Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING......... FEB. 13, 1886.

The Maryland Appointments.

A conference was held at the residence of Senator Gorman in Washington last Monday night to consider the subject of the Maryland appointments. The correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* writes: There was no formal conclusion reached as to the recommendation of any particular persons to the President, although a variety of names for the different places were mentioned and discussed. Mr. Gorman, as presiding officer of the meeting, availed himself of the privileges of the chair, and did a great deal of listening without much talking. Therefore, up to date he knows much more of the opinions and preferences of his colleagues than they do of his. This does not apply to naval officer and surveyor. He is said to be for Mr. Fenton for United States marshal. Who he really wishes for United States district attorney his colleagues appear not to know, but there does not seem to be any doubt that he is not and will not be for Mr. Handy, for whose appointment Senator Wilson is especially anxious. The Eastern Shore people do not admit that the selection of Mr. Groome as collector at Baltimore will liquidate all their claims. They say that Mr. Groome is in the second congressional district, and his appointment, if made, must be charged to that district, and not to the Eastern Shore. They are keeping a sharp eye on the assistant treasuryship, and combat vigorously Col. Baughman's claim that it shall remain with Western Maryland.

A southern Maryland politician who professed to have confidential means of information said Wednesday night, continues the *Sun's* correspondent, that the slate of the Gorman caucus would be pretty much like the following, except in the event of contingencies not now anticipated: Groome for collector, Rasin for naval officer, Fenton for marshal, Bishop for assistant treasurer and Hall for collector of internal revenue, with Dr. Thom as the residuary legatee of Groome. There are gentlemen not named in this list who have backing of a very influential character.

The Centreville *Record* states that "a telegram from Hon. Charles H. Gibson was received last Tuesday morning, expressing regret that his efforts in behalf of ex-Comptroller Keating had failed to make him collector of the port of Baltimore."

A FREIGHT TRAIN, consisting of sixty-two cars, heavily laden, while running up Poplar street in St. Louis from the river Monday morning, separated in the middle, and the rear portion of the train started back down the grade. The brakemen did all in their power to arrest the progress of the runaway cars, but their efforts were unavailing, and in order to save their lives abandoned the train to its fate. Each foot of its backward course increased the speed, and almost immediately several of the cars began swaying from side to side, and soon several jumped the track, but still kept on in their downward course, crashing into the houses which line the street and leaving destruction in their wake. One of the cars became ditched, however, and this arrested the progress of those behind it. The others continued in their mad course, some off the track and some on, until they were toppled over into the river. No one sustained injuries of a serious character.

THE "starving mechanics" of London on Monday held a mass-meeting in Trafalgar Square around the Nelson monument, and it resulted in a riot. The proceedings were opened with an assemblage of ten thousand men. Police were present in large numbers. They at once saw that the Socialistic element of London greatly predominated in the crowd, which was also managed by well-known Socialists. The meeting degenerated into a wild mob, which roamed at will for hours through many leading streets of the city, storming private residences, breaking open and rifling shops, stopping and confiscating carriages, and maltreating all respectable people who crossed its path. Some officials declare that upwards of fifty thousand men must have been rioting for at least six hours, with absolute possession of every street they chose to invade, yet no life is reported to have been taken.

SHERIFF LUTHER P. MARTIN, of Dorchester county, died at the jail in Cambridge Wednesday evening about 8 o'clock of embolism of the heart, caused by acute rheumatism. He had been ill about a week, but his condition was not considered serious until the last few days. He was elected as a democrat in November last, and promised to make a good and efficient officer.

HON. STEVENSON ARCHER, State Treasurer-elect, has presented his bond to Gov. Lloyd, in the sum of $200,000, with Messrs. Stevenson A. Williams, J. Thos. C. Hopkins, Hon. Edwin H. Webster, Henry W. Archer, P. Howard, Allen Hoffman and Joseph M. Street, all of Harford county, as bondsmen. The bond was approved and Mr. Archer has entered upon his duties of office.

THE Easton *Ledger* of Thursday says that ex-Gov. Thomas, General Hardcastle and other friends of Colonel Edward Lloyd have gone to Washington to urge upon the president Colonel Lloyd's appointment as collector of the port of Baltimore. A petition for his appointment, largely signed by citizens of Talbot, has been sent to the president.

MR. JOHN K. RANDALL, librarian at the Baltimore Mercantile Library, committed suicide Monday morning at his boarding house, No. 109 North Charles street. His father, who was a retired surgeon of the United States army, died at nearly the same time at the Army Hospital at Washington.

W. SCOTT ROBERTS, ESQ., has associated with him in the editorial department of the Centreville *Record* Mr. F. Julian Bailey, who has been engaged in journalism in Baltimore. The *Record* is well worthy the large patronage it receives, and it will no doubt be still further improved under the united efforts of the new management.

THE Cambridge *Chronicle* contradicts, on the authority of Col. Clement Sulivane of that place, the statement that the latter has made application for a position in the Interior Department; that he never entertained such an intention.

THANKS.—Hon. Chas. H. Gibson, our worthy member of Congress, has our acknowledgments for a handsomely bound copy of the Congressional Directory of the first session of the 49th Congress.

PUBLIC SCHOOL SESSIONS.—The Baltimore City School Board last Tuesday had up the question of one or two sessions of school, and the proposition for one session was defeated by a vote of twelve to fifteen.

THE Senate, by a vote of 32 to 22, has passed the bill to admit that part of the Territory of Dakota south of the 46th parallel of latitude into the Union as a State under the name of Dakota, and to create out of northern Dakota a new Territory, to be called Lincoln. The bill was passed by a party vote, all the democrats with the exception of Senator Voorhees, voting against it. The view of the majority in the House upon the propriety, or necessity, of giving at the present time a comparatively small and rude frontier community as many Senators as Maryland or New York is yet to be learned, but it is probable that the decision will be that Dakota can wait till its citizens get better acquainted with each other and the proper mode of seeking admission into the Union.—*Balto. Sun.*

A FORTUNE IN ONE SEASON.—The New York *Herald* states that Mr. Lawrence Barrett assumes the management of Mr. Edwin Booth's business next season. He is to pay the latter $150,000 for thirty weeks' work and furnish everything. Of course he will arrange to keep his and Mr. Booth's companies in different parts of the country.

GENERAL HANCOCK DEAD.

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The Senior Major-General of the Army Quietly Sinks to Rest.

Major-General Winfield Scott Hancock, commanding the military division of the Atlantic Department of the East, died Tuesday afternoon, at his home on Governor's Island, from diabetes, aggravated by carbuncle. He had been ill only a week and it was not until Monday that a fatal termination of his illness was apprehended. On January 27 General Hancock, attended by Lieutenant Dapray, went to Washington on private business and put up at Wormley's. On Thursday, the 28th, he called upon President Cleveland and then upon the Secretary of War and on Lieutenant-General Sheridan. All that day he complained to Mr. Dapray of a boil on the back of his neck. On Friday it troubled him so much that he went to the United States army dispensary, where Surgeon O'Reilly lanced the boil and greatly relieved him.

On their way to the railroad station that day Mr. Dapray reminded the general that President Cleveland was to hold a reception in the afternoon.

"I wish you had told me that before," said General Hancock. "I would have gone there. I am feeling so much better."

He reached Governor's Island at 5.30 o'clock that evening. On Tuesday the boil developed into a carbuncle and for two days General Hancock was quite ill. On Thursday his symptoms became favorable and on Friday he was at his office attending to official business. On Saturday, although he refrained from going to his office, he insisted upon giving attention at his house to the official matters of any importance. Although down stairs for a few minutes on Sunday morning he remained in his room the rest of the day. During the night he alarmed Mrs. Hancock by suddenly appearing in her room, to which she had retired but a few minutes before. He was fully dressed and equipped for a journey and asked where his traveling bag was. He was delirious.

Kidney troubles, which had not been suspected, showed themselves on Monday and Dr. Janeway, attending surgeon at division headquarters, called in Colonel Sutherland, Medical Director of the Division of the Atlantic. They decided that the condition of their patient was serious and warned Mrs. Hancock that death might be near at hand. On Monday night, however, the general seemed very comfortable and Dr. Janeway left him in charge of Hospital Steward Robinson and of his orderly, Ward, but about 4 o'clock Tuesday morning a change for worse was noticed in the general's condition, and he continued gradually to sink until at 2.58 P. M. he simply ceased to breathe, dying, as Dr. Janeway said, "quietly, like a man who had done his work, and as easily as a man going down a flight of stairs."

General Hancock died in a plainly furnished room on the southwest corner of the second floor of his house. The face of the dead soldier was calm and peaceful. His body, however, was much wasted by his short though sharp sickness. Had he lived until St. Valentine's Day he would have been sixty-two years of age, and under existing law he would have retired from active service upon the same date in 1888.

General Hancock leaves no property, real or personal, of any great intrinsic value, having always lived generously and spent his annual pay of $7,500 as a Major-General. It is supposed that his wife's estate has become so reduced that it will amount to comparatively little.

Speaking editorially the Baltimore *Sun* says the death of General Hancock will excite general regret throughout the country. His military services, both in the war with Mexico and in the civil war, were of a distinguished character, entitling him to the gratitude of one section of the country and the respect of both. During the most trying period of the war between the States he kept in mind the principles of humanity and respect for the rights of non-combatants which other generals won popularity by ignoring. He was a hard fighter, but at the same time a kindly gentleman. It was, however, the loyal regard shown by him for the constitution and the accepted maxims of orderly civil government in 1867 and 1868, when in command of the fifth military district, that first attracted the attention of the country to his statesmanlike qualities. His conduct at that time endeared him to the people of Louisiana and Texas, and indeed to the people of the entire South. Such was his popularity that when in the democratic national convention of 1868 he became a candidate for the nomination to the presidency he received 144½ votes out of a possible 317, and in the convention held in 1880 at Cincinnati he was nominated, receiving 705 votes out of a possible 738. Though failing of election he prepared the way for the triumph of his party at a later date, and before his death had the pleasure of assisting at the inauguration of a democratic President.

The Funeral.

The funeral services will take place at Trinity Church, Broadway, New York city, this (Saturday) morning, at 10 A. M. The body will be escorted to the church by batteries of the Fifth United States Artillery, from Governor's Island and other posts in the harbor—the troops which for some time past have been stationed at and near the General's headquarters. After the ceremonies at the church the body will be taken, via the Battery, to Jersey City, thence to Norristown, Pa., for interment. The pall-bearers have been announced as follows: The Hon. Thos. F. Bayard, Generals William T. Sherman, Philip H. Sheridan, William B. Franklin, Alfred H. Terry, N. A. Miles, John Newton, James B. Fry, Francis A. Walker, William F. Smith, Mr. B. M. Harshorne, Colonel W. P. Wilson, Major W. D. W. Miller. The last two gentlemen were aids to General Hancock during the war.

Sketch of his Life.

Winfield Scott Hancock was born in Montgomery county, Pa., February 14, 1824. He received his early education at Norristown (Pa.) academy. In 1840 he was appointed a cadet at the United States Military Academy, from whence he was graduated and promoted in the army July 1, 1844, as brevet-second-lieutenant in the Sixth Infantry. For more than two years after his graduation he served on frontier duty, receiving his full commission of second-lieutenant in 1846. In 1847 and 1848 he served in the war with Mexico, and was breveted first-lieutenant for gallant conduct in the battles of Contreras and Churubusco.

On the breaking out of the civil war he was relieved from duty in California, where he had been stationed, and, repairing to Washington, applied for active service in the field, and on the 23d of September, 1861, was appointed a brigadier-general of volunteers, and served for a time in the defenses of Washington. In the autumn and winter of 1861-2 he commanded a brigade at Lewinsville, Va., but in March, 1862, accompanied Gen. McClellan's army to the Peninsula, being actively engaged with his command at the siege of Yorktown, and the subsequent pursuit, which resulted in the battle of Williamsburg, in which he led the brilliant charge which captured Fort Magruder. His services at the battles of Holding's Farm, Garrett's Hill, Savage Station and White Oak Swamp, and during the subsequent retreat to Harrison's Landing, were conspicuous and valuable. The brevets of major, lieutenant-colonel and colonel were conferred upon him, and he was recommended by Gen. McClellan for promotion to major-general.

He was also in the Maryland campaign from September to November, taking part in the battles of Crampton's Pass, South Mountain, Antietam and other engagements. In the Rappahannock campaign of 1862-3, he participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. In command of the second army corps his service in the Pennsylvania campaign was marked by gallant conduct. At the battle of Gettysburg, July 1 to 3, 1863, he was severely wounded in the repulse of Longstreet's attack upon the left centre, and Congress gave him public thanks May 30, 1866, "for his gallant, meritorious and conspicuous share in that great and decisive victory."

Disabled from active duty by his wounds, he remained on recruiting service until March, 1864, when he took part in the campaign in Virginia of that year. At the battle of the Po he commanded the second and fifth army corps, as well as at the assault near Spottsylvania Court House two days later, when he captured the enemy's works, taking 4,000 prisoners, 20 pieces of artillery and large quantities of small arms. On August 12, 1864, he was raised to the rank of brigadier-general in the regular army. At the close of the war he was engaged in organizing the first army corps of veterans.

THE SLEIGHING SPORT.

BROUGHT TO A CLOSE IN THE STREET AND TRANSFERRED TO THE FAIR GROUNDS—THE RACES—WHO WON?

The recent heavy fall of snow gave splendid sleighing sport in Chestertown and all who had fast horses got full benefit of their speed and contributed much to the entertainment of lookers on. The display on High street was but a repetition of the exciting scenes at the previous carnival. As many as sixty turnouts of different styles—pretty cutters and gay robes, fast single trotters and four-mule teams—could be counted at one time on this street, all together forming as gay and animated a scene as the eye could wish to gaze upon.

A feature of Monday's carnival was the number of fine double teams, several of them being driven by handsome ladies who handled the ribbons as gracefully as any of the gentlemen could and better than some of them did.

The warm sun played havoc with the sport on Tuesday in the principal tracks and the sleighers saw with sad hearts that with the fading day the snow was gone also. It was then determined to transfer the sport to the Fair Grounds, a few miles from town, some of the racers hoping for a fairer test of their animals' speed where better starting could be obtained. On Wednesday morning accordingly two or three hundred people gathered about the track at Worton and about fifty sleighs were present.

Several interesting trials of speed between noted nags were had—Dr. J. W. Cooper, Dr. George T. Perkins and Mr. J. Walter Skirven acting as judges.

FIRST RACE.

The first race was a single mile dash between T. W. Wickes' sorrel and Julian Hurtt's bay horse. Wickes' horse got the lead at the first quarter pole and kept it to the close, coming in two or three lengths ahead. It was a close and exciting race, the two horses often being nearly "neck and neck."

SECOND RACE.

This was *the* event of the day—the stake being a terrapin supper for thirty to be furnished by friends of the losing horse. The contestants were A. J. Hynson's "Sleepy Dave," and Romie Byron's bay horse "Chief," in half mile heats, two best in three. Hynson's horse won both heats, but the judges say the second would have been declared a dead heat had Byron's horse been "on his feet" when they came in, as they were both together. Both heats were closely contested all the way.

THIRD RACE.

The third race was a half mile dash between Geo. S. Biddle, Allie Baker and Josias Ringgold's trotters. It was won by Biddle; Baker second, Ringgold third.

FOURTH RACE.

The fourth race was a mile heat between Julian Hurtt and Josias Ringgold. Hurtt won, though the race was close.

There were numerous "scrub-races," but the above were the only ones we could get a clear report of.

NAVIGATION.—The mild weather of the past two or three days has perceptibly affected the ice blockade in Chester river. Yesterday morning large open places were to be seen in the river fronting Chestertown, and should the weather continue mild the river will be pretty well cleared by next Tuesday. In this event the steamer Ford will probably be here on that day, as the company is anxious to resume trips. The people will gladly welcome the steamer when she does come.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.—John Barrett, colored, who lives in Chestertown, was arrested yesterday by Officer Simpson, charged by Thomas Mason, colored, with attempting to rob and kill him about two weeks before Christmas at or near the public school-house on the road just above town. Mason says "Dr. Taylor" was with Barrett and assisted in the assault—Taylor with a razor and Barrett with a fence-rail. A hearing was had yesterday before Justice Wheatley who held the two parties in $300 each and committed them in default of security.

THE Centreville *Observer* says that the colored "resurrectionist," Taylor, who was arrested in that town last week and now lodged in the Chestertown jail was found in a shanty containing seventeen colored citizens of every age and condition domiciled in a room about twelve feet square. Constable Jump immediately proceeded to search his person, but did not find anything to criminate him, except a small red flannel bag, which was opened and four small human bones were brought to light. Taylor said that the bones were given to him by George Baynard, colored, of Chestertown, and consisted of a finger bone, a bone of the great toe, and two smaller bones of the hand.

THE PRATT ASSAULT—*Arrests Made in the Case.*—Messrs. T. L. W. Harley and Dr. David Sparks were arrested Saturday by Sheriff Smith, charged on the oath of Edwin A. Pratt of assault upon him with intent to kill on the night of the 8th day of December, 1885. The State had summoned the following witnesses: Dr. Jas. Bordley, Perkins Fallowfield, James H. Straughn, John P. Stelle, Henry D. Godwin, Lemuel Dunbracco, Wm. J. Rasin, Wm. M. Thawley, Thos. Satterfield, John G. Watson, J. Frank Morgan and Charles Kirby. The hearing was held by Squire Goldsborough. State's Attorney P. B. Hopper appeared for the State, and Thomas J. Keating for Messrs. Harley and Sparks. Mr. Keating in behalf of his clients waived a hearing and the case will go the grand jury at the coming May term of court, which convenes on the first Monday of that month. Bail was placed at the sum of $300 in each case and was immediately furnished by the accused parties. On the evening of December 8th Mr. Pratt went to the room of Dr. Sparks in the Perry Building under the influence of liquor and he charges that he was there assaulted by Mr. Harley with a chair, inflicting a fracture of the skull and also injuring his knee. What happened after this Mr. Pratt does not recollect. He was found on the street in front of the building in an unconscious condition. The parties charged deny all knowledge of how Mr. Pratt received his injuries.—*Centreville Observer.*

A SUPPLEMENTAL SERMON.—The Rev. R. S. Rowe preached in Washington Street Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, last Sunday night a sermon supplemental of the one delivered a week before on "A Godless Hop," which had reference to the recent charity ball. He spoke of the duty of preachers to point out at all times the evil tendencies of the hour, no matter who is hit by the blow. In this connection he said: "I have read of a minister who, after he had entered for the first time the pulpit of a new charge, was approached by one of the principal men of the church and advised not to preach against any of the popular vices and sins of the day, as there were comprised within his membership influential persons given to the practice and countenance of such things. 'Well,' said the minister, 'if I must not touch these subjects, what then shall I preach on?' 'Oh,' said the officious brother, 'preach about the Chinese; you can say all you please against them. They haven't a friend in the house.'"

THE mail-driver between Centreville and Kent Island was severely frostbitten on Thursday of last week. He went on horseback, and before he reached Queenstown on his return his horse died, and he had to walk through nearly two feet of snow to Queenstown. When he arrived he was nearly exhausted, and his feet, hands and ears were badly frostbitten.

MR. SAMUEL BROWN, until recently a well-known citizen of Queen Anne's county, residing near Church Hill, died at his residence in Baltimore, where he removed about one year since, Tuesday of last week, in the 60th year of his age. Mr. Brown at one time owned very pretty property near Church Hill, which he recently sold. Death was the result of paralysis.

TO CURE frostbite—a bat of cotton pretty well saturated with spirits of turpentine applied to the injured part, and well wrapped with dry cotton and cloth.

SPORTSMEN in every section of the county should look after the birds. A few handfuls of grain will save them from starving.

PROF. WYATT is now in Smyrna and will soon reproduce there his oratorio of Queen Esther for the benefit of the M. E. Church.

The Resurrectionists.

State's Attorney M. deK. Smith informs us that he expects to be ready in a few days for a hearing in the cases of the resurrectionists or body-snatchers whose arrest were reported in our last issue. "Dr. Taylor," the principal of the gang, was brought up from Centreville last Saturday and was received at the bridge by Sheriff Hatcherson and Officer Simpson and conducted to safe quarters in the county jail. A very desirable link in the chain of evidence against Taylor would be a little of his chirography, and various expedients have been resorted to to secure this, but so far with little success. Before his removal from the Centreville jail he was handed paper and pencil with the request to write his address. He took the pencil and began, apparently without thinking of his danger, but when he had written "James" he suddenly stopped declaring that he didn't know how to write "Taylor." The "James" is written as well as most penmen could have done, and leads to the fair presumption that his ignorance of penmanship is only feigned. Since he has been in jail the State's Attorney has interviewed him but he has only got as far as "James" in the writing line, and he is now unable to read even the plainest printed matter! Taylor looks about 35 years of age. He is a pure black, about 5 ft. 9 inches in height and weighs about 150 pounds; has bright eyes, intelligent expression and wears a moustache. He says he is a native of St. Mary's county and was enlisted when a slave in the army; after the war his captain took him to New Hampshire where he remained four years During the past two years he has been doing section work on the B. & O. Railroad in Harford and practicing his profession as "herb doctor" in Kent and Queen Anne's counties. He has evidently had many aliases.

The Peaches Not Dead Yet.

Considerably anxiety has been felt in Kent among the peach growers relative to the effect of the recent severe cold weather. It is an accepted theory here that when the mercury falls as low as seven degrees below zero the crop is entirely destroyed. During the winter of '80 and '81 it got down to eleven degrees below zero in some sections of the county and the crop was a total failure. This winter so far the lowest temperature in any section of the county reported has been *four* degrees below zero. A number of intelligent growers think that *five* degrees below zero will kill the greatest part of the buds and any figure below zero destroys many. Last Saturday the opinion was expressed by one or two growers that the crop was gone, but further examination proves the scare unfounded. Numerous twigs have been sent to the NEWS office from different orchards and they show plenty of live buds unless we make an exception of a single variety—the Reeves'.

Mr. John A. Groves is one of our most intelligent and extensive growers and is a recognized authority on the peach. He has made an examination of his large orchards this week and reports as follows:

POMONA, Feb. 10, 1886.

Messrs. Plummer & Usilton:— Sirs:—I find there are yet plenty of live buds except on some varieties in low places, where there are only a few on all varieties. Respectfully,

J. A. GROVES.

The Centreville *Record* states that it is the opinion of many fruit growers that peaches are not injured in that section, and the Easton *Journal* says that the scare in that county is over for a time; young trees of last fall's planting have not been hurt, and the peach crop for the present year is yet safe.

Colonel James Wallace, the heaviest peach grower of Dorchester county, who is regarded as good authority on such matters, gives it as his decided opinion that the crop will be very short if it is not entirely destroyed in that county.

The Smyrna *Times* of last Wednesday says: "Several of our farmers who have been in the fruit business for years give the opinion on examination that the crop is "nipped in the bud," but when we come to remember, the same winter prediction has been made before, when the spring brought us blossoming trees and the summer rich fruitage. The concurrent testimony of those who have examined the buds is that they are black and dead. An examination of Dr. Ridgely's orchards at Dover reports them dead; at Camden the mercury reached 5° below zero and the crop died; and the postscript to a business note from Dr. Dawson, of Frederica, says: "Thermometer touched 14° below zero at daybreak on Saturday, but soon bounded up; peaches are done for here." On Wednesday last J. G. Brown, and A. N. Brown, of the Wyoming Fruit Exchange, came up to confer with Patrons of Husbandry of this vicinity, in regard to the formation of a branch of their exchange at our shipping station, Clayton.

AN INCIDENT OF THE FREEZE.—"Fannell's branch," a swift running stream that crosses the public road at the Carville farm, just below Chestertown, was solidly frozen over last Friday and Saturday, and strong enough to bear the weight of the heaviest wagons. Mr. Wm. Ford and others, who cross the stream almost every day, say this is the first time it has been frozen over since the hard winter of 1856.

PEACH TREES.—Dr. J. B. Merritt advertises 150,000 peach trees for sale at his Hanesville nurseries. The doctor is not only a good physician but a man of practical good sense in other matters, and as he has given a great deal of personal attention to the nursery business and sought to obtain first-class stock only, we believe growers can fully rely upon his catalogue.

THERE were more people in town last Tuesday than on any day since Christmas. The pavements were thronged with persons enjoying the bright sunshine and witnessing the racing sports in the streets. The travel on the public roads has been so bad that our country friends have been able to get to town only with great difficulty. The roads are very bad yet and likely to be for a month or two to come.

A STILL OLDER COIN.—The mention two weeks ago of the finding of an old British coin of date 1775 seems to have stirred up the relic hunters. Mr. Wm. B. Plummer, of Smithville, has in his possession two British coins still older than the above—one bearing date 1723 and the other 173–, — the latter figure being illegible and the coin containing the insignia of George II. Who next?

RELIGIOUS.—Protracted religious services have been held this week at the Methodist Protestant Church in Chestertown, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Graham. Good congregations have attended and the meetings have been very interesting.

A successful revival is in progress at the Millington M. E. Church, under the lead of the pastor, Rev. T. L. Tompkinson. Over forty have been converted, and the interest is increasing.

REMOVAL AND ENLARGEMENT.—Messrs. Wright & Sparks, general commission merchants, Baltimore, have rented and removed to the large and commodious warehouse, No. 91 S. Charles st., and in connection with their commission business, will keep on hand flour, hay, mill-feed, etc., and are prepared to fill orders for goods of all descriptions.

PURCHASE OF A DWELLING.—Mrs. H. L. Welch has purchased the dwelling on Maple avenue formerly owned by Dr. Catlin for the sum of $2,500. She now occupies the property.

CONDITION POWDERS for horses by C. F. Stam, druggist, are said to be remarkably effective. Give them a trial.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Feb. 9.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Letters of administration on the personal estate of Jas. S. Gemmill were granted unto Jas. A. Pearce, who filed bond in penal sum of $4,000. Samuel F. Cooper and Alex. Hickman were appointed to appraise the estate.

Personal Notes.

Capt. James Cohee died at his residence, Worton Heights, in the third district of this county, on the 4th instant, in the 87th year of his age. He had not been confined to bed and suddenly expired while sitting in a chair and leaning his head against the fire-place. The captain was the oldest man in the county of whom we have any knowledge, though several were pushing him very closely. He had been a justice of the peace for many years, and since our earliest recollection resided in the house where he died. He leaves a widow about four years his junior.

Mr. Samuel Comegys, of Locust Grove, was in town Tuesday. He received the congratulations of numerous friends upon his happy change from a life of old-bachelorhood.

The Rev. N. M. Browne and wife, of Scott M. E. Church, Wilmington, celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding on Monday last.

The ornamental patchwork sofa cushion, mentioned last week in connection with the supper by the ladies of the Kennedyville Presbyterian Church, was presented by Mrs. Walter Hurlock instead of the parties then named.

CONTRACT AWARDED.—The county commissioners on Tuesday last awarded the contract for an iron bridge across East Neck Island creek to Messrs. Dean & Westbrook, of New York. The bridge will be 164 feet in length — two spans of 82 feet each—with a centre pier of iron and concrete, and will cost $3,500. It is to be completed in sixty days from date of contract.

THE administrators' sale of the personal property of the late G. W. T. Perkins and of the late Mrs. Caroline C. Perkins, will come off in Chestertown next Thursday. The collection of household goods and other property that will be offered for sale is large and valuable. A very large collection of articles of which no mention is made in the advertisement will be offered. If the weather is fair the attendance at the sale will probably be large.

A TOTAL LOSS.—Capt. John H. Coleman, of Rock Hall, whose boat was sunk off Annapolis in deep water loaded with oysters on the 16th of January, has failed in his efforts to save even a part of the wreck. The captain was in town on Tuesday, having returned from Baltimore some days previous. He states that he went with a tug to the place where his vessel went down and found that her masts had been swept away by the floating ice and the boat was a total wreck. His loss besides his vessel includes the eight hundred bushels of oysters on board which would have yielded him a handsome sum had he been able to market them.

THREE MONTHS IN JAIL.—Phil. Blake, a col'd man of Chestertown, was before Justice Burgess last Thursday on the charge of larceny. Emory Trusty, colored, who keeps a small store on Queen street, made the charge. He said Blake had stolen the shutters of his store window. Officer Simpson went to Blake's house and found the lost article split up for fire kindling. Blake admitted taking the shutters but argued to the justice that Trusty owed him $5 and he resorted to this method to get the value of the bill. The justice thought this not a good way to collect a debt and sent him to jail for three months. Blake is a good workman and it is a pity he can't be employed in "carrying the hod" during at least a sufficient portion of his incarceration to pay his board bill.

THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION which met last Friday was very slimly attended. There was only one teacher present from the country. The heavy snow kept others away. Mr. Fallowfield, the principal of the town school, was also kept away by sickness. The association, composed of the lady teachers of the town school, Miss Watts of the Hopewell school and the examiner, discussed the questions in a conversational way, and the institute though small was quite an interesting and profitable one.

ENTERTAINMENTS NEXT WEEK.—The following interesting entertainments to come off next week will be found advertised elsewhere in the NEWS. They are all for charitable objects and will no doubt prove worthy of support. We hope our readers will keep them in mind.

Tuesday evening—at Edesville Hall, "Mother Goose" in tableaux, dialogues, music, &c.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings—oyster suppers and entertainments at Sassafras.

Wednesday and Thursday evenings—suppers and entertainments at the Grange Hall, Fairlee.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings—suppers and refreshments at the Hall in Kennedyville.

MATRIMONIAL.

MALIN—CALDER.

Mr. WM. F. MALIN, one of the young mechanics of Chestertown, took to himself a wife last Wednesday evening in the person of Miss MOLLIE J. CALDER, a daughter of ex-Sheriff Robert W. Calder. The ceremony was performed at the Methodist Protestant Parsonage by Rev. W. R. Graham in the presence of quite a number of the friends of the young couple, who were present to witness the affair and extend congratulations. After the ceremony the happy couple proceeded to their home on Maple avenue—a comfortable new dwelling just completed by the groom. May joy and prosperity attend them.

PENNINGTON—PEACOCK.

Two happy hearts beat as one on Wednesday evening, the 3d inst., when before the altar in St. Andrew's Chapel Mr. JOHN PENNINGTON and Miss ELIZABETH PEACOCK, both of Galena, took the solemn marriage vows upon them. Though the storm raged without and the drifting snow presented unusual obstacles to pedestrians, none of these things were able to deter a large company of fair ladies and gallant gentlemen from assembling at the chapel to witness the interesting ceremonies. Messrs. Heston Hicks and Robert Wilson did the handsome thing as ushers on the occasion, while Rev. R. H. Murphy dexterously tied the marital knot—which by the by is only (?) the third couple he has united within a week. The bride was arrayed in a rich brown satin trimmed with brocade silk — a marvel of beauty—while rare pearls adorned her head and neck. She presented an attractive appearance. The groom—well every one knows "Jack" is a good-looking fellow and that he fully sustained his reputation in that respect on this occasion. A reception was given at the "Bird's Nest" after the marriage, where friends were hospitably entertained. The wedding gifts — of which there were over thirty—were handsome and useful, but space forbids special mention. The happy pair will commence wedded life in their own sweet home amid the many congratulations of friends and well wishers, among whom count

GALENA, Feb. 4. OBSERVER.

FOR RENT:
A good DWELLING, well located and cheap. A desirable residence.
j30-3t. C. H. BAKER, Att'y.

LOST.—On the 2d of Jan. 1886, a YOUNG WATER DOG, named "FOWLER," solid light yellow color, large size, long hair. A liberal reward will be paid for his return to the undersigned or for any information leading to his recovery.
j30-4t.* BENJ. N. S. WILKINS.

FOR SALE— *FOUR FRESH COWS,* with Calves by their side.
Apply to J. E. HADAWAY, Edesville, Md.
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Buy from the Maker!
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BARTLEY,
Cross Street, adjoining C. B. Rasin's Livery Stable, Chestertown, Md. f6-tf.

MARRIED.

At the Methodist Protestant Parsonage, Chestertown, Feb. 10, 1886, by Rev. W. R. Graham, WILLIAM F. MALIN and Miss MOLLIE J. CALDER, both of this county.

At the home of the bride in Millington on February 3d, 1886, by Rev. T. L. Tomkinson, WILLIAM H. WILLIS, of Cambridge, and Miss MATTIE A. TURBIT, of this county.

At Odessa on Wednesday, February 3, 1886, at the Presbyterian Parsonage, by Rev. H. A. McClean, DAVID W. THOMAS, of Odessa, to Miss IDA J. FENNIMORE, of this county.

In Philadelphia, Jan. 20, 1886, at the parsonage of Rev. J. F. Crouch, THOMAS F. BRANNOCK, of this county, and Mrs. LOTTA FREYBERGER, of Haddonsfield, N. J. [Denton papers please copy.]

In St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena, on the 3d instant, by the Rev. R. Heber Murphy, JOHN PENNINGTON to Miss ELIZAB'H PEACOCK, both of Galena.

DIED.

At Worton Heights, February 4, 1886, CAPT. JAMES COHEE, in the 87th year of his age.

In Chestertown on Saturday, Feb. 6, 1886, after a long illness, MRS. H. ANNIE PIPPIN, wife of Robert K. Pippin, in the 46th year of her age. [On the 6th of October, 1884, her nine-year-old son, Howard, was crushed to death under the wheels of a steam engine passing through the streets of Chestertown, and the mother's heart was so wrung by the terrible affliction and her nervous system so shocked that she sustained a severe stroke of paralysis, from which she never fully recovered. Her funeral took place on Tuesday morning and her remains now rest in Chester cemetery. Mr. Wm. T. Tomlinson, a brother of the deceased, and other relatives from Baltimore, came over by rail and attended the funeral services. Mrs. Pippin was a faithful member of the M. E. Church of this town. The afflicted family have the deep sympathy of the community.]

At Providence, R. I., November 31, 1885, departed this life at her residence, 21 Meader st., MRS. HENRIETTA B. CROAT, in the 74th year of her age.

Dear aunt your work here on earth is done
And your body is laid to rest;
Your spirit dwells in heaven,
In the land among the blest.
Our darling aunt has gone to rest
Above the bright blue sky;
Gone to a friend who ne'er can change;
Whose love can never die.
Weep not for her dear cousin
For her body is laid at rest
And her spirit is with those she loved so well
In the land among the blest. —NIECE, S. G. G.

Entertainment
AT EDESVILLE HALL,
—ON—
TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 16,
consisting of "Mother Goose," in Tableaux, Select Reading, Dialogues, Vocal and Instrumental Music, &c. Proceeds for the benefit of the Methodist Protestant Parsonage. Admission Fee 25 cents; Reserved seats 35 cents. Door open 7 o'clock. (f13-2t.) COMMITTEE

—LOOK!—
Suppers! Suppers!
The ladies of Waters' Chapel M. P. Church, at KENNEDYVILLE, will hold Public Suppers in the TOWN HALL, on
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
Evenings, Feb. 17th, 18th and 19th,
from 5 to 10 o'clock P. M. Proceeds for the benefit of the church. Admission free; Supper 35 cents for adults, and 25 cents for children.
No pains will be spared to make the occasion an enjoyable season as well as to give entire satisfaction to all patronizing. Ice-Cream and Cake will be served at low prices. (7) f6-2t.

AN OYSTER SUPPER
WILL BE HELD AT
SASSAFRAS, MD.,
—ON—
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Even'gs,
February 16th, 17th and 18th.
AN ENTERTAINMENT,
consisting of a drama, pantomimes, etc., will be given before the supper, admission to which will be 10 cents.
The above is under the direction of the Ladies' Mite Society of Sassafras M. E. Church. j6-2t.

Supper! Supper!
Entertainment! Entertainment!
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
Evenings, Feb. 17th and 18th,
in the Grange Hall, Fairlee, for the benefit of Salem M. E. Church, will be served a good, substantial and seasonable Supper. After supper a Musical and Literary Entertainment for one hour. Cake, Ice-Cream, &c., in abundance.
Admission into Hall 40 cents, which secures Supper and admits to Entertainment. Children 20 cents. Supper from 6½ to 8 o'clock. Tickets in circulation. Buy early. j30-3t.

WRIGHT & SPARKS,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
91 South Charles St., Baltimore, Md.,
FOR THE SALE OF
Grain, Tobacco, Fruits, Poultry, Live Stock, Wool, Hides and General Produce.
REFERENCES:—Citizens' Nat'l Bank, Drovers and Mechanics' National Bank. f13.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

JAMES S. GEMMILL,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 11th day of Sept, 1886, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 9th day of February, 1886.

f13-4t. JAMES A. PEARCE, Administrator.

Read Certificate Below.
CHESTERTOWN, Jan. 28th, 1886.
MR. SAMUEL HICKS:—Dear Sir—At your request I hereby certify that my Horse was shod by you recently according to my explicit directions to suit every point, and am highly pleased to find that you have taken the time and pains to do so, which, in my judgment, is very essential in Professional Horse Shoeing.
f6-3t. Resp'y, A. J. HYNSON.

ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION.

THE undersigned, executor of Jacob Highley, late of Kent county, deceased, in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, of February 2d, 1886, hereby gives notice that he will on Tuesday, February 16th, 1886, exhibit in said court his final dividend account, and make distribution of his testate's personal estate. RICHARD HYNSON, Executor.

Feb. 6-2t.

—THE—
HANNAH MORE ACADEMY.
THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, 15 miles from Baltimore (W. M. R. R.). Founded in 1832. Careful training, thorough instruction, and the influences of a quiet Christian home in a healthy neighborhood.
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MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGE.
Apply to T. W. ELIASON.
Nov. 21, 1885—tf.

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Natural Virginia Stones!
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In addition to the well-known standard canning and shipping varieties, I have all the promising new varieties, including Schumaker, Wheatland, Lord Palmerton, Wager, Ford's Late, &c.
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f13-tf. Hanesville, Kent Co., Md.

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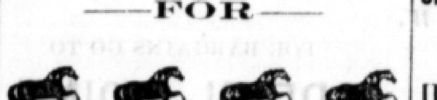
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TESTIMONIALS:
Fairlee, Jan. 21st, 1886.
L. BATES RUSSELL, Esq.:—Dear Sir—The Fire Kindlers bought of you give entire satisfaction. We kindle wood fires every day in a very short time. Kindle coal fires by putting ½ doz. cobs on grate with coal on top, putting Kindler in ash-pan under grate; the fires have always kindled in a very short time. I would not be without Kindler.
Very truly, S. H. CRAWFORD.
Mr. Crawford uses a small No. 2, Kindler.
Little Grove Nursery, Jan. 25th, 1886.
MR. L. B. RUSSELL:—Dear Sir—I find the Fire Kindler a very handy and economical lighter of fires. Yours, resp'y, R. G. NICHOLSON.
Melitota, Jan. 28th, 1886.
MR. L. BATES RUSSELL:—Dear Sir—The Fire Kindlers bought of you sell very readily and give entire satisfaction. I have tried them myself and find they are a great saving in kindling wood as well as a great convenience.
Truly yours, N. LIEBERMAN.
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Sole Agent for Kent Co., and dealer in Feed, Flour, Hay, Oats, &c.
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Feb. 6, 1886. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE
—OF—
Household Goods,
FINE JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, &c.
BY VIRTUE of two orders of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, Md., the undersigned administrators of Geo. W. T. Perkins, late of said county, deceased, and administrators d. b. n. of Mrs. Caroline C. Perkins, also late of Kent county, deceased, will offer at Public Sale at the late residence of said deceased, on the corner of Front Street and Maple Avenue, Chestertown,
On THURSDAY, February 18th, 1886,
At Ten o'clock A. M., all the
Household and Kitchen Effects
of said dec'd, consisting in part of
Parlor, Sitting-Room, Dining-Room and Bed-Room FURNITURE,
such as Sofas, Chairs, Centre-Tables, Dining-Tables, Bureaus, Bed-Steads and Bedding, Washstands, Stoves of various kinds, a Chickering Piano, several very handsome Book-Cases and Books, a handsome Buffet and Cellaret, a large lot of French and other China in dinner and Tea sets, together with Table Cutlery and a fine lot of Cut Glass, Tumblers, Goblets and Wine Glasses.
A Very Beautiful and Heavy
SOLID SILVER SERVICE
of the late Mrs. Perkins, perhaps unsurpassed by any in the county; also, a very large assortment of SILVERWARE, Solid and Plated, such as Spoons, Forks, Ladles, Pitchers, Waiters, &c.
A Large Collection of Fine Jewelry,
including a VALUABLE DIAMOND RING, Two Gold Watches and Chains, Bracelets, &c., will be offered for sale.
Also, a Pair of Fine, Stylish
DRIVING HORSES
a Double and Single Carriage and Harness, Tongues and Shafts.
TWO SLEIGHS AND ONE COW.
Several Thousand Pounds of Meat, a large lot White Potatoes, Coal in Cellar, and a large collection of articles, indoor and out, of much value, that need not be herein enumerated.
TERMS OF SALE.—Ten dollars and less, cash; over that sum a credit of ten months on note with approved security will be given.
GEO. T. PERKINS,
WM. M. SLAY,
Administrators of G. W. T. Perkins, and d. b. n. of Caroline C. Perkins.
Feb. 6, 1886 3t.

WANTED.
20,000 BUS. OF CORN
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For the WM. LEA & SONS CO., Brandywine Mills, Wilmington, Delaware, for which I will pay
SEVERAL CENTS MORE PER BUSHEL
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Feb6-tf. Chestertown, Md.

Take Notice

—AND—

ACT ACCORDINGLY!

WE have sent statements of accounts or will do so to all parties indebted to us up to Jan. 1, 1886, and most respectfully but earnestly ask for a settlement in *EVERY CASE*

WITHIN THE NEXT TWENTY DAYS,

whether the account be large or small. Those who are unable to settle by cash can do so by note. Please do not neglect this matter.

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Respectfully,
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