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# KENT NEWS.

CHESTER TOWN, Md.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1853.


☞We call the attention of persons owning dogs, in Chester Town, to the advertisement of the Commissioners in another column.

The Snow Hill Shield names John R. Franklin, Esq., the present Commissioner of Public Works from the Eastern Shore District, as a suitable candidate for Congress from the first district of this State, composed of Worcester, Somerset, Dorchester, Talbot, Caroline and Queen Ann's counties.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—We learn that Mrs. Mary Startt, wife of Capt. Richard Startt, residing in Quaker Neck, in this county, attempted to commit suicide on Tuesday evening last, by hanging herself. She was fortunately discovered by some one in the family, and cut down in time to save her life. The particulars we have not learned, but understand that this rash attempt upon her own life was caused by some domestic difficulties which have existed for some time past.

DEATH OF GENERAL RILEY.—Brevet-Major General Bennet Riley, of the U. S. Army, died at Buffalo on the 9th inst., at the advanced age of 66 years. He was engaged in the war of 1812 with Great Britain, and in the Black Hawk and Florida wars; and was one of the most distinguished officers in the late war with Mexico, and is particularly spoken of, by Gen'l Scott, at the battle of Cerro Gordo.—Gen. Riley was a native of St. Mary's county, Md.

HANDSOME BEQUEST.—The Methodist Protestant says that the Executor of the estate of the late Mary Saum, of Frederick county, has recently paid over to Wesley Star, Esq., Treasurer of the Superannuated Fund Society of the Md. Annual Conference, about nine thousand dollars—the proceeds of her personal property—and that as much more, it is thought, will be realized from the real estate yet to be disposed of. It is said that the estates of the two sisters, Mary and Barbara Saum, when settled, will place at the disposal of the Methodist Protestant Church in the Maryland district, for benevonent purposes, a sum not far short of forty thousand dollars! Verily "Young America" in Maryland is looking up.

## Maryland Whig State Convention.

It will be seen by the following proceedings of the Whig members of the Legislature of Maryland, that the Whigs of the State are requested to send delegates to a convention to meet in Baltimore on the first day of September next, to take such measures as may be best calculated to promote the success of the Whig party:

ANNAPOLIS, May 25th, '53

The Whig members of the Legislature held a meeting in the Senate Chamber, for the purpose of recommending some definite course of action to the Whigs of the State. The Hon. W. L. Gaither was called to the chair, and William F. Smyth appointed Secretary; when, on motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That it is recommended to the whigs of the several counties and the city of Baltimore to appoint as many delegates as each county and the city is entitled to in the General Assembly, who will assemble in convention in Baltimore city, on the first day of September next, for the purpose of adopting such course as they may think best calculated to promote the success of the Whig party.

*Resolved*, That the proceedings be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and published in the Whig newspapers of this State.

WM. L. GAITHER, Chairman.
WM. F. SMYTH, Secretary.

☞It is proposed that those who use anthracite coal take immediate measures to secure a supply for next winter. The sooner the purchase is made, the lower the price will be. It will therefore be well to appoint an agent to open a communication with some coal company in Philadelphia in order to ascertain the price and fix the time for delivery.

IMPORTANT RUMOR.—The New York Journal of Commerce of Tueoday evening says;—

We learn that information has been forwarded to our Government, supported by plausible evideuce, to the effect that Santa Anna's bold and daring policy towards the Unired States is backed by an understanding with Spain. Spanish officers are filling places near the person and in the army of Santa Anna. "Spain," says a gentleman who has better means of information on the subject than we have, "is preparing to *strike* in her protectorate capacity—in which she is to be protected—and is to pay the fee by the utterance of English policy in Cuba, and then to adopt the apprentice system for almost unlimited periods, say 8, 12, and 16 years, by the free introduction of Negroes from Africa, without molestation." And it is clear that our Government should keep a sharp lookout in the direction of the Gulf of Mexico. If our informant is not mistake, we may expect to hear something further on the subject before many days. We are given to understand that a deep game is playing, and will soon open.

The Journal adds that it is disinclined to credit the story, but it comes to it in such a way that it is not at liberty to disregard it.

## Infidelity and Attempted Murder.

Washington, June 15.

Andrew J. Morrison shot his wife, Fanny, and a dry goods clerk, named Wm. H. Hester, this afternoon, under peculiar circumstances. There are various conflicting reports of the affair, but the most reliable account is, that Morrison, who had been married about six months, suspected his wife, a very young and handsome woman, of improper familiarity. He told her that he should leave town this afternoon, whereupon she notified Hester of supposed absence, who subseqnently called on her at her lodgings, on Pennsylvania avenue.—Morrison in the meanwhile having watched their movements sprang upon them suddenly and finding the pair together in the chamber, both in *dishabille* he instantly drew a revolver and fired three or four shots, one of which took effect upon Hester, and the ball passed through the arm and side of his wife, wounding her seriously. Morrison immediately gave himself up to the authorities and was committed. Hester having been informed by the physicians that he might not survive but a few minutes made a statement to Capt Goddard to the effect that he had no criminal intention, but failed to account for the predicament in which he was caught.

## Apprehended Survile Revolt

New Orleans, June 14.

Some excitement was occasioned today by rumors of an intended rising of slaves in this city. The information was given to the police late last night, by a free negro, who pointed out the ringleader. The latter was arrested, and found to be heavily armed. He confessed that a plan had been organized, by which 2,500 slaves were to attack the city at several points next day, including the powder magazine. The mint and principal banks were to be set on fire which would be the signal for the negroes in the surrounding country to rise. The whole story is considered improbable, and is generally regarded as a hoax, but the police have thought it necessary to take all precautions, and have arrested some twenty negroes. Everything has been quiet since, and no others have been discovered or implicated.

## A BLACK BUSINESS.

The paper conducted in the name of the notorious *Fred. Douglass*, proposes holding a National Convention at Rochester N Y on the 6th of July next, and calls on the Free negroes of the U. States to send delegates to it. A meeting has already been held at Providence, R. I. responding to the call; resolutions expressive of their "determined hostility to the colonization Society and the "Fugitive Slave law" adopted, and a pledge given to send delegates to the Convention—"believing" as they say, "that the time has come for a *continuous existence* of some *National Organization* of *their* people."

In noticing these movements the N. Y. Herald says, "*Mark that!* A National Convention of the Free Blacks of the United States, in the city of Rochester on the 6th day of July, in *opposition* to the "Fugitive Slave Law" and the African Colonization Scheme! And this *Providence* meeting thus *throws down the gauntlet* to the *Administration at Washington*, and the Castle Garden Union Safety Committee."

We suggest nothing touching this matter, but wait, with curiosity mingled with no little interest, to see the course the "administration at Washington" will pursue.

COUNTERFEIT BANK NOTES.—On the premises of Wm. Cregar, of Montgomery co., Pa., who was arrested on Saturday, on the charge of counterfeiting, there were found nearly $13,000 in bank notes, and a copper plate for altering Bank of North America notes, of the State of Indiana, to the Bank of North America, of the State of Connecticut.—Among the notes found were about $5,000 in the City trust and Banking Company of the State of New York, of the denomination of $10's, $50's & $100's. The $10's and $50's appear to be good notes, altered by means of acids, and filled up for larger amounts. There were also $6,000 on the Harrisburg Bank, and the Trenton Banking Company.

## The Montreal Riot.

MONTREAL, June 11.

The total number shot in the recent riot was 50, of whom 12 were either killed or mortally wounded. The Mayor denies having ordered the soldiers to fire. It is reported that eight other rioters in adition to those mentioned above were killed. The streets last night were patrolled by flying artillery.

SECOND DESPATCH.

MONTREAL, June 11. An immense meeting was held here yesterday, at which resolutions were adoped requesting Gavazzi to complete his course of lectures and censuring the Mayor for his inefficiency. The most intense excitement continues to exist and several outrages have been perpetrated by the Roman Catholics. Gavazzi left for N. York this morning, but will immediately return and finish his course of lectures.

AN IMPORTANT ARREST.—W. Gregar, who is believed to be one of the principal counterfeiters in the Union, and against whom warrants have been a long time in the hands of U. S. officers, was arrested in Philadelphia on Saturday morning. He was arrested before, but by the aid of others, and a terrible resistance on his own part, he released himself from the officers. He was arrested this time by a plan laid for him by his captors.

## MARKETS.

*By Capt. Hiram Browne.*

| | June 16., 1853. | |
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| Wheat, white | 1 08 to 1 10 | bsh. |
| " red | 1 00 to 1 05 | " |
| Corn, yellow | 56 " 57 | " |
| " white | 52 " 54 | " |
| Oats | 35 to 38 | " |

## Bible Agent and Colporteur.

The Managers of the Bible Society of Kent county have appointed the Rev J. A. Asey, an Agent and Colporteur, to explore Kent County, to sell and distribute Bibles and Testaments; and to make collections for the support of the cause. The Managers respectfully solicit the kind reception of their agent, and such contributions, hopitalities and facilities as may be in the power of the citizens to bestow. The moral improvements of the people, and the dessemination of the Bible, are the great objects of the friends of the Bible. His effort commends itself to the best feelings and interests of people, and we hope the Colporteur will be liberally sustained.

☞W. N. E. WICKES continues to act as agent for E. M. Fowler to exchange Kersey, Yarn &c., for wool.—Samples of the Kersey are now at his store for inspection. Wool will be bought at the highest rates. jun 18

## MARRIED.

In Baltimore on the 5th inst. by Rev. Henry Tarring, Thomas E. Jefferson to Miss Susanna Fowler.

## DIED.

In Quaker Neck, on the 19th inst., Mr. James W. Knotts. (Denton Journal please copy.)

## Democratic Meetings.

BY request of the Democratic Party, District Meetings will be held on Saturday the 25th day of June in Georgetown X Roads, at Stone's Spring, and in the Court House in Chester Town, to appoint five Delegates from each distript to meet in Chestertown on the Tuesday following.

The object for which this convention is called is to appoint three delegates from the county, to attend the State Convention to be held in the city of Baltimore on the 10th of August, to nominate candidates for Governor, Comptroller, and Lottery Commissioner—Also to appoint three delegates to the convention, the time yet to be fixed upon, to make a Congressional nomination for the 2nd District.

Jun. 18, 1853

## *Dog Notice.*

THE Bailiffs of Chestertown are expressly charged to kill all dogs running at large, and for which no tax has been paid for the present year.

All persons on whose premises any dog may be harboured, will be held liable for the payment of the annual tax.

The order to kill all unlicensed dogs will be enforced from and after the 28th day of June, instant.

By order,
DAVID ARTHUR, Clerk.
Jun 18, 1853.—2t.

## FOR SALE.

THE subscriber, as agent for Miss Ann Hawkins, will offer at public sale on

*TUESDAY,*

12th of July, at 10 o'clock, A. M. at Mr. McDaniel's Hotel, if not sold privately before, her property situated on Still Pond creek, consisting of a

STORE HOUSE, DWELLINGS, and about 20 Acres of land.

The situation is healthy, and a good business stand. Terms made known on the day of sale.

E. F. PERKINS.
Jun 18, 1853.

## Grocery, Confectionary, Flour and Feed Store.

THE undersigned respectfully informs his friends in Chestertown and its vicinity, that he has taken the store house formerly occupied by Mr. Stanley, opposite the Market House, where he keeps on hand—Sugar, Coffees and Teas, of all kinds; Tobacco, Segars, Soap, Candles, Snuff, Buckets, Brooms, Cedar Ware, Powder, Shot, Crockery Ware, of all descriptions; Flour—extra, superfine, by the barrel or retail, a good article always on hand; Bacon, Lard, Putty, smoking tobacco, Ethereal oil, Molasses, 31½ and 37½ cts per gallon, a good article; Confectionary of all kinds; fresh spices, of all kinds. Give him a call, one and all.

JOHN BORDLEY.

☞All kinds of country produce will be taken in exchange for goods at cash prices.

Jun 18, 1853.

## DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the co-partnership lately subsisting between Jesse K. Hines and William S Merritt, under the firm of Hines & Merritt, was dissolved on the 11th of June, 1853, by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by Jesse K. Hines, and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

JESSE K HINES,
WM. S. MERRITT.

Millington, June 14 1853.

THE subscriber, thankful for the patronage lately given to the firm of Hines & Merritt, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same, as he is determined to sell his goods at small profits for the cash or limited credits. The highest market price will at all times be given for produce in exchange for goods. Those persons having DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c., to purchase, would do well to call and examine before going elsewhere,

JESSE K. HINES.

Millington, June 18, 1852.—6w.

*TAVERN PROPERTY IN CHESTERTOWN*

## For Sale.

THE undersigned as agent, offers at private sale the desirable *TAVERN PROPERTY* now occupied by Mr. Thomas Lusby.

This is considered the best Tavern Stand in the Town. It is situated in the most business part of the Town, nearly opposite the Court House. Apply to

JOS. WICKES.

Chester Town June 18th, 1853.

*N. B*—The undersigned offers at private sale several Dwelling Houses in Chester Town some of them suitable for small Families. The terms will be accommodating. Apply to

JOS. WICKES

June 18, 1853.

## Vendue.

THE subscriber intending to discontinue housekeeping will expose to public sale, on

## Tuesday,

next, the 21st inst. at his residence on Main street, his entire stock of

Household and Kitchen Furniture—

Consisting of Beds, Beddings, Chairs Tables, &c. He will also at the same time offer *Two York Wagons, and Harness, One Family Carriage and Harness*, nearly new, *Two square bodied Carriages*, in good running order. Also three fine young HORSES, well broken, one very fine SOW and pigs and a lot of young Cattle, (about 7 head)

Also, the *Splendid Blooded Stallion*

## *ISAAC SHOVE,*

the last of the famous Randolph stock, and well known throughout the county.

*TERMS OF SALE:*—CASH for all sums under five dollars. All sums exceeding five dollars a credit of 6 months with approved security.

THE subscriber still continues his business of MERCHANDISING at his present stand, and having just returned from the city, offers to the public a cheap and well assorted stock of

## Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, &c.,

He asks his friends to call and examine his stock, satisfied that that they cannot fail to be pleased.

A. A. USILTON.

Jun 18, 1853.

## *Great Improvements.*

WITHOUT wire riddles wheat and all other small grain Threshed seperated and Cleaned fit for market rating 40 to 50 bushels of wheat per hour. Also his late improved HORSE POWER, for simplicity, durability, and use, renders them preferable to all others. For sale by JESSE URMY,

Wilmington, Del.

DANIEL COLLINS, Agent.

Chestertown, Jun 11, 1853.

*'A bill entitled, an act to ascertain and define the powers and duties of County Commissioners.*

SECTION 1st. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of each county of this State, are hereby constituted and declared to be a corporation and body politic, and shall have power to appoint judges of elections, collectors of taxes, trustees of the poor, a clerk to their board, and all other officers, agents and servants, required for county purposes, not otherwise provided for by law or by the constitution; they shall have charge of, and control over the property owned by the county, and over county roads and bridges.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That it shall be their duty to levy all needful taxes on the assessable property within the county liable to taxation, and to provide for collecting the same, which may be made in whole or in part, by estimate; and they shall provide for the support of the courts, compensate jurors and county witnesses, and pay and discharge all claims on or against the county which have been expressly or impliedly authorised by law.

Sec 3. And be it enacted, That the county commissioners shall have all other powers, and perform all other duties hereafter granted or prescribed by law; Provided; such powers and duties shall be uniform throughout the whole State, and are not contrary to the constitution.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the County Commissioners shall meet in their respective counties within sixty days after the election, and qualify as such, and thereafter meet at least once a quarter and as much oftener as the necessities of the county may, in their judgement, require; Provided, however, that the meeting to make the annual levy of taxes shall be held previous to the 1st of July in each and every year.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the day preceding the first Wednesday in November next,

June 18, 1853.

## Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF ALBERT WEBSTER.

Maryland, Kent county Orphans Court, June 14, 1853.

On the application of B. C. Wickes, Administrator of Albert Webster, late of Kent county, Del. dec'd.

Ordered that he gives 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 four successive weeks in some newspaper printed in Kent county, Maryland, and in the Delaware State Reporter, published at Dover, Kent county, Delaware.

In testimony that the forgoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid,

{SEAL} I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office affixed this 24th day of June, 1853

Test,
JACOB FISHER,
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 of administration on the personal estate of Albert Webster, late of Kent county, Del., dec'd. All persons having claims against the the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber on or before the 12th day of January, 1854, they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand, this 14th day of June, 1853.

B. C. WICKES,
Adm'r Albert Webster, dec'd.

June. 18, '53.—4w.

## To Carpenters & Builders.

THE Committee will receive proposals to build a new brick CHURCH at Still Pond, until the 25th of the present month. On the above day the committee will meet at the Church and examine the proposals. The dimensions of the building are 40 by 60 feet, with basement, furnished in the most modern style. For further particulars address any of the building committee.

JOSHUA CLARK,
JAMES GALE,
JOHN WILSON,
HENRY MASTEN,
JOSEPH W. WEBB.

Jun 11, 1553.

## LUMBER.

T. W. ELIASON has a good stock of White Pine BOARDS, and 1½ and 2 inch PLANK; also, Hemlock *BOARDS, FENCING FLOORING, and JOISTS*, of good quality.

He will sell at moderate prices for cash or on credit, and will charge interest from day of sale on all bills not settled in ninety days.

Jun 11, 1853.

## NOTICE.

THE undersigned, thankful for the very liberal patronage of his friends and the public, respectfully asks a continuance of the same, and to those who have not known where to send their produce and trade to realize the greatest return for those things, *be sure* to send them to him at No. 93½ Light St. wharf, where he may always be found, to attend to the sale of GRAIN of all kinds—POTATOES and PEACHES receives his special attention: in short, all kinds of trade sold to the best advantage and prompt returns made.

The public's ob't servant,
F. E FOREMAN.

June 11, '53—6w.

## 200 Acres of Valuable Land FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers at private sale 200 *Acres of Valuable land*, adjoining the farm he occupies, situate on the stage road leading from Chester Town to George Town Cross Roads, and about five miles from the latter place.

This land is worthy the attention of any gentleman who is desirous to make an investment in land—the soil is naturally good—the greater part of the land already well improved—it is all tillable land except about 8 or 10 acres in WOOD—it runs out to the public road—it is convenient to Church, Mill and Market, and in one of the best neighborhoods in the county.

Apply to WM. MAXWELL.

Jun 11, 1853.—3w.

☞The Del. Republican copy 1 a w. for 3w, and send bill to this office.

## AN ACT TO REDUCE THE DIRECT TAX.

Section 1st. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the County Commissioners and the Mayor and city Council of Baltimore, in laying and imposing the State Direct Tax in the several counties and in the city of Baltimore, for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-three, and for all future years, provided for by the Acts passed at March Session, eighteen hundred and forty-one chapter twenty-three and December session, eighteen hundred and forty-one, chapter three hundred and twenty-eight, shall impose an assessment or tax of only fifteen cents in every hundred dollars worth of assessable property, within their respective jurisdictions, according to the valuation thereof, and that so much of the said acts passed at March session eighteen hundred and forty-one, chapter three hundred and twenty-eight, as impose a tax of twenty cents and 5 cents, or one fourth of one per centum in the hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2nd. And be it enacted, that it shall be the duty of the County Commissioners and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, in laying and imposing the tax aforesaid, under the provisions of this act to be governed by the assessment and valuation made under the provisions of the Act passed at January Session, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven and the Acts now passed, or which may hereafter be passed supplemental thereto, or amendatory thereof, as such assessment and valuation may have been corrected and adjusted, according to the true intent and meaning thereof.

Sec. 3rd. And be it enacted, That there shall hereafter be imposed and levied on the assessed value of the public debt of the State of Maryland, on the stock loans of the city of Baltimore, of the capital stock of the Bank and, other incorporated institutions and companies chartered by this State, and of any bonds, certificates or other evidences of debt bearing interest, which shall have been issued by said incorporate institutions or companies for any loan contracted by them, the same rate of Direct Tax as is provided in the first section of this Act; and that so much of any existing law or laws as imposes a tax of twenty five cents, or one fourth of one per cent. on said public debt, stock loans, capital stock and evidencies of debt issued by incorporated institutions and companies, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4th. And be it enacted, that on or before the fifteenth day of June next, it shall be the duty of the county Commissioners of the several counties and the Appeal Tax Court of Baltimore city to deduct from the amount of property in their respective counties and the city of Baltimore, so for as relates to the tax imposed for the use of this State, the assessed value of the aforesaid public debt, stock loans of the city of Baltimore and of the capital stock and bonds, certificates or other evidences of debt, bearing interest, issued by incorporated institutions or companies of this State, according to the assessment and valuation thereof, under the provisions of the Act passed at January session, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven and thereafter the accounts for taxes due this State, shall not include the tax upon the said public debt, stock loans, capital stock or other evidences of debt of incorporated institutions or companies, and the amount of the said tax shall be levied and collected or paid over to the Treasurer of this State, in the mode and at the periods prescribed by the existing laws; provided that the said tax shall not be levied and collected, or paid to the Treasurer on any of said securities which are owned by any person or incorporated institution, entitled under the laws of this State to hold the same free and exempt from taxation.

Sec. 5th. And be it enacted, That this act shall be in force from its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of the Act to reduce the Direct Tax as passed the General Assembly of Maryland, at its January session eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Given under our hands at the city of Annapolis, this twenty-third day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty three.

JOS. J. STEWART, Jr.,
*Clerk of the House of Delegates.*
J. PINKNEY,
*Secretary of the Senate.*

JUST received and for Sale, Liquors a 40 cts., warranted molasses, 25, 31½ 37½ and 40 cents per gallon, by.

WM BACCHUS.

GARDEN SEED for sale by WILMER & WALKER,

Mar. 19, '53.