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THE NEWS

CHESTER TOWN, Md.

Saturday Morning, May 13, 1854.

☞Queen Ann's Court adjourned to the 29th instant, when the negro Miller, indicted for murder, will be tried.

THE NEBRASKA BILL.—The friends of this bill, in the House of Representatives, expected a vote upon it yesterday. The passage of the bill is conceded.

MR. FILLMORE.—A number of the citizens of Baltimore, without regard to party, have united in a call for a public meeting to make suitable arrangements for the reception of Ex-President Fillmore, on his return from the South.

The Hoffman Murder.

We have published the accounts of the arrest of Mrs. Baker for the murder of Hoffman, a German in St. Louis some weeks since, with some of the circumstances connected with the deed. As Mrs. Baker has made a statement herself of the cause of the shooting we think she has a right to be heard. She says:—

That Hoffman endeavored to persuade her to go with him to Germany, where he would make her a Countess. On her indignantly rejecting his overture, he begged her not to tell her husband, and excused himself by saying that he had spells of madness, and stated that he was going to Germany. She thought never to see him again; but "on the 20th of February, 1854, Mr. Hoffman again entered my room and seemed to be much troubled. He remained sometime without speaking a word, then said he would not leave St. Louis without taking me with him.

"I reminded him of his promise so solemnly made on the 14th, and of the cruelty of his persecutions. He at once became much excited—said he would have me dead or alive—that it was useless for me to resist him any longer—that if he could not get me by permission he would take me by force—that he wished I would tell my husband—that he was prepared for Mr. Baker—that he knew Mr. Baker well and would satisfy him—that I had been guilty—that he had proof, and would write letters to him and my relations, blasting my character—that Mr. Baker would desert me, and I would be glad to come to him when forsaken by my husband and relations—that he would take me on the street by force and carry me off in a carriage. He did attempt to use violence on my person—I replaused him and he fled."

After this, she informed her husband, who gave her a pistol and told her to defend herself. The next time Hoffman visited her she fired on him, and then ensued the horible scourage and mutilation he received at the hands of her husband and friends.

When Hoffman partially recovered, he still haunted her boarding house, and she was afraid to go out unless accompanied by her husband. She was informed that her character was blighted but resolved to resent her insults. The circumstances of shooting Hoffman she narrates thus:

"Was descending Fourth street, between Locust and Olive, not very far from the corner of Olive and Fourth when Hoffman met me. He gave a fixed look of contempt, and as he reached my side he spoke and said to me 'You d—d w—.' Fired by his manner and his words, I drew the pistol and he ran, I pursued him, and tried to fire it but I suppose I did not pull hard enough; I could not get it off till he ran into the store. I fired at him twice, and did not attempt to fire again."

LARGE LAND PURCHASE.—The Milwaukee Sentinel says Mr. J. Lullington of that city, and Mr. J. E Kelly, of N. Y late of the firm of Drew, Robson & Co., have purchased all the school-lands belonging to Wisconsin, now in the market, at the appraised valuation. The amount is supposed to be about 60,000 acres, and the average price not far from $1.25 per acre. These lands have been in market, subject to private entry, about two years.

AFFAIR OF HONOR.—Charles Irving, of the Lynchburg (Va) Republican, has challenged Hon. Philip S. White, the great Temperance Lecturer, to fight a duel, in consequence of some remarks which Mr. White had made in a public address in that city. Mr. W. replied that he was under engagements until the 10th of June, but should be happy to meet Mr. Irving on the 12th of June at the United states Hotel in Philadelphia.

☞The Jacksonville (Ala.) Sunny South, of the 21st instant, says that Col Edward Stiff, sr., late editor and Proprietor of the Radical Reformer, committed suicide on Sunday evening the 22d ultimo.

FURTHER BY STEAMER CANADA.

The Missing Steamer City of Glasgow—The War—Russian Movements—the Markets, &c.

HALIFAX May 11th.—The steamer Washington sailed from Southampton for New York on the 25th ult., with 250 passengers.

THE CITY OF GLASGOW.

There had been no tidings received in England of the long missing steamer City of Glasgow, and notwithstanding the confidence of her owners in her safety, the most serious doubt is entertained especially by those who have friends on board.

THE EASTERN WAR.

The news from the seat war indicates increased vigor on the part of her allies; 20 000 French and 8,000 English troops had arrived at Gallipolis.

Napier was at Stockholm on the 27th and his fleet was anchored 50 miles off. The allied fleets were off Odessa on the 26th.

The Russians were rapidly withdrawing from the neighborhood of Kalafat, whilst they are said to have evacuated Little Wallachia, and it is supposed are now concentreting their forces for an overwelming attack on Sillistria, before the Turks can be reinforced by the allied army.

The engagement near Kalafat is reported as one of the most sanguinary conflicts that has yet taken place, resulting in severe loss to both sides, and at the same time securing no permanent benefit to either.

RUSSIA.

The Russian decree gives the English and French vessels six weeks from the 19th April to escape from the Russian ports in the Black Sea, and six weeks from May 17th to leave the Baltic ports. The enemies property in neutral bottoms is to be considered inviolable.

MARKETS.

Liverpool, April 29th.—The market for Breadstuffs shows a steadydownward course.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—The fire which occurred in Forsyth St., N. York, on Tuesday, originated in a large soap and candle factory, and was not extinguished until every building of the block had been destroyed. Near the factory was an extensive lager beer brewery, to which the flames communicated, and it was also destroyed. The fire then progressed rapidly along the dwellings and other building along towards the Bowery, destroying everything in its course. The buildings destroyed were mostly constructed of wood, and the loss of their owners is not as extensive as that of the occupants, mostly poor families. At one time fears were entertained for the safety of the adjoining block, and a general alarm was sounded. The flames were, however, extinguished, and the surrounding blocks saved. The property destroyed was, probably, worth over $60,000.

OUR RELATIONS WITH SPAIN.—The Washington Union, of yesterday, in an article on our relations with Spain, remarks:

"We are quite free to state—and in terms so emphatic and unequivocal as to admit of no misinterpretation—that if ample satisfaction is not allowed for the piratical seizure of the Black Warrior, we shall advocate an immediate blockade of the island."

It also remarks that the detention in office of Gen. Pezuela, the Captain General of Cuba, "renders the establishment of good relations with Spain and friendly intercourse with her possessions almost impossible."

CONNECTICUT.—The Legislature of Connecticut was organized at New Haven on Wednesday. In the Senate John Boyd was elected Speaker pro tem., and in the House Lafayette S. Foster was elected Speaker. The election of Governor and other State officers took place on Thursday, when the Whig candidates were all elected, viz: Henry Dutton, Governor; A. C. Holly Lieutenant Governor; Oliver H. Perry, Secretary of State; Daniel W. Cary, Treasurer; John Dunham, Comptroller. The inauguration of the officers took place on the same day they were elected.

RHODE ISLAND.—The General Assembly of Rhode Island convened at Newport on the 2nd inst, and Henry V. Cranston was elected Speaker of the House. Wm. W. Hoppin was inaugurated as Governor, with the usual ceremonies. The two Houses afterwards met in grand committee, and elected the following officers in default of an election by the people: John J Reynolds, Lieut. Governor; Wm. R. Watson, Secretary of State; Christopher Robinson, Attorney General; Sam'l R. Vernon, General Treasurer.

MURDER OF AN ARTIST.—A young artist at St. Louis, named Laidlaw said to be an accomplished scene-painter, and the reputed husband of Sallie St. Clair, a beautiful English actress, now residing and performing at St. Louis, took a ride a few days ago into the country, from that city, in company with another man, and on the next day was found dead in the woods, with a bullet in the herd.—His companion has not since been seen. The deceased was a native of Europe.

☞Mrs. Baker has been fully committed at St. Louis, to answer the charge of murder in shooting Hoffman.

IMPORTANT NEWS.

ARRIVAL of STEAMER GEORGE LAW.

War Declared in Mexico.

Blockade of the Port of Acapulco by Santa Anna.

TERRIBLE STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION.

The Mail steamship George Law, Captain Fox, arrived at New York yesterday morning, from San Francisco.—She brings the California mails of April 15, $317,573 in treasure on freight, and 581 passengers.

The intelligence by this arrival is highly important. The news was brought down by the John L. Stephens which left San Francisco some hours after the Sierra Nevada.

The news from Mexico is of a highly interesting nature. Santa Anna has blockaded the port of Acapulco, and the government troops and those of the revolutionary party are busily engaged in fighting.

THE PORT OF ACAPULCO BLOCKADED

The Pacific mail steamship John L. Stephens, R. H. Pearson Commander, left San Francisco with 500 passengers, the U. S. mails, and $1,000 in specie, on Saturday, April 15. Steamship Sierra Nevada left on the same day for San Juan.

On the 22, at 9 A. M. saw a ship in Mansonilla Bay. Same day, at 5 P. M. arrived off the harbor of Acapulco, saw two vessels, showing what appeared to be French colors, laying off the main entrance, each of which fired a gun as the Stephens approached through the north channel, and soon afterwards fired a shot which fell short of us. The engine was immediately stopped, and the helm put to starboard. The ship forereaching came in full view of the fort, which appeared to be crowded with men.

The steamer then luring her steerage way, and drifting towards the rocks on the north shore of the bay, the engine was started ahead to bring her round head to wind and tide, when the ship and schooner coming up under our lee in point blank range, fired two shots over us. The engine was again stopped, a boat lowered, and the first officer sent to inquire the cause of their firing into us. He was not allowed to board the ship, but was met by an officer in the ship's boat, who informed him that the port was blockaded, and that we must immediately leave the harbor, or he would sink us if he could.

Capt. Pearson himself then boarded the ship and was immediately informed by the commander that his orders were imperative from Santa Anna, to allow no vessel to pass, and that if we attempted he would fire into us. Having sufficient coal to reach San Juan the ship was put on her course at 9 P. M., and orders given to the engineer to use all possible economy.

During the detention of the Stephens at Acapulco; shots were frequently exchanged between the two vessels and the fort, and without effect on either side. Santa Anna with an army estimated at from three to five thousand men, was encamped in the neighborhood, and it was expected that he would make an attack on the town during the night.

Terrible Steamboat Explosion.

From an extra issued at the office of the San Francisco Commercial Advertiser just previous to the sailing of the John L Stephens, dated April 15, 4 p.m. we have intelligence of a terrible steamboat explosion in the bay of San Francisco. The Particulars are as follows:

This morning about 10 o'clock, the steamers Secretary and Nevada left from Pacific wharf, bound for Petaluma. At 12 o'clock precisely, while crossing San Pablo bay, the Secretary burst her boiler, carrying death and distruction in every part of the boat to the passengers, of whom a large number were on board. So great was the force of the explosion that the boat was literally blown to pieces. The Nevada happened to be near, and immediately rendered every possible assistance. She immediately put about after caring for the survivers and attending to the dead.

Many persons were blown overboard, and their bodies not recovered. The Nevada arrived at San Francisco at 3 o'clock, with the survivers and the bodies of those recovered. We learn from Capt. Travers, of the Secretary, that the scene on board after the explosion was awful—the groans of the dying and wounded and the lamentations of those whose friends were lost, being almost heart-rending.

Lower California and Sonora.

We copy the following letter from the San Francisco Herald, dated,

SAN DIEGO, April 6, 1854

The last advices from Lower California give us the information that the party of Walker have retreated from the Valle de la Trinidad towards the Colorada, on their way to Texas through New Mexico. They took with them some 600 head of sheep, belonging to one of the rancheros, the herdsman of which was killed by a portion of Walker's men, under the command of one Capt. C. Gage. The whole force is now reduced to a total of 70, fifty officers and twenty men, making just 2½ officers to a man, or two-fifths of a man to the command of an officer. The expedition from its birth to its dissolution, seems the incarnation of the ridiculous.

☞The Absecom and Camden Railway will be completed on the 25th inst, and numerous improvements are to be made at Absecomb, to render it an attractive watering place.

THE NEW COIN.—A specimen of the new three dollar gold coin is received. Messrs Adams & Co. have provided a supply for those who think they can find a use for the article, by simply leaving "collateral security" in an available form for the accommodation. It is a beautiful coin, ranging in size about midway between the two dollar and a half and five dollar pieces. On one side is the head of liberty, adorned with a cincture of plumes, which gives her quite an aboriginal, "native American" aspect; it is circumscribed with the words "United States of America." On the obverse is a garland of native products, and within it the denominational value and date—"3 dollars, 1854" It is quite upon a new style, and will be very acceptable to every body.

MOVEMENTS OF MATTHEW WARD.—We have already noticed the arrival of Matt. Ward and brother at Cannelton, Ind. They had been in the town but a short time before, as we learn from the Hawesville Eagle, a committee of citizens waited upon them and desired them to leave the place. Thereupon they went to Judge Huntington's, some distance in the country; and afterwards took passage on the Eclipse for Arkansas. When the steamer reached Henderson a large crowd collected on the wharf and ordered the captain to be off with his boat and cargo.

☞A beautiful woman once said to Gen. Shields, who by the-by was an Irishman—

"How is it, that having obtained so much glory, you still seek for more?"

"Ah, madam," he replied, "how is it, that you who have so much beauty should still put on the paint?"

☞Why does father call mother honey?" asked a boy to his elder brother.—"Can't think 'cept its because she's got a large comb in her head."

Baltimore Grain Market.

From yesterday's Sun.

Wheat, white	$2 08 a 2 14
" red	2 00 a 2 05
Corn white	72 a 74
" yellow	75
Oats	54 a 55

Sellers' Cough Syrup!

CANNOT BE RECOMMENDED TOO HIGHLY.

Wadsworth, Medina Co., O., Feb. 24, 1852.

MR R. E. SELLERS:—I have sold all the Imperial Cough Syrup your Agent left with me, and should like to have more of it. We have used your Syrup in our families, and can safely pronounce it the best Cough Medicine we have ever known, and cannot recommend it too highly to all those who are afflicted with coughs, or colds, as a speedy and certain cure.

S. BLOCKER, Post Master.
J. M. BEACH, J. SLUTTER,
J. R. LITTLE D. GEISINGER.

The above is strong testimony, and offered without solicitation, in behalf of the best cough medicine of the day.

Prepared and sold by R. E SELLERS & Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

And for sale by
Simon Wickes, Chester Town.
Abel J. Rees, Rees' Corner.
M. V. Boyer, Millington,
And by Druggists generally on the Eastern Shore and in Baltimore city.

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Marriages.

On Thursday last, by Rev. Mr. Roberts, Mr. JOSEPH LAUDEN, of Baltimore City, to Mrs. EMELINE RODGERS, of this place.

On the 4th inst., by Rev. Wm. J. Dale, Mr JACOB WORDELL, of Delaware, to Miss ELIZABETH C. HARTT, of Kent county.

Deaths.

On the 8th of April WILSON LEE, son of Frederick A. and Elizabeth C Frazier, aged 2 years and 14 days

All the day long I list to the singing
Of the gay birds, and winds among the trees:
But a sad under strain is ever ringing
A tale of Death and its dread mysteries.
Nature to me the letter is that killeth,
The spirit of his charms has passed away;
A fount of bliss no more my bosom filleth.
Slumbers its idol in unconscious clay!
Thou art in the grave my child!

Come but in dreams, let me once more behold thee,
As in thy hours of buoyancy and glee,
And one brief moment in my arms enfold thee;
Beloved I will not ask thy stay with me!
Leave but the impress of thy love-like beauty,
Which memory strives so vainly to recall,
And I will onward in the path of duty;—
Restraining tears that ever fain would fall!
Come but in dreams my child!

GREAT BARGAINS IN NEW GOODS.

MISS EARLE has opened a beautiful assortment of Black and Summer Silks, Shally and Barege Delaines, Calicoes, Brilliants, Lawns, a choice lot at 12½ cents; French Lawns 37½ and 44 cts., hemstiched kerchiefs 44 cts, Worked Collars from 18¾ to 2 and $3 each, Worked Bands, Cambric and Swiss, Worked Sleeves from 75 cts to $1.75; Watered black silk, black silk lace, dress trimmings, Fancy Buttons, and many other desirable articles.

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Take Notice.

THE person who borrowed my two large SYRINGES will please return them. They were purchased for the benefit of the public, and must be returned. JOHN L. STAM.

May 13, 1854.

STEAMBOAT NOTICE.



Being unable to obtain the necessary facilities, for the accommodation of the trade of the Steamer Lady Wilmer, *at Turner's Creek*, and the charge demanded for the privilege of taking off and landing passengers and discharging freight—(for we are not allowed to *receive any produce from there*,—and it is the only landing on the Sassafras, where we are so *prohibited*)—being greater than the business there will justify our paying—Notice is hereby given, that in future, passengers and freight will be landed at the public landing—and all persons expecting consignments, must be in attendance on Thursday afternoons, to receive their goods and pay freight on the same.

For the protection of goods, they will not be landed, unless the parties are there to receive them.

EDWIN WILMER, President.

All persons indebted for freights, will please settle at an early date with the Captain

May 13, 1854.

Trustee's Sale.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Kent county in Equity, the subscriber as trustee, will expose to public sale at the door of the hotel of Mr. Clayton, in Chester Town, on

MONDAY,

the first day of June next, at 11 o'clk, A. M., all that piece or parcel of

LAND

situate near the Head of Sassafras, in Kent county, of which the late Mary Boyer died seized; the land adjoins the Mill property, and contains about Acres.

Terms of Sale—A credit of six and twelve months will be given.

J. B. RICAUD, *Trustee.*

May 13, 1854.

WANTED,

A BOY who has been used to work, to learn the CARTWRIGHT and PLOUGH business. Any one wishing to learn this business will please apply immediate at the Foundry, Chestertown, where every advantage is offered

JOHN T. WINCHESTER.

May 13, 1851—3t

BACON FOR SALE.

A large lot of Bacon; price 10 cents cash. By W. B. WILMER.

May 13, 1854.

FOR SALE.

READY-MADE CLOTHING. By W. B. WILMER.

May 13 1854.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned having been appointed Examiners by the County Commissioners on the petition of James H Hartt, to examine and determine whether the public interest and convenience require the said road to be opened. Beginning opposite the farm of Wm F. Smyth, formerly the farm of James M. Brown, and running through the lands of Thomas McLaughlin, Jr., to the lands of James H. Hartt, a distance of about twenty yards or more though said Lot; hereby give notice, that they will meet at the above proposed beginning of said road, on Monday the 5th day of June next, and then and there will proceed to discharge the duties devolving upon us by said appointment.

GEO. W. SPENCER,
WILLIAM F. SMYTHE,
JOHN E. CACY,
Examiner

may 6, 1854.

THE CHEAP

Variety Store.

THE subscriber has just returned from the city with a full assortment of fresh

GROCERIES.

Porto Rico Syrup, Sugars, of all kinds, a complete assortment of

Confectionery,

Imported Fruits, almonds, nuts of all kinds, and a great variety of notions too numerous to insert in an advertisement But still call at

CANADY'S OLD STAND,

opposite the Market House, whenever you cannot be supplied elsewhere, or before if you like, and you need not go any further. Save time, for time is money.'

Flour, Bacon, Lard, Cheese, Fish, Meal and Brand. All kinds of produce taken in exchange for goods at fair prices. Also window glass, putty, whitening, white lead, Linseed oil, machine oil, Ethereal oil, Spirits Turpentine, &c

The above articles will be kept at all times by the subscriber.

S W. CANADY, No. 3, Cheapside.

may 6, '54.

For Sale.

A NEGRO WOMAN of good qualities also a NEGRO BOY, for terms apply to the Editor.

May 6, 1854.

WHITE GOODS.

A good assortment of Swiss, Plaid and Cambric Muslins, just open and for sale low, by T. W. ELIASON.

May 13, 1854.

AFFLICTED READ!

PHILADELPHIA MEDICAL HOUSE,

ESTABLISHED TWENTY YEARS AGO

BY DR. KINKELIN,

Corner of Third and Union Sts., Between Spruce and Pine, Philadelphia, Pa.

INVALIDS

Are apprised that Dr. Kinkelin confines his practice to a certain branch of medicine, which engages his undivided attention. He cautions the unfortunate against the abuse of mercury; thousands are annually mercurialized out of life. Recent affections are promptly extinguished.

TWENTY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

In the treatment of a class of diseases hitherto neglected and imperfectly understood, has enabled Dr Kinkelin (*Author of a work on Self-Preservation.*) to prove that nine-tenths of the causes of nervous debility, local and constitutional weakness, mental and physical suffering, are traceable to certain habits, forming the most secret yet deadly and fatal springs of domestic misery and premature mortality.

TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE.

There is an evil habit sometimes indulged in by boys, in solitude, often growing up with them to manhood, and which, if not reformed in due time, not only begets serious obstacles to matrimonial happiness, but gives rise to a series of protracted, insidious, and devastating affections. Few of those who give way to this pernicious practice are aware of the consequences, until they find the nervous system shattered, feel strange and unaccountable feelings, and vague fears in the mind.

The unfortunate thus affected becomes feeble, is unable to labor with accustomed vigor, or to apply his mind to study; his step is tardy and weak, he is dull irresolute, and engages in his sports with less energy than usual.

If he emancipates himself before the practice has done its worst, and enters matrimony, his marriage is unfruitful, and his sense tells him that this is caused by early follies. *These are considerations which should awaken the attention of those similarly situated.*

MARRIAGE

Requires the fulfilment of several conditions, in order that it may be really the cause of mutual happiness. Could the veil which covers the origin of domestic wretchedness be raised, and its true source in every instance disclosed—in how many could it be traced to physical disqualifications and their attendant disappointments! Apply then while it is yet time, in order to have your unstrung and relaxed organization rebraced, revivified and strengthened.

REMEMBER,

He who places himself under Dr. Kinkelin's treatment may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and rely upon the assurance, that the secrets of Dr. K.'s patients will never be disclosed.

Young man—let no false modesty deter you from making your case known to one who, from education and respectibility, can certainly befriend you.

Too many think they will conceal the secret in their own hearts, and cure themselves. Alas! how often is this a fatal delusion, and how many a promising young man who might have been an ornament to society, has faded from the earth.

Strictures upon the urethra are rapidly removed by the application of a new therapeutical agent, and only by Dr. K. Weakness and constitutional debility promptly cured, and full vigor restored.

COUNTRY INVILADS

Can have (by stating their case explicitly together with all their symptoms, per letter enclosing a remittance) Dr. K's medicine appropriated accordingly

Forwarded to any part of the United States, and packed secure from DAMAGE or CURIOSITY.

READ! READ!!

YOUTH AND MANHOOD.

A Vigorous Life or a Premature Death.

KINKELIN ON SELF-PRESERVATION,

Only 25 *cents.*

It is a work eminently required, as a means of reforming the vices of the age in which we live. Also,

Nature's Guide,

With Rules for the Prolongation of Life,

Just from the Press.

A letter with a remittance of 25 cents or the value in post stamps, addressed to—Dr. KINKELIN, Philadelphia, Pa., will secure of a copy of either of the above books by return of mail; or 12 copies will be sent free of postage for $1. Booksellers, Canvassers, Traveling Agents, &c., supplied wholesale at the publisher's prices, which admit of a large profit.

☞All letters must be post paid.

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Boots & Shoes.

T. W. ELIASON has just opened a large stock of Boots and Shoes. He has Men's fine and thick Boots and Lace Boots; Boys' and Children's Lace Boots, and Ladies Gaiters, Morocco Ties, Welts, Buskins and Boots.

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Groceries.

T. W. ELIASON has just opened a large stock of fresh Groceries, he has prime Rio Jamaica and old white Coffee, very good Sugars at 6¼ to 8c., loaf and crushed Sugars; superior black and green Teas, Porto Rico Syrup, Molasses, Rice, Salt, Flour, Candles, Soap, Spices, &c. &c., &c. May 13, '54.

BRANDY and Old Holland Gin for sale by WM. BACCHUS.