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KENT NEWS.

CHESTER TOWN, Md.

Saturday, August 20, 1853.

POSTPONED WHIG MEETING

THE WHIGS of Kent county are requested to meet at the Court House in Chester Town, on

TUESDAY,

the 23d of August, instant, at TEN O'CLOCK, A. M., for the purpose of selecting three delegates to represent Kent county in the State Convention to be held in the city of Baltimore, on the 1st day of September next.

MANY WHIGS.

Aug. 6, 1853.

Maryland Election.

At the election on the first Wednesday in November next, the following officers are to be voted for by the voters of Kent co.: Governor, Comptroller of the Treasury, Commissioner of Lotteries, a member of Congress, two members of the Legislature, Sheriff, three County Commissioners, and a County Surveyor. The Lower District will elect two Justices of the Peace, two Constables and a road Supervisor. The Middle, three Justices of the Peace, three Constables, a road Supervisor. The Upper District, three Justices of the Peace, three Constables and a road Supervisor—each to serve for a period of two years.

Whig Meeting.

A County Meeting will be held at the Court House in Chestertown, on Tuesday next, the 23d inst., at ten o'clock, A. M., to select three delegates to the State Convention to be held in Baltimore city, on the first day of September next.

DAM BROKE.—We regret to learn that the heavy rain of Monday last, carried away the dam of the Mill belonging to Mr. J. S. Hand, in Still Pond, about 8 miles from Chester Town.

☞ The Baltimore Clipper of Saturday, in speaking of the officers of the Democratic State Convention, says:

"The several secretaries performed their arduous duties with a diligence and forbearance truly remarkable, and especially to Geo. Gale, Esq., of Kent county, the Convention are much indebted for the general good humor and excellent order preserved during the sittings of the Convention."

THE EASTERN SHORE AIR LINE RAILROAD.—A meeting was held in Northampton county, Va., on the 8th instant, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a railroad along the Eastern Shore peninsula, so as to connect the city of Norfolk, by a continuous line of railroads and steamboats, with the North and East. The States of Virginia and Maryland have granted railroad charters, and it is now proposed that a convention shall be held at an early day, and the cities of Norfolk and Philadelphia, the county of Accomac, and the various counties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and State of Delaware are invited to attend. A corresponding committee has been appointed who will give notice of the time and place of holding the convention, and twenty delegates have been appointed to it.

SUPPLY OF GUANO.—An immense deposit of guano has been discovered in the Indian Ocean, between Mauritius and Calcutta. It has been analyzed by Professor Anderson, of Glasgow, and is now also in the hands of Professor Way, of London, for analysis. Four kinds of it have been brought to England, two of which are of superior quality, resembling the guano of Saldanah Bay, the other two are comparatively inferior.

Opening of Trade with Japan.

We have been surprised, says the Journal of Commerce, at the confidence felt by some of the officers of the Japan expedition, that they should succeed in effecting a commercial arrangement with the country, hitherto closed to the commerce of Christendom, except Holland, and to the latter under many restrictions. Perhaps the annexed paragraph from a California paper, will throw some light upon the subject:

"A business transaction took place a few days since, that is likely to be productive of important results in the history of the commercial world. A purchase of 100,000 pounds of rice was made by one of our most respectable Chinese merchants, which it is proposed to ship to Japan on board the ship Hamilton, which is now under Chinese colors, having been purchased from her American owners by two wealthy Chinese merchants. The Chinese have long been on trading terms with the Japanese, and their vessels are allowed to enter their ports and trade

The undertaking is a novel one, and, in the event of its succeeding, it would not require the foresight of a prophet to predict a very sudden increase in the mercantile marine of China, which would soon be able to show as handsome a fleet of clippers as any nation in the world. It would not be strange were it to happen that the opening of the ports of Japan should be brought about by the Chinese who have settled in California. Indeed, we are strongly inclined to the belief that such will be the case, and that the world will yet have to acknowledge themselves indebted to California for it all. The powerful changes going on throughout the world—the result of the gold discoveries—are every day becoming more and more apparent, and it would not be presumptive to suppose that the ports of Japan would be as free to the world before three years as are those of China now."

Execution of Shirly.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., Aug. 12.—The execution of James Shirley, for murder, took place at the prison in this town today. While on the scaffold, the Sheriff asked him if he had any thing to say to which he replied that he had nothing to say, except that he hoped to meet all present in paradise. He also said that "he died better than he thought he would—he never was a bad man naturally, and wished to say that the cause of all his crimes was intemperance." The cap was then drawn over his face, when he called out "Sheriff, I will also say that you are a gentlemen—God bless you." The deputy then asked him for the last time if he had any confession to make, to which he answered, that he had nothing to say on that subject. At 27 minutes past one o'clock the drop fell, and in a few moments the miserable man was dead.

Outrageous Attempt to Destroy Life on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

WHEELING, Aug. 13th.—A man named Martin Malvey, lately in the employ of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company was arrested at Cameron, near Wheeling, this morning upon the awful charge of designedly throwing the passenger train cars off the track by unlocking and misplacing a switch on Thursday last near that place. Mr. Bogard, an intelligent farmer of the neighborhood, testifies that at about an hour previous to the arrival of the train from Baltimore, on the day of the accident, he was driving a team homeward, and as he reached the brow of a high hill that overlooks the track he observed Malvey to approach the switch and deliberately take a key from his pocket, unlock the ball or lever, and leave it in that state. Supposing him to be in the service of the company, and acting in obedience to orders, Mr Bogard said nothing about his discovery until after he learned the train had run off the switch on account of Malvey's derangement of it. The prisoner was taken to Moundsville, on the Ohio river, and safely lodged in jail to await his trial.

Great credit is due to the Railroad company for the promptness and efficiency with which they have acted in this matter.

Mr. Ford, their agent at this station, and Mr. Legneye, assistant road master, deserve mention for their intelligent labors in ferreting out the accused.

Colonel Bliss.

This gallant officer whose death has been announced, was one of the most distinguished in the Army, as well for his intellectual as his military qualities. During the Mexican war, he was the Adjutant General to Gen. Taylor, serving in all the battles on the northern line of operation, and by his indomitable energy, his deliberate courage, and most of all, by the memorable despatches, identifying himself with the fame of his illustrious commander.—When Gen. Taylor was elevated to the Presidency, Col. Bliss became his private Secretary, and the bonds of friendship and esteem that existed between them were soon after strengthened by his union with Gen. Taylor's only daughter.—Of all the family that then occupied the Presidential mansion the widow of Col. Bliss is now the only one remaining—Gen. Taylor, his wife, and now Col. Bliss have rapidly followed each other to the grave and the widowed, orphaned wife alone remains.

Since Gen. Taylor's death Col. Bliss had resumed his position in the army, in the discharge of the duties of which he was engaged at the time of his death. He was about 45 years of age.

CONTINUED RAVAGES OF THE FEVER.—NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 13.—The total numbers of deaths in the city, according to the official report of the board of health, for the past week, ending at six o'clock on Friday evening, is 1518, of which 1277 were from yellow fever being an increase over last week from all diseases of 308. Nearly every person who possibly could has left the city for different parts of country.

August 14.—The report of the board of health for the past twenty-four hours ending on Saturday morning exhibits 174 deaths, of which 153 were from yellow fever. The scourge is still on the increase, though the deaths are not quite so large for want of victims.

NEW ORLEANS, August 15—The total number of deaths in this city yesterday were 270, according to the official report of which 235 were from yellow fever.—Deaths in the last 48 hours from fever, 439.

The ship Camillus, hence for London, returned to this port yesterday, the Captain and six of the crew having died of yellow fever.

UNFORTUNATE FAMILY.—David Flinn residing on Pratt street, between Penn and Tremont was taken ill and died a few months ago. His wife, and her two sisters, Susan and Ellen Raddon, were in attendance during the illness of Mr. Flinn and up to the time of his death. Strange to relate, on the day of his funeral Ellen was also taken sick, and remained seriously ill up to yesterday at 10½ o'clock, when she died.—And more strange to relate still, Susan, after having been constant in her attendance to the wants of her sister during her illness, herself suddenly expired on the same day, between four and five o'clock; and to conclude this distressing calamity, Mrs Flinn was carried to the Baltimore Infirmary so dangerously ill that no hopes are entertained of her recovery.—*Clipper.*

EXECUTION IN VIRGINIA.—Gens, the man convicted of the murder of his own daughter, was executed at Charlottsville, Va. on Friday last, in the presence of a great throng of spectators. He acknowledged before his execution that he recollected whipping his daughter severely on the day upon which she died; but did not recollect having struck her with a pine knot which caused her death. He stated that he was drunk at the time of the murder, and had but an indistinct recollection of what he did; through he declared it never was his intention to have killed his daughter. He professed to be prepared to die. He met his fate firmly, bade his family farewell, warning them with his last breath against the use of ardent spirits, which had brought him to the gallows.

DISTRESSING CASE OF DROWNING.—Rev. Mr. Johnson, of the Baptist church in Saugerties, N. J., with his wife and infant child, took a sail in a small boat, a few days ago, and on their starting to return home, Mrs. J. stumbled and fell overboard, with the child in her arms. Mr. J. caught hold of his wife's dress, and was also drawn overboard. They both went down together but in the struggle they became separated, and Mrs. J. and the child were drowned.—Mr. J. reached the shore nearly exhausted.

DEATH ON THE WAY TO THE ALTAR. A young man by the name of Edmund Slatterly, while on his way from Franklin to Milford, on Sunday week, to be married, met with a singular and fatal accident. He stopped at a well to water his horse, when the bucket fell into the well. He descended to obtain it, when the wall caved in, and buried him.

Col. Benton's friends in Missouri are already preparing to bring him out for the Presidency in 1859, against all parties and all conventions.

MARKETS.

By Capt. Hiram Browne.

	Agust 18, 1853.	
Wheat, white	1 10 to 1 15	bsh.
" red	1 00 " 1 10	"
Corn, yellow	64 " 66	"
" white	60 " 62	"
Oats	33 to 37	"
Rye	70 to 75	"

OBITUARY.

Departed this life on Thursday night, the 11th inst., Mrs. SARAH LEEGAR, wife of Benjamin Leegar, Jr., of Queen Ann's county. Her disease was consumption, with which she had been threatened for many years, but recently fell on her bowels and carried her off very soon, leaving behind her a husband and two children to bereave the loss of an affectionate companion and a kind mother. But amidst a combination of trouble, sorrow, and distress, she has left behind her one blessed consolation—that, according to her last evidence given on the day of her death, she has gone from a world of trouble and affliction, to a world of Eternal Bliss. Being on the day previous to her death, visited by some of her female relatives, on taking their leave she very affectionately embraced them in a tone that in every possible way bespoke the dying saint, remarking to them—"My dearest sister, my dearest neice, this is the last time" After eating an unusual hearty supper, about nine o'clock she retired to bed, remarking to her husband, that she had taken a hearty supper, and that she was then going to take a good night's rest; after which she was asked by her husband how she felt; she replied that she felt very well indeed, after which she closed her eyes in a sweet and heavenly sleep. And, astonishing to say, before the clock had struck ten, she awoke in the spirit world! and that, to all human appearance, without a struggle or without a pain.

"Oh death! where is thy dreadful sting?
Oh grave! where is thy boasted victory?"

Doubtlessly

"Clasp't in the arms of her Saviour's love,
She has gone to heighten the triumphs above,"
"There, in rapturous awe, on him to gaze,
Who bought the sight for me,
And shout and wonder at his grace
To all eternity."

Well might the poet say:

"Jesus can make a dying bed
Feel soft as downy pillars are."

O God! what are all thing here below? May we who are left behind so follow her, and may we learn from her meek and humble example to kiss the rod when God, in his mercy, shall afflict us; feeling, as she felt, that "our light afflictions, which are but for a moment, shall soon work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

A Valuable Farm
IN MARYLAND AT
PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned being remotely situated from his Farm in Kent county, Maryland, offers the same for sale. It lies at the head waters of "Still Pond Creek, within 7 miles of Chester Town, the County seat—within 3 miles of Still Pond X Roads, a thriving village—and within one mile and a half of a large public Granary and Wharf, located on the banks of the said creek.

The Farm contains about

280 ACRES OF LAND,

nearly—220 acres of which are arable—and the balance well set in wood and timber, such as *Hickory, Oak, Pine and Poplar*, with a large supply of *Cedar and Chesnut Timber*, more than sufficient for the use of the farm.

The soil is of red clay and of fair quality, and is susceptible of the highest improvement; the farm also possesses great resources for enriching the land, from two large meadow branches which run parallel to each other on its Eastern and Western boarders, and which furnish water during the entire year to each field. There is also near the house a large Apple Orchard, which yields an abundant supply of fine fruit; and also a sufficient number of choice Peach, Plum and Cherry Trees, standing near the door.

The buildings consist of a large HIP-ROOFED LOG HOUSE, the interior of which is in bad repair; but the exterior has recently been roofed and weather-boarded. It has three rooms above, and two rooms and a very dry cellar below stairs. There is also attached to the house a new frame Kitchen of convenient size—and on the premises, are two corn houses, a smoke house and a stable, with several negroe dwellings on remote parts of the farm

A delightful spring of water stands near the house, he situation is high, airy and level, and remarkable for its healthiness. Within one-fourth of a mile is a good Grist Mill, the pond of which washes the northern borders of the farm. A Saw Mill also is in operation within two mile of the place. Near the outer gate of the farm there is also a flourishing District School under excellent management; also a Quaker and Methodist Church; and at Still Pond X Roads, about three miles distant, there is a wealthy Methodist Congretion which commands the services of the most talented Miniaters belonging to that denomination of Christians.

The Shrewsbury (Protestant Episcopal) Church may be also reached by a five-mile drive, and the neighborhood is in all respects a good one.

The land has been rented out for nearly twenty years, and has accordingly been much neglected but in the hands of an energetic, practical farmer may be made in a shor time the most desirable place in its vicinity.

The Terms of sale will be made easy. Possession will be given on the 1st of January next; and all applications concerning the same can be made to E. E. Miller, Esqr., Georgetown X Roads, Kent Co., Md., to John B. Armstrong, Esq., Chester Town, to Arthur J Wallis, Urieville, Kent Co., Md., or to the owner,

G. W. P. SMITH,
Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.

P. S.—Persons wishing to examine the premises may apply to either of the gentlemen named above, who will take pleasure in showing the same, and in giving the particulars in reference to the terms. G. W. P. S.

Aug. 20, 1853.—tf.

BALTIMORE
FEMALE COLLEGE,

No 53 ST. PAUL'S ST. BALTIMORE.

THE Fall session of this Institution opens on MONDAY, August 29th. It was chartered in 1839, with power to confer degrees, and affords every facility for a thorough, practical, accomplished, and Christian education. The Faculty of instruction embraces twelve professors. The average attendance of students, he past year, was 140. Among the boarders were students from Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, South Carolina, Mississippi, Louisiana, Ohio, Arkansas, Missouri, and the District of Columbia. Boarders reside with the family of the President.

Board, per annum, $150; half boarding $60; Tuition 25 to $50

For catalogues, &c., address

N. C. BROOKS, President.

Aug 20, 1853.

For Rent.

THE subscriber will lease for the ensuing three years the FARM called the "McDowell Farm," situated in the Upper District, and now in the occupancy of Mr. John Young. A married man with labourers will be prefered. It has been heavily limed and is a desirable situation. CORNELIUS J. SCOTT.

George Town X Roads, }
August 20, 1853.—3w. }

Notice.

THE Commissioners for Kent county will meet on the 23d inst to settle with the Collectors and attend to such other business as may come before them.

A. W. MELVIN,
Clk to Com's for Kent Co.

Aug. 13, 1853.

For Rent.

THE FARM on Swan Creek occupied by Wm. S. Walbert. Guano and Lime furnished. Apply to Dr. Brevett or the subscriber.

PHILIP G. REED,
Worton Heights.

Aug. 13, 1853.—3w.

NEGRO GIRL For Sale.

A NEGRO GIRL, aged nearly 11 years, and has 10 years to serve from the 20th of August instant, and will be sold on 60 or 90 days,—Apaly to the Editor.

August 13, 1853.—3t.

Tax Notice.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the tax payers of the 1st Election District of Kent Co., that their taxes for the present year are due, and in his hands for collection. He also begs leave to remind them that the law allows to the Collector a very short period for the settlement of his accounts, hence he cannot practice much, if any, indulgence in the discharge of his duties, therefore it should not and need not be expected.

The subscriber's place of doing business is in the Sheriff's office, in Chester Town.

JNO N. McDANIEL,
Deputy for James Mansfield.

N. B—All persons who pay their taxes on or before the 1st of September, will be entitled to a deduction of 5 per cent on their State Tax.

Aug. 13, 1853.

Important to Farmers,

THE undersigned have for sale the remainder of the stock of SEED DRILLS, PIERSON'S PATENT. They are desirous of occupying the building in which they are stored for other purposes, and will sell the Drills at a very considerable deduction if called for soon

This will probably be the only opportunity to procure this superior Drill, the low price we offer them at being no inducement to continue their manufacture. Persons not acquainted with the merits of the Drill, can see the most satisfactory "Recommendations" at the office of the subscribers, on second and Lombard streets, Wilmington, Del.

BUSH & LOBDELL.

Aug. 13, 1853.—2m.

Shell Lime.

THE subscribers having greatly enlarged their means for burning Shells are now prepared to fill all orders for Shell Lime. They therefore would confidently say to farmers that they need not fear getting a supply at any time when it may suit their convenience to order either SHELLS or SHELL LIME.

B. S. & P. HOLT,
Foot of West Falls Avenue.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 10, 1853.—3m.

Take Notice.

ROLLISON & CO.

HAVE prepared themselves with *Kreauser's Patent Clover Seed Harvester*, and *Crawford's Patent Clover Culler*, which they offer to the farmers in general to gather and cull their clover seed on the following terms, viz: They will furnish the Harvester and Culler upon the farm, and the farmer to gather the heads and draw them to the barn or any other suitable place to be culled, and assist in culling them out, and divide the seed equally; or they will gather and cull the seed and give one-third of the seed culled

The Harvester will gather the heads without injuring the grass materially, and will gather from 7 to 10 acres per day. Any person wishing to have their clover gathered shall be attended to if they will address a letter (post paid) to Rollison & Co., Chestertown, Md.

WM. A. ROLLISON,
L. L. ROLLISON,

Aug. 13, 1853.

Notice.

PERSONS wishing to see the Books of the County Commissioners, will, in my absence, please call on Edward Mansfield, Esq., who will take pleasure in showing them.

A. W. MELVIN,
Clerk to Com. for Kent county.

Chester Town, Aug 6, 1853.

Notice.

OXEN.—I have three pair of OXEN for sale—one pair broken, the other partly broken. Apply to

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Aug. 6, 1853.

FOR SALE.

MACHINE OIL at 87½ cents, by WILMER & WALKER.

July 23, 1853.

Farms for Sale.

A FARM in Baltimore county, containing 543 acres, near the city.—The land is rich, divided into 11 fields, all well fenced and running to water—There are 150 acres in Wood and Timber—White Oak, Black Oak and Hickory. The Dwelling is large and comfortable, with every necessary out-building, all in good order. Price $30 per acre. One-third cash, balance in one and two years.

Farm of 1000 acres on the Patuxent. Steam Saw and Grist Mill; 800 acres are heavily timbered. Price $11000—Terms very accommodating.

Farm in St. Mary's county; 217 acres; half a mile from the Bay. About 20 acres cleared, with a small tenement and out houses; balance covered with wood and timber—White Oak and Pine, supposed to cut from 7000 to 8000 cords of wood. Price $10 per acre. $1000 cash; balance in two years.

Also a Farm of 125 acres. One 87 acres. One 130 acres in Frederick co., near Frederick city, with many Farms near the city, and in most parts of the State.

Ground Rents for sale and lots to lease on Fremont and Ramsey streets. Advance will be made in money to the parties leasing, if desired. Houses for sale.

R. A. RASIN,
Corner Fayette and Park sts.

Aug. 13, 1853.

Australian Seed Wheat.

THE subscriber at an outlay of nearly $5 per bushel procured the above variety of wheat, and has succeeded in *raising for seed* a large yield per acre (55 bushels per acre) and a superior quality of grain. The advantage possessed by this wheat over other varieties, consists in the fact of its being originally *the product of of a Southern Island*, (New Holland, or Australia,) and is not liable to rust, smut or Mildew, the effects of which are so fatal to this crop in our climate; and is therefore peculiarly adapted to sultry latitudes. The stalk being large and strong and its beard being luxuriant prevents it from lodging or falling, and enables it to stand wet and warm spells of weather. The grain is very white and fine s[illegible] Price $4 per bushel. To be obtained of the subscriber in bulk, or of Samuel Sands, Editor of the 'American Farmer,' in Baltimore in sacks of 2 bushels each.

G W. P. SMITH.

Snow Hill, E. S., Md. }
Aug. 6, 1853.—3w. }

TO RENT.

FOR the ensuing year the BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, on Maine street, (up town) now occupied by Dr. Anderson. Apply to

JAS. W. PHILLIPPS.

Chestertown July 30 '53.

Old Church for Sale.

BY order of the building committee of Salem Methodist Episcopal Church, which is about to be erected, near Bell Air, I will offer for sale, to the highest and best bidder, on the lot on which the said New Church is about to be built, on

MONDAY,

August 15th, at 3 o'clock, P M., the old Worton M. E Church. A credit will be given. Terms made known at the time of sale.

WM. H. GODWIN.

Aug. 6, 1853.—2t.

TO BUTCHERS AND DROVERS.

I HAVE a few fat cattle and about 40 head of SHEEP, in fine order, for sale.

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Aug. 6, 1853.

Carriage, Harness Making, &c

THE undersigned having taken the establishment formerly occupied by Messrs T. & O. P. Jones, would inform the public that he is prepared to do

All Work

in his line, in the best manner.

JOHN GREENWOOD.

July 30, 1853.

N B.—All persons indebted are requested to call and settle without further notice, as he is in want of money.

JNO. GREENWOOD,

More New Goods.

WM. P. FRANCIS

HAS just returned from the city with a splendid lot of new and SEASONABLE GOODS. He invites his customers and friends to call and examine them if they wish to get good bargains. "A word to the wise," &c.

July 30, 1853.

A good supply of Wheeler's Slippers and Walking Shoes on hand and for sale by WM. P. FRANCIS

July 30, 1853.

BUCKETS, TUBS & BROOMS—a good supply on hand and for sale by WM P. FRANCIS.

July 30, 1853.

MACHINE OIL for sale at 87½ cts per gallon, by WM. P. FRANCIS

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