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# KENT NEWS.

## CHESTER TOWN, MD.

**Saturday, April 17, 1847.**


### Gen'l Scott and the Battle of Vera Cruz.

In another column will be found an account of the great achievement of Gen'l Scott at Vera Cruz. The victory is overwhelming, and too much praise cannot be awarded to the consummate and distinguished chief, and the chivalrous and brave men who participated in and carried on the conflict. The Castle was considered almost impregnable. What adds to the glory and brilliancy of the feat, is, that but very few brave men were killed and wounded on the side of the Americans!!! General Scott merits the thanks of the country for the safety of his men and the preservation of human life.—This circumstance adds a high degree of moral sublimity to the victory and must to elevate the Gen'l in public opinion.

We have always supposed that General Scott was a prudent, wise, and skilful soldier of great military talents, and one who would do honor to his country in the field. The unavailable destruction of women and children in the city, is another melancholy and sad commentary upon the horrors of war. It is supposed that from 200 to 400 must have perished.

### The Crops.

Wheat, the early seeding, and mediterranean, on fallow lands, generally presents a healthy and good appearance having sufficient growth—but the corn gronnd seeding, in most cases, is unpromising, but a good rain and a warm sunshine would material improve the latter wheat.

Most of the Farmers in our county are engaged in planting corn and some few have finished. The weather has been fine for planting, but too cold to allow corn to vegetate and the spring is rather a "backward" one.

### Rhode Island Election.

Returns of this election show the election of the entire State ticket. A Whig has been chosen in the Eastern congression district, but in the Western district there is no choice. The following is a summary of the vote for Governor:

| Counties. | Harris. | Ballou. | Lib. | Scat. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Providence | 3164 | 2900 | 159 | 281 |
| Newport | 1013 | 356 | 9 | 33 |
| Washington, | 842 | 549 | 64 | 163 |
| Kent, | 716 | 280 | 11 | 26 |
| Bristol, | 414 | 178 | 0 | 2 |
| | 6199 | 4263 | 243 | 595 |

Twenty Law and Order Senators, and seven Dorrites, forty two Law and Order Representatives to twelve Dorrites have been elected.

### Gen. Taylor—Col. Clay.

No letter that Gen. Taylor has ever written will be read by his countrymen with more emotion than the following brief epistle addressed by him to the Hon'ble Henry Clay, after the death of his gallant son on the field of Buena Vista:

*Hd. Qr. Army of Occupation,*
Agua Neuva, Mex., Mh. 1, 1847.

My Dear Sir:—You will no doubt have received before this can reach you, the deeply distressing intelligence of the death of your son in the battle of Buena Vista. It is with no with no wish of intruding upon the sanctuary of parental sorrow, and with no hope of administering any consolation to your wounded heart, that I have taken the liberty of addressing you these few lines; but I have felt it a duty which I owe to the memory of the distinguished dead, to pay a willing tribute to his many excellent qualities, and while my feelings are still fresh, to express the desolation which has untimely loss and that of other kindred spirits has occasioned.

I had but a casual acquaintance with your son, until he became for a time a member of military family, and I can truly say, that no one ever won more rapidly upon my regard, or established a more lasting claim to my respect and esteem. Manly and honorable in every impulse, with no feeling but for the honor of the service and of the country, he gave every assurance that in the hour of need I could lean with conport. Nor was I disappointed. Under the guidanbe of himself and the lamented McKee, gallantly did the sons of Kentucky in the thickest of the strife, behold the honor of the State and of the country.

A grateful people will do justice to the memory of those who fell on that eventful day. But I may be permitted to express the bereavement which I feel in the loss of valued friends. To your son I felt bound by the strongest ties of private regard, and when I miss his familiar face and those of McKee and Hardin, I can say with truth, that I feel no exultation in our success.

With the expression of my deepest and most heartfelt sympathies for your irreparable loss, I remain, my dear sir, most faithfully and sincerely,

Your friend,
Z TAYLOR.

Hon. HENRY CLAY, N. Orleans, La.

The Louisville Journal says:—"We think it very likely that the people of the United States will in 1848 do what the Mexicans have vainly attempted to do—*run Gen'l Taylor.*"

## OFFICIAL DESPATCHES

OF

## GEN. SCOTT,

GIVING AN ACCOUNT OF THE

## FALL, SURRENDER,

AND UNCONDITIONAL CAPITULATION

OF THE CITY OF VERA CRUZ

AND

## The Castle of S. Juan D'Ulloa!

The Washington Union of Saturday evening has the official despatches from General Scott and Com. Perry, giving their report of the grand achievement of the American Arms. The documents are quite volumnious, but we annex a general compendium of the whole, which will be found equally as interesting to the general reader:

*Head Buarters of the Army,*
Camp Washington, before V Cruz,
March 23, '47.

Sir: Yesterday, seven of our 10 inch mortars being in battery, and the labors for planting the remainder of our heavy metal being in progress, I addressed at 2 o'clock, p. m., a summons to the Governor of Vera Cruz, and with the two hours limited by the bearer of the flag, received the governor's answer. Copies of the two papers (marked respectively, A. and B.) are herewith enclosed.

It will be perceived that the governor, who, it out, is the commander of both places, chose, against the plain terms of the summons, to suppose me to have demanded the surrender of the castle and of the city—whsn, in fact from the non arrival of our heavy metal—principally mortars—I was in no condition to threaten the former.

On the return of the flag, with that reply, I at once ordered the sevan mortars, in battery to open the city. In a short time the smaller vessels of Commodore Perry's squadron—two steamers and five schooners—according to previous arrangement with him approached the city within about a mile and an eighth, whence, being partially covered from the castle—an essential condition to their safety—they also opened a brisk fire upon the city. This has been continued, uninterruptedly, by the mortars, and only with a few intermissions, by the vessels, up to niue o'clk. this morning, when the commodore very properly, called them off from a position too daringly assumed.

Our three remaining mortars are now (12 o'clock, m.) in battery, and the whole ten in activity. To-morrow, early, if the city should continue obstnate, batteries Nos. 4 and 5 will be ready to add their fire; No. 4, consisting of four 24-pounders and two 8 inch Paixhan guns, and No. 5 (naval battery) of three 32-pounders and three 8-inch Paixhans—the guns, officers, and sailors landed from the squadron—our friends of the navy being unremitting in their zealous co-operation, in every mode and form.

So far, we know that our fire upon the city has been highly effective—particularly from the batteries of 10 inch mortars, planted at about 800 yards from the city. Including the preparation and defence of the batteries, from the beginning—now many days—and notwithstanding the heavy fire of the enemy, from city and castle—we have only had four or five men wounded, and one officer and one man killed, in or near the trenches. That officer was Captain John R. Vinton, of the United States 3d artillery, one of the most talented, accomplished, and effective members of the army, and who was highly distinguished in the brilliant operations at Monterey. He fell, last evening, in the trenches, where he was on duty as field and commanding officer, universally regretted. I have just attended his honored remains to a soldier's grave—in full view of the enemy and within reach of his guns.

Thirteen of the long-needed mortars—leaving twenty seven, besides heavy guns, behind—have arrived, and two of them landed. A heavy norther then set in (at meridian) that stopped that operation, and also the landing of shells. Hence the fire of our mortar batteries has been slackened, since two o'clock to day, and cannot be reinvigorated until we shall again have a smooth sea. In mean time I shall leave this report open for journalizing events that may occur to the departure of the steam ships of war, the Princeton, with Com. Conner, who, I learn, expects to leave the anchorage off Sacrificios, for the U. S. the 25th inst.

March 24.—The storm having subsided in the night, we commenced this forenoon, as soon as the sea became a little smooth, to land shot, shells, and mortars.

The naval battery, No. 5, was opened with great activity, under Capt. Aulick, the second in rank of the squadron, at about 10 A M. His fire was continued to two o'clock, P. M., a little before he was relieved by Captain Mayo, who landed with a fresh supply of ammunition—Capt. A. having exhausted the supply he had brou't with him. He lost four sailors, killed, and had one officer, Lieut. Baldwin, slightly hurt.

The mortar batteries, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, have fired but languidly during the day for want of shells, which are now going out from the beach.

The two reports of Col. Bandhead, chief of artillery, both of this date, copies of which I enclose, give the incidents of those thse three batteries.

Battery No. 4, which will mount four 24 pounders, and two 8 inch Paixhan's guns, has been much delayed in the hands of the indefatigable engineers by the norther that filled up the work with sand nearly as fast as it could be opened by the half blinded laborers. It will, however, doubtless be in full activity early to morrow morning.

March 25.—The Princeton being about to start for Pensacola I have but a moment to continue this report.

All the batteries, Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, are in awful activity this morning. The effect is, no doubt, very great, and I think the city cannot hold out beyond to day.—To morrow morning many of the new mortars will be in a position to add their fire, when or after the delay of some twelve hours, if no proposition to surrender should be received, I shall organize parties for carrying the city by assault. So far the defence has been spirited and obstinate.

I enclose a copy of a memorial received last night, signed by the consuls of Great Britain, France, Spain and Prussia, within Vera Cruz, asking me to grant a truce to enable the neutrals, together with Mexican women and children, to withdraw from the scene of havoc about them. I shall reply, the moment that an opportunity may be taken, to say—1. That a truce can only be granted on the application of Governor Morales, with a view to surrander; 2. That in sending safeguards to the different consuls, beginning as far back as the 13th inst. I distinctly admonished them particularly the French and Spanish consuls—and, of course, through the two, the other consuls—of the dangers that have followed; 3. That although, at that date, I had already refused to allow any person whatsoever to pass the line of investment either way, yet the blockade had been left open to the consuls and other neutrals to pass out to their respective ships of war up to the 22d instant and, 4th, I shall enclose to the memorialists a copy of my summons to the governor, to show that I had fully considered the impending hardships and distresses of the place, including those of women and children, before one gun had been fired in that direction. The intercourse between the neutral ships of war and the city was stopped at the late mentioned date by Commodore Perry, with my concurrence, which I placed on the ground that the intercourse could not fail to give to the enemy *moral aid and comfort.*

It will be seen from the memorial, that our batteries have already had a terrible effect on the city, (also known through other sources.) and hence the inference that a surrender must soon be proposed.—In haste,

I have the honor to remain, sir, with respect, your most ob'nt serv't

WINFIELD SCOTT.

Hon. W. L. Marcy, Sec'y of War.

*Headquarters of the Army,*
Vera Cruz, March 20, '47.

Sir: The flag of the United States of America floats triumphantly over the walls of this city, and the Castle of San Juan de Ulloa.

Our troops have garrisoned both since 10 o'clock. It is now noon. Brigadier General Worth is in command of the two places.

Articles of capituation were signed and exchanged, at a late hour, night before the last.

I have heretofore reported the principal incidents of the siege up to the 25th inst. Nothing of striking interest occurred till early in the morning of the next day, when I received overtures from General Landero on whom General Morales had devolved the principal command. A terribly storm of wind and sand made it difficult to communicate with the city, and impossible to refer to Commodore Perry. I was obliged to entertain the proposition alone or to continue the fire upon a place that had shown a disposition to surrender; for the loss of a day, or perhaps several, could not be permitted. The accompaning papers will show the proceedings and results.

Yesterday, aher the norther had abated, and the commissioners appointed by me early the morning before, had again met those appointed by General Landero, Commodore Perry sent ashore his second in command, Captain Aulick, as a commissioner on the part of the navy. Although not inclubed in my specific arrangement made with the Mexican commander, I did not hesitate, with proper courtesy, to desire that Capt. Aulick might be duly introduced and allowed to participate in the discussions and acts of the commissioners who had been reciprocally accredited. Hence the preamble to his signature. The original American commissioners were, Brevet Brigadier General Worth, Brigadier Gen'l Pillow, and Colonel Totton. Four more able or judicious officers could not have been desired.

I have to add but little more. The remaining details of the siege; the able co-operation of the United States squadron, successively under the command of Commodores Conner and Perry; the admirable conduct of the whole army—regulars and volunterrs, I should be happy to dwell upon as they deserve; but the steamer Princeton, with Commodore Conner on board, is under way, and I have commenced organizing an advance into the interior. This may be delayed a few days, waiting the arrival of additional means of transportation. In the meantime, a joint operation, by land and water, will be made upon Alvarado. No lateral expedition, however, shall interfere with the grand movement towards the capital.

In consideration of the great services of Col. Totten, in the siege that has just terminated most successfully, and the importance of his presence, at Washington, as the head of the engineer bureau, I entrust this despatch to his personal care, and beg to commend him to the very favorable consideration of the department.

I have the honor to remain, sir, with high respect, your most ob'nt sev't.

WINFIELD SCOTT.

Hon. W. L. Marcy, Sec'y of War.

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AN Earthquake of severe character had, according to the latest accounts, occurred at Aleppo.

### Thanks to Gen. Taylor.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted at a town meeting of the citizens of New Orleans:

Resolved, That the late brilliant achievement of our army at the battle of Buena Vista, fighting as it did against such fearful odds, affords to the world another proof of what American valor, directed by American skill, can accomplish. The deeds of noble daring performed there by officers and men will fill a bright page in the nation's history and will be turned to with pride and exultation as long as its records shall endure.

Resolved, That Gen. Z. Taylor, the commander of our forces at Buena Vista, by his sagacity, his skill, his enterprise and dauntless firmness in the conduct of the Mexican war, and especially by his heroic valor and strategy in his late engagement with Santa Anna, has won for himself a name that entitles him to rank with the greatest captains of this or any other age.

Resolved, That we tender to Gen. Taylor, his officers and men, our thanks for their services, our congratulations for their victories, and our assurances that we shall be ever ready to accord to each and all of them appropriate honors and rewards for their services to the Republic.

Resolved, That while we mourn over the loss of our gallant fellow-countrymen who fell on the 23d and 23d of February, we look back upon their fate with mingled feeling of sorrow and pride—they have gone, but they are not dead—they will live forever in the memory and affection of the nation, and we scarcely know whether to offe their families and friends our condolence or congratulations.

## ITEMS OF NEWS.

THE WHEAT CROP.—The Danville (Pa.) Democrat says: "We learn, from various parts of this and adjoining counties, that winter grain generally looks well, and has not been injured to that extent which was anticipated some weeks ago. The grain on high and dry ground ground particularly, is said to be in excellent condition, while that on the low lands has been injured to some extent, there not having been sufficient snow this winter to protect the roots. On the whole, however, the prospects are considered favorable."

MURDER.—A shocking murder was perpetrated upon the person the person of Mr. John B. Fairbanks, a highly respectable resident of the Chapel district, in Talbot county, on the 3d inst., by a young man in his employ, named Jos. Millis. The murderer made his escape, although the Sheriff of the county, and a numerous posse were early in pursuit

CONVICTS ARRESTED.—Charles and Gusty Curtis, whose escape fron jail in Leonardtown, Md., we noticed, have both been artested. The death warrant of Charles has been received by the Sheriff, and the 20th day of May is the day fixed on for his execution.

PORTRAIT OF GEN. TAYLOR.—Mr. Jesse Atwood, a creditable artist of Philadelphia, has started for Mexico, expressly for the purpose of painting a portrait of Gen Taylor, there being no recognized likeness of him in that city.

ACCIDENT.—At Richmond, on Saturday, on the occasion of firing a salute in honor of the victory at Vera Cruz, a young man damed Edward Dance was severely injured. He had both hands seriously injured, and some of his fingers entirely blown off.

There were 265 deaths in New York last week—men 53, women 49, boys 86, girls 77. Deaths by consumption 36, dropsy 20, scarlet fever 5, other fevers 25, inflammation 54.

THE Common Council of Troy, N. Y. have appropriated $600 for a sword for Gen. Wool. This is a deserved compliment to that gallant officer, from the authorities of the city where he has long resided.

THE first Brevet rank ever conferred by our Government, was bestowed upon Gen. Taylor, during the war of 1812.

AN *iron cage* has been constructed at Cincinnati for a penitentiary at the south. We are getting civilized, rapidly.

The Whigs of Philadelphia, in general town meeting, on Saturday night, nominated Gen. Taylor for the Presidency.

The whole American loss, officially and otherwise, reported, at the battle of Buena Vista, is, killed, 293; wounded, 482; missing 26—total loss in killed, wounded and missing, 801.

THE Cholera is stated to be committing ravages on the shoes of the Red Sea, so as to enforce the necessity of precautions against being transmitted to Europe from Egypt.

THE snow in Clinton county, N. Y., is five feet deep—hard and solid.



### MARRIED.

On Wednesday evening last, by the Rev Mr. Roby, John C. Ruth, of Queen Ann's county, to Miss Sarah E. Trew, of Kent



### DIED.

In this place, on the 9th inst., Mrs. Ann Smith.

Near this place on the 12th inst. Wm. A. Clayton, aged 52 years.


CHANGES OF WEATHER AND CATCHING COLD.—It should be remembered that a cough is always an evidence that some impurity is lodged in the lungs, which if not speedily removed, will most assuredly so irritate those delicate organs as to bring on inflammation of the lungs—a disease which we all know is the high road to consumption.

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are one of the very best medicines in the world for carrying off a cold; because they purge from the body those morbid humors which are the cause of coughs, consumption, difficulty of breathing, watery and inflamed eyes, sore throat, rheumatic pains in various parts of the body, and many other dangerous complaints. Three or four of said Indian Vegetable Pills, taken at night on going to bed, will in all cases give relief; and, if the medicine be repeated a few times, the blood will be completely purified, the digestion will be improved, and the body will be restored to even sounder health than before.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS.—The public are cautioned against the many spurious medicines which in order to deceive, are called by names similar to Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills.

The only original and genuine Indian Vegetable Pills have the signature of William Wright written with a pen on the top label of each box. None other is genuine, and to counterfeit this is forgery.

The genuine article is for sale by John Russell, Chester Town, and by agents, published in another part of this paper.

☞Hance's Sarsaparilla, Vegetable, or Blood PILLS—(FIFTY PILLS in a box—the cheapest Medicine ever sold)—Removing bile, correcting disorders of the stomach and bowels, costiveness, dyspepsia, swimming in the head, &c. Persons of a full habit, who are subject to headache, giddiness, drowsiness, and singing in the ears, arising from too great a flow of blood to the head, should never be without them, as many dangerous symptoms will be entirely carried off by their immediate use.

In purchasing these Pills, let me add one word of caution—Always ask for Hance's Pills, and purchase of none but those advertised as agents

For sale by Seth S. Hance, 108 Baltimore st and corner of Charles and Pratt sts. Baltimore, and by the following agents:
Simon Wickes, Jr, Chester Town
Gooding & Frazier, Geo. Town X Roads
B C Wells, Head of Sassafras
C R Hackett, Massey's X Roads
M V Boyer, Apothecary, Millington
Wm R Forman, New Market
Samuel H Cooper, Urieville.

Let all the world know that Sellers Vermifuge is the best in use! Here is the proof.

LICKING STATION, Ky. Dec 17th, 1846.

*Mr. R. E. Sellers:*—I have the pleasure to inform you that I have used in my practice your celebrated Vermifuge with the most happy results. I have formerly used Fahnestock's but being persuaded to try yours, I have found it far superior in every respect, and can say without the fear of contradiction, that your Vermifuge possesses more virtue than any I ever used, and most cordially recommend it to the attention of the public. I will state a case where I gave one vial of your Vermifuge: My brother's child was *pining and wasting to a mere skeleton;* in 30 hours after I gave the Vermifuge, the enormous quantity of *upwards of six hundred worms* were passed. The child that was given up as lost, is now well and as hearty as any in the neighborhood

AMBROSE ARNETT, M D

Those who wish, can see Dr. Arnett's letter

Prepared and sold by R E SELLERS, No 57 Wood st Pittsburg.

E M DAWSON & BROTHER, Druggists, Easton, Md. General agents, for E Shore.

☞For sale in Chester Town by Simon Wickes, Jr. Druggist.

*Hance's Compound Syrup of Horehound.*

To SETH S HANCE.—Dear Sir.—Having been afflicted with a severe cough and pain in the breast, I was persuaded by a friend to make trial of your Compound Syrup, and purchased two bottles of Mr Rob't Keyworth, and am happy to say they certainly relieved me. Yours,

Sold by Seth S Hance, corner of Charles and Pratt streets, and at the new stand, 108 Baltimore st. Baltimore, and by the following agents:
Simon Wickes, Jr Chester Town
Gooding & Frazier, Geo Town X Roads
B C Wells, head of Sassafras
C R Hackett, Massey's X Roads
M V Boyer, Apothecary, Millington
Wm R Forman, New Market
Samuel H Cooper, Urieville

Wickes & Bro. has a fine assortment of Ladies Kid Gloves "light and dark colours;" also Linen Cambric Han'k'fs from 10c up.

☞Among other Goods received by Wickes & Bro. are some fine Black Cloths, French "Doeskins" and superior silk vestings. Those in want of such goods ought to call and examine them

☞Reader, is it not strange that men will wear so much hair on their face, when John L. Stam has such good razors? We advise all who wish to make a descent appearance in the street to give him a call.

# NOTICE.

DOCT. H. HINKLEY has located himself in Worton neighborhood for the purpose of practising medicine. He may ee found at the residence of Mr. Richard Smith, on the road from Bell Air to Worton Heights; and unless otherwise engaged, will call at Capt. Benj. Start's at the Heights, every day at ten A. M., and attend to any message left there for him. The Dr. is prepared to furnish his own medicines.

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## ONE CENT REWARD

*AND NO CHARGES PAID.*

RANAWAY from the subscriber a negro boy named Henry Absalem, (fr born) said boy was indentured to the subscriber by the Orphan's Court of Baltimore co., to serve until he was 21 years old. The above reward will be paid, for the delivery of said boy, to the subscriber, but no charges will be paid.

R. T. ALLEN.

April 17 3t

FOR sale by Wilmer & Nicols black and drab moreau for ladies

FOR sale by Wilmer and Nicols, a beautiful assortment of gentlemen's ware.

FOR sale by Wilmer and Nicols a good assortment of hats, of different kinds from 12½ to $4.

FOR sale by Wilmer and Nicols, saddles and bridles.

⅞ osnaburgs at 10 cts; 4-4 do at 12½, for sale by WILEY & PERKINS.


## POSTSCRIPT

*By Sloop Gen. Washington, Ct Browne.*

### New York City Election.

The election in the city of New York has resulted in the choice of a Whig Mayor and a Whig Common Council. The following is the vote cast for Mayor:

*For Mayor.*

| Brady, Whig | Brownel, L. F. |
|---|---|
| 20,871 | 19,136 |
| 19 136 | |

W. maj. 1,735

The Common Council stands thus:
Board of Aldermen: 11 W's, 6 L.F. 1 Nat.
" Assistants: 12 " 6 "
Whig majority on joint ballot, 11.

The Loco Foco Alms House Commissioners is elected.

BROOKLYN ELECTION.—The Whigs of Brooklyn, N, Y. have elected their Mayor, all the Supervisors and a majority of the Common Council. The majority of the Whig candidate for the Mayoralty is 1,493.

EXPLOSION.—At a quarter past six o'k on Wednesday morning the bolting mill and packing house of Messrs. Dupont's Powder Mills blew up, killing eighteen of the hands. The shock was so great as to break the windows in all the neighboring houses, and one man was thrown down and had his leg broken.

### Alvarado Taken.

We have seen a letter, says the Philadelphia Bulletin, received by a gentleman this morning, from an officer in the Gulf Squadron, which states that it was understood among the officers that Col. Harney had taken Alvarado. It will be recollected that the last advices stated that he was preparing to march on that place.

### Markets.

Baltimore, Apr. 15, 1847

Prime white wheat—1 60
do red—$1 50.
Yellow corn—92
White do—86 to 88.
Oats—44 to 46.
Rye—85.
Family Flour—$8 to $9.
" do 7 50.
Sup. Flour—$7 00.
Mercer Potatoes—$1.


HATS—fine beaver, silk, russia, coney, leghorn, guiquil, pedal, braid, panama, palm leaf, etc, low W'S & BRO.

WHIPS, a large assortment from 12½ to $3

WICKES & BRO.

TIME IS MONEY, yankee clocks low by WICKES BRO.

LADIES slippers from 12½ to $1.
WICKES & BRO.

HEAVY drilling and shirting for servants 12½.
WICKES & BRO'R.

PLOUGH castings, Wiley Points, 20 cts all others 5 cts lb.
WICKES & BRO.

FURNITURE prints, figure battle of Palo Alto siege of Monterey etc, 12½.
W'S & BRO.

BRANDIES—Henesse and A'Senette brands, only $3.
W'S & BRO.


### Laws of Maryland—No. 153.

A further supplement to the Act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty four, chapter one hundred and eighty seven, imposing a tax on commissions allowed to trustees and receivers.

Whereas, doubts are entertained of the true conatruction of the Supplement to the said original act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty five chapter one hundred and sixty six, for remedy whereof and to remove such doubts,

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said supplement passed at December session eighteen hundred and forty five, chapter one hundred and sixty six, shall not be construed to extend to trustees appointed or named to preserve contingent remedies, or to any other case when a trustee is interposed merely to preserve or maintain the title; and in cases when the trust is to be placed in the hands, or made subject to the disposition of the trustee only upon the happening of a contingency, no bond shall be required until such contingency shall occur.

Section 2. *And be it enacted,* That in any case where application for the purpose is made to the Chancellor of Maryland, or to the Judges of the county court in any county or in Howard district, the said Chancellor or Judges may in his or their discretion, prescribe the amount of the bond, of any trustee included in the terms of the said supplementary act, if the said chancellor or judges should believe from an investigation of the circumstances of the case that it would be improper to rdquire a bond to be given for double the amount of the property plaaed in the hands or made subject to the disposition of said trustee.

D. CLAUDE,
Treasurer of Md.

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