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Kent News.

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THE legal trust bill is dead.

THE WAR in Kent is opened. Dogs or sheep, which?

THE Easton and Centreville postoffice appointments still hang fire.

THE Easton *Ledger* favors Mr. Poe's State road engineer bill, but wants to know: "Is this an Australian road law?"

A DOG LAW for Kent county is already upon the statute books. Be careful or a new one will be equally ineffective.

E. P. DENNIS has been appointed collector of customs for the Eastern district of Maryland with headquarters at Crisfield.

RAISING is said to be the most industry now presented to Kent. Is it any wonder then that they dog law?

LEVI D. TRAVERS, of Dorchester, is ging mortgage taxation in the Cambridge *Chronicle*. Better drop the subject. out of date, certainly for the present slature.

THE scheme for leasing Kent Island oyster grounds looks like an effort at a big oyster steal. Rock Hall and Kent Island oystermen are aroused. The Kent and Queen Anne's delegations in the Legislature will no doubt give the subject full attention.

THE lawyers have been engaged in a pitched battle at Annapolis this week over the legal trust bill. Collector Groome is charged with seeking a nest for himself in this measure. What fallible mortals we all must be!

SENATOR BURCHINAL is squarely against the plan to parcel out the three fat Maryland offices between the three prominent applicant candidates for the one fattest. He is for the collectorship, and no compromise. Though he loses first place, the Surveyorship is a very desirable office.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WHYTE wants a fresh meat inspector for Baltimore and each town in the State. This means about fifty more State officers, and the people must pay the expense. How is it that the ex-Governor can favor more office-holders? The proposition may be good, but we very much doubt it.

CECIL COUNTY must be a better place even than we had given her credit for. Kent is now looking to her for a pattern printing law, dog law and tax-collecting laws. Probably we'll hear of some other good thing very soon. Send us your whole code of local laws, Brother Cruikshank, will you?

HADDAWAY, of the Easton *Ledger*, is shedding tears already over the prospect of blasted hopes for "some people the editor knows of" who are expecting fat custom-house berths. Now, he asks, why have not the lachrymal ducts of Charles Jerome (or Geronimo, or whatever his name is) Bonaparte, begun to work? Why does asolemn silence prevail throughout mugwumpia?

THE Cecil *News* thinks that the Baltimore *reformers are not so much after laws to* purify elections as they are to cripple the Democratic party. This is doubtless true of Cowen and others of his stamp, but it is not true of the great mass of honest *Democratic reformers* now pressing for ballot reform. The former deserve no consideration—indeed *their* attempt to dictate legislation is impertinent—but the latter must be listened to.

APROPOS of the sheep-dog war now upon us: A farmer, not ten miles from Chestertown, some time ago lost all but one of his flock of twelve sheep by dogs. He set a trap with his lone ewe for bait. Next *morning* he went out to the pen and found *nine dogs* nicely kennelled therein! Such a dog slaughter as he enjoyed that morning was never known in that neighborhood before or since!

C. T. WESTCOTT, Esq., believes that in the matter of court expenses and public roads there is presented the really substantial field for reduction of county expenses; that many thousands of dollars are wasted every year by bad management in these matters. Then let the committee go practically into these fields of usefulness. *A few dollars* may be saved in printing; *many thousands* can be saved in other expenditures.

It Looks Dangerous.

W. W. Busteed, Esq., one of the Queen Anne's delegation, has secured the passage of resolutions in the House of Delegates calling upon the committee of elections to report bills at once to carry out the pledges of the party for laws to prevent bribery, colonization of voters, etc. Mr. Busteed is right. Have all proper reform measures reported and passed. The delay is beginning to look exceedingly dangerous.

THE CANAL RECEIVERS.

Chief Judge Alvey has appointed Messrs. Robert Bridges, of Hancock, Washington county, Richard D. Johnson, of Cumberland, and Joseph D. Baker, of Frederick, as receivers of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal. The receivers, who are all well known business men, are directed to proceed at the earliest moment at which the same can be properly and advantageously done to make full and thorough examination, and collect all such information as they may be able to collect as to the condition of the *canal, the needful repairs thereof and the* probable cost of repairing it and the feasibility of operating it when repaired, and shall report the same with the results of their own observation and their own judgment and opinion in the premises, with the reasons thereof, to the court for its information, and such further action as it may deem necessary.

We are personally acquainted with Mr. Baker, and feel assured that Judge Alvey has made no mistake in his selection. He is one of the most reputable citizens of Western Maryland—a practical and energetic business man. *He is only about 36* years of age, yet is the president of three national banks, and in addition to his connection with other large financial transactions, was instrumental also a short time ago in successfully funding the bonded indebtedness of Frederick, amounting to over half a million dollars, from five to four per cent. His appointment as one of the receivers of the canal gives much satisfaction to his many friends.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN, son of Robert T. Lincoln, United States minister to England, who has been suffering a long time from blood poisoning arising from a malignant carbuncle in the left side, below the armpit, died in London on Wednesday morning. The body will be embalmed and sent home for interment. Young Lincoln was 17 years old, and the only son of his father. With his death the male line of Lincolns threatens to become extinct.

THE COUNTY PRINTING.—The recommendation of the county Farmers' League committee that the county printing should be curtailed one-half simply means that the people must do with just that much less of information on county affairs. It takes a little money out of the printers' pockets which they will feel the loss of, and the farmer tax-payer who owns $1,000 worth of property will be the gainer *just ten cents in the course of a year!* On the other hand he may lose ten times as much by the failure to get information through a single publication. However, if the farmers are satisfied with such measures of relief, we should not complain. But, as was shown by Mr. Chapman, of the National Alliance, if this League should succeed in cutting down the salaries and fees in every case mentioned, the relief will be but a woeful mockery of their continued distress. It is well enough to prosecute and accomplish measures of needed economy and lessen taxation, but all this is but a minor matter. Those things of great and vital concern which touch the farmer at every point and in his every day expenditure and income seem to be lost sight of! The gnat is swallowing the camel!

THE FARMERS' MOVEMENT.

Mistakes of the League—Its Limitations and Meagre Advantages.

The following letter is timely. It comes from an intelligent gentleman formerly of Kent, but recently removed to Virginia. It will be read with interest, especially by farmers:

OLD CHURCH, VA., Feb. 27, 1890.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—I wish through your columns to say something on a subject which is creating great interest in my dear old county of Kent. In your last two or three issues I see the farmers are coming together in a League in order that they may be enabled the better to look after their interests. I have read the proceedings of the several meetings with a great deal of interest. It is surely time for those who depend upon agriculture for a living to be combining for their own protection. Kent is late to wheel into the ranks, and I am truly glad to see that your people are at last being aroused. I trust some good will arise from this movement. It is undoubtedly a step in the right direction. But I think two or three mistakes have been made.

An impression has undoubtedly gone abroad that it is in a large measure a combination *against labor, and this is going to* do the movement a great injury. The interests of the farmer and the laborer are too closely allied for any misunderstanding to spring up between them. Good farm labor is scarce all over the country and yearly growing more so. If a man is worth anything on a farm he ought to be worth the present average price which is given for his work. There is a demand for him in elsewhere, where he can get a great deal more, and the mystery to me is that we can get and hold the labor we have at our present figures, when the temptations are so great to induce men to seek other employment. I am aware of the fact that I am writing against what is an appearance in the movement, but it is an appearance which will I fear greatly cripple it.

A second mistake is in the formation of the League itself as a county affair. When your first meeting was called, I said to myself, now those people will unite with the Grange or they will come into the Alliance. I could see you were floundering about for *something*, you scarcely knew what. Here were two organizations thoroughly equipped and waiting for you to join them. They are organizations of national reputation, either of which would have answered your purposes, better than a little county League, which can not and will never have any weight, and will always be confined to the narrow strip of terra firma embraced between the two rivers. It has been clearly shown that by a reduction of your county *expenses* (a good thing which *ought* to be done) you will not perceptibly benefit the individual farmer. I am afraid the League will *never be able to do much more than* this. [That is evident.—EDS.]

Here in the South we have gone into the Alliance. It answers our purposes better than the Grange. I was sincerely hopeful when I saw the organizer was to be in Kent that he would be able to arouse an interest in this course. But the League seems to have given him the cold shoulder and turned a deaf ear to his pleading.

Messrs. Editors, if the farmers ever accomplish anything it must be by their united strength. We have the numbers, and if we can unite them there is no demand which *we may make that will not be* granted us. We can say to our representatives do thus and so, or step down and out of office. You know that is killing to the office seeker.

While I have nothing to say against the Grange (never having been a member of that organization) I think the Alliance will answer our purposes all over the country. The Grange is in a large measure an organization of the past. It has had its run. The Alliance is a young giant now about 13 years old, his feet firmly planted in warm, rich, Southern soil, and his head is now reaching up into the cool Northern clime. His one hand is resting on the Eastern Shores of our country and his other is well stretched out towards the West. He can assemble an army 3,500,000 strong. He has already vanquished the jute trust and several other combinations, and has saved to the farmer hundreds and hundreds of thousand of dollars in the matter of fertilizers. Here in Virginia we are over 20,000 strong, and in this county of *Hanover 450, and growing rapidly. We* have already done much for our own good and will do much more. On a simple ton of fertilizer we can save to the purchaser twice as much as will be saved to the individual farmer in your county by the reductions you aim at. Beginning with our sub-alliance (or the local organization) we go up to the county Alliance once in three months with a delegate for every ten members or fraction thereof, and from the county to the State Alliance once a year, with a delegate from each county Alliance and from the State to the National Alliance *with one delegate from each State Alliance.* By this means we do not become an unwieldy body. It is a secret order, but there is no cumbersome machinery. It is all simple in its workings, and within the reach of the ordinary farmer. The expense is $1.25 the first year, and $1 a year after that and no extras. We have our sub-Alliance county and State agents for purchasing. Our county agent here goes into the city of Richmond and represents 450 *men. He has been enabled to make terms* with merchants whereby we can buy from 5 to 25 per cent. cheaper than we ever bought before. When *he* has not been enabled to make terms the State agent has. He represents over 20,000 and their trade is sought after. The county agent tells me that at first the merchants turned a deaf ear to him, but they soon found we meant business and then the letters came pouring in inviting him to call or offering terms. The hardest men we have had to deal with is the fertilizer manufacturers. The very men who have grown rich off the farmer. *But they are now coming around.* I understand one manufacturer in Richmond shipped 400 tons of his fertilizer to North Carolina last year and had it thrown up on his hands because he would not sell to the Alliance at his agent's prices. He has paid for his experience and this year he will come down or be out of that market altogether. I am now in correspondence with a Baltimore firm and have their fertilizer offered to us as to their agents, which is a great saving.

But we look beyond this matter of dollars and cents in the way of purchasing. We expect to influence legislation in our favor. The Alliance is not a political organization. We have many of the best men of both parties, and I think there is many a man who will rise superior to his present party prejudices and favors and go for the candidate who will best represent us. *I speak* my own personal feelings only in this matter. I have never voted any but the *Democratic ticket*, and here in Virginia I have voted it because it is the white *men's party. With the negro out of the* way, I would vote for any man who would help to build us up where we most need building—who would be such a hero as Cleveland and oppose oppressive measures even to his own personal hurt.

I have gone into this matter more largely than I expected. You will pardon my long winded article. It is a matter in which I am deeply interested. Being a prominent officer in our county Alliance and knowing whereof I speak, I thought a word from me on this subject might be the means of helping the farmers in Kent to see their way more clearly. I would have them drop their county organization and fall into the ranks of an order which will undoubtedly be a help to them.

Let the League recall that organizer and give him another hearing. I sincerely trust for the good of all that our big snake will be able to swallow your little snake for its own protection. S. S. HEPBURN.

MARINE and BURCHINAL.

A dispatch from Washington received just before going to press, announces that Wm. M. Marine has been appointed Collector of the port of Baltimore, and Senator Burchinal, of Kent, Surveyor. The salary of the surveyor is about $4,500 and that of collector $7,000.

REDUCTIONS ASKED FOR ALL ALONG THE LINE.—The Farmers' League held another meeting last Tuesday. As will be seen by the proceedings in another column, the members are still hammering away at county expenses—the only other matter of importance touched being a proposed dog law. The matters of expenditure talked of or brought to the attention of the meeting included the following—

Board of prisoners in the county jail;
Cost of taking convicts to State prisons;
Rooms for election expenses;
Costs of roads and bridges;
Abolition of district tax collectors and appointment of a county treasurer;
The cost of the county printing;
Magistrates' fees and number of witnesses;
The Circuit Court expenses;
The salaries of public school teachers; also, salary of the county examiner;
Salaries of judges of the circuit court;
County commissioners and orphans' court fees and salaries, jurors, witnesses, etc.

Only the first five items were included in the report of the committee; the other matters had not been reached.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following deeds for record have been filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county during the month of February:

Eben F. Perkins, trustee, to Julia P. Harris—parcels of land on the new road below Fairlee, containing 9 acres and 17 perches; consideration $1,000.

Mary Clark and John P. Clark to Thos. W. Eliason, Jr.—land on Lankford bay, containing 60 acres and 28 perches; consideration $1,500.

John R. Poor and wife to Mary F. Harrington—lot of land in Millington; consideration $350.

Chas. T. Westcott, trustee, to James W. Chapman—property called the "Rising Sun Saloon," in Chestertown; consid'n $1,290.

James W. Chapman to Charles T. Westcott—one-half interest in lot of land on Maple avenue in Chestertown, known as "Rising Sun Saloon"; consideration $645.

Eben F. Perkins, trustee, to Nicholas G. Westcott—lot of land in Chestertown, on Princess street; consideration $175.

Thomas H. Hewitt and others to Lewis E. Hamilton—parcel of land in Georgetown formerly belonging to Pearce, containing about 1½ acres; consideration $700.

George J. Underwood to Richard D. Hynson and John D. Urie—deed of trust, estate of said Underwood.

Wm. W. Johnson and wife to James H. Thomas—land in Broad Neck, known as part of "New Keys"; consideration $100.

John D. Urie, trustee, to Singleton T. Bryden—land in the fifth election district, containing 9 acres; consideration $400.

L. K. Stam and wife to H. W. Vickers—deed of trust, real and personal property in Chestertown.

Wm. H. Coleman to Maggie Coleman—lot of land in Rock Hall; consideration $75.

Chas. R. Kerr and wife to Samuel Joyner—land near Rock Hall; consideration $200.

George W. Davis and wife to Samuel Joyner—lot of land in Rock Hall; consideration $5.

Joseph Turner and wife to Richard T. Turner—lands or parcels of lots of land on Scott's Point in Chestertown, and improvements; consideration $15,000.

Thos. W. Eliason, Jr., to American Strawboard Company—lot of land adjoining railroad depot; consideration $1,400.

Wm. A. Coleman and wife to Thomas Price—lot of land in fifth district; consideration $300.

R. Hynson, J. A. Pearce, new trustees, to Margaret E. Stavely—lot of land on road from Edesville to Piney Neck; consideration $195.

B. H. Coburn and Wm. Stevens to John Hogans—lot of land in the village of Rock Hall, containing 1 rood and 1 perch; consideration $75.

Same to Wm. T. Downey—lot in Rock Hall—containing 1 rood and 1 perch; consideration $75.

Jesse Morris to Olivia Cornelius—tract of land on public road from Chestertown to Kennedyville—20 acres; consid'n $250.

Rebecca Ascher to Thomas C. Maslin—lot of land in fifth district, 38 acres, 1 rood, 17 perches; consideration $500.

EXTRAORDINARY POULTRY.—Mr. Frank Greenwood, one of the genial employes in the county clerk's office, has the champion chicken in Kent. A pullet of last April has since then laid 106 eggs, and still continues to lay! It is a cross between the Langshang and Leghorn. *Mr. G's poultry-yard* now sports sixty young chickens with four hens.

Master Raymond Simpers, son of Mr. J. Harry Simpers, brought to the NEWS office on Thursday a curiosity in the shape of an egg with no yolk in it.

FIFTY MILLIONS!—A city daily recently noted the death of one Richard Moffett in England leaving an estate valued at *fifty millions* of dollars. It is said that the Moffett family of Kent county, of which Richard *F.*, Jeremiah and Enoch Moffett are members, are *directly* connected with the deceased millionaire, and will possibly come in for a share of the immense estate. Our orphans' court judge of that name, would not object, we are sure, to the receipt of a cool million or two!

THE "Y" of Chestertown and those who took part in the rendering of the "Hatchet Familie" last week, met at the residence of Mr. Wm. H. Stewart about three miles from town Wednesday night. The gay party were conveyed to the home of the president, Miss Anna Stew art, in a large peach wagon. After several readings, and recitations, the company were invited to partake of refreshments, which were heartily enjoyed. They arrived home at 1 o'clock A. M all expressing gratification and delight with the excellent entertainment by the hostess.

ALARM OF FIRE.—The chimney of "Aunt Sallie" Anderson's dwelling took fire on Friday night of last week about 8.30 o'clock. The alarm was given and in a very short time a large crowd gathered around the darkey's house on Cannon st., and watched the burning out of the chimney which was foul. The flames rose high above the chimney but no damage was done. "Aunt Sallie" was warned about getting too close to the open fire place next morning, lest it draw her out after such a thorough cleaning.

WILLIAM RUTTER, son of Alexander Rutter of North East, Md., who was bitten by a rabid dog and taken to Paris some six weeks ago for treatment under the famous surgeon, M. Pasteur, has returned home well and looking more fleshy than previous to his departure.

Trying Weather on Fruit.

March seems disposed to furnish the very contrast of severe weather so much feared by the fruit grower. Ordinarily a degree of cold ten to twenty above the zero mark is not destructive at this time of the year. It is only when a warm winter forces the buds to maturity and opening too early that the dangers of the March cold and ice come in. Mr. John A. Groves, than whom there is no better peach authority in the county, states that the peach crop in 1878 was utterly destroyed by a cold snap on March 28th when the thermometer touched *eighteen* degrees above zero. There were no peaches in Kent that year.

These facts show the dangers of the present week. And every peach grower has been apprensive of the result. Good judges have been saying for weeks past that 18 degrees now, in the condition of our orchards, would destroy the crop. Last Monday morning the thermometer marked *seventeen* in Chestertown. In other sections of the county it ranged from 17° to 22°. One intelligent grower, not many miles from Chestertown, on Monday afternoon offered to take the contract, for a small consideration, *to eat every peach raised in Kent county this year!* But he changed his mind next day. *After a careful examination of his orchards* he gave the opinion that the crop was *yet safe.* We talked with numbers of growers last Tuesday and the general opinion was that there were plenty of live buds then remaining.

But a severer trial still awaited them. Thursday gave us snow, hail and light rain, followed by a hard freeze at night. At 9 P. M. our thermometer marked 20°, and yesterday morning at sunrise it had fallen to TWELVE—which is the lowest point yet reached. This last freeze will kill the peach germ in *every open bud*, and how many of the partially open it will leave unscathed remains to be seen. Great fears were expressed yesterday.

At Mr. Willard Melvin's, adjoining the college, the mercury marked 10° yesterday morning.

The following reports from different sections of Kent were received Friday:

STILL POND, March 7, 1890.

MESSRS. PLUMMER & USILTON—The mercury registered on the north side 12 and 13; south side, 16. Opinions differ as to peaches. All open buds are of course killed, but I have seen three experienced growers who claim that the unopened buds are uninjured J.

LAMBSON'S STATION, March 7, 1890.

PLUMMER & USILTON—Thermometer 13°. Early varieties done for; late ones doubtful. Buds full of ice.

FAIRLEE, March 6, 1890.

KENT NEWS—*Thermometer*, 13. Peaches are not hurt yet. S.

POMONA, March 7.

MESSRS. PLUMMER & USILTON—Dear sirs: I fear that the peaches are very badly hurt, but it is a little too soon to ascertain the full extent of the damage. This I do know that some are yet alive. All that are out in bloom and a great many others are dead. But it is to soon to say much about them. Our thermometer was 12° this morning

Yours, respectfully, JOHN A. GROVES.

[A dozen twigs accompanied Mr. Groves' note upon which we failed to find a *single live germ* in the whole fifty or sixty buds—EDS. NEWS.]

E. N. ROLAND, near Chestertown, reports: About one-third of all the buds in our orchards are open, and dead; another third, not so far advanced, still show about one in three alive; the balance, yet unopened, appear to have one-half alive, which if true will give a good crop yet if no further damage is sustained. But it is too soon to determine the full effect of this morning's intense cold.

The Wilmington *Morning News* states that it will be utterly out of the question to have a crop of peaches in Delaware, after the late severe cold, even if no further disaster occurs. A correspondent writes: "I cut twigs from seven different trees and found them in the following order:

No. 1, all dead. No. 2, one out of ten alive; No. 3, two out of ten alive; No. 4, all dead; No. 5, eight out of ten alive; No. 6, four of ten alive; No. 7, all dead.

The Magistrates' Court.

A Millington fertilizer case was tried before Justice Dodd on Monday—T. J. McWhorter against Mrs. Martha Price; Hope H. Barroll appearing for plaintiff and Marion deK. Smith for defendant. Mrs. Price claimed that she was responsible for only one-half the bill—that her tenant, Garrison Boyle, was chargeable with the other half. The justice ruled against the plaintiff on a question of evidence, and then gave judgment of non pros. by request of Mr. Barroll, and the case will be tried elsewhere.

Another case of special interest was tried before Justice Dodd last Saturday. It was a suit of Chas. L. Gill vs. E. T. Comegys, for $59.86, claimed to be a balance due on the purchase of grain. Mr. Gill claims to have made the sale last October and asked for an advance which was granted, and at two subsequent times received payments; further, that the wheat was delivered to and received by Comegys. Mr. C. admitted the purchase, but as agent of the Wm. Lea & Sons Co.; that the first payment was direct from that firm; the subsequent advances were simply loans; he filed an account in bar against Gill bringing the latter in his debt to the amount of $35.48. The justice gave judgment in favor of Gill for full amount, $59.86, interest and costs.—Hope H. Barroll for Comegys; Richard D. Hynson for Gill.

A ST. BERNARD IN TROUBLE.—Mrs. John Hall, on Queen street, has a large St. Bernard dog which accompanies her about in her walks and is apparently a great pet. Last Monday the animal committed an offense which has imperiled its life. George Pennington, a lad of eight years, was attacked and knocked down by the dog and it caught and tore his overcoat in the back and bruised his flesh but did not break the skin. Complaint was made to the commissioners and Mrs. Hall was notified that the dog must die if again seen on the streets. She will probably send him to the country.

NEW FIRM.—Mr. James W. Jerome, whose name is familiar to our readers as a Baltimore commission merchant, has associated with him Mr. J. Harry Vickers, son of Mr. Thos. J. Vickers, of Broad Neck, and will conduct a general grain, fruit, live stock and produce commission business at the old stand, No. 20 E. Camden street, near Light street wharf.

CHESTER RIVER STEAMERS.—President Warfield, of the Chester River Line, says that the steamers Gratitude and B. S. Ford are undergoing a thorough overhauling. The Gratitude will run her former route and is expected to resume her trips in a few days.

THE trial at Camden, N. J., of Chalkley Leconey for the alleged murder of his niece, Annie Leconey, was concluded on Monday with a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out about an hour. The trial lasted nearly a month.

JOHN MORRISON, of Kent Island, is said to be the champion oyster shucker of the State. He can shuck one hundred oysters in four minutes—27 gallons per day—and at the rate of 20 cts. per gallon would make $5.40 per day.

AN important meeting of the Kent County Agricultural Club is called by the president, Mr. James M. J. Byron, to be held Monday, March 17, at 2 P. M. Every member should attend.

THE subscription books of the CONFERENCE DAILY NEWS are still open. Subscribe at once. Price, 25 cents.

LAND SALES.—The farm of Mr. R. F. Moffett, near Chesteryille, was sold on Monday to H. W. Vickers, Esq., for $3,450, who resold it to Richard W. and Samuel E. Moffett, sons of the late owner, for $4,000—about the amount of Mr. V's claim.

The farm of George E. Anderson, near Millington, was sold by ex-Sheriff Casey on Tuesday and purchased by Mrs. Nealy Johnson, of Millington, for the amount of her claim.

NO HOGS IN TOWN.—The Commissioners of Chestertown have determined to abolish pig pens. Hogs will not hereafter be allowed within the town limits, and though no official action has yet been taken, Officer Duyer has been directed to give information of the purpose of the commissioners to any who may desire to know. The tallow cooking ordinance is also to be rigidly enforced. Butchers must discontinue this nauseous business within the town limits, or get into trouble.

ADDITIONAL MAIL FACILITIES.—The new mail route between Chestertown and Baltimore via the Chester river steamers will go into effect on Monday next. For the present the mail will leave here at 8 o'clock A. M. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and will be subject to change according to the schedule of the steamers. This arrangement is not intended to supersede or interfere in any way with the rail route, but is merely additional thereto.

Personal Mention.

R. D. Hynson, Esq., was in Annapolis this week.

Mr. J. Welch Crew caught a fine roe shad at Tolchester Feb. 28.

Mr. Chas. D. Bargess, of Baltimore, has been spending the week with his parents in Chestertown.

Miss Jennie E. Parr, of Galena, is visiting her brother J. H. Parr at Harpers' Ferry, West Virginia.

Miss Elsie V. Gooding, daughter of Mr. Eugene Gooding, of Galena, is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Rev. J. Martin, who has been living at Princess Anne for some time, will return to this county next week to reside.

Rev. T. H. Haynes has been invited by Sudlersville M. E. Church to return as pastor next conference year.

The Rev. George C. Sutton, of Circleville, Ohio, has accepted the call to St. Paul's and I. U. Churches and will enter upon his duties soon after Easter.

Mrs. Martha Ford, wife of Dr. S. E. Ford of North East, died Feb. 23d after a lingering illness. She was a daughter of John Heath of North East.

Mr. Christopher C. Batchelor, Jr., a young ship carpenter, formerly of Balto., has removed to Chestertown with his family where he will permanently reside.

Miss Ida Camp, of Broad Neck, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Newark, Del., and vicinity, has returned home, and will soon be ready for another trip.

P. B. Hopper, Esq., who for a long time has been the efficient secretary and treasurer of the Workingmen's Permanent Building and Loan Association of Queen Anne's County, has resigned.

Mr. Adam Diehl, of Cincinnati, reached here last Wednesday and is spending the week visiting relatives and friends. He is engaged in a large Western wholesale house, and travels through Ohio, Michigan and Indiana.

Dr. John O. Barton, assistant rector of Trinity Cathedral at Easton, Md., died on Tuesday morning at the Church Home in Baltimore. His illness was spinal menigitis. Dr. Barton was born at Hancock, Washington county, Md., and was 64 years of age.

The farm of John C. McCollister, Esq., in the second district, near Church Hill, which was sold by Chas. T. Westcott, Esq., in the early part of December to Messrs. John and Levi Clough, has been sold by them to John F. Godwin, Esq., of Church Hill, and Samuel C. Lewis, Esq., of Media, Delaware county, Pennsylvania. The price paid was the same as that paid by the Messrs. Clough.

A FEW advertisements at reasonable rates will be received for the CONFERENCE DAILY NEWS, the first issue of which will appear on Wednesday morning, April 2.

FARMERS, and all others interested in starting a Creamery Separator at Lynch's, are invited to meet next Wednesday at that place.

A SNUG LITTLE INCOME is that of the New York Life Insurance Company, as reported in our advertising columns;—TWENTY-NINE MILLION DOLLARS, or over that, a few hundred thousand more or less do not signify much in such a case. About one-sixth of it was from interest on invested assets, leaving twenty-four millions contributed by policy-holders. Men do not pay out such sums for nothing, and, as the report shows, over twelve millions were returned to policy-holders in death claims, endowments, annuities, dividends, and surrender values and policies purchased. Something more than eleven millions were added to the company's assets as security for new and old policy-holders. It is a wonderful record of a wonderful company, which is showing results of matured policies that are highly gratifying as investments alone, to say nothing of the security furnished while the policies are in force.

MARRIED.

At the rectory of Emmanuel Church, on Wednesday, March 5th, by Rev. S. C. Roberts, WILLIAM CARTER, of Smyrna, Del., to Miss FLORENCE M. CAVENDER, of Chestertown.

Mr. Carter is a popular young gentleman of Smyrna, but has spent much time in Chestertown at work with his brother. The happy couple after the marriage, drove to Smyrna in a private conveyance. Upon their arrival they were welcomed and handsomely entertained by their host of friends and received general congratulations. Both, the bride and groom, were the recipients of beautiful and costly wedding presents, among which was an antique oak buffet given by friends of Smyrna; silver teaspoons and handsome case; silver castors, chamber set, bolt of muslin, bedspreads, tablecloths, towels, glass lemonade set, large bottle perfumery, $50 in money, antique centre table, gold-handle umbrella, carpet, rocking chair, set dinnerdishes, etc. The bride was handsomely attired in a steel-blue mohair costume.

DIED.

Entered into rest, in Baltimore, Thursday morning at one o'clock, JOHN W. R. LEONARD, in the 50th year of his age, husband of Laura V. Leonard.

Obituary—Mrs. Mary Rebecca Crouch.

MARY REBECCA, relict of the late Edwin Crouch, of Baltimore, formerly of Kent county. Deceased was a native of Kent, and her maiden name was Hurtt—a most amiable and estimable woman, an exemplary wife and devoted mother, whose loss is deeply deplored by those surviving—three daughters, two sons and eight grandchildren. Her family was deeply attached to her, and though feeble in health and declining in years, she was the central star of home, to which each heart turned for kindly admonition. She was a good Christian, a wonderfully pure minded woman, a noble nature, an exalted mind, one whose innate love of right lifted her to enjoy a place of the highest esteem in the hearts of those who knew her best. Her life was one of beautiful devotion to her family, which was shown to be highly appreciated by the love and tenderest care they betowed upon her. Death has all seasons for his own, we cannot choose a time or place to die in. The beautiful spring or the lonely summer—then earth appears too beautiful to leave. In the Autumn, when all natural grandeur is decaying, as a requiem to the dead, or amid the icy coldness of winter, seems a more fitting time to leave our earthly habitation. Our friend has crossed the dark river, and we trust her pure spirit is with God, in yon beautiful heaven, whither we are all hoping to gain an entrance. O, shalllingering pearly gates be opened for us? or must we be shut out into darkness for eternity? Our friends are passing on and give us warning that the end is inevitable. Are our lights burning and *burning?* It is a blissful thought for any mortal to feel, that they are prepared for an eternity of peace and happiness with God and the angels above.

The deceased was interred at Galena, Kent county, at her own request, by the side of her parents. The floral tributes that covered the casket were lovely and appropriate; a pillow of roses, a sheaf of wheat, a wreath, a cross and a quantity of cut flowers. All that sorrowing and loving relatives could do was rendered to make her last hours comfortable and peaceful. FRIEND.

TAX NOTICE.

All tax-payers of the FOURTH DISTRICT are notified that the taxes for 1889 are now over due and for 1888 are long in arrears. Settlements must be prompt. I will be at the Court House EVERY TUESDAY, and at home on SATURDAY.

a7-tf. H. M. STUART, COLL.

THERE will be service at St. Paul's Church on next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. 1t.

THE ANNUAL MISSIONARY EXERCISES of the M. E. Church at Galena will be held next Sunday at 10½ A. M., and 7½ P. M., and at Locust Grove at 2½ P. M. Appropriate sermons and service. 1t. I. G. FOSNOCHT, PASTOR.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS NOTICE to the congregations of Shrewsbury Parish and others: Divine services will be held in the parish as follows—March 12th and 13th, at St. Andrew's Church, Galena, 7 P. M.; Sunday, March 16th (mid-Lent) at Shrewsbury Church, 11 A. M.; St. Andrews, 7 P. M. 1t. REV. J. MARTIN.

CORN BLADES WANTED.—1,000 lbs., for which cash will be paid. Apply at NEWS office.

FOR SALE:
TWENTY BUSHELS of SEED POTATOES, will cut from 3 to 6 pieces, from Northern Seed last year's Early Rose variety.
mar8-3t. ENOCH N. ROLAND, near Chestertown.

SPECIAL MEETING!
THE MEMBERS OF THE KENT COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION are especially requested to meet at the Fair Grounds MONDAY, MARCH 17, at 2 P. M., sharp, on business of importance.
ms8-2t. JAMES M. J BYRON, PRESIDENT.

CREAMERY NOTICE.
PUBLIC MEETING AT LYNCH'S!
FARMERS, and all others interested in starting a SEPARATOR AT LYNCH'S, will meet at that place on WEDNESDAY NEXT, March 12, at 2 o'cl'k P. M.

A GOOD CHANCE FOR A DRUGGIST
AT ROCK HALL, MD.
The undersigned intending to retire from the business on account of too much confinement, will sell his stock and good-will at a reasonable figure. Store in centre of village on a prominent corner. Rent, cheap. For information apply to
ms8-3t. JOHN W. DOWNEY, ROCK HALL, MD.

BALTIMORE, March 3, 1890.
WE, the undersigned, have this day formed a copartnership under the style and firm name of JAMES W. JEROME & CO., for the purpose of conducting a Commission Business, in Grain, Fruit and General Produce, at 20 E. Camden Street.
Soliciting your consignments, we promise our best efforts for all business entrusted to our care.
JAMES W. JEROME, J. HARRY VICKERS.
1t.

CONTEST.—Since the inauguration of the Dennis Medal Contest held at Fairlee on the 5th of February, contests have sprung up as if by magic. Two will take place on the 10th and 11th of March, respectively, at St. James M. P. Church at Hanesville, the first to consist of boys on the 10th, the second for girls on the 11th, at 7½ o'clock P. M. Music, songs, choruses and quartettes by the best local talent. Public invited; seats free.
1t. By order of COMMITTEE.

A QUARTERLY MEETING of the Kent Co. Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held on Wednesday, March 12, at the vestry of the M. E. Church, Chestertown, at 2 o'clock P. M. All friends of the cause, especially the executive committee, which is composed of the county officers, the presidents of the local unions and superintendents of departments are earnestly requested to be present. Full reports of work accomplished, of wishes and suggestions for the advancement of the cause, as well as prospects for future work, are expected.
1t. By order of COUNTY PRESIDENT.

IF YOU WILL AGREE
to try it thoroughly upon any particularly bad ailment of flesh, bone or skin with which you or your acquaintances may be afflicted, we will send you an order upon your nearest druggist for a bottle of **Pantherapeun** free of charge. Send names and addresses, and if possible state briefly nature of trouble. We want you to know what **Pantherapeun** will do. *Write at once.* Address
The Pantherapeun Co., 134 South St., N. Y.

FOR RENT:
The STANLEY PROPERTY, near Still Pond, 14 Acres arable land, good dwelling, good apple orchard, near daily Baltimore and Philadelphia steamers.
Address REV. N. MCQUAY,
mar1-3t. Rock Hall, Kent county, Md.

FOR SALE or RENT.
A comfortable, nearly new DWELLING HOUSE in Chestertown, on the corner of Maple Avenue and Spring Avenue, adjoining residence of T. S. Bordley. It will be rented for 1890, and is for sale on liberal terms. Apply to
MARION DEK. SMITH,
d28-4f. Att'y for Chester Loan Association.

FOR SALE:
ONE GOOD BROOD MARE, ten or eleven years old; 1 COLT, three years old, fine size, unbroken, or will trade mare for good Milch Cows. Also, one Stack of Good Hay, timothy and clover mixed. B. I. TAYLOR,
mar8-3t. Near Lankford.

FOR SALE:
AT POMONA STOCK FARM, one REGISTERED BULL, Rex strain. Also, fresh COWS and HEIFERS—thoroughbred and registered. Bred for milking qualities. Prices reasonable.
fe15-4t.* JAS. H. BAKER, POMONA, MD.

WANTED:
A good yoke of WELL BROKEN OXEN. A lot of CHESTNUT RAILS and POSTS for sale.
mar1-3t. G. E. PARROTT, Still Pond, Md.

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SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO THE SALE OF GRAIN AND FRUITS.
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SHERIFF'S SALE.

A Fine Large Cannery,
WITH ALL FIXTURES.
BUILDINGS AND MATERIAL IN FIRST-CLASS ORDER, AT LYNCH'S.
At 1 o'clock P. M., March 17, 1890.
mar8-2t. SAMUEL COMEGYS, SHERIFF.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of one writ of fieri facias issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, State of Maryland, at the suit of E. C. Reiche, indorsee of Willard Melvin, against the goods and chattles of R. F. Moffett, to me directed, I have seized and taken into execution, all the right, title, claim, interest and estate at law and in equity of the said R. F. Moffett, of, in and to the following property, to wit:

HALF-INTEREST IN
40 ACRES OF WHEAT SEEDED,
MORE OR LESS.
4 HEAD of HORSES and MARES,
1 ONE-YEAR-OLD COLT,
Three Good Milch Cows,

And I hereby give notice that

On MONDAY, March 24th, 1890,

at 11 o'clock A. M., on the farm of the said R. F. Moffett, near Chesterville, I will offer for sale at Public Auction, said property so seized and taken into execution, to the highest bidder for cash to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

SAMUEL COMEGYS,
B. B. WRIGHT, Atty'r. (ms8-4t.) SHERIFF.

Eastern Shore Farms Wanted.
WE have demand for KENT and QUEEN ANNE'S FARMS, all sizes. Water fronts especially desired. As members of "The National Co-operative Real Estate Investment