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KENT NEWS.

CHESTER TOWN, Md.

SATURDAY, DEC. 25, 1852.

Christmas.

This festive season has returned and with its cheerful influences and associations, we present to our friends a host of kind wishes for their health and happiness. It is a season when the cares of life are for a time suspended, and the dull routine of daily occupation gives way to the exuberance of cheerfulness and hilarity—when personal strife seems forgotten, and universal kindness rules the hour.

Then are to each of us substantial duties incident to the season, and which amid its joys should not be forgotten. There are those upon whose lot a mild heaven has not smiled as upon ours, and to whom Chritmas fails to bring its festive feeling. Poverty, sickness and affliction poison the happiness of many, and naught seems left to cheer them, save the sympathy of the kind and generous heart. Let not such be forgotten, for each from his own store of pleasure, may make some contribution; nor will he diminish his own blessings by the generous act.

CONGRESS.—The Senate, on Tuesday after debating the project fully, during which Messrs. Shields and Cass made strong speeches in its favor and eulogistic of General Scott, passed the joint resolution authorising the President to confer the title and position of Lieutenant-General for noritorious services.—the vote stood yeas 34, nays 10. In the House, the proposition of Mr. Clingman to instruct the committee of ways and means to report a bill to admit railroad iron free of duty, was adopted—an amendment limiting the operation of the act to the first of June next having been previously signally defeated.

FIRE IN WYE NECK—A new and elegant dwelling, belonging to Mr. Ezekiel T. Foreman: on his farm in Wye Neck, Md., was destroyed by fire last Sunday morning. The Centreville Sentinel says it is not certain whether the house was insured, Mr. Forman not having received the policy, though he had sent to Baltimore to get it insured two or three weeks previous to the fire. In the event of its not being insured his loss will be between $2,000 and $25,-00.

The Kentucky U. S. Senator.

The Senate, on Monday last, by a decided vote, settled the dispute about the Kentucky Senator, by declaring Mr Dixon, who was elected by the Legislature, entitled to his seat. The vote was as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Adams, Atchison; Badger, Bell, Brook, Butler, Chase, Clarke, Cooper, Davis, Dawson, Dodge of Iowa, Fish, Geyer, Hale, Jones, of Tenn., Miller Morton, Pearce, Rusk, Seward, Smith, Sprunance, Summer, Underwood, Uphan, and Wade—27.

NAYS--Mesrs. Bayard, Borland, Bradbury, Bright, Cass, Catheart, DeSaussure Dodge, of Wisconsin, Douglass, Downs, Felch, Gwin, Mason, Norris, Toucey, and Weller—16

Wenthworth Seminary.

MR. EDITOR:—In common with others, I attended, at the Court House on Tuesday last, morning, afternoon and night, the examination of the pupils. and their exercises in music, singing and declamation, of this institution for the education of girls, conducted by Mr, A. E. Bassford, of Chester Town. The whole exhibition was entirely creditable to Mr. Bassford, and to his scholars.—In geography and acquaintance with the maps—in Natural Philosphy in its various departments—in grammar and in parsing the most difficult passages in 'Young's Night Thoughts'—in other branches—in singing, Intrumental music and declamation—they manifested a promptness and proficiency, that would be creditable to adults. Mr. B's. course of instruction must be judicious and efficient—and we know of no school we could recommend in preference. Those who have daughters to educate can accomplish their wishes as well in Chester Town as elsewhere, and on terms probably less than other Institutions would require. The girls, and the few very small boys, who participated in the exercises, merit the highest praise for their performances. The excellent musical teacher, connected with the school, by her instructions to the young ladies, contributed no little to the interest of the occasion. The day was rainy, which diminished the attendance, but at night the house was filled; and we have heard but one opinion in reference to the proceedings. Every attendant left highly pleased. A PARENT.

For the 'News.'

The Town.

The season is here for the display of fire works, rockets, fire crackers &c., and firing of guns, in violation of the ordinances of the town. As it is the special duty of the Bailiffs to preserve good order and to see that the laws are not violated, it is suggested to the Commissioners of the town, that the Bailiffs be held responsible for every violation of the ordinances which a prompt and vigilant discharge of their duty might prevent. Let the amount be deducted from their wages, and if that be insufficient, subject them to fine. The town is not well governed as far as the execution of the laws are involved. The Bailiffs are scarcely ever seen abroad taking up offenders and having process issued against them. They have the law to back them, but they often turn their backs upon the law.

A CITIZEN.

[Correspondence of the Balt. Sun]

CHESTERTOWN, Dec. 18, 1852.

Lecture at Washington College—Reminiscences of the Ancient Seat of Learning, &c.

I had the pleasure last evening, of hearing the lecture of Professor Wm. L. Baird, upon Astronomy, in the Hall of Washington College, before the pupils, faculty, and visitors. Citizens, also, of the village were there. And notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the audience was graced by some of the fairest daughters of Kent. The young Professor introduced the subject in a neat, but modest style, tracing the history of his noble science.

The discourse was honorable to the chair he fills, and not unworthy of the palmy days of this early seat of learning. The college, you are aware, is the oldest in this State—the older branch of the old, and (I will add) the true, legitimate University of Maryland. Planted, amid the storms of the American revolution, under the patronage of the illustrious Washington, it took deep root in the regard of Maryland. Around it rallied the friends of liberal learning from one extremity of this peninsula to the other.—Students from the Eastern and Western shore, from Delaware and Virginia resorted to its halls, And, although it has since passed through scenes of bitter adversity—and these are not the days of its highest pride and glory—it still presents a respectable front, and invite the kindly aid and interest of every true son of Maryland. I cannot but unite in the hope so fondly expressed by a gentleman, in stepping from the Hall, that Professor Baird's lectures will mark the dawn of a brighter and better day and, that Chestertown may again become the Athems to the whole peninsula of the Chesapeake. SPECTATOR.

Another Very Heavy Robbery.—Last evening, between six and seven o'clock Mr. George Devose, master's mate of the U. S. sloop of war St. Mary, was robbed of a sum of money, amounting to $35,000 or upwards, all in Pennsylvania money. He was at a public house at the corner of President street and Eastern avenue when the occurrence took place, and he thinks it was done by three men, shipmates, whom he knows. The money was the hard earnings of four years' service in China, in trading, &c., and was altogether in Pennsylvania bank bills, some of them as high as $1,-000. It is to be hoped the thieves may be caught—the size of the bills may lead to their detection—*Sun of Thursday.*

LETTER OF MR. KING.—The following is the letter of declination of the late President of the U. S. Senate:

WASHINGTON City, Dec. 20. '52.

SENATORS: The feeble state of my health renders me unable to discharge the duties of President *pro tempore.*—Accept, I beg you, my resignation of the honorable position in which you have with so much unanimity placed me. In taking leave of you, senators, permit me to express my grateful acknowledgments for your uniform personal kindness and the generous support you have never failed to give me in my efforts to preserve order and enforce the parliamentary law. May a merciful Providence preserve to each of you the greatest of all earthly blessings—health.

With the highest respect and esteem, I am your obedient friend and servant, WM. R. KING.

Fire and loss of Life--Escape of Prisoners

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20. '52.

A fire broke out in Carlton street this morning, during which a child was burnt to death, and a colored woman had both legs broken, by jumping from a third story window.

As the prison van was coming up from the county prison this morning, with a number of noted offenders, to receive their sentences, an English burgler named Smith, and another convict known as Jack Shepard, *alias* Hughes, managed to escape by slipping off the lock of the van. Efforts have been made to recapture them, but they have thus far proved unavailing.

An arrest was made on Saturday last for manufacturing counterfeit gold dollars. The accused, in default of $10,-000 bail, was committed to answer.

Maryland Statistics.

We take from the tables accompanying the census report the following statistics in relation to the State of Maryland:

The number of acres of improved land in farms is 2,729,905; unimproved, 1,836,415; cash value of farms, $88,-187,554; value of farming implements and machinary, $2,463,148.

Number of horses in State, 75,684, number of asses and mules, 5,641; of milch cows, 86,859; of working exen, 34,138; of other cattle, 98,595; of sheep, 117,902; of swine, 35,911—total value of live stock, $7,997,634.

The aggregate of the chief agricultural productions of the State, are as follows:

Wheat,	4,491,680	bushels
Rye,	226,014	"
Indian Corn,	11,014,631	"
Oats,	2,224,151	"
Peas and beans,	12,816	"
Irish potatoes,	761,937	"
Sweet potatoes,	208,963	"
Barley,	745	"
Buckwheat,	103,666	"
Cloverseed,	15,216	"
Grass seed,	2,561	"
Flaxseed,	2,446	"
Tobacco,	21,407,497	pounds.
Wool,	480,226	"
Hops,	1,870	"
Flax,	36,6 6	"
Butter,	2,806,150	"
Cheese	3,975	"
Maple sugar	47,740	"
Beeswax, honey,	74,802	"
Hay	157,956	tons.
Molasses	1,430	gallons.
Wine	1,481	"

Total value orchard products,		$164,051
" " market produce		209,869
" " home manufactures		111,828
" " animals slaughtered		1954,800

The sloop Gen. Washington had not arrived when we went to press, we are consequently without the Baltimore markets.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday evening last by Rev. Dr. Murray, Mr. George Rasin Beck, to Miss. Alphonsa Parsons.

On the same evening by the Rev. Mr Sumption, Mr. Samuel S. Usilton, to Miss. Emily Rasin.

In Baltimore on the 16th instant, by Rev. Geo. D Purviance Jos. Kennard, of Kent. county, to Miss Ann Robinson, of that city.

On the 23rd inst., by the Rev. Dr. Jones, B. Chambers Wickes, Esq., to Miss A. R. Wickes, all of this place.

DIED.

In Baltimore on the 15th, inst., Mrs. Mary Gordon relict of the late Dr. Jos. N. Gordon, in the 74th, year of her age.

In Worton on the 21st inst., Mr Tho. Pinfield, leaving a wife and seven children.

DEDICATION.

THE NEW WESLEY CHAPEL, near Rock Hall, Kent County, will be publicly dedicated to the worship of GOD, on SUNDAY morning, the SECOND OF JANUARY, 1853.

Rev. E. Y. REESE, D. D., and other clergymen from abroad are expected to officiate on the occasion.

Service to commence at 10½ o'clock. A collection will be taken up to aid in extinguishing the debt. The public are respectfully invited to attend.

JNO. J. MURRAY,
WM. S. HAMMOND.

Chestertown, December 25, 1852.

Notice to Tax Payers.

DELINQUENT Tax Payers in the Middle and Lower Districts are notified that on the first day of February, 1853, it is my determination to put their accounts in the hands of deputies, whose interest and duty it will be to advertise and sell in every instance. The present high prices of grain puts it the power of every farmer to pay his taxes if he has the disposition. I shall be in Chestertown on Tuesday and during Christmas week, and at Rees' Corner on Saturdays until further notice.

G. D. S. HANDY.

Dec. 25, 1852.

The Steamer HUGH JENKINS,

Capt. James Tilghman,

WILL commence her trips, during the winter, on MONDAY next the 27th instant, and continue to run every MONDAY and THURSDAY, leaving Baltimore at 7 o'clock, and return same day.

Dec. 25, 1852.

JUST received a supply of GOODS suitable for the season, which will be sold very cheap.

WM. P. FRANCIS.

Aug. 2, 1851.

LANDON ACADEMY AND MILITARY INSTITUTE.

JOHN R. JONES, Principal

THIS INSTITUTION delightfully situated near *Urbana Frederick County, Md*, 3 miles from the *Ijamsville Depot* of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, and immediately on the stage road leading from Washington to Frederick city, is now in full operation. The location is proverbial healthy, the buildings commodious, and the rooms large and comfortable. The course of studies embrace the English, Latin, Greek, French, Spanish and German Languages, Mathematics, National and Moral Philosophy. The Military exercises do not in the least interfere with the Academical duties.

TERMS:—For board, tuition, washing, fuel, lights, and servant attendance, $160 for ten months.

☞Circulars containing particulars can had by addressing the Principal at *Urbana Frederick County, Md.*

Dec. 25, 1852.—6t.

Postponed Sale.

THE FARM of Sam'l E. Briscoe will be sold at the Head of Sassafras at Mr. Clayton's Hotel, on

THURSDAY,

the 20th of January, 1853, at half past eleven o'clock, A. M.

It contains

333 *Acres.*

The marl is fine and abundant—situation healthy, and convenient to Mill, Market, School, Church, &c. A surplus of several hundred cords of Wood may be sold. The Buildings are fair—the soil good. The Terms will be made accommodating.

GEORGE VICKERS,
Agent for S. E. Briscoe.

Dec 25, 1852.

Sportsmen will take notice,

That I have just received 20 kegs, half kegs, and quarter kegs of Kentucky Rifle Powder, which I will warrant to give entire satisfaction, or refund the money for the same.

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Dec. 25, 1852.

Christmas Goods.

500 lbs CANDY, assorted kinds and qualities—among the varieties are quite a number of new and fancy articles; also a general assortment of nuts, raisins &c., for sale low, either wholesale or retail, by

A. J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Dec 25 1852.

Coats Pants and Vests.

Just received by the last packet, another supply of those articles and would refer to those who have purchased before, for the cheapness and quality of the goods. Call and see them?

ABEL J REES.

Rees' Corner, Dec 25, 1852.

A Merry Christmas!

As I shall not be able to see my patrons all before the holidays I take this opportunity to wish them all a happy Christmas—and say to them that I will be glad to see them at REES' CORNER, where they can spend their time and their money too.

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Dec. 25, 1852.

Vendue.

BY order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, the undersigned will sell at public sale, at the late residence of William S. Constable, deceased, on

MONDAY,

the 27th inst., if fair, if not on the first fair day thereafter, the residue of the personal estate of the said deceased, consisting of

12 HEAD OF HORSES, 1 PAIR OF MULES, 4 YOKE OF WELL BROKEN STEERS;

10 good Milch Cows,

Waggons and Carts,

1 HORSE POWER AND WHEAT THRESHER, CORN-SHELLERS,

Farming Utensils,

A quantity of CORN-BLADES (deliverable at the different farms) &c. &c Also, the interest of the deceased, being one-third part of TWO LIME KILNS and SHELL BANKS, situated on Fairlee creek, and one-third part of a large SCOW.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A M.

Terms:

All sums of $10 and under the cash; all sums over that amount, notes, with approved security, will be required—terms more fully made known at the sale.

JOHN S. CONSTABLE,
Ex'tr Wm. S. Constable.

Dec. 18, 1852.

SUMMER COATS, Pants, Vests Shirts, Hats, &c., for sale

W BACCHUS.

VENDUE.

THE subscriber being about to remove from the county, will expose to public sale, without reservation, on

Wednesday,

the 29th December, 1852, at 10 o'clock, A M, at his residence at Murphy's or Hainey's near Goose Hill, all his Stock—consisting of

Horses, Cattle Wagons, Farming Utensils, One Four Wheel Carriage and Harness, One Cart, a Small Scow, Some Household and Kitchen urniture, a quantity of Waste Lumber, a Wheat Fan, Cornshellers, &c.

A credit will be given on a certain amount, and Terms more fully made known at the sale.

FRED. A FRAZIER.

Dec. 18, 1852.

Trustee's Sale.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, as a Court of Equity, will be exposed to public sale to the highest bidder, on

TUESDAY,

the 11th day of January next, at the tavern porch of John McDaniel, Esq., in Chester Town, at 11 o'clock, A. M., all that

Farm or Plantation,

lying in Worton in Kent county, containing about

140 Acres,

occupied by Mr. John A. Foreman, and formerly the property of Cyrus Copper, dec'd, adjoining the property of Dr. Thomas G. Wroth and others.

The Farm

is divided into three fields, and there is a sufficiency of

WOOD,

for the use of the farm

THE DWELLING is one Story; STABLES, &c

THE TERMS OF SALE

are, that the purchaser shall give Bond to the Trustee with approved security for the payment of the purchase money, in three equal instalments from the day of sale, with interest from the first day January, 1853

GEORGE VICKERS,
Trustee.

Dec 18 1852.

LAST ARRIVAL!

I HAVE just received from Philadelphia and Baltimore a large assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods,

which we offer to the citizens of Kent at LOW PRICES—and respectfully solicits from them a share of their patronage. We are under, many obligations to them for past favours, and hope to merit a continuance of them as we shall endeavour to keep up an assortment of good goods, and offer them at small profits—*Please call and see them!*

ABEL J REES

Ree's Corner, Dec. 18, 1853.

Dry Goods;

Consisting of Muslins, from 4 to 10 cts. per yard; Bleached muslins from 5 to 12½ cts; and a few pieces of Sheeting goods 7-4 wide at the low price of 12½ cts per yard; Stripe tickings, drillings, osnaburgs, &c., also a large stock of prints and de lanes, at 12½ to 31 cts, alpaccas and other dress goods at equally low prices;—Sattinets from 31 cts to $1 per yard; calicoes, plain and fancy vestings, serges, &c., &c.

Flannels, Flannels:

15 pieces assorted colors, and prices from 19 to 62½ cts per yard—Linseys from 12½ to 25 cts per yard.

Shawls:

Bay State, long and square Shawls, at various prices—both plain and fancy styles.

Blankets,

Of all qualities, from 1, 25 to $5 per pair.

Trimmings, hosery gloves, comforts, ladie's worked collars, ribbons, edgings, laces, insertings, Swiss, Cambric and Jackonet muslins &c.—a choice variety for sale by ABEL J. REES.

Dec. 18, 1852.

Groceries:

A large stock—good brown sugar, 6¼ cts, white sugars from 9 to 12½ cts per pound; Molasses at 25, 31 and 37½ cts. per gallon—a choice assortment of

BLACK AND GREEN TEAS,

Spices' Soaps, Candles, Bacon, Lard Salt, &c. &c.

Hardware:

20 kegs of Cumberland nails, just received and for sale low by

ABEL J. REES.

Hollowware.

1000 lbs Hollowware—consisting Ovens, Spiders, Pots &c.—large small, with or without covers, just received and for sale by A. J. REES

Queensware.

One H. H. D, just opened, which makes our assortment complete—and would only mention that a few of the CELEST TEA SETS are included in selection. A. J. REES.

Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Oils Dye Stuffs, Patent Medicines

Those Goods are always kept on hand to supply the needy, either at wholesale or retail.

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Dec. 18, 1852.

A large variety of Locks, fastenings, Hinges, Screws, wrought nails, cutlery of kinds; Edged tools, quite a variety hand and wood saws, files, rasps, &c.—in fact almost anything in this line can be furnished at low prices, at

REES' CORNER.

Notice.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of the late Albert Herbert are notified to pay the subscriber, on or before the first of January. L M. RICAUD Adm'r

A Herbert dec'd.

December 18, 1852.—3t.

To Rent.

THE DWELLING and premises, about two miles from Chestertown, adjoining the Farm of Mr F. Cannon. For terms enquire of the Editor, or of the subscriber upon the premises.

PHILIP COLEMAN.

Dec. 11, 1852.

Astray.

COME to the subscribers premises, about the middle August last two YEARLINGS,—one red, and the other red and white, and blind in one eye,—both heifers. The owner or owners is hereby notified to prove property, pay charges and take them away.

JOHN B. ARMSTRONG.

Dec. 11, 1852.

For Rent or Sale.

THE Subscriber will sell or Rent his property, consisting of a STORE HOUSE, DWELLING, and about TWENTY ACRES of LAND, situated on Still Pond Creek, in Kent County, if early application be made, to ANN HAWKINS, or to ROB'T NICHOLSON.

Dec. 11, 1852.

NEW Christmas Goods!

WILMER & WALKER,

HAVE just returned from Baltimore with a good stock of Goods, which they will sell cheap.

Dec. 11, 1852.

FOR SALE—Kersey, Linsey and Yarn Stockings

Wilmer & Walker.

Dec. 11, 1852.

ETHERIAL OIL for sale by Wilmer & Walker, for the cash only.

Dec. 11, 1852.

A large lot of carriage whips, bridles, collars, and halters, for sale, by

WILMER & WALKER.

Dec. 18, 1852.

Private Sale.

THE undersigned will sell at private sale a part of the farm upon which he now resides, lately purchased of Col Boon's estate, lying near Chester Town, and along the road leading from Chester Town to George Town X Roads.

The part offered contains

150 *Acres,*

lying towards C. Town, about ¾ of a mile from the steamboat landing; it adjoins the lands of E. Ringgold and Jos. Gouff Esqs. A part of the farm is well watered, and with

WOOD

enough for the use of the farm.

The title indisputable. Terms made known upon application to the subscriber.

JOHN B. ARMSTRONG.

N. B.—If the above described part is not sold the whole is offered for sale.

J. B. A.

C Town, Dec. 11, 1852

MUSIC.

G. W. MINNICK would most respectfully announce to the citizens of Chester Town and vicinity, that he has returned to this county, with the intention of remaining permanently, and is now prepared to resume his practice in Music in all its branches. Instructions given on the Piano, Guitar, Violin Clarionettee, Flute, Cornopean and all instruments in modern use. Also, lessons given in Vocal Music and thorough Bass. For terms enquire of W. N. E. Wickes, Esq.

Oct. 9, 1852.

FOR SALE.—*A Negro Woman.* Apply at this office.