. BIDDLE,
apr18-3t. Coll'r 4th Dist.

NOTICE.

DURING the Summer of 1884 proceedings were taken by the Commissioners to enforce the Fine provided under the ordinance prohibiting Storage of Fertilizers within the town limits, and notice was given of the intention by the party fined to test the validity of the ordinance on appeal. Through some inadvertence no case has been made, and the Commissioners now republish the ordinance as standing in full effect and requiring enforcement until repealed or declared invalid. By order of the Board.

JAS. A. PEARCE, President.

Ordinance No.—

Fertilizer, Fertilizer Material and other offensive matter shall not be kept in store within the limits of Chestertown. Such goods may be landed at the wharves or housed thereon over night, or to protect from inclement weather but must be removed beyond the town limits within twenty-four hours from the hour of arrival

All Fertilizer, Fertilizer Material, and like offensive matter now stored within the limits of Chestertown—or remaining anywhere within said limits—shall be removed within twenty-four hours from the time of notification so to do.

Any owner or owners of such goods, or the owner or owners of property within or upon which such goods or material are placed, who shall refuse or neglect to comply with the provision of this Ordinance, shall pay a Fine of One Dollar for the first offense, and an additional Fine of Five Dollars per day for each and every day the offense shall continue.

By order of the
COMM. OF CHESTERTOWN,
SEPTEMBER 5, 1884.
Test:—JOS. N. WHEATLEY, Clerk.

Coming, Coming, Come!

THE NOMINATION

IS NEAR AT HAND, BUT OUR

Central Market

can and will accommodate all parties, irrespective of age, color or sex, with fresh goods such as are kept in a first-class Grocery, Provision and Confectionery store.

Large arrivals daily of the latest delicacies of the season.

Flour, Meal, Oat Meal, Buckwheat,

BROILING BEEF, Chipped to Order.

Coffees,