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THE KENT NEWS

CHESTER TOWN, MD.

Saturday, Dec. 18, 1847.

☞The Hon. J. A. Pearce, will accept our thanks, for public documents.

Gen. Taylor.

General Taylor having been absent two years, having important private business claiming his attention, and being placed in one idle position where he could render no service to his country, obtained leave of absence for a short time. He has arrived at New Orleans. The city made him its guest, and his entry has been like the triumph of a Roman General, who returned victories from the Wars of the Commonwealth. Triumphal arches—splendidly ornamented, with the names of General Taylor, battle fields, &c., were thrown across the streets. Brilliant fire works at night were gotten up, and so great was the enthusiasm that one gentleman offered to set fire to his noble mansion, to crown the ceremonies of the occasion.

Men of all parties—the Ladies—and entire population, seemed to have caught the enthusiasm, and vied who should do most honor to the weather-beaten and war-worn veteran. The Governor of Louisiana presented General Taylor, with a cosily and splendid Sword voted by the Legislature, in an eloquent and patriotic speech. During all the pageantry and honour, the General behaved himself, characteristically, and manifested that strong, good sense, diffidence and unassuming merit, that distinguish him so highly, and which wins upon the confidence and affection of the people. May he long live, to serve his country and be honoured by his fellow-citizens.

Congress.

The very long Report of the Secretary of the Treasurer and those of more moderate length of the Secretaries of War, Navy and Post Master General, have filled the city newspapers and left little space for general news. The appointments of Committees, by the House and Senate, have engaged those bodies, and nothing of interest has yet occurred in Congress, nor any thing that may tend to excitement, except perhaps two resolutions introduced by Senator Dickinson, of New York. He aims at conquest and annexation, and divested of unnecessary verbiage, his doctrine is "*might*," makes "*right*."

It is positively contradicted that Mr. Adams favours the conquest of Mexico.

On the 15th, Mr. Calhoun offered the following sound and patriotic resolutions. They are sensible, pertinent and worthy of the Statesman, who has offered them, when compared with the *principle* of those offered by Senator Dickinson they rise infinitely above them, and beyond comparison.

Mr. *Calhoun* then offered the fellowing resolutions:

Resolved, That to conquer and hold Mexico, either as a Province or incorporating into the Union, is inconsistent with the avowed object of the war, contrary to the settled policy of the Government, in conflict with its character and genius, and, in the end, must be subversive of all our free and popular institutions.

Resolved, That no line of policy in the farther prossecution of the war should be adopted which may tend to consequences so disastrous.

Which resolutions were ordered to be printed.

Post Office Department.

We select from the Post-master General's Report some interesting items. We regret that he still recommends an increase of postage on newspapers, and that he holds on to some of the obnoxious provisions of former acts. The Post office Department, is the only one which reaches in its direct influence and in a tangible and sensible shape, the interests of individual. He has an immediate and personal interest in it, being called on to pay money to it every day, and to the people, ought the Department to accommodate itself. Why should the people support all the Departments of the Government and then be taxed *dearly*, for every letter they write or receive, and for every newspaper which furnishes accounts of the acts and doings of their public servants? High Postage is a tax on the intellect and intelligence of the country, and the Postmaster General ought to soar above the *little ambition* of making his revenues equal to the expenditures:

REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Post Office Department, Dec. 6, 1847.

Sir: On the 30th of June last, the post routes in operation in the United States were 153,818 miles in extent, and the annual transportation of the mails over them was 38,857,299 miles, as follows:

On railroads,	4,170,403 miles at a cost of		$597,475
On steamb'ts,	3,914,519	" "	346,745
In coaches,	15,209,005	" "	912,462
By other modes of in. grad.	15,593,972	" "	750,166
			$2,406,848

The increase in the extent of the routes since the 1st of July, 1846, is 9878 miles, and of transportion 3,252,630 miles.

Since the 1st of July last, new routes have been put in operation 8239 miles in extent, at an additional cost of $42,943 per annum.

The number of mail contractors in the service, during the last year, was 3659, of route agents, local agents, and mail messengers connected with the mail service on railroads and steamboats, 186.

I therefore estimate the probable increase of the present year at 6 per cent. If this increase is realized, that, together with the $200,000 appropriated by the twelfth section of 3d of March, 1847, for the postages of the United States, will make the revenues of the current year amount to $4,313'156, which will exceed the annual average revenues of the nine years before the reduction of the postage $51,467 65, and only fall short of the annual average expenditures for the same period $186,436 88; and will exceed the expenditures of the last year $333,587. The expenditures for the year ending the 30th of June, 1847, amounted to $3,969,570 63—making only $42,667 32 more than the revenues.

The returns of dead letters are believed to exceed 450,000 each quarter.

In the year ending the 30th June, 1846, there were sent out from the department 2340 dead letters, containing $17,822.—Of this number, 2021 was received by the owners, containing $16,169; and 319 were returned to the department, containing $1653 49, of which $254 was worthless.

In the year ending the 30th of June, 1847, there were sent out 2782 dead letters containing $21,055. Of these 2165 were delivered to the owners, containing $19,475; and 417 returned, containing $1580.93. Of this sum $147 was worthless. During the two years, $1911 54 were added from this source to the funds of the department. Since the reorganization of the department in 1836, there has been added to its funds, from the dead letter office, the sum of $10,329 28.

Concert.

It will be seen, by referring to our columns, that the CHESTER BAND, contemplate giving another Concert, on Tuesday Evening next, 21st Instant, at 7 o'clock.—The Programme will be entirely new, comprising some of the most popular music of the day. Professor Minnick will certainly be present and play several Solos on the Cornopean. As the proceeds of this (as well as the late) Concert, will be devoted to the purchase of Music, etc., it is earnestly hoped that the citizens generally will turn out.

Chancellor Kent,

Of New York, aged 85 years has recently died, full of years and of honour.—While sound principles of law and equity, and the highest Judicial decision are regarded with respect, the name of Chancellor Kent will endure.

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.—The Georgetown (D. C.) Advocate of the 14th says—The large break on the Canal has at length been mended, and were it not for the rain of the last few days, the boats could now pass. As it is, probably the break 7 miles up will be finished and the boats pass on Thursday next.

☞The unusual number of advertisements have crowded out a number of articles we had prepared for our paper this week.

A singular incident occurred at the Bishop's Church in Montreal on Sunday, the 5th instant, which is thus described in one of the papers of that city:

During the celebration of the evening a service, a poor idiot wandered, unobserved, into the church, and her attention being attracted by the brilliant light of the wax tapers on the altar, she suddenly called out "Fire!" The alarm spread instantly and a scene of indescribable confusion ensued; a general rush was made to the doors, which were speedily blocked up.

Those in the gallery precipitated themselves in their fright down the narrow stair cases, which were already wedged up, and numbers were trampled under foot, and so severely injured by the frantic efforts of the crowd to escape that were afterward taken away insensible. It was not until after some time, and by dint of great exertion, that the Bishop and the Clergy succeeded in assuring the affrighted congregation that there existed no cause for alarm, and in restoring order for the conclusions of the service.

☞The New York Herald in remarking upon the report of the Secretary of War, says:—To do him justice, his report compares mos- favourably with the rhodomontede message of Mr. Polk. The style is clear and forcible and there are none of those absurd pleonasms, those endless repetitions, those discursive generalities, or those abominable cant expressions, which render the perusal of the President's message so nausacating a task. We know of nothing in modern literature to compare with that message, but the modest reports of Major General Gideon J. Pillow, of Cerro Gordo celebrity.

Mr. Calhoun in his speech last February in the Senate, held the following remarkable words:—"Mexico is as forbidden fruit, the day of her death would be almost the end of our political existence. Her independence, her capacity, her greatness, should be esteemed by us as next in importance to our own."

CONGRESSIONAL.

On motion of Mangum, the Senate proceeded to elect chairmen of the several standing committees—which resulted as follows:

Foreign Belattons.—Mr. Sevier.
Finance—Mr. Atherton.
Commerce.—Mr. Dix.
Manufactures—Mr. Dickinson.
Agriculture—Mr. Sturgeon.
Military Affairs—Mr. Cass.
Militia—Mr. Rusk.
Naval Affairs—Mr. Fairfield.
Public Lands—Mr. Breese.
Private Land Claims—Mr. Yulee.
Indian Affairs.—Mr. Atchison.
Claims—Mr. Mason.
Revolutionary Claims—Mr. Bright.
Judiciary—Mr. Ashley.
The Post and P. Roads—Mr. Niles.
Roads and Canals—Mr. Hannegan.
Pensions.—Mr. Johnson, of La.
District of Columbia—Mr. Cameron.
Patents and the P. Office.—Mr. Westcott.
Retlenchment—Mr. Turney.
Territories—Mr. Douglass.
Public Buildings—Mr. Hunter
Contingent Expenses—Mr. Felch.
Printing.—Mr. Bradbury.
Engrossed Bills—Mr. Rusk.
Joint Committee on the Library—Mr. Pearce.

On motion, the filling up of the committee was laid over until to-morrow.

And the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The various standing committees were this morning announced. The Chairmen of the most important of them are as follows, viz:

Mr. R. W. Thompson, of Indiana, of the committee of Elections.

Mr. R. T. Vinton, of Ohio, of the Ways and Means.

Mr. Rockwell, of Connecticut, of Claims.

Mr. W. Hunt, of New York, of Commerce.

Mr. Collamar, of Vermont, Public Lands.

Mr. Goggin, of Va., of Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. J. G. Chapman, of Maryland, of District of Columbia, and other members of the same committee, are Messrs. Tallmadge McDowell, Barrow, Ficklin, Henry, Sims, Edwards, and B. B. Thurston.

Mr. J. R. Ingersoll, of Pa., of the Judiciary.

Mr. King, of Massachusetts, Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Gayle, of Alabama, Private Land Claims.

Mr. Stewart, of Pennsylvania, of Manufactures.

Mr. Hugh White, of New York, Agriculture.

Mr. Gentry, of Tennessee, of Indian Affairs.

Mr. Botts, of Virginia, of Military Affairs.

Mr. Thompson, of Kentucky, of Militia.

Mr. T. B. King, of Georgia, of Naval Affairs.

Mr. T. P. Smith, of Connecticut, of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. C. B. Smith, of Indiana, of Territories.

Mr. Schenck, of Ohio, of Roads and Canals.

Mr. Dickinson submitted the following resolutions, which were ordered to be printed:

Resolved, That true policy requires the Government of the U. S. to strenghten its political and commercial relations upon this Continent by the annexation of such contiguous territory as may conduce to that end and can be jusly obtained—and that neither in such acquisition nor in the territoial organization thereof, can any conditions be constitutionally imposed or intitutions be provided for or established inconsistent with the right of the people thereof to form a free sovereign State, with the powers and privileges of the original numbers of the Confederacy.

Resolved, That in organizing a territorial government for territory belonging to the United States, the principles of self government upon which our federative system rests will be best promoted—the true spirit and meaning of the constitution be observed and the confederacy strengthened by leaving all questions concerning the domestic policy therein to the Legislatures chosen by the people thereof.

A number of bills were introduced, read twice, and referred to appropriate committees.

An eminent Doctor of Divinity, residing not a hundred miles from New York, and famous for the originality of his phraseology, was asleep the other evening in his chamber, while his wife was mending a rent in one of his garments. He woke and asked the lady if she knew why she was like the devil. "I do not," was her answer. "Do you give it up?" "I do, certainly!" "Because;" said the Doctor, "while men slept the enemy sowed *tares*.—*N. Y. Eve. Post.*

MARRIED,

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Saunderson, Mr. JOHN BOWERS PARROTT, to Miss ANN REBECCA KELLEY, both of this county.

With this notice we received a delicious piece of Cake, which we pronounce excellent, and for which we desire the worthy couple, happiness and success in life. They are a worthy, thoughtful pair, and to recollect the printer in the midst of enjoyment indicates their kindly and considerate disposition. They have our thanks and best wishes for a long and blissful life!

DIED.

In Chester Town, on Sunday night last of a pulmonary disease, Mr. Wm. Rogers, leaving a wife and infant child. The deceased was moral, religious and inoffensive; trespassed on the rights of none, and when death came, was fearless of the King of Terrors, manifested a perfect submission and willingness to die, and his death was as calm and serene as the bright and placid waters which no breath disturbs.

By Sloop Gen. Washington, Capt. Browe.

BALTIMORE MARKET.

Baltimore, Dec. 15, '47

White wheat—$1 35 to 1 40
Red " 1 40 a 1 50
Yellow corn—60 to 61
White do. 52 a 54.
Rye—80 to 85.
Oats—40 a 42.
White beans—85 to 1 00
Fam. flour—$7 50
Extra " —$7 00.
Sup. " —$6 50.

PORTRAIT PAINTING.

Mr. James A. McClean from Wheeling in Va., but a native of our county, is now in Chester Town, fully prepared to execute Portraits in the best style of the art, and on moderate terms. We have seen some specimens of his Painting and feel no hesitancy in pronouncing them of a superior order. While the drawing and colouring are exceedingly correct and brilliant, it may be said that his especial excellence consists in the most perfect delineation of character and features.

We hope that the public will come and examine for themselves, and that a native Artist will have no cause to complain of a want of encouragement from his old friends and those of his father.

CONCERT,

BY THE

CHESTER BAND!

AT the request of many who attended their late Concert—the Band will repeat it on TUESDAY EVENING, 21st inst, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

On this occasion they will present a new PROGRAMME, comprising a selection from the most popular MUSIC.

Prof. Minnick will participate, and will in addition perform several SOLOS, on the Cornopean.

☞Admission 25 cents.

Dec. 4, '47. Com. of Arrangements.

PROGRAMME

Of the CONCERT, by the Chester Band,

On Tuesday Evening, Dec. 21st, 1847.

PART I.

1 Lafayette's Welcome March,
2 Wood Up Quick Step,
3 Twilight Dews—Song,
4 Gen'l. Reeds Quick Step,
5 Cornopean Solo,
6 Quickstep with Trio, from Norma.

INTERMISSION.

PART II.

1 Hail Columbia,—Yankee Doodle,
2 Negro Medley,
3 Share my Cottage—Quickstep,
4 Quartette—Flow Gently Sweet Afton,
5 Telegraph Quickstep,
6 Tiger Quickstep.

INTERMISSION.

PART III.

1 March from Norma,
2 Bonny Boat (Song.)
3 Mountain Maid—Quickstep,
4 Cornopean Solo,
5 Star Spangled Banner,
6 Prize Flag Quickstep.

MORE

NEW GOODS.

JUST open at T. W. ELIASON'S and for sale at *reduced prices for Cash.*

Good yard wide br'n muslin 6¼ to 12½; finr y'd wide bl'd muslin 40 to 12½; cloths, casimeres, sattinets, vestings, flannels, calicoes, oregan and casemere plaids, delanes, apron silks, alpacas, linen and cotton table diapers, and a general assortment of other

DRY GOODS.

ALSO, a large stock of *Groceries*—good br'n sugar 6¼ to 9 cts., loaf sugar 11 to 12½ white refined and broken l'f sugar 10 to 12½; good Rio ank Laguyra coffee; superble'k, old hyson, young hyson, imperial and gun-powder teas, 75 to 1 25; very fine chewing tobacco 20 to 37½; molasses; candles; soap, pepper, starch, etc.

Saddles, bridles, collars, tin-ware, hardware, Queens-ware, brushes and brooms.

Shoes, boots, hats, cape and a great variety of other goods, at small profits and reduced prices for cash.

Chester Town, dec. 18, '47.

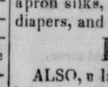
Fire Notice.

THE members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Kent county are requested to meet at the Court House in Chester Town, on Monday, January 3rd, at 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors are requested to meet at 10 on the same day. It is hoped there will be a full attendance.

By order of the President,
GEO. B. WESTCOTT,
Dec. 18 Secretary.

Kent county, to wit:

I hereby certify that Robert Wilson, farmer of said county has stated to me, the subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace, in and for the said county, this 13th day Decem. 1847, that he had up three *Calves*, as strays trespassing on his enclosures, one a black and white heifer with a crop off each ear and an under bit from the left ear. The other two, one of which is a male, the other a female, are both red and have a crop and under and over bit off the left ear of each and the right ear of each not marked—the calves are all supposed to be about two years old.



Given under my hand.

THOS. I. MANN.

Notice.

The owner of the above calves are requested to prove property, pay charges and take them away.

ROBERT WILSON.

Near Chester Town, dec. 18, '47. 3t

CHRISTMAS.

JOHN L. STAM, respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has just returned from the city, with a variety of

Confectionary &c.,

which he will sell at reduced prices for cash.

Also, Groceries, Medicines, China and Crockery Ware, Hardware, Oils, Powder and Shot, &c. &c.

dec. 18, '47.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTORY.

CARL L. STRANDBERG & CO. have just returned from the city with a large stock of Candies, (of all description) Raisins, Almonds, Figs, Nuts, Jagu Paste, Currants, Toys, Cigars, Lemons, Sugar and Coffee, &c. &c.

ALSO, Bread, Rusk, Cake, of all description, for sale low.

dec. 18, '47.

In Chancery,

9th *December*, 1847.

Ordered that the sale of the real Estate of Thomas B. Keating made and reported by the Trustee, George Vickers, be ratified and confirmed unless cause be shewn to the contrary, on or before the 9th day of February next, provided a copy of this order be published in some newspaper in Kent county, once in, each of three successive weeks before the 20th day of January next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $315,00.

True Copy—Test,
LOUIS GASSAWAY,
Dec 18—3w. Reg. Cur. Can.

In Chancery,

9th DECEMBER, 1867.

ORDERED, That the sale of the Real Estate of Rebecca Gilchrist made and reported by the Trustee George Vickers, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shewn to the contrary, on or before the 9th day of February next, provided a copy of this Order be published in some newspaper in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks, before the 20th day of January next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $162,00.

True Copy—Test,
LOUIS GASSAWAY,
Dec 18—4w. Reg. Cur. Can.

In Chancery,

9th December, 1847.

ORDERED that the sale of the Real Estate of Nathaniel Copper made and reported by the Trustee George Vickers be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 9th day of February next, provided a copy of this Order be published in some newspaper in Kent county once in each of three successive weeks, before the 20th day of January next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $696,00.

True Copy—Test,
L. GASSAWAY,
Dec. 18—3w. Reg. Cur. Can.

In Chancery.

9th December, 1847.

Ordered that the sale of the Real Estate of Joseph A. Harper and others made and reported by the Trustee George Vickers be ratified and confirmed unless cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 9th day of February next, provided a copy of this Order be published in some newspaper in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 20th day of January next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $810,00.

True copy—Test,
LOUIS GASSAWAY,
Dec. 18—3w Reg. Cur. Can.

VENDUE.

WILL be sold at Public Sale, on MONDAY, the 27th of December, near Belle Air; if fair, if not, the first fair day thereafter, the following property,

HORSES AND CATTLE,

1 wagon and Harness, 1 Carriage and Harness, Farming Utensils, Household and Kitchen Furniture.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A M., when conditions will be made known by
Dec. 17. CHARITY FOSTER.

MARYLAND

Kent county, Orphans' Court, December 14th, 1847.

On the application of John B. Eccleston, Executor of Rebecca Brown, late of Kent co deceased,

Ordered, that he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks in the Kent News, printed in Chester Town.

In testimony that the foregong is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office affixed, this 14th day of December 1847.

{Seal.}

Test, EBEN'R WELCH,
Register of Wills for Kent county.

In compliance with the above Order this is to give notice, that the subscriber, of Kent county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, Maryland, letters Testamentary on the personal estate of Rebecca Brown, late of Kent county, dec'd.—All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 10th of July, 1848, they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand, this 14th day of December, 1847.

J. B. ECCLESTON, Ext'r.
Rebecca Btown, dec'd.
Dec. 18, 1847. 3w

NOTICE.

THE subscriber, having a prospect of change of situation that will suit him much better in some respects—most respectfully requests all those whose accounts are unsettled, *to call and close them* as soon as possible.

Many of his accounts have remained long settled for six and eight years and it is important that they should be closed by judgment, note, or otherwise.

He hopes that no further notice will be necessary. All know that services rendered for so long a time are often forgotten and are often a source of dissatisfaction in their settlement.

C. H. WICKES, Esq., will attend in my absence, to the settlement of my accounts.

There are a number of *notes*, which have been due for some time, and to which it will be impossible for me to extend indulgence beyond the 1st of February.

T. H. WHALAND.

December 18—3w.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned, having declined House keeping, will sell at public sale, at his residence, in Quaker Neck, on

THURSDAY,

the 30th December, Inst., if fair, if not the first fair day thereafter, all her personal property, consisting of





2 milch Cows, 1 Horse and Cart, together with all her Household and Kitchen Furniture.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. Terms made known on the day of sale.

ANNA BROWN.

Dec. 11, '47.

OIL cloths and Oil Cloth Table Covers for sale low by T. W. Eliason.

TABLE CLOTHS.

Bleached and brown, linen and cotton table Diaper, for sale low by
dec 18 T W Eliason.

TIN WARE.

Large stock, for sale at very low prices, by T W Eliason.

WHIPS—Good assortment very cheap by T. W. Eliason.

Calicoes—New and rich assortment just opened at T W Eliason's.

SUGARS—SUGARS—Brown Sugar of good quality, from 6 to 9 cents.

Sugars—Good 7¼ Sugar, and vary from 8 to 9 cents.

Sugar—Good at 6 1-4, vary from 8 to 9—Good loaf 11 to 12½—white, refined & crushed 10 and 12 cents, by
Dec 18 T. W. Eliason.

CLOTHS!

T. W. ELIASON has a good assortment of CLOTHS—Sattinetts, Cassemers and Vesting, all for sale at very low prices.

Buckwheat Flour—For sale low by
dec 18 T. W. Eliason.

TO RENT.

A Stable, Carriage House, &c. in Church Alley, will be rented very low. Apply to MRS. S. FRANCIS.
dec. 4. '47.

WANTED.

AN OVERSEER. ☞Apply to
JAS. E. BARROLL,
Dec. 4—6w. Chestertown.

NOTICE.

THE Notes taken at the sales of the personal estate of the late John Atkinson and Miss A. Frazier, dec'd., being due, will be proceeded on immediately after the 25th instant, without distinction as to persons. This notice may be considered as a personal call on each for the money due.

Chestertown, Dec. 9, } G. VICKERS.

DIVIDEND.

BY order of the Orphans' Court, of Kent county, the creditors of

WM. STEVENS,

late of said county, deceased, are hereby notified to file their claims against the said William Stevens, dec'd., duly authenticated, on or before the 11th day of January, 1848, and to attend before the Orphans' Court and Register of Wills on that day when a dividend on the said personal estate will be made and paid according to law.

THOS. LAMB,
Adm'r of William Stevens.
Dec. 7—tdd.

Farm and Woodlot

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber, as agent for H. Smith, will sell at private sale, the FARM lying near St. Paul's Church, containing about

50 ACRES.

The BUILDINGS are nearly new and in good condition. There is a sufficiency of



WOOD & TIMBER,



for the use of the Farm. The land is in a fine state of cultivation.

ALSO, a WOODLOT, containing about *TWENTY ACRES*, adjoining the land of Henry Webster, and others. It is about three miles from navigable waters, and heavily timbered with white oak.

JACOB G. MASLIN,
Agent.

Dec. 11, '47.