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THE KENT NEWS,

A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

Devoted to Agriculture, Literature, Politics, and General News.

EDWARD MANSFIELD

PROPRIETOR.

TERMS:

$1.50 payable in advance—$2 at the expiration of the first six months, or $2.50 at the end of the year. To CLUBS—5 copies for $6—10 copies for $10. No subscription received for a shorter period than six months, and no paper will be discontinued until all arrears are paid.

Single papers 5 cents.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING.

Advertisements not exceeding ten lines will be inserted three times for $1 and 25 cts. for every insertion thereafter—larger ones in proportion. A liberal deduction made to yearly advertisers. Advertisements must have the number of times marked, or they will be published till forbid and charged accordingly.

SPECIAL NOTICES.—All Communications of a personal nature will be charged for at the rates of fifty cents a square for the first insertion, and twenty-five cents for every subsequent insertion.

Obituary notices, when they exceed six lines will be charged at the rate of fifty cents a square.

Proceedings of public meetings, except those of a religious or charitable nature, will be charged for at the usual rates, those handing them in will be held responsible.

SOUTHERN AGENCY

FOR

McCORMICK'S

Reaping & Mowing Machine

HAVING now the entire control for this section, of this celebrated Machine, I take the opportunity of informing the agricultural community that the most *extensive arrangements* are making to give all an opportunity of procuring one of these long and *thoroughly tried Machines*.

We would caution purchasers to be careful how they are persuaded into taking hold of so important a matter as an *untried Reaping Machine*, while the reputation of McCormick's is so well established throughout the world.

The perfection of a Reaping Machine being obtained only by actual observation of its action in cutting grain, and that period of time being very brief, viz., the Harvest it is obvious that it would require almost a life-time to obtain that object. This has happily been obtained by Mr. McCormick, and he now puts forth a Machine that may be termed perfect.

Notwithstanding the *gross* fabrication of pirating parties—who are indeed making my Machines under an assumed name, with injurious imitations, the following is the Official List of awards to Reaping and Mowing Machines at Paris:

No. 1. Grand Gold Medal of Honor. C. H. McCormick, Chicago, Ill.

No. 2 Medal of Honor, Gold. No Reaper in this list.

No 3 First Class Silver Medal. J. H Manny, Illinois.

No 4 Second Class Silver Medal, J. S Wright Chicago, for Atkin's Self-Raker.

The Scientific American of Dec. 15th, 1855 for correctness of above list of awards.

I quote from the Official Report as follows:—"In agriculture, the Sole Grand Medal of Honor has awarded to C. H. McCormick of Chicago, Illinois, United States of America, inventor of the reaping Machine that has operated the best every trial, and is the type after which all the other Reapers have been made, with different modifications that have not changed the principle of the discovery."

The following article also appeared in the Scientific American of January 12th 1856:—"La Presse, the most extensively circulated newspaper in France, has devoted no less than four columns to a historical sketch and minute description of McCormick's Reaping Machine, with an account of the extraordinary results obtained in recent trials before the international jury; and it bestows great praise on American inventors generally."

☞Above I have given a fair and candid statement of the results of the grand French Exhibition of *all* Nations, and in addition to the Scientific American can refer to the leading papers generally of the Union, for the truth of these statements.

It was *Jerome*, (and *not Prince* Napoleon, the President of the French Exhibition) that bought Manny's Machine, while the *Emperor* bought one, there being but one of mine to be had.

That the public may be on their guard at all times in giving credit to statements of various sorts (in some shape or other) of these machines I respectfully ask a comparison of the *above facts* with the *gross misrepresentations* of the manufacturer of the Manny Machine, as contained in publications that have appeared from them; an article which they pretend to quote from *Le Constitutionale*, being a counterfeit, and never having appeared in that paper. I would also call attention to the fact that the *comments* (!) of the editors or proprietor (but not the *Jurors of the French Exhibition*,) have appeared in the Prairie Farmer owned and conducted by Mr. Wright, maker of "Atkins' Self-Raker."

☞A *full* supply of *all* the various parts *on hand* can be supplied at *shortest notice*. To avoid being supplied order early.

Price of combined Machine $155.

☞I take occasion to say—observing numerous trials advertised and talked of in different parts of the country, the result of which will give the farmers an opportunit to decide *soon as to their merits*—would remark with confidence of settling the matter, any Farmer *wanting* a Machine can judge of McCormicks, to be tried *in his own place* and at *my risk*.

B. M. RHODES,

Sole Agent,

141 *West Pratt street, Baltimore.*

June 7, 1856.

☞Any orders left with Mr. Wm. P. Francis will be promptly attended to.

Cash Store.

JAMES W. PHILIPS

WILL continues to keep store at the Old Stand, and will sell at SMALL PROFITS FOR CASH or Country Produce.

On account of my health together with the unsettled condition of my business, I find it prudent to adopt the cash system and all persons indebted to me on account otherwise are requested to make payment by

je. 28, '56.

JUST OF white and colored Canton matting on hand which will be sold *at Cost for* cash. But the cash must come in all cases as I will not sell it te any one on credit.

June 28, 1856. W. N. F. WICKES.

BOHEMIA MILLS.

CLOTH MANUFACTURING, &c.

THE subscribers takes this method of informing their friends and the public generally, that they have rented from Thomas Murphy, the Bohemia Mills for the purpose of manufacturing

Three-Quarter and Six-Quarter Cloth and Kersey,

Blanketing 4-4 and 8-4 wide; also Stocking Yarn, of various sizes and colors, and colors, and having a large stock of goods now on hand, and machinery in good order, (some of it entirely new,) and both of the firm being experienced and practical men in the business, we feel very sanguine of being able and are determined to give entire satisfaction.

We have agents in different sections to receive wool and destribute our goods.—C. W. Murphy and Wm. Solloway are our Travelling agents to receive wool and destribute goods.

Wm. P. Francis agent, will purchase wool at the highest cash price.

KERSHAW & WARREN.

May 31, '56—3m.

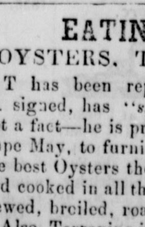
B. B. Perkins,

HAS just received a large stock of Hardware, Queensware, Tin ware, Cedar ware, brooms Brushes, of all kinds, Ropes, Plough Bridles, cheap, Collars, Whips, Canes, Umbrellas, Hats and Caps, Books and Stationary; riding bridles, hitch reins, halters, Ploughs, and Plough Castings, and many oher small wares; a large assortment of Groceries, crush'd and bro. Sugar, Rio, Laguyra, Maricabo and Java Coffee, green and black Teas, Vinegar, Lamp and Etherial Oil. Mould and adamantine Candles, Tobacco, Rice, Starch, Saleratus, bread and wash Soda, Ginger Pepper, Cloves, Nutmegs, Mace, Cinnamon, allspice, indigo, red paint, paint Brushes, brown and white soap, all of which will be sold cheap.

Apr. 5, 1856.

TO FARMERS, MERCHANTS, AND OTHERS.

THE subscribers respectfully announce to their friends and the public in general that having taken the "Farmers' Foundry" in Chestertown, they how have on hand a large quantity of materials which they will manufacture to order in the best manner, and at the shortest notice.



They also keep constantly on hand a good supply of Plough Castings, which cannot be surpassed in neatness and durability by any manufactured in the State. CARTS, WAGONS, PLOUGHS &c., made to order at the shortest notice and low rates. All kind of machine work done in the neatest manner and at short notice on accommodating terms for cash. Blacksmithing will bt done in a workmanlike manner and of the bese materials. They would particularly call the attention of the Merchants and Farmers of Kent and the adjoining counties to their castings—they will be sold as cheap as can be purchased elsewhere. ☞All descriptions of old iron will be taken in exchange for work at the highest prices.

HENRY W. EARNEST,

DAVID A. BENJAMIN.

Jan 19, 1856 —tf

New Goods!

AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL!!

C. H. KENTON opposite the M. E. Church has just returned from the city with a full supply of

GROCERIES,

LIQUORS,

SEGARS,

TOBACCO,

and various other goods which he is selling at small profits for cash. Call and see and bring your trade along.

He wants to purchase a large lot of furs and hides, viz: 10,000 muskrat skins, 500 otter, 5,000 coon, 20,000 rabbit, 500 cat skins, 200 fox, 100 Opossum, 1,000 mink; and any quantity of beef hides, calf skins, horse hides and sheep skins for which the highest prices will be given either in cash or goods.

March 22, 1856.

LUMBER YARD.

A FULL and excellent lot of White Pine and Hemlock Boards; Rails, Joists, Studding, &c., &c., &c., now on hand by the subscriber.

This is a prime lot of lumber, was stacked before being rafted, and will, when dry, be thoroughly seasoned. The white pine Boards and Plank is *very* superior. It will soon be dry and will be sold on very accommodating terms.

CHARLES H. WICKES.

July 21, 1855.—tf.

EATING HOUSE!

OYSTERS, TERRAPINS, &c.

IT has been reported that the undersigned, has "*shut up shop*," such is not a fact—he is prepared at his old stand Cape May, to furnish his customors with the best Oysters the market will afford, and cooked in all the various ways: fried, stewed, broiled, roasted, or scalled.

Also, Terrapins in season. Beef steak and Coffee furnished at all times He will prepare suppers for gentlemen to order.

Thankful for past favors, he solicits continuance.

The public's humble servant,

LEVI RODGERS.

March 8, 1856.

Millwrighting.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the public that he is prepared to build or repair *Grist or Saw Mills*, at the shortest notice. Bolting-cloths will be furnished and fixed up in a womanlike manner. His experience in all the branches of the above business is such that he flatters himself able to give satisfaction to all who may employ him. All orders left at McDaniel's hotel Chestertown, will be promptly attended to.

JNO. WRIGHT.

Jan. 19, 1856—tf

CIGARS.—a choice lot of Cigars and Tobacco for sale by C. H. KENTON.

"Young America."

CORN AND COB MILL.

THE undersigned has been appointed agent for the sale of this superior mill which he will sell at the city price. Advantages of the Young American or Excelsior mill over all others,—1st, great strength and durability, 2nd, simplicity—having only one set screw to graduate the quality of grinding, which renders it so simple that it may be managed by any ordinary farm hand; 3rd, it will grind more corn or corn and cob in the same time, and of the same quality, than any other mill in use of the same size; 4th economy, that part of the mill which is most liable to wear being made separate from the main body of the machine, can be renewed when worn out at the small cost of $3. Thus, in the Young America or Excelsior mill, we present the best, cheapest, and most durable mill ever offered to the farmer. This mill is of larger size and greater capacity than any other mill sold at the same price.

Price $50, with a discount of 5 pr. ct off for cash, including an extra set grinding plates, which renders it equal to two entire mills, for $50 and new plates can be furnished at the small cost of $3 per set, which can be attached in the same manner that new points or shares are put to a plough, when the old ones are worn out; delivered in any part of the county.

B. B. PERKINS.

April 5, 1856.

NEW PRINTS AND SUMMER

GOODS!

JAMES ARTHUR

HAS just returned from Philadelphia with an assortment of *ELEGANT GOODS*, adapted to men's wear, to which he invites the attention of his customers and all persons in want of such Goods. The stock consists of fine and medium French Cloths, cassimeres, vestings, Doap D'Eta, white and fancy drillings, Linen duck, Tailors Trimmings, and fine linen cambric red silk Handkerchiefs, silk and lawn Cravats, stocks, stockings, collars, silk and gauze morena shirts, &c. Also

READY MADE CLOTHING,

of a superior quality, silk and soft hats, all of which were selected with great care from the importers and Manufacturers and will be sold at the lowest prices.

Terms cash, unless otherwise agreed upon before the sale. Goods cut and made up as usual in the most fashionable styles. Call, see and buy. One door below the Post Office.

apr. 19, 1856.

JOSEPH Y. FORD,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

ADJOINING THE FOUNTAIN HOTEL, LIGHT ST.

BALTIMORE,

WISHES to inform the citizens of Kent that he has received a beautiful assortment of Cloths, Gassimers, Vestings and Linen Goods for Spring and Summer wear; which he will make up in the most fashionable and durable manner, also an assortment fine Clothing ready made.

Mar. 8, 1856.

NOTICE.

I WILL sell 5 Brood Sows and pigs, 2 Fine Young Mares, 1 Jack—four years old in the spring, and wants to purchase about Twenty Head young Cattle. Persons in want of the above or who have stock to sell will do well to call on

ABEL J. REES.

Rees' Corner, Md., Jan. 12, 1856.

CARRIAGE AND HARNESS MAKING.



THE subscriber still continues to carry on the above business, near McDaniel's Hotel, Chestertown, Having employed the best workmen, he is now prepared to make Carriages, of any style, at short notice, which will compare favorably with any in the State—terms reasonable. Repairing, of all kinds, done with despatch.

JOHN GREENWOOD.

Feb. 2, 1856,—tf

WANTED—A boy to learn the Carriage trimming. G.J.

DAIRY IMPLEMENTS.

SPAIN'S Patent atmospheric premium churns of various sizes, also horse power churns and fixtures, butter workers three varieties, butter Prints, &c.

PASCHALL MORRIS & Co.

Implement & Seed Store, 7th & Market sts., Phila.

May 31, 1856.

NEW GOODS.

DANIEL COLLINS & SON, have opened at the OLD STAND formerly the firm of Collins & Hynson, an assortment of

GOODS,

all new—which they will sell low for cash or credit to punctual customers.—Their friends and the public are invited to call and examine for themselves.

May 31, '56.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

THE subscribers (successors to Wilmer & Fox) have this day associated themselves together, and the name and style of *Wilmer & Gelita* for the conducting of a Lumber, Grain and warehouse at George Town, and respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage so liberally extended to the late firm.

They will keep on hand a well assorted stock and hope to merit and receive a generous support.

EDWIN WILMER,

JOSEPH GOLIBART.

Apr, 12, 1856.

ATTENTION FARMERS!

Guano excelled by 'De Burg.

The great advantage De Burgs Super Phosphate has over Guano, is attributed to the large amont of fertilizing matter, Phosphates and Ammonia, which it contains.

It is a settled point with all chemist and scientific farmers that Peruvian Guano only supplies about one half of the phosphates that is required to grow wheat, rye, oats, corn, vegetables, &c., and that is the reason that land becomes exhausted and impoverished by its continued application. Whereas De Burgs Super Phosphate supplies more than is required, by the crops, and is quite as effective in its action of inducing early maturity as guano, much more durable and fertilizing to the soil and less volatile.

It is adapted for all crops and all soils, as a proof, we have testimonials from Maland to Georgia, and from *every county in this State*, from every variety of soil, and from gentlemen well known as intelligent farmers—some of whom have tried it for two years on fall and spring crops with pleasing results, in every instance. We name Hon. J. A. Pearce, G. W. T. Perkins, L. M. Strong, J. Urie, W. W. Stephens, Wm. Emory, T. D. C. Ruth, Esqs., and many others.

Francis Cann, Esq. says: "I never had so fine a field of corn as I have at present. The corn and potatoes grown by "De Burg" were much superior in quality and quantity to those grown by No. 1, Peruvian Guano, at the same rate per acre. I think it the best fertilizer I ever tried and cheaper than guano."

Josiah Ringgold, Kent co. says: "I applied De Burg and Peruvian Guano separately, each at the rate of 200 lbs. per acre, on same quality of land in corn, oats and vegetables, and I think where DeBurg was used that my crops were much the best."

Wm. T. Skirven, Esq., Kent co., says: "There was a manifest difference in the growth of the corn where I applied "De Burg" over that which was guanoed.—My wheat sown with "De Burg" looks better than my guanoed wheat."

☞Every lot we receive is inspected and analyzed by the Chemist to the Md Agricultural Society, who draws samples himself from entire cargo, and rejects all that does not come up to the fixed standard, thereby guaranteeing to the farmer a uniformity not to be found in any guanoor other manure.

The best proof of the value of this fertilizer as entertained by the agricultural community is the greatly increased demand for it, which is beyond precedent in any other manure. In consequence of which many imitations have been put upon the market. Farmers should be particular and buy none but "De Burgs Supher Phosphate" and to secure the genuine article, order it direct from us.

Price $43 per 2000 pounds, in 8 bbls.

J. J. & F. TURNER,

42 Pratt st. Balt.

☞Send and get analysis and testimonials.

Feb. 23, 1856—tf

NOVIOCH, HEEBNER & CO.

POPLAR NECK SAW MILL!

THE subscribers would respectfully announce to the public that they now have their saw mill in full opperation and offer for sale sawed Lumber, such as, white oak, red oak, black oak, Hickory ond Poplar, which will be sawed to order; also, sawed white oak and Chesnut Posts, and Rails for fencing and chesnut railing 2 by 4, chesnut and white oak pailings, sawed chesnut shingles and oak laths, split posts and rails, oak and pine wood by the cord, also about 50,000 staves on the landing of the best quality.

All Timber delivered at the Mill will be sawed to order any length not exceeding 60 feet.

N. B. 40 Wood Choppers wanted to cut wood by the cord at 75 cents per cord: four good hands wanted to make posts and rails by the piece: two hands to make Railroad Sills, for which 15 cents per piece will be paid.

All orders will be promptly attended to.

HENRY NUNGESSER, Agent.

May 17, 1856.

THE KENT RESTAURANT!

THE undersigned would call the attention of the citizens of Kent and the travelling public to the fact that he has fitted up a

RESTRAURANT

on Princes street, near the Bank, where he is prepared to entertain the public in a satisfactory manner. His *BAR* is fitted up in the best style and he can furnish his patrons with either Cider, Ale Porter, Lager Beer, Coblers, Smashes, Punches, Julips, &c.. &c.

His liquors are of the most choicest baands—the best that has ever been offered to this public.

His Table will be supplied with all the delicacies of the season, and no pains spared to please all who may favor him with their patronage.

As he is determned to keep an orderly establishment he invites the public to give him a call.

J. F. POSTON.

Chestertown, May 10, 1856.

P. S. Suppers will be served up in the best manner to order.

Lumber at Reduced Prices!

Boards, Scantling, Joists, Fencing, Shingles, Laths, and Pales.

T. W. ELIASON has a good assortment of seasoned Lumber from last years stock, on which he has reduced the price in proportion to the decline in the market.

He has a large new stock of Boards, Plank, Sill Stuff, Joists and Scantling, of all the qualities, sizes and lengths usually wanted. Hemlock Boards and fencing, 2x3 in. Poplar Railing, oak Gate steles; best No. 1 Heart and common Heart Shingles, Lathes and Pales.

June 14, 1856.



POETRY.

[*From the Baltimore Clipper.*]

UP, AMERICANS, UP!

BY FINLEY JOHNSON.

AMERICANS! up with the front of defiance,
Be true to yourselves, and swear to be free;
Spurn those who support a "*foreign alliance.*"
Let FILLMORE & DONELSON your battle cry be;
Come forth from the mines, from each hamlet and cot,
And rrsolve in your might to sever
The links of that hateful, detestable chain,
And cast them aside forever.

Come forth from the shops in might and in power,
Let your voices ascend up to heaven;
And swear that before them ye ne'er will cower,
That ye will not—cannot be driven;
Beneath your feet trample the bonds that surround ye,
Ye sons of the free, ye sons of the brave;
Let your eyes pierce through the trial around ye
The same as the moonlight that beams on the wave.

AMERICANS, up, the foe is increasing,
Thousands, yea, millions, rush fast on the soil,
They come like the waves of old ocean, unceasing,
Grinding to earth *the true sons of toil;*
Then rise in your strength, and in trial's dark hour
Shrink not, but be nerved for the blow;
Ring, ring in their ears the downfall of power,
Let your shouts be the peal of death to your foe.

Then, AMERICANS, up with the cry of *protection,*
No *paupers* we want from *lands o'er the sea,*
To beat down the prices and *put in subjection,*
The sons of those men who *bled to be free;*
Yes, AMERICANS up, and tear feom the stranger
The power to do posterity harm;
Let us show to the world, at the onset of danger,
That *union* and *strength* is still in each arm.

AMERICANS up,—and remember the warning
That *Washington* gave to those of his care;
And when you behold those *base foreigners fawning,*
Of *foreigh influence* beware, oh, beware;
Like venemous snakes in the grass they are lying
Preparing forevce a treacherous spring;
Viper like for the kindness we ever award them
They return unto us a *viper's dreaded sting.*

Then, AMERICANS, up with the front of defiance,
Be true to yourselves and swear to be free;
Cry out for *protection*—place in God your reliance
And FILLMORE *the patriot* your refuge shall be;
And hope's bright sun in the pridt of the morning,
Shall disperse every doubt that may intervene;
A sun which is now, yea, even now dawning,
Dispelling all mists in the light of its gleam.

MISCELLANY.

A FATHER AND SON WITH SIX WIVES APIECE.—The Manchester (N. H.) *Mirror* gives a long account of the proceedings in that place, and in Rudland, Vt., of two men calling themselves Dr. Lyman A. Abbott and Jas. H. Abbott, said to be father and son, who are both now under arrest on the charge of bigamy. It is stated that they have each, within a short period, married no less than six wives. The father passed at Manchester, N. H., as the "rich uncle" of his son, and in consequence of his representations the tradesmen of Manchestor were victimized to the amount of several hundred dollars.

At New Ark, N. J., in 1854, the elder Abbott was married to a Mrs. Roberts who soon discovered that he had a wife living in Syracuse, N. Y. He was consequently arrested for bigamy, convicted and sentenced to ten years in the N. J. Penitentiary, but pardoned out after seven months detention. A Miss Garland, of Westmoreland, N. H., states that she married the same man under the name of Dr. Lyman Andrews, in 1852. In Sussex county, N. J., in 1849, he persuaded a Miss Sherman to elope with him. He was soon after obliged to abscond for threatening his wife's life, in order to obtain her property. It was also ascertained that the true original name of the "old Doctor" is Aaron Andrews Abbey, and the true name of the young man James Henry Abbey; the latter being the son of the former by his first wife. Both parties are held for trial.

WONDERFUL DISCOVERY AT THE MAMMOTH CAVE.—On the 11th inst, Steven Bishop, the guide, and three students, Robert Taylor, Clarence Bate and Wm. L. Stone, while rambling in the cave, discovered an entirely unknown passage of some two miles in length. By this important discovery the cave, already the largest in the world, is found to extend eleven miles, instead of nine, as has heretofore been supposed. This passage was found to lead to chambers far surpassing all those formerly known, both in extent and magnificence. It is supposed that this discovery will lead to others of still greater importance.—*Louisville Journal.*

PERUVIAN GUANO.

The Hon. J. R. Clay, U. S Minister at Lima, writes to Secretary Marcy, under date of April 18th, that neither the government of Spanish America nor their citizens have the privilege of purchasing guano from the Chinchas, or any other islands belonging to Peru, at a certain stipulated price by treaty, through municipal regulation or or sufferance, and that all the guano exported from the islands is shipped for the benefit of the Peruvian government, and sold in foreign markets under special contracts, by agents, who receive a commission for chartering vessels and on the sale of the article. No exception is made in favor of any foreign nation or its citizens. Peruvian citizens are allowed to take from the Chincha Islands and Pabellon Pica, without charge, a sufficient quantity for the agriculture of the country, but the government is very careful to prevent any portion of it being exported.

WHISKEY AND THE GOSPEL.—The Hard Shell Baptists seem to be furnishing a rich variety of amusing matters just now. A correspondent of Harpers Magazine writes thus:

"This sect (the Hard Shells) are in the habit of holding a yearly association in our vicinity, generally in a piece of woods near a good spring. The brethern from abroad are quartered upon those in the neighborhood of the meeting; and these are required, of course to lay in a good supply of the creature comforts, and among them, as the most important, a plenty of whiskey. A short time ago such a place having been selected, the brethern near by were busy putting up benches, and making the place ready, when brother Smith said:

"Wall, brother Gobbin, what preparations heve you made to home for the big association?"

"Why, I've laid in a barrel of flour or so, and a gallon of whiskey."

Brother Smith expressed a great contempt at this preperrtion.

"A gallon of whiskey for a big meetin'! Why, I've laid in a whole bar'l, and you're just as well able, brother Gobbin, as I am, *to support the gospel!*"

THE ELECTON OF PRESIDENT BY THE HOUSE.—In the election of a President by the House of Representatives each State has one vote, given by a majority of the delegation from that State. The election, if there is a failure by the people would go to the present House in February next. Fremont has a majority of the delegations of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin—in all twelve, sixteen being necessary to a choice. The States of Delaware, Maryland and Kentucky have a majority of Fillmore members. The State of Tennessee is tied having five Americans and five Democrats as are Illinois, Missouri, Texas and Iowa. In Illinois there is a vacancy to be filled, which will decide the vote of that State between the Republicans and Democrats; and in Missouri a member is to be elected in August, where the delegation now stands three Democrats and three Americans. In Texas there is one American and one Democrat, and in Iowa one Democrat and one Republican.

QUALIFICATIONS OF A MISSISSIPP EDITOR.—The Yazoo American Banner is owned by Mrs. Harriett N. Prewett. This lady has secured the services of a "political editor," whom she thus announces:

We have the pleasure of announcing to the readers of the American Banner that Mr. John T. Smith, an able writer and a zealous American, who has been connected with the Mississippi press for fourteen years, has been engaged to take charge of the political department of this paper, during the coming canvass. Mr. Smith, though a remarkably courteous and amiable gentlman, has fought five duels, killing his man every time. He brings into the political canvass, besides a general stock of political information and zeal for the cause, two bowie knives, one of Parson Beecher's Sharpe's rifles, two six-shooters, and sundry canes and shillelahs not to speak of two pair of brass knuckles We bespeak for Mr. Smith a cordial reception by the press-gang.

YANKEE STORIES.—A New Englander, riding in a rail road car, off south west somewhere, seemed particularly disposed to astonish the passengers with tough stories about Yankeetown. At last he mentioned that one of his neighbors owned an immense dairy, and made a million pounds of butter and a millions rounds of cheese yearly. The story produced some sensation, and the yankee perceiving that his veracity was in danger of being questioned, appealed to a friend as follows:

"True, isn't it Mr. P. I speak of Deacon Brown. You know Brown?"

"Y-e-s," replied the friend; that is yes I know Deacon Brown. I don't know as I ever heard precisely how many pounds of butter and cheese he made a year; but I know that he has twelve saw mills and all *go by buttermilk!*"

☞"Do make yourselves at home ladies;" said Mrs. Smith to her visitors; "I am at home myself and sincerely wish you all 'eve.'"