Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING..........JUNE 20, 1885.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Clerk of the Circuit Court:
DR. SAMUEL BECK.

For Register of Wills:
T. ROMIE STRONG.

For the House of Delegates:
J. FLETCHER WILSON,
LEWIS C. JUSTIS, JR.

For Sheriff:
JAMES P. HATCHERSON.

For County Commissioners:
First District—JOHN F. ERNEST.
Second " —BEDFORD ROE.
Third " —SAMUEL F. COOPER.
Fourth " —WILLIAM MORRIS.
Fifth " —J. CHARLES WHEATLEY.

For Co. Surveyor:—H. H. GRESHAM.

MR. I. FREEMAN RASIN, of Baltimore, is reported to be in the field for Collector of the Port.

COL. CHARLES MARSHALL is being prominently mentioned as a competitor of Mr. Gorman for the United States Senatorship.

RECOMMENDATIONS have been made of reductions in the Baltimore custom-house which will make a saving of $20,000 annually.

A REPUBLICAN newspaper attributes the recent democratic victory in Wilmington, Del., to "the IGNORANT NEGRO VOTE." Funny, isn't it?

THE French vessel Isere, having on board the Bartholdi statue, "Liberty Enlightening the World," arrived in New York on Wednesday.

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY, deputy clerk of the Court of Appeals, died at his residence in Baltimore last Monday. Mr. Gassaway was formerly a well-known resident of Annapolis, and for a long time the secretary of the Maryland Senate.

THE democratic city convention of Baltimore met Wednesday night, and after continuing its own existence till June, 1866, adjourned to August 19, when arrangements will be made for this year's primaries, to be held under the primary election law of 1882.

HON. J. B. FORAKER has been nominated by the Republicans for Governor of Ohio. Mr. Foraker was the republican nominee for Governor two years ago, and was defeated by the democratic candidate, and the present incumbent of that office, Gov. Hoadly.

PARDONED BY THE GOVERNOR.—The Centreville *Observer* states that in response to a numerously signed petition of the citizens of Queen Anne's county, Governor Lloyd has pardoned George T. Parvis, who was convicted at the May term of the Circuit Court for that county in 1881 of forgery and sentenced to the penitenary for five years.

A GOOD WAY TO SETTLE IT.—The contest for the postmastership of Danville, Va., between Messrs. Burr and McDearman, both popular citizens and competent for the position, was settled by a primary election last Thursday, at which all registered democratic voters in the city were entitled to vote. The President was requested to make no appointment until the result of the primary is made known.

THE Philadelphia *Press*, which has been looking around for some issue which shall be common ground for all elements of the Republican party, announces that it has found it in "the necessity of establishing fair and honest elections in every State of the Union." If the Republican party has no other resource than to take up the bloody shirt again, it may be said that it has barely a rag to its back.

THE anti-bribery leaders in Caroline county have called a mass convention to be held at the court-house in Denton on Tuesday, July 21. The call invites every one who loves free speech and a free ballot, and a freely chosen representation of a free people to be present, and states that the object of the convention is to devise ways and means to do away with bribery hereafter at elections in Caroline county. The following are among the signers: J. W. Bryant, Thos. Melvin, J. H. Emerson, Urie Townsend, Dr. William H. Downs, J. E. Hignut, James J. Lednum and Chas. W. Byrne.

HENRY D. MORROW, secretary and treasurer of the Board of Public Education of Wilmington, Del., disappeared last Thursday week, and all efforts to find him have proved unsuccessful. His accounts are straight, and a check for $7,000, drawn upon order of City Council for the May pay of teachers, was deposited by him with the City Treasurer, but has not yet been cashed. Mr. Morrow has been secretary and treasurer of the school board for six years and his prolonged absence cannot be explained. One supposition, that he has been foully dealt with, is gaining credence. The school teachers have not yet received last month's pay, every plan to pay them independent of Mr. Morrow having failed. The check books are locked up in a safe, and no one, save the missing man, knows the combination.

A JUDICIAL ELECTION.—An associate judge of the first judicial circuit, composed of Worcester, Somerset, Wicomico and Dorchester counties, will be voted for next fall. Upon the resignation of Judge E. K. Wilson, elected to the United States Senate, Judge C. F. Holland was appointed by Gov. McLane to fill the place until the next general election, which occurs in November. The only names yet mentioned are those of Judge C. F. Holland, of Wicomico county, the present incumbent, and Mr. George W. Purnell, of Worcester. Each county is entitled to four delegates in the judicial convention. It is asserted by those professing to know that Judge Holland will go into the convention with a solid delegation from Wicomico and Dorchester, and Mr. Purnell with Worcester and Somerset. In this event, should there be no other candidate, a deadlock will ensue, depending upon a break from Dorchester or Somerset to secure the nomination.

GENERAL GRANT left his home in New York at 9.10 o'clock Tuesday morning for Mt. McGregor, in the same State, where he arrived shortly before 3 P. M. The trip was a long and tiresome one, but the patient stood it as well as could be expected. The General was accompanied by Dr. Douglas and his entire family. Mt. McGregor is a southern projection of the Adirondacks, about twelve miles from Saratoga. It is 1,100 feet above the sea level and 1,000 above the plain on which Saratoga is built. Around it on all sides the country spreads away in great sweeping billows, extending to the dark wall of the Green Mountains on the east and to the peaks and massive green shoulders of the Adirondacks on the north. Over its summit, on the very crest of which General Grant is to live, gray chilly mists are so frequently trailing that for many consecutive days, when it may be hot down in Saratoga below, on Mt. McGregor people are sitting around crackling wood fires or going about in overcoats.

A PORTER REWARDED.—Morris King, a hotel porter at Watch Hill, Conn., stopped a runaway team nine years ago, at imminent peril to himself, and refused the reward offered him by the father of the six-year-old boy who had been left in the vehicle. Last week he received a legacy of $1,000 under the father's will.

EX-GOV. HAMILTON, of Maryland, was in Washington on Wednesday, says the correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, but, he said, on strictly private business. He states that some time ago he saw the President and some members of the cabinet and gave them his views as to one or two Maryland appointments. So far as he was concerned he proposed to let these matters rest, and no member of the administration will be worried by any importunities from him on the subject of the offices. He said that in Western Maryland, according to his observation, there was little if any excitement over the federal offices; that the people had settled down into the conviction that unless for cause the present incumbents of the offices would hold on until the end of their terms, and there was no dissatisfaction about it. He had not heard even that any movements worth speaking of had been made in Western Maryland against the present fourth-class postmasters.

Politics in Cecil.

A HOT FIGHT BETWEEN THE GROOME AND CONSTABLE FACTIONS.

The Democratic primaries in Cecil county will take place today. A warm contest has been waged between the Groome and Constable forces and both seem confident of success. One of the remarkable features of this campaign is the mixed-up condition of affairs, old friends now being enemies, and in both factions desertions to the other side being a marked and noted event. Ex-Senator Groome's candidate for the State Senate is Clinton McCullough, son of the late Hiram McCullough, who was speaker of the House of Delegates. Albert Constable is a candidate for the House of Delegates, and his candidate for the State Senate is ex-Delegate Ward. A curious feature of the contest is the relationship which the chief participants sustain toward each other. Constable is a brother-in-law of Ward, who is Constable's candidate for the State Senate.

For clerk, the candidates are Wm. P. Howard, of the Second district; Dr. R. R. Crothers and Adam Magraw, of the Sixth, and Wm. K. Reckafus, of the Seventh; the latter now deputy.

For register of wills the only candidates are Reuben E. Jamar, present incumbent, and Jas. A. Lewis, ex-member of the Legislature.

For House of Delegates, the district candidates are Albert Constable, of the Third; Wm. S. Potter, First; J. S. DeFord, Fifth; Richard L. Thomas, Jr., Fifth; W. Richards, Sixth; Wm. T. Richards, Eighth, with several rumored dark horses, among them being Frank R. Scott, of Elkton, ex-member of the last House.

For sheriff are Robert Mackey, of the Fourth district; C. W. Simpers and William Wilson, of the Fifth, and J. C. Hindman, of the Sixth.

The Political Muddle in Queen Anne's.

Mr. Willard H. Neal, a member of the Democratic State Central Committee for Queen Anne's county, is dissatisfied with the present mode of making nominations in that county, known as the "Jury Plan," and issues the following card through the public press:

"In view of the wide spread dissatisfaction that exists in the party with the system of nominating candidates in this county, known as the "Jury Plan," and with the view of harmonizing the great diversity of opinion in the party upon the merits and demerits of said plan, the State Central Committe of the county have had repeated conferences for the purpose of agreeing upon some definite action in the premises, and these conferences have failed to bring about concert of action on the part of the members of the committee. My sole object has been, and is to have the adoption or the rejection of the jury plan determined by submitting the question to the popular vote of the party, which teaches that the people are the source of all legitimate power, and that submission to their will is the loyal duty of every Democrat. Having failed to accomplish this through the committee, I deem it due to the party to make known the fact that those who desire to do so may, in the exercise of an inalienable right, meet in their respective election districts and send five delegates from each district to a county convention to take such action as may be deemed proper under existing circumstances. I suggest Centreville as the place and Tuesday, July 7, next, as the day for the convention."

Messrs. P. B. Hopper and John Dodd, the other members of the committee, publish a card in the *Record* of Thursday in which they say that Mr. Neal has persistently refused to assent to any manner of taking the sense of the people on the Jury Plan except under the old primary system, which they were convinced would fail "to draw out a full and fair expression of the will of the people by the ballot." While they do not criticise his action as a citizen, they "do think he has transcended his authority in suggesting a convention over his official signature."

Whipping for a White Man.

TWENTY LASHES AND A YEAR IN JAIL FOR WIFE-BEATING IN BALTIMORE.

Henry A. Meyers, a slender young man, not over twenty-five years old, was sentenced in the criminal court yesterday by Judge Stewart to one year in jail and twenty lashes for beating his wife, Sophia Meyers. They were married about eighteen months ago, and lived with her parents, Philip and Catharine Marzil, No. 63 East Baltimore street. Her father keeps a shoe store. One child has been born to them. Mrs. Meyers has filed a bill for divorce on the ground of cruelty. Mrs. Meyers, who is apparently about 20 years old and quite pretty, testified that on the night of June 9, 1885, her husband came home after having been on a spree. Being afraid of him, she with her babe occupied another room. Toward morning he came into her room and beat her unmercifully with his fists about the head and face. She held her baby in her arms and pleaded with him to spare her on its account and because of her delicate condition. He continued beating her until she and the child were terribly bruised and she was almost senseless. She screamed for help. Her father and mother came in answer to her cries, when he attacked them, and knocked them down and beat her. Judge Stewart said: "Meyers, come up here. I cannot pass this case over in silence." When Meyers stood up the Judge addressed him as follows:

"The court has listened to your evidence with patience in the hope that you would offer some explanation of your conduct on the night in which you made so brutal and unprovoked an assault upon your wife. Not one word, however, has been uttered in extenuation of your conduct—not one word expressing penitence or contrition for your act, and it is only left to the court to impose a sentence suited to the severity of the assault. The court finds you guilty and sentences you to imprisonment 12 months; but restraint of your liberty would hardly be sufficient to teach you what the law imposes on those who violate its provisions. The evidence of your wife bears in its every word the impress of truth. It is with pain that an addition is made to the punishment already imposed of a character that appears to take us back into the past ages, but the coarse attack which you made on your wife may imperil not only her own life, but also the life of her and your unborn child. Could your victim have punished you with only a portion of your own severity there would be no need of adding as a portion of your sentence what is now done, that you shall receive twenty lashes, to be administered by the sheriff in the city jail, and I hope they will be well laid on."

As the sentence of twenty lashes fell from the court Meyers seemed dazed, and the composure which he had preserved throughout the trial entirely deserted him. He turned with a start when summoned by the deputy warden to go back to the lockup. Edward I. Clark, his counsel, gave notice of a motion for a new trial, pending which the sentence will be suspended. The law authorizing corporal punishment for persons found guilty of wife-beating was passed by the Legislature at the session of 1882.—*Baltimore Sun, Tuesday.*

LLOYD'S UNION HOTEL, southwest corner of Pratt and Charles streets, Baltimore, was nearly destroyed by fire on Wednesday.

GEO. T. MELVIN, Esq., has sold his interest in the Denton *Journal* to Mr. Elon S. Hobbs, who will in future assist in editing that paper.

MRS. SARAH A. BRYAN, relict of the late John C. Bryan, died at the residence of her son-in-law, John B. Brown, Esq., in Centreville, last Monday night.

THE Maryland House of Correction is full, having now 304 inmates—253 males and 51 females. A committee of the directors has been appointed to notify the courts of the State that the house is crowded to its utmost capacity.

THE 1886 levy for Dorchester county has been made and the rate of taxation fixed at $1.05 on the $100—the same as that of last year. The assessable property of the county has slightly increased over that of last year, which was more than six million dollars.—*Cambridge Chronicle.*

A MINIATURE CYCLONE.

Heavy Wind and Rain—Terrific Thunder and Fearful Lightning Freaks—Damage to Orchards, Buildings, &c.

A wind and rain storm covering a limited area in this county last Monday evening was very destructive and remarkable for the curious and fearful freaks of lightning that accompanied it. The cloud rose in the West and lifting its black body above the horizon left behind and beneath it a thin drapery tinged with white and yellow. Moving, this cloud separated, one part going for a while northward and the other part southward; then changing their course the two divisions approached each other and came in collision over the farm of Mr. George W. Hatcherson, about six miles below Chestertown and one mile from Lankford. Mr. Hatcherson describes the effect of this collision—or the succeeding scene—as of the most fearful character. His dwelling is a two-story frame, fifty-two feet long, and is well supplied with lightning rods; a few feet back of the kitchen was a dairy house and twenty feet from that a large frame stable; fronting the stable and near it was a long shed for cattle and farm implements. When the clouds burst Mr. Hatcherson was between the kitchen and milk-house looking after his stock; he saw a stream of fire descend through a small opening in the roof of the cattle shed and near the centre; just under this opening was a Champion reaper, and other implements were near by. The shed was soon on fire and totally destroyed, together with the reaper and implements. In the stable five horses were feeding, the lightning tore great slices out of the post near one animal's feed-box and killed the horse instantly;—neither of the other animals were hurt, and a colored man sitting on a box within three feet of the animal killed escaped unharmed, but ran as for his life. A great mystery about the lightning's work at this stable is its entrance and disappearance; at the point of the roof four or five shingles are knocked off, but there is no evidence of the fluid entering the stable from that point; the post at the northwest corner and a centre end post are shivered; a large slice of the weatherboarding is torn out and slits and grooves made here and there as from rifled cannon. The milk-house was razed to the ground. In the kitchen were a colored woman and a small boy and girl; the lightning entered an open window and broke a pane out of one opposite for its exit. The woman says she "got skeered then" and made for another part of the house for safety. The other parts of the house, however, were undergoing an equally fearful ordeal—the bombardment was fierce and effective. Mr. Hatcherson with his wife and Miss Ida Stephens were in the room in the east end of the dwelling; the blazing fire entered this room by shattering six lights in one window and left it through another window on the side, breaking a single light in its passage. The three occupants of the room made for the stairway to seek safety in one of the chamber rooms, but upon opening the stair door found that the electric fire was playing its pranks there as well. The weatherboarding was slightly ripped in one place; a mantel bracket in one of the bed chambers was twisted from its position and the paper and plastering in a far corner of another room torn out; coming down from this room it knocked off the moulding and sash ledge from a lower window; in a large cupboard in the pantry a dish of meat was turned upside down, the paper torn from about a lot of soap and a jar and its contents ground to powder. Mr. Hatcherson is about as self-possessed and brave as any ordinary man but says he would not go through such a fearful ordeal again "for all Kent county." His wife and Miss Stephens were terribly frightened of course; the former has been in delicate health for a long time and such a severe trial to her nervous system came near proving fatal in its consequences. She is, however, greatly improved at this writing. Mr. Hatcherson's financial loss is not serious; several hundred panels of fence were blown down and a number of trees, besides the casualities above mentioned. The lightning-rods upon the dwelling are what are termed non-conductors. They seem to have been of little virtue, as the lightning played its pranks in close proximity to the metal on several parts of the building. Mr. H. thinks there were *nine* distinct and separate explosions which struck in as many different places, and after examining the premises none will doubt the correctness of his theory.

Other Farmers Damaged.

On Mr. Samuel Vannort's farm adjoining Mr. Hatcherson, tenanted by Mr. John Morris, a corn crib was blown down, and at Mr. Comegys Cosden's, nearly opposite, a corn-house and shops were leveled to the ground. Other farmers in the track of the storm suffered severe loss. Mr. John Brice estimates the damage to his peach orchards at not less than $1,000. Dr. J.H. Price's orchard was fearfully torn; nearly a third of his trees were ruined. Mr. J. Welch Crew's loss to orchards will not be short of a thousand dollars, and Mr. I. R. Leaverton had a wind-mill blown to pieces. Mr. J. A. Groves, probably the largest peach grower in the county, also suffered heavy loss; five or six hundred trees were torn up by the roots and many more broken badly. At "Airy Hill," occupied by Herbert Lusby, some damage was done, and on Wm. B. Usilton's place, tenanted by E. N. Roland, the orchards were greatly damaged — several hundred trees being torn up by the roots or twisted out of shape. Mr. H. W. Carvill had a shed blown down and suffered some loss in trees. Mr. V. Hendrickson and Messrs. Burchinal and Brown also sustained considerable damage to their orchards. By the time the storm had reached Chestertown it had spent its greatest force and there was little damage done here. A small building at the Primrose farm, foot of the bridge, was blown over, and several chimneys in town were partially demolished.—The steamer Emma A. Ford had just left Quaker Neck wharf when the storm struck her; she faced it without a quiver and her passengers felt as safe as if on dry land. The house of Mr. John Z. Clark, near Still Pond, was struck and slightly damaged. Mr. Clark thinks that he himself felt something of the shock.

CAPTURE OF AN ESCAPED PRISONER.— George Taggart, who escaped from jail at Centreville a short time since, was captured Monday morning by Mr. T. B. Curry, of Caroline county. Mr. Curry received information on Sunday that the whereabouts of Taggart were known, and he immediately procured the services of four men and proceeded to the place where Taggart was secreted. He ascertained that Taggart was in the house of a man named Joseph Cornish, residing between Greensborough and Denton, on the east side of the Choptank river. The party proceeded to the house of Cornish, being called, opened the door, and Mr. Curry and another man went into the house and found Taggart asleep. He was aroused and taken prisoner, but not without resistance. He was brought to Centreville and locked up. He talks freely and seems in excellent spirits, joking about his escape and capture. The colored man escaped with him has not yet been captured.

MR. CHAS. F. HARLEY, formerly of Centreville, but recently agent of the Enterprise Transportation Company at Light street wharf, Baltimore, won an appointment in the Baltimore Postoffice under the civil service rules. His average was 96.50, and he has been appointed clerk in the mailing division. Four years ago Mr. Harley graduated at Washington College with the first honors of his class. He is a member of the Queen Anne's county bar, but has never practised his profession.

RETRIBUTION.—A New York paper reports that Peter B. Sweeney, who is credited with having been one of the principals in the Tweed ring stealings, now wanders around Paris without money, having lost all by speculation abroad, a moody, discontented man. It is further said he is avoided by his old acquaintances, who fawned on him in the days of his prosperity, and passed by contemptuously by others.

The Temperance Cause.

A STRONG SPEECH FROM A SOUTH CAROLINA LADY.

In Kent county there is an organization known as the "Woman's Christian Temperance Union," the object of which is to advance the temperance cause by encouraging public sentiment in its favor. It is auxiliary to the State association, and public meetings are held at stated times at which addresses are delivered. Mrs. Chapin, a distinguished lady visitor from South Carolina, was in town this week and responded to the request for an address by appearing at the court-house on Wednesday evening. A full house greeted her and none went away disappointed. The exercises were opened with a temperance ode, which was well sung by an improvised choir, followed by an impressive prayer by Rev. J. D. Kemp and a short introductory address by C. H. Baker, Esq. Mrs. Chapin is the Southern superintendent of the Ladies' National Association, and has had much experience as a lecturer on this subject and in the effort to lift the fallen. She related numerous affecting incidents and was severe in her criticisms upon the liquor traffic. She said the South was being overrun by a horde of the vilest traffickers from the prisons and scums of the North—the majority of them foreigners even to that section — whose ability to make money was only exceeded by their unscrupulousness, and that the plantations once owned by the manor born were fast falling into the hands of the vandals and rogues in payment for the vile stuff that was retailed under sanction of law and for which the State received its share in the pittance paid for license. She thought the colored population of the South in great peril of a slavery far more dreadful than that from which they had been emancipated, and thought nothing but total prohibition would be effective as a temperance measure. Local option, she said, as understood in some places was a humbug; it but transferred the whiskey business from the groggeries to the drug stores and made the doctors the bar-keepers. "High license" she compared to a rat-hole stopped up with a stove-pipe. She urged her hearers to foster the local option law now upon the statutes and so improve and enforce it as to make prohibition as effective as other enactments. She knew bad people would violate this law just as they did every other law, but because the thief would steal and the murderer commit his crimes none reason that laws against theft or murder should be repealed, but rather ask for more stringent measures and more determined officials. The speaker was earnest in manner and eloquent in utterance. After the address quite a number subscribed to the pledge and a collection was taken.

DEATH OF JOHN N. USILTON, ESQ. — John N. Usilton, Esq., a well-known citizen of this county, died at his residence near Chestertown about 3 o'clock Thursday morning last. His death was quite sudden and unexpected. He had exercised himself in the hot sun of Monday and complained at night of exhaustion; on Tuesday Dr. Whaland was sent for and applied restoratives and he was thought to be in no special danger; on Wednesday noon, however, his symptoms became alarming and when the doctor reached his bedside he at once pronounced his disease typho-malarial fever with congestion of the brain, and death ensued in a few hours after. He was in the 70th year of his age. Mr. Usilton owns the farm on the suburbs of town where he has lived most of his life. He leaves but one child, by his second wife. The deceased was several years a Justice of the Peace here, and in 1865-6 served as one of the county school commissioners, when H. Meeks, Esq., was president of the school-board and J. W. Hines, secretary. Mr. Usilton has been from early life a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for many years was one of the most active officials in that church in Kent. He generously donated the beautiful building lot of the denomination in Chestertown and was for many years and at the time of his death president of the board of trustees. His scond wife survives him; she was a Miss Potter, and a native of New Hampshire. He leaves an estate estimated at fifty thousand dollars. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon and the remains were interred in Chester Cemetery.

GEORGE W. BARKMAN, M. D.—*Good Family Medicines and Useful Receipts.*—We have before us a copy of "Barkman's Family Companion," a sixty page pamphlet containing information of practical use on various subjects and especially designed as a companion for the family circle, embracing useful household receipts and humorous articles. It is sent to any address on receipt of ten cents in stamps. The author, George W. Barkman, M. D., is a native of Kent and a son of the late Jacob Barkman. He is a regular medical graduate and has been practicing for six years in Baltimore city. A number of the doctor's own manufactured articles have had extensive sale, and his "Never Failing Liniment" for man and beast is said to be a most valuable remedy; also his Blood and Liver Pills for purifying the blood. A notice of these two remedies will be found in our advertising columns.

DECEASED.— Mr. John France, formerly a member of the city council of Baltimore and of the Maryland Legislature, died Monday morning at his home, North West Point, on Chester river, in Queen Anne's county, where he had been engaged in farming the past 15 years. His remains were taken to Baltimore on Tuesday and interred in Mount Olivet Cemetery, where funeral services were held. He was a brother of the Rev. Joseph France, a well-known minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and father of Mr. Thos. D. France of this county. Mr. France was 65 years of age. His disease was dropsy of the heart. He was confined to the house for five months and was an intense sufferer.

BASE-BALL.—The Chestertown base-ball nine met the Centreville nine at Tolchester Friday of last week, and won by a score of 20 to 14.

The second game of base-ball between the Worton and Fairlee clubs took place at Hanesville Saturday afternoon last. As this game was played for championship, quite a large crowd gathered to enjoy fun and see the game, which was hotly contested throughout, and full of excitement from beginning to end. At the last game the Fairlee boys appeared a little off, but this time they came with their muscles well rubbed up, and gave the Wortoners a little more than they expected. The score was: Fairlee 21, Worton 23.

SUICIDE OF A WEALTHY AND PROMINENT CITIZEN.—Samuel L. Gafford, an extensive land owner, in second district, committed suicide, last Tuesday evening by jumping down a well from 20 to 25 feet deep. Last January, a year ago, Mr. Gafford rented his farm and removed to Church Hill, where he has resided ever since, looking after his investments, which lately, it is alleged, troubled him very much for fear that he would lose them all. For months past this has been the burden of his conversation, but little notice was taken of it by his friends, as it was known that they were perfectly secure, and his conversations upon this topic were regarded as a mere whim. About a week ago he stated to his friends that he was uncomfortable and unhappy in his present condition of life, and expressed a desire to live in a log house, as he did when he began life. It just then dawned upon the minds of his relations and friends that he was losing his mind, and efforts were about being made to have him looked after. It is reported that early Tuesday morning he procured 8 or 10 grains of morphia, which was taken from him. Later in the day he asked for a drink of cool water and his wife went to the well to get it, he accompanying her. Before she could get the water he plunged headlong down the well, which was about 20 feet deep, and before he could be rescued, died at the bottom. In the descent down the well his head was badly cut and one of his eyes nearly knocked out. It is more than likely he received fatal injuries before reaching the water. Mr. Gafford was about 65 years of age and had acquired independence. He leaves a widow, but no children.—*Cent. Rec.*

OUR WATER SUPPLY.—Messrs. Clements & York, lessees of our water-works, have this week given the reservoir and the basin from which the supply is obtained a thorough cleansing. The water in the main reservoir, which had become somewhat tainted from long standing, was all drawn off and the basin thoroughly renovated and flushed. It was found to contain a considerable quantity of mud, washed in from the embankment before the sides were paved and cemented. The lower basin from which the water is pumped has been carried through a similar process. As soon as the bottom hardens, which will require only a few days, the reservoir will be refilled with pure water. It is not likely that anything more will be required to be done for some time.

A DRIVING ACCIDENT.—Hope H. Barroll, Esq., one of our young attorneys, was out driving last Wednesday afternoon in company with a young lady, and when nearing the head of town with his horse at good speed the animal stumbled and fell; having a firm grip of the reins the sudden jerk threw Mr. B. out of the carriage and upon the ground with considerable force. His face and head were somewhat bruised and he has been confined to his house ever since. His physician reports him rapidly improving at this writing and he expects to be at his office next Monday. The young lady jumped from the carriage and was uninjured.

COMMITTED FOR COURT.—Louis Cripper, col'd, of the upper part of this county, was lodged in jail last week under charge of stealing and attempting to kill. He lived with Mr. Willbanks, on one of the farms formerly belonging Col. Geo. W. Spencer. He left his home Monday of last week, and returned Tuesday night after Mr. Willbanks' family had retired and effected an entrance to the house. He took a quantity of clothing belonging to Mr. Willbanks. When the theft was traced to him he became abusive and threatening.

NOT DEAD.—We were led into error last week in stating that Wm. H. Faulkner, who was severely stunned by lightning when Jos. Cosden was killed, some four weeks ago, had since died from the effects of the stroke. The announcement was made by the *Cecil Democrat* and we took it for granted. Mr. Faulkner, who lives near Round Top, in Queen Anne's, was in Chestertown on Monday and his nervous system is still unsettled from the effects of the shock.

SWALLOWED A PIN.—Charles, the 12-year-old son of Mr. Chas. S. York, of this town, went to sleep last Sunday night with a pin in his mouth and swallowed it during the night. The pin lodged under the palate and caused considerable pain and spitting of blood. It was extracted the next day by Dr. Perkins, greatly to the relief of the little sufferer and his anxious parents. Children should never put pins in their mouth.

HARVEST.—Wheat harvest in Kent will be fully under way in one week from next Monday. The earliest cutting in the county is generally in Quaker Neck and if the weather should continue warm some wheat in that section will be harvested as early as Thursday next. The crop in the county, though nothing like full, will be far better than any one anticipated early in the season.

DAILY BOAT FROM BUCK NECK.—The Sassafras River Steamboat Company will run the steamer Chester between Buck Neck and Baltimore daily, commencing on Wednesday next, giving passengers five hours in the city. Mr. C. H. Davis will run a stage connecting Chestertown and Buck Neck. See adv.

A DASTARDLY ACT.—Charles Sanders, a negro boy aged fifteen years, has been lodged in jail for killing a horse belonging to Mrs. Camp, of the lower part of this county. Sanders lived with Mr. F. B. Gemmill. The horse came into Mr. Gemmill's yard, and the boy, in driving him out, stuck him with a pitchfork and killed him.

SALE OF A TALBOT FARM.—The Easton *Ledger* states that Hon. J. Frank Turner has sold Dundee farm, containing 258 acres, to Messrs. F. H. Nickerson & Bro., for $14,000. It lies five miles from Easton. Mr. Turner bought it two years ago, from Miss Louisa Tilghman for $9,500. He has spent some money on it in improvements.

PIPE ORGAN FUND.—The ladies of the Chestertown M. E. Church at their recent festival, held to increase the pipe organ fund, cleared $175.00. This, together with the amount heretofore secured for the same purpose, is nearly if not quite sufficient to purchase the organ, and the main question now to be determined is its location in the church.

PERSONAL.—Rev. A. W. Mather and wife will celebrate the 15th anniversary of their marriage on Tuesday evening next, 23d instant. No cards will be sent out, but they will be glad to see their friends on that evening at the parsonage at St. James' from 7 until 11 P. M.

THE TIME FOR THE ORATORIO.—The Still Pond class, under the direction of Prof. Wyatt, will give the oratorio of Queen Esther at the Town Hall in Still Pond on the evenings of July 7th, 8th and 9th. Particulars will be given in future advertisement.

ENTERTAINMENTS for the benefit of the P. E. Sabbath School will be given at the Town Hall next Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The program will be varied and amusing. Refreshments will be served after the entertainment.

SOMETHING NEEDED.—The Fire Company of this town has added to its apparatus a handsome hose carriage, built by Messrs. Chapman & Lambert. It will be a great convenience at fires.

SALE OF A CARRIAGE FACTORY.—Tuesday, June 23—the carriage factory, &c., in Chestertown, of Mr. G. E. Lambert, will be sold by Chas. T. Westcott, Esq., trustee.

Saturday June 20.—James A. Pearce, Esq., will sell two lots of land belonging to Mr. Joshua H. Bryan.

The telephone wires have been completed to Still Pond and in about ten days will be finished to all the other points in the county arranged for, when the instruments will be put in and the lines in full operation.

HEREDITARY AND HYGIENE.— A well-written article on the temperance question from a hygienic standpoint, by an intelligent lady of Kent, will be given place in the News next week.

REMOVAL.—Mr. B. F. Fleming has removed the telegraph and railroad office in Chestertown from under the Voshell House to the room nearly opposite, formerly Rolph's pool-room.

LAST Sunday and Monday gave us a touch of summer. The thermometer was in the nineties and the heat was oppressive both days.

THE Examiners on the Mill Lane road will meet at Spicer's mill, near Galena, on the 16th day of July instead of the 2d day of that month, as at first advertised.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, June 16.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Bartus Trew, executor of James F. Wilkins, filed his release from Ella H. Wilkins.

H. H. Barroll, adm'r of J. Frank Newnam, Jr., returned his account of sales of personal estate of said deceased.

Thomas and Wm. G. Rasin, adm'rs of Thos. Rasin, returned account of sales of personal estate of said deceased.

The last will and testament of Sarah E. Aldridge was admitted to probate.

A CURIOUS AND FATAL ACCIDENT.—The one-year-old son of Henry Sigman, of Easton, Pa., was placed on a bed to sleep Tuesday morning, but soon awoke and crawled to the foot. It put its head through the rungs, while its body slipped off the side. The result was that the child was hanged. It was quite dead when found.

DIED.

Near Chestertown, June 18, 1885, after a short illness, JOHN N. USILTON, in the 70th year of his age.

At the residence of her son in Still Pond, May 24th, of paralysis of the throat, Mrs. MARY E. STANLEY, wife of the late Wm. Stanley.

Gone, but not forgotten! Three months to the day, Annie, her daughter, fell asleep in Jesus; mother and daughter meet to part no more. Annie was the wife of the Rev. N. McQuay.

At his home in Queen Anne's county, on the morning of June 15, JOHN FRANCE, son of the late Thomas France, of Baltimore, aged 65 years.

RELIGIOUS.—Janes M. E. Church, two special sermons tomorrow (Sunday), by the pastor. Subjects: 10.30 a. m., "Warning by the Wholesale," 8 p. m., "How to Make Good Bread Out of Bad Flour." Public welcome. J. HUDSON RIDDICK, Pastor.

NOTICE.—All persons who are indebted, or have given their notes for Phosphate from August to October (inclusive) 1884, the materials of which were furnished by R. J. Baker & Co., of Baltimore, to Connelly & DeFord as their agents, but which notes or open accounts were made without reference to said agency in the firm name of Connelly & DeFord, are warned NOT TO PAY the same at maturity as R. J. BAKER & CO. claim the proceeds of said notes and open accounts are due to them. Remittances can be made by check to R. J. Baker & Co., 36 S. Charles st., Baltimore, (or to their authorised agents,) who will protect makers of said notes in case of suits. je20-4t.

FOR SALE CHEAP.
BILLIARD and POOL TABLE, nearly new. Desiring to enter a different business cause for selling. Terms easy.
Apply to WILLIAM A. BURK, Chestertown, Md. je20-4t.*

A RARE OPPORTUNITY!
A GOOD BUSINESS in Chestertown for Sale. Apply at this office. je13-3t.

FOR SALE CHEAP.
A BURR STONE—CORN MEAL or FEED MILL. Apply to G. B. KRUSEN, Still Pond, Kent co., Md. j13-3t.*

PRIVATE SALE
OF A SMALL FARM,
adjoining lands of J. C. Sutton and N. W. Comegys in Kent county, Md. For particulars apply to J. A. PEARCE, Attorney-at-Law, Chestertown, Md. j13-1m.

NOTICE.—Regular weekly meetings of the Young Men's Christian Association are held EVERY TUESDAY EVENING at 8 o'clock in the M. E. Church of this town. All young men are cordially invited.
By order of EXEC. COMM.

FOR SALE.
A few ASH EXTENSION TABLES, 6, 8 and 10 feet, at 80 cents per foot. Also, some WALNUT TABLES, same sizes at 90 cents; better call early.
j6-3t. LOUIS K. STAM.

Come to Fairlee! Come to Fairlee!

COME, everybody come, FRIDAY Evening, June 19; if raining, come Saturday Evening, 20th inst., and help the ladies of the "Aid Society of Salem M. E. Church" in their effort to obtain means to replenish the Sabbath-school Library by partaking of a bounteous supply of Strawberries, Ice-Cream, Cake, and enjoy a number of innocent amusements. "Pomona Trombones" the ladies hope will furnish music. Remember one, only one evening.
By order,
je6. LADIES AID SOCIETY, S. M. E. C.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.
The Meth. Prot. Church and Sabbath School of KENNEDYVILLE will hold a Strawberry Festival on the Green in front of the Church, on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, June 18, 19 and 20. The public are respectfully invited. Strawberries, Ice-Cream and other refreshments will be provided. By order. m23-5t.

New Ice-Cream Parlors.

MRS. M. C. USILTON has opened her ICE-CREAM PARLORS for the Summer and solicits the liberal patronage of the Gentlemen and Ladies of Chestertown and vicinity. She can be found adjoining L. K. Stam's Furniture Store. CREAMS, WATER-ICES, FRUIT and CONFECTIONERY always on hand.
j6-tf. M. C. USILTON.

THE GEM
ICE-CREAM & LUNCH PARLORS
ARE NOW OPEN.

We have started with success and we intend to push right along supplying every one with ICE-CREAM of the Best Quality and Different Flavors and in any quantity. In our
Lunch Department
we can fill your order with such quick dispatch that you will wonder how we do it at such small charges.
Fried Clams, Clam Chowder, Soft Fried Crabs, Beef Steak, Deviled Crabs, Coffee, Ice Milk, &c., &c.
Give us a call and enjoy a short season of pleasure in our cosy Gem Parlors, Cross street, next to our Bakery.
W. HUDGINS, Chestertown. je13tf.

OLD PEACH BOXES!

Wishing to Clear my Yard of OLD
Peach Box Material
—AND—
OLD BOXES

to start fresh the 1st of July with bright new material, I herewith offer these old Boxes at 5 cents apiece, and Slats and Covers at HALF PRICE. It is all good, but over-seasoned and brittle. Also on hand some SMALL BOXES, half price.
☞ We are now getting out NEW MATERIAL, orders for which we would like to book for June delivery. We propose making a special figure for June delivery of
NEW, BRIGHT BOX MATERIAL.
JOSEPH TURNER,
SCOTT'S POINT, May 20, 1885.

THE H. H. BABCOCK BUGGY CO.
Manufacturers of
Fine Grade Carriages & Spring Wagons
WATERTOWN, NEW YORK.
M. K. BALCOME, Agent, Chestertown, Md. May be found at Armstrong's Hotel. m23-1m.

MILLINERY STORE FOR SALE.

THE undersigned wishing to retire from business will sell her ENTIRE STOCK OF MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS in her storeroom nearly opposite the M. E. Church, Chestertown. The stand is a good one and will be rented to the party purchasing if desired. This is a rare chance for persons desiring to engage in this business, the stand being an old and desirable one. The purchaser will receive any instruction required and every assistance in our power to give in the conduct of the business.
Persons indebted to me are requested to make early settlement. All accounts not paid by August 1, 1885, will be placed in an officer's hand for collection.
May 9, 1885. LAURA J. DAVIS.

FARMERS in need of Plow and Wagon GEARS will do well to call on
WM. A. WHEATLEY, adj. Chestertown Nat'l Bank. m7.

GRINDSTONES, mounted and unmounted, by W. A. WHEATLEY. m21.

Entertainment!
AT THE TOWN HALL,
TWO EVENINGS,
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY NEXT,
June 25th and 26th,
for the benefit of the P. E. Sabbath School.

Wednesday Evening's Program:
1.—Tableau. 2.—A Oad Onto Georgie Washinton (written expressly for this occasion.— 3.—Tableau. 4.—Recitation. 5.—"POOR PILLICODDY."

Thursday Evening's Program:
1.—Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works. 2.—A Oad Onto Georgie Washinton, (written expressly for this entertainment.) 3.—Poor Pillicoddy.
☞Doors open at 7; the curtain will rise at 8 promptly. There will be Ice-Cream and Cake after the entertainment.
Admission 25 cents—no half price.
Thursday P. M. from 4 until 7 the Hall will be open for the benefit of children without charge for admission. 1t.

FOR SALE—
A FINE DRIVING MARE,

4 years old, well-broken and rather good-looking.
je20-tf. DR. W. FRANK HINES.

WANTED.

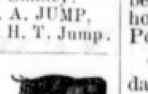
TWO CHEAP FARM HORSES for cash. N. BARNARD, Still Pond, Md. m30-4t.

HOUSE and LOT FOR SALE,

With or without Stock and Fixtures of a Drug Store attached, known as LEARY'S PHARMACY. This is a rare chance for a person desiring to engage in the Drug business.
Apply on the premises to J. F. LEARY, Leary's Pharmacy, near Rock Hall. j6-3t*

PRIVATE SALE.

THREE (3) ACRES GOOD LAND, with Dwellings and Out-Buildings, near Stanley.
M. A. JUMP, Executrix H. T. Jump. j13-3t.

FOR SALE.

HALF-BLOOD FRIESIAN BULL CALF. WM. H. STEWART, Near Chestertown. j6-3t.

FREDERICK FOUNTAIN,
AGENT FOR
R. J. Baker & Co.,
Manufacturers of
HIGH GRADE BONE FERTILIZERS,
BALTIMORE, MD.

Stag Superphosphate, Ammoniated Bone Superphosphate, Pure Fine Ground Raw Bone, Pure Dissolved Raw Bone, Pure Dissolved Bone Ash, Pure Dissolved Bone Black, Dissolved South Carolina Rock, Sulphate of Potash, Kainit, Muriate of Potash 80 to 84 per cent., Sulphate of Ammonia 25 per cent., High Grade Bird Guano. Pure Fertilizing Chemicals for all Formulas.
Special Formulas Compounded.
☞LOW PRICES FOR CASH; f. o. b. Baltimore. je13-4m.

PEACH BOXES!

I would say to all in want of PEACH BOXES, that I have contracted with the Messrs. Williams, of Salisbury, to supply me with all I may want this Peach Season, and am ready to take your orders,
SHOOKS or MADE UP!
and will deliver by Rail or Water any amount you may want.
I have been supplying you promptly for more than Ten Years, and keep my factories well stocked with materials, where you can get
SLATS, TOPS, PEACH LADDERS,
PEACH BASKETS,
ORCHARD BASKETS,
during the entire season. Such an establishment is indispensable to you, and think I deserve your patronage. My prices will be as low as any one can possibly handle the goods.
☞For prices, &c., call on or address
R. S. EMORY, CHESTERTOWN. je13-2m.

Road Examiners'
NOTICE.

THE undersigned by virtue of a commission to them issued by the Hon. County Commissioners of Kent County hereby give notice that on
THURSDAY, 16th day of July next,
AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.,
at Spicer's Mill, in First Election District, they will meet to enter upon, view and determine whether the public convenience requires the
MILL LANE
from the Galena and Georgetown public road by said Mill to the Galena and Sassafras public road to be WIDENED; and also to open
A NEW ROAD
from the point where the mill lane intersects the Galena and Sassafras road, and running across the farm where Benjamin Waters now resides, and continued between the lands of Cochran and White to the old Galena road leading to Masseys.
WM. S. WALKER,
JOHN P. HENDRICKSON,
BENJ. F. H. CAULK,
EXAMINERS. m30-tm.

SHINGLES! SHINGLES!!
A large invoice of the best No. 1 HEART SHINGLES, direct from the Swamps, just received and for sale low, by T. W. ELIASON, JR. m31.

BOOTS and SHOES of all sizes from No. 7 Child's Boot to a No. 13 Men's Boot, and No. 0 Child's Shoe to No. 9 Ladies' Shoes, both button and lace.
THOMPSON, up town. n15.

BARB WIRE! BARB WIRE and BUCKTHORN WIRE by the coil or ton. Special prices for ton lots for cash. W. A. WHEATLEY, adj. Bank. a31.

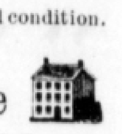
REFRIGERATORS, Field Kegs, Water Coolers and other things in season, at the Hardware Store with a Glass Front. J. K. Aldridge & Co.

STRAW HATS! STRAW HATS!! Large assortment, all grades, at low prices. J. H. SIMPERS.

THE PHILADELPHIA LAWN MOWER For Sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE & CO. m9.

Attorney's Sale of Land
Near Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.

BY VIRTUE of authority from the owner, the undersigned, as attorney, will offer at Public Sale, at the Court House door in Chestertown, Md.,
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 20th,
AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.,
TWO LOTS OF LAND belonging to Joshua H. Bryan, as follows:

LOT No. 1
lies upon the public road from Morgan's Creek to Millington, adjoining the lands of the late Jacob Barkman, and contains about
10 Acres of Land
all arable, good soil and in good condition.
There is a
Small Out-House

and an excellent CORN-HOUSE on the tract but no dwelling.

No. 2
adjoins No. 1, and contains about
1½ ACRES of LAND.
This lot has a
GOOD DWELLING,

with two rooms and a Kitchen, Good Stable, Well of Good Water with pump.
Both Lots are under good hedge and fencing and have a number of FRUIT TREES—PEACH, APPLE, QUINCE and DAMSON.
Will be sold together or separately; may be divided and would make a nice little home. The corn crop will be reserved. Possession given on compliance with sale.
THE TERMS are one-half cash on the day of sale and the balance with approved security, in two instalments, in 6 and 12 months from the day of sale with interest.
JAMES A. PEARCE,
Attorney for Joshua H. Bryan.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auc'r. j6-tds.

CARRIAGE FACTORY,
Blacksmith and Wheelwright
SHOPS,
IN CHESTERTOWN,
—AT—
TRUSTEE'S SALE

BY virtue of a Deed of Trust from George E. Lambert and wife dated April 21, 1885, and duly recorded among the Land Records for Kent county in Liber S. B., No. 6, folio 4, the undersigned as Trustee will offer at Public Sale, in front of the Court House door in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, on
TUESDAY, the 23d of JUNE, 1885
AT TWELVE O'CLOCK M.,
All those LOTS OF LAND in Chestertown,
on the South West Corner of Cross and Cannon streets, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, consisting of a
LARGE, TWO-STORY, FRAME
Carriage Factory
having a front of 30 feet and a depth of 60 feet. Also, a
Blacksmith Shop
18 by 38 feet;
WHEELWRIGHT AND BLACKSMITH SHOP 28 by 34;
A LOT OF LAND, with a front of 67 ft. on Cannon street and a depth of 126 feet; a STABLE 12 by 18 ft., a SHED 18 by 30 ft., a CARRIAGE-HOUSE 16 by 30 ft., a COAL-HOUSE 4 by 7 ft., a LOT OF LAND on Cross street, having a front of 64 ft. and depth of 196 ft.
These shops have had a large trade and afford a most desirable stand for the manufacture, sale and repair of carriages.
The building lots are nicely located, and offer special inducements to persons desiring town lots.

TERMS OF SALE:
The terms of sale will be one-fifth of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, and the residue in four equal instalments in 6, 12, 18 and 24 months from the day of sale, deferred payments to bear interest and to be secured by the bond or notes of the purchaser with security to be approved by the trustee.
CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, TRUSTEE. m30-ts.

NOTICE.—The creditors of GEORGE E. LAMBERT are hereby notified to file their claims, duly proven, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, within four months from the day of sale. All persons indebted to GEO. E. LAMBERT are hereby notified to call and settle same with me at once.
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT, Trustee.
May 30, 1885.

JERMAN & COSGRIFF,
(Successors to W. M. Bell,)
MANUFACTURERS OF
Porous Drain Tile!

Egg-Shaped, 2 to 6 inches Calibre. Round, with Collar, 2, 2½ and 3 inches Calibre.
Send for price list and circular.
Address, JERMAN & COSGRIFF, Smyrna, Del. je13-tf.

Woodland Beach Hotel,
BOMBAY HOOK.
Perfect Location, Delightful Breeze, Beautiful Grove, Good Bathing, Most Comfortable Bedding, Splendid Dancing Pavilion, Everything that is required for a First-class table. Everything in season. Special rates to families.
EDWARD KRONENBERG, Proprietor. m30-3m.

WIRE NETTING, Window Frames, Door Frames for Wire Screen, at J. K. Aldridge & Co.'s.

BINDER TWINE in season at lowest prices, at W. A. WHEATLEY'S.