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KENT NEWS.

CHESTER TOWN, Md.

SATURDAY, JAN. 22, 1853.

THANKS.—Hon. J. A. Pearce will accept our thanks for a valuable Pub. Doc.

☞Godey's Lady's Book, for February has been received. It contains a large amount of interest reading matter, besides several beautiful steel engravings

Musical Entertainment

For the Benefit of the Poor.

It will be seen by reference to an advertisement in another column that the young ladies attached to Prof. Bassford's seminary will give a musical entertainment for the benefit of the poor, on Friday evening next, he 28th inst.,—the object of the entertainment is sufficient to attract the attention of the public, to say nothing of the proficiency of Prof. B's. pupils; we hope to see a large audience present

DEATH OF SENATOR UPHAM.—We regret to record the death of the Hon. W. Upham, U. S. Senator from Vermont, which took place on Friday afternoon last, in Washington. Mr. U's. Senatorial term would have expired the present year. He was a working member of the Senate, and enjoyed the warm respect of those with whom he was associated.

ALABAMA SENATOR.—The Gov. of Alabama has appointed the Honorable Benjamin Fitzpatrick as U. States Senator to fill the unexpired term of Hon. Wm. R. King, resigned.

☞The Hon. W. R. King, Vice President elect, sailed in the United steamer Fulton, from Washington, on Saturday last, for Havanna. The unanimous wishes of his countrymen are offered for his speedy restoration to health.

☞The Senate have adopted the resolution of the House, appropriating $50,000 to the erection of an equestrian statue in honor of the memory and national services of George Washington, thus, in 1853, realizing a project that has from time, through more than half a century, contended for a local habitation and a name. The spirit which has at length breathed vitality into this national creation, is honorable to the present Congress, and will be accepted by the country as the earnest of a propitious and congenial session.

☞The Florida Senate has passed a bill leaving it to the people in each county in the State to determine for themselves whether they will grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors within their jurisdiction. A similar movement is on foot in Alabama. A State Temperance Convention, lately held in that State, drew up an act to be introduced into the next Legislature, for the purpose, as the title reads, of "enabling the inhabitants of every county, town, village, and election precinct in the State of Alabama, to protect themselves from the evils arising from the sale of intoxicating liquors."

GREAT RAILROAD PROFITS.—The exhibit of the earnings of the Chicago and Galena railroad during the last four months sums up $201,704 52—The cost of the ninety two miles of road usee was less than $1,100,000; and estimuting the running expenses at $91,704—which is an extra figure, taking the year as a criterion—$140,000 is left as the clear profit for one third of the year. on an investment of $1,100,000, which is at the rate of 40 per cent. per annum.

THE CALORIC SHIP.—The Philadelphia Board of Trade has invited Capt. Ericsson to visit that port with his caloric ship, in order that the citizens may have an opportunity of judging of the merits of the principle involved in the invention, and which may have so important a bearing on the future prosperity of the commercial marine of this country.

[*For the Kent News.*]

The Railroad and Bridge at Havre de Grace.

MR. EDITOR:

It is well known that several attempts have been made before the Legislature of Maryland, to secure the privilege to the Baltimore and Philadelphia Railroad company, of erecting a bridge across the Susquehanna river at Havre de Grace, and that these attempts have generally failed by a very small majority, perhaps one or two votes. As it is not impropable that the subject will be resumed, we have thought that a few reflections, and the exhibition of a few facts, might not be uninteresting to your readers.

The Town of Port Deposit has always been inveterate in its opposition to the measure, and sympathy for it by other portions of the State, rather than any definite idea of wrong or injury, has induced them to unite with the people of Port to oppose it. Although sympathy is a laudable feeling when properly directed, there are cases where personal convenience and the public weal must over come it, and it ceases to be a virtue when inappropriately placed, or injudiciously continued.

The obstruction to the passage of the Susquehanna from ice, in the winter season, has impeded the transmission of the mails between the South and the North, interfered with important commercial arrangements, and doubtless produced much individual loss and injury, of which we cannot be specially informed. When heavy responsibilities are to be met by commercial men, a day lost, is, no doubt, a day of ruin to some. Banks and Notaries can know nothing of mail derangements, and their regular duty must be done, regardless of consequences. The transmission of ordinary business communications, of newspapers, and epistolary correspondence generally, when interrupted for one, two or three days, as it has frequently been, by the Susquehanna ice, produces a general feeling of disappointment and complaint. We believe that in the lower part of our Peninsula the people, during the last winter, were without intelligence from Washington and Annapolis for three weeks!! The winter of 1851 and '52 was prolific of mail derangements from this cause, and we believe but few could be found who were not then favorable to the Bridge. For weeks perhaps months, passengers and mails were carried across the river on sleds, causing great delay and producing no little apprehension in the minds of many, beside females, for their safety. The regular and prompt reception of the mail is a desideratun in all communities, and especially so when a daily line has been established.

We have, a number of times, travelled over this route, and we suppose we are not singular in regretting the change that is effected at the river. However comfortably one may be situated, in connection with his friends and acquaintances, an interruption must take place, and there is a general hurrying for seats in the new train, which not unfrequently, but we think generally, scatters friends and leaves them in a new and not so pleasant a position.

We believe, that in Railroad travelling, it is universally conceeded that as little delay should occur as possible, and that to prevent delay, all streams that can be should be bridged. The Gun Powder and Bush rivers, on this road, are crossed by tuch structures, and they are probable as wide as the Susquehanna If they were not bridged, and passengers were obliged to change cars at each river, would it not be considered annoying, and would not another route be sought? The Bridge proposed to be thrown across the Susquehanna will cost a quarter or half million of dollars—to be paid for exclusively by the stockholders of the company. Must it not therefore be deemed a matter of vital importance to the Company, and must not their appreciation of advantage from it be very great? It is not be supposed that those who have matured experience, would sacrifice their interests to so great an extent unless the public interest demanded it, and promised corresponding advantages?

This Bridge is to be warranted, we understand, to be made in the best and most substantial manner, and be proof against the masses of ice that may assail it, with draws and fixtures, capacious and ample for mariners. In addition to this, we learn that the Railroad Company for any supposed injury to the trade of Port Deposit, propose to make, at the entire expense of the company, a railroad from Perryville, on the Cecil side, where the bridge would terminate, along the shores of the Susquehanna to Port Deposit, a distance of perhaps five miles. This would, when all trade is stopped by the freezing of the river, open a new mode of travel and trade to and from Port to Baltimore and other places. The obligation to make this road, to be incorporated in the bill granting the privilege to construct the bridge. This, we think, removes all cause of sympathy, and takes the last prop of opposition from the people of Port and its vicinity.

There are other reasons, now existing, with greater force, why this improvement should be made—we mean the consideratons growing out of the completion of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to Wheeling, in which road our State has so deep an interest, by being the holder of millions of stock, which is looked to as the source of remunerating the people for the burthens they have so long borne; but, as we have extended this article beyond what was designed, we must defer till next week our concluding remarks

A CITIZEN TAX PAYER.

For 'The Kent News.'

The second of a series of lectures to be given at Washington College during the present term, was delivered by Dr. Wroth, on Saturday evening last.—The natural history of man, and his capability of acquiring knowledge, formed the subject matter of discussion. On this theme, volumes could be written. Consequently, in a single lecture the speaker could only present the more striking points. Dividing life into three periods, infancy, childhood, and manhood or adult age; the characteristics of each were briefly but forcibly pictured—the physical and mental weakness of the first—he gradual development of the intellectual and moral manifestations together with that of the body in the second, and their perfection in the third.

The latter part of the subject required a review of the past and present state of the arts and sciences. The sketch was necessarily hasty, but executed in a manner that evinced a mind stored with much rich and valuable knowledge. Calomel and julap have not been the exclusive study of the the doctor's life, nor blinded him to the beauties of the other sciences; for he is evidently well posted in the collatteral branches and those claiming no kindred.

It is to be regretted, the audience was so small. The night, it is true, was unfavorable, but it is to be doubted, had the weather been ever so pleasant, whether the town would have been as largely represented as might have been justly expected.

The prosperity of the College is certainly the interest of the whole community, and every means provided to increase its reputation should receive, not merely the hearty wish, but the hearty aid of every good citizen.

Maryland Legislature.

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 18, 1853

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.—The Speaker appointed the following standing committees:

On Elections.—Messrs. Geyer Baker of Kent, Strause, Hughes, Godwin and Bosley.

On Ways and Means.—Messrs. Wyse, Carpenter, Brodwater, Coale, Roberts, J. H. Duvall, Morris, Lankford and Wolf,

On Claims. — Messrs. Stephenson, Thomas, of St. Mary's, Willis, Frazier, Stewart, Curtis and Anderson.

On the Judiciary.—Messrs. Baker, of Baltimore city, Waters, Bateman, Kilgour, Crout, Parran, Barnitz, Dent and Brooke.

On Pensions.—Messrs. Stull, Smyth, of Kent, Price, Mealey, Plummer, Frazier and Slade.

On Internal Improvements.—Messrs Poultney, Lee, Miller, Mealey, Morgan Tall and Everett.

On Education.—Messrs. Kerny Richardson, M. M Duvall, of P. George's, and Liggett.

On the Militia. — Messrs. Davis, Thomas, of Queen Anne's, Dade, Jenkins, Ent, McCardell and Sparks.

On Agriculture—Messrs. Roberts, Buchanan Cushwa, Curtis, Hope, Richardson and Flemming.

On Corporations.—Messrs. Everett, Godwin, Ford, Dail, Wolf, Ricketts, Davis Baker, of Kent and Geyer.

On Inspections.—Messrs. Weathers, Ricketts, Plummer, Marshall, Sparks, Buchanan and Frantz.

On Colored Population.——Messrs. Flemming, Strause, Morgan, Marshall, Bosley, Hearn and Ent.

On Lotteries.—Messrs Willis, Tall, Franklin, Hanson, Weathers, Lee and Stull.

On the Library—Messrs. Anderson, Hearn, Danels, Duvall, of Prince George's, Price G. H. Duvall and Poultney

On Printing.—Messrs. Hope, McCardell, Franklin, Dail, Miller, Smyth, of Cecil, and Landing.

On Insolvency.—Messrs Booke, Lankford, Frantz, Thomas of St. Mary's, Brodwater, Carpenter and Cushwa.

Engrossed Bills and Resolutions.—Messrs. Stewart, Thomas, of Queen Anne's, Fairall, Hanson, M. M. Duvall, Jenkins and Ford.

On Expiring Laws.—Messrs. Barnitz, Kilgour, Crout, Dent, Bateman, Parren and Danels.

On Federal Relations.—Messrs, Liggett, Coale, Parker, Waters, Dade, Strause, and Wyse.

On the Currency.—Messrs. Morris Smyth, of Cecil, Fairall, Lee, Stephenson, Tall, and Baker, of Baltimore City.

On the Contingent Fund Placed at the Disposal of the Executive.—Messrs. Hughes, Jenkins, Slade, Baker, of Kent, Landing, Thomas, of Queen Anne's, and Kerney.

The Speaker presented the annual communications from various clerks of courts, in reference to the attendance of the judges, and to moneys paid into the treasury. Also, a communications from Edward Dowling, clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, which was ordered to be printed. Also, the first annual report of the Comptroller of the Treasury, 1,000 copies of which were ordered to be printed Also, a list of bills referred by the last to to the present session of the Legislature, prepared by order of the House. Also, from the Comptroller of the Treasury, communicating the correspondence from the late clerks of the courts and register of wills of Baltimore city and county, in answer to an order of the House of the last session, which was ordered to be printed. Also, from the State Treasurer, in Compliance with article 6th. section 4th, of the Constitution, containing copies of all accounts settled by him with the Combtroller of the State.

It was entered upon the Journal that Mr. Richardson, of Frederick, is detained from his seat by illness.

Wool Growing

We learn from the Price Current that the total receipts of wool at Baltimore during last year, amount to about 925,000 lbs. of both foreign and domestic raising, of which some 600,000 lbs. was domestic, and 325,000 lbs. foreign. In the foreign importations of this article there has been a great falling off at this port, as well as at most of the other United States ports. Of domestic there appears to be an increase, which would indicate that our farmers are paying more attention to the raising of sheep, something which they have hitherto been wholly prevented from doing from the want of legislation for the protection and encouragement of this very important interest. Legislation for the festering and protection of the raising of sheep in Maryland would enable our farmers to raise as good wool as any other State. the soil and climate being well adapted for the purpose. As it is now, the ravages committed by dogs, and other circumstances, must continue to restrict the promotion of this branch of farming to a comparatively small extent. It is known that the wool of this State is now equal to that of any other State, although every disadvantage has been contended against, whilst in other States series of laws have been enacted for the development of wool growing, none of which are as yet in existence in Maryland. The consumption of the article being greatly on the increase in our country, we trust that, so far as our legislature is concerned, no action will be wanting to meet the necessities of its cultivation—Sun.

MR. CLAYTON.

We are sure that all the friends of Gen. Taylor's administration will rejoice in the return of John M. Clayton to the Senate. A special session of the Senate will doubtless be called on the 4th of March. The session being occupied Executive business, will sit with closed doors. Happily the Clayton and Bulwer treaty is a matter of Executive business, and there can be no objection to a speech upon that subject. The rule of the Senate we believe allows a Senator to make public his own speech, and his own vote in Executive session, provided he does not compromise the secresy of any other Senator. We suppose, however, that the Senate will not refuse the courtesy of allowing Mr. Clayton to publish his own defence. We do not suppose that anything can be added to the very complete defence made by Mr. Seward; but we have a fancy that Mr Clayton, indignant under the accusations of the men who have falsely charged him with the very thing which was done by the Polk administration, will be likely to employ rather less moderation in his estimate of the motives and acts of his assailants. We are not willing to wait till the next regular session of Congress for Mr. Clayton's speech We think that other people are quite as anxious to see it.—*Providence Journal.*

FROM FLORIDA.

A bill has has passed the Legislature of Florida to authorize the raising of two regiments of volunteers for Indian service. According to the *Flordian*, the bill provides that the regiments thus raised shall be tendered to the Government, and if refused, the governor is then to employ them in removing the savages. It appropriates $500,000, pledging ten per cent. of the State revenue for the redemption of the bonds authorized to be issued to raise this sum. The Governor is required to keep the tender of the volunteers open until 4th of May next, when, if they are not received, and nothing is bieng done towards removing the Indians in the mean time, the State is to go to work and do the busines herself. This step has been taken in consequence of the refusal of the Indians to emigrate. It is believed that they have established a fortified camp on the eastern edge of the Big Cypress, that lies to the southward of Fort Myers. It is stated that the western edge of the everglade, along this hammock, forms a sort of beach, and that there are islands lying off adjacent in the everglades that are capable of tillage, and good places of refuge in case of defeat.

SUIT FOR $100,000 DAMAGES.—Capt. Daniel B Hunt has renewed his suit against the Board Underwriters, St. Louis laying the damages at $100,000. It will be remembered that Capt. H., sometime since, recovered $27,500 damages from the Board for advertising that they would insure no freight on a boat of which he was commander, on the ground that he carried too much freight at a single trip. The matter was subsequently compromised by paying Capt. Hunt $5,000, and restoring his credit in the transportation of freight, but the Board, he alleges, have not kept their promise, and hence the present suit.

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELLERS.—It was decided by one of the courts at Cincinnatti, last week, that if a passenger in a railroad car purchases a ticket, but accidentally loses it, the company have no right either to make him pay the fare a second time, or turn him out of the cars, provided he can bring proof that he actual y paid for the lost ticket

MARKETS.

BALTIMORE, January 20, 1853.

Wheat, white	117 to 122
" red	113 to 117
Corn, yellow	60 "
" white	58 "
Oats	37 to 41
Clover seed	$6 "
Timothy	262 to $3
Butter in kegs	15 to 17 cts. lb.
" Roll	20 to 22

DIED,

In this place on Sunday last, MRS. ANN GREENWOOD. in the 74th year of her age.

At his residence in this county on the 6th inst., Major EBENEZER T. MASSEY, after a long affliction, in the 56th year of his age.

The writer had known him for many years. and always found him a firm and consistent friend, and of undoubted integrity and honor. He was amiable and mild in his disposition, and courteous in his department; as a husband and parent he was all that could be desired,—was a good neighbor and a good citizen. He made ample provision for his household; and it is hoped he has secured for himself, "a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

Two years ago he was in the prime of life, and bid fair to live many years, although his constitution had received a mercurial shock several years since, from which it never recovered. But, unexpectedly, that disease which seems of late to claim more victims that it was wont in years goneby—the fatal paralysis—made its assaults upon Mr. M. with a power which his system could not resist. Truly in the midst of life we are in death; and we are almost daily admonished of the duty of being in constant readiness.

"Is it not better to die willingly,
Than linger till the glass be all out run?"

A FRIEND.

BOOT & SHOE STORE.

J. E JURNEY has returned to Chestown, and opened a

BOOT & SHOE STORE

one door above the office of Wm. S. Lassell, Esq, where he will be pleased to see his friends and old customers. He will keep constantly on hand a good assortment of BOOTS and SHOES, which he will sell VERY CHEAP FOR CASH, as he intends to do altogether a cash business. All articles in his line will be sold at the lowest prices. Work made to order.

Chester Town, Jan. 22, 1853

PERSONS in want of good STOCK will do well to avail themselves of the opportunity offered them at my sale on Wednesday, the 26th day of January, 1853. The stock of HORSES are good—and among the CATTLE, (20 head) are some extra ones.

The public are invited to attend.

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Jan. 22, '53

Elizabeth Walker, vs. Catharine Constable and others. } In the Circuit Court for Kent county, sitting as a Court of Equity January Term, 1853.

ORDERED that the sale made and reported by John S. Constable, Trustee for the sale of the real estate of William S Constable, deseased, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof, be shown, on or before the twenty second day of March next Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, once in each of three successive weeks before twenty second day of February next

The report states the omount of sales to be $6570.20.

B P. HOPPER.

True copy, Test,
J. FRISBY GORDON, Clk

Jan'y 22, 1853.

John W. Apsley, vs George W. D. Ford. & Mary R. Ford. } In the Circuit Court for Kent County, as a Court of Equity January Term, 1853.

ORDERED, That the sale made and reported by Richard Hynson, Trustee, for the sale of the real estate mortgaged by George W. D. Ford to John W. Apsley, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 18th day of March next, Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed on the Eastern Shore of Maryland once in each of three successive weeks before the first day of March next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $1505 00.

P. B. HOPPER.

The Copy Test
JAMES F. GORDON Clk.

Jan. 22, 1853

New Goods.

Ready Made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, of good quality, and at reduced prices

PHILIP G. REED.

Worton Heights, Jan. 22, 1853.—3

Trustee's SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court, for Kent county, sitting as a Court of Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will expose to public sale, to the highest bidder, on

TUESDAY,

the *FIFTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY NEXT*, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the tavern porch of John McDaniel, Esq, in Chester Town, all the

REAL ESTATE

of James Patton, late of Kent county, deceased, lying in Worton, adjoining the lands of Messrs. John Gale, Joseph Usilton, and others, containing from

13 to 15 Acres,

MORE OR LESS—and also the Real Estate of Thomas Alford, deceased, adjoining the same, containing

1 Acre, 3 Roods and 33 Perches,

MORE OR LESS; being parts of Worton Manor.



There is a *DWELLING*, on the lands of James Patton, deceased, and *CORN HOUSE* and STABLE, on Thos. Alford, deceased's land.

The premises will be shown to any one who may call by Mr. James W. Patton, who resides in the Dwelling.

The Terms of Sale,

Are that the purchaser shall give Bond to the Trustee with approved security, payable in six and twelve months from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.

Chester Town, Jan. 22, 1853.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county sitting as a Court of Equity, the subscriber as Trustee, will offer at public sale, on

Wednesday,

the 16th of February next, at 12 o'clk. M., at the tavern of Richard Millington, Esq. in the Town of Millington, the following real estate of which Wm. F. Meeks, late of Kent county, died seized and possessed:

A Lot or Parcel of Land,

situate in the town of Millington, with a front of sixty feet on Sassafras Street, and running back one hundred and fifty feet, and the improvements thereon; A NEW TWO STORY DWELLING AND KITCHEN, AND A ONE STORY FRAME HOUSE, used as a Shoemaker's Shop.

THE TERMS OF SALE PRESCRIBED BY DECREE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

The purchase money to be paid in three equal instalments in six, twelve, and eighteen months from the day of sale—the whole to bear interest from the day of sale, and the payment thereof to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with sureties to be approved by the trustee. Upon the payment of the whole purchase money (and not before) the trustee is authorized to make a deed in fee simple to the purchaser.

RICH'D HYNSON, Trustee.

NOTICE.—The creditors of Wm. F. Meeks, dec'd, are hereby notified to exhibit their claims with the vouchers thereof, in the Clerk's office of Kent county within six months from the day of sale.

Jan. 22, 1853.

MUSICAL CONCERT.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE POOR

THE young Ladies of Mr. Basford's Seminary will give a musical entertainment at the Court House Friday evening January 28th.

The exercises will consist of instrumental and vocal music and specimens of declamation. Some of the pieces, which were received with great applause at the recent Concert, will be repeated and much that is new and interesting will be presented

ADMISSION 25 cents.

J. F. GORDON,
T. W. ELIASON,
DAN'L COLLIFS,
Committee

January 15th, 1853.

Commissioners' Notice.

THE COMMISSIONERS of Kent will meet at their office in the Court House, Chestertown, on *Tuesday* the 11th and *Thursday* the 13th of January, and every Tuesday and Thursday until Tuesday the 8th day of February, 1853, as a Court of Appeal against the assessors' assesment of the property of the county. All persons who may think themselves aggrieved by the said assessors will come and make their complaint

By order A. W. MELVIN,
Cl'k to Com. for Kent Co.

Jan. 8, 1853.