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Enlargement.

On the first of January next "THE KE... NEWS" will be presented in a new and enlarged form. Four columns will be added, which, with the increase in length, will make the paper at least one-fourth larger than its present size. No advance will be made in the price of subscription, although the additional cost of printing material will be a considerable item to us, but the paper will be furnished in its enlarged form at the low price of Two Dollars per annum.

In making this announcement, we desire to express our grateful acknowledgments to a generous public for the very liberal patronage extended to us in the past. We assumed the publication of the "News" a little more than six years ago, and our business has gone on steadily to increase, until we are now justified in taking the step proposed. The enlargement will enable us to devote a greater space to reading matter; and it will be our object, whilst giving all the current news of the day, to present *a first-class family and county paper*, looking especially to matters of local interest and importance. Whilst we can say—not boastingly, but thankfully—that our subscription list is not exceeded, if equaled, by that of any paper on the Eastern Shore, yet we desire to begin the year with a large accession to our present list of subscribers. Every family should take a county paper *for itself*. The expense is but trifling, and the general information and gratification derived from its perusal more than doubly repays the small outlay. Now is the time to subscribe, and all who purpose to do so, should send in their names at once, so as to commence with the new year.

Congress.

Both Houses of Congress have passed the bill conferring the right of suffrage on negroes in the District of Columbia. In the Senate the vote stood 32 to 13, and in the House 114 to 46—being more than two-thirds of both houses. Mr. Creswell voted with the majority in the Senate, thus placing himself squarely on the negro suffrage platform, and the Baltimore *American* says it "believes his vote will be endorsed and approved by the Republicans of Maryland." If this be so, the "educating" process has been very rapid since the late election, when nearly all of them professed to be opposed to the measure. Of the Maryland delegation in the House, Francis Thomas voted for the bill, and Phelps and Harris against it, and McCullough and John L. Thomas were absent.

In the Senate on Monday a bill to take away the pardoning power from the President was discussed, and also the bill to admit Nebraska into the Union. The death of Senator Wright, of New Jersey, was formally announced, and several eulogies delivered. In the House, a resolution was adopted declaring that that body will sustain the Executive in his efforts to vindicate the Monroe doctrine on this continent, and that it especially approves of the public voice relating to Mexico. A resolution in relation to the proposed sale of a colored man at Annapolis, Md., convicted of crime before the Circuit Court, gave rise to some debate, during which Mr. Stevens expressed the hope that the present Congress would give Maryland a "republican form of government, with representation based upon population."—[Mr. Stevens seems to forget that it was his own party that gave to Maryland its present anti-republican form of government, and appears ignorant of the fact that our Legislature which meets in January proposes to remove its objectionable features.] The resolution, which was adopted, instructs the committee on the judiciary to inquire into the facts. A resolution to appoint a special committee to inquire whether any officer of the Government had done any act deserving of impeachment, was offered, but not received—yeas 89, nays 49—not two-thirds. This is the first movement looking to the proposed impeachment of President Johnson.

Both Houses adjourned over from the 20th Dec. to the 3d of January.

MARYLAND CONGRESSMEN.—A proclamation has been issued by Gov. Swann, declaring that Messrs. McCullough, Archer, Phelps, Francis Thomas, and Stone were duly elected on the 6th of November members of the U. S. House of Representatives to represent Maryland in the fortieth Congress.

REWARD FOR MURDERERS.—Gov. Swann has issued a proclamation offering a reward of $1,000 for the arrest of the parties who murdered Mr. J. Edwin Roberts at Church Hill on the night of the 8th inst.

Roads ... grade of three feet. ... is necessary to be taken before the road can be made, and it is hoped that our people, not yet half awake to the great benefits to be derived from the accomplishment of this undertaking, will act more public-spiritedly in the matter. We are pleased to learn that a number of gentlemen, through whose lands the track is likely to pass, have signified their intention of donating to the company sufficient for the purposes of the road, and well may they afford to do so; indeed, we hope that no one whom the road touches will think of taxing the Company for bringing a market and every convenience to their very doors.

Personal.

We have incurred a heavy expense in the purchase of a new press and other material necessary for the enlargement of the "News," and all persons indebted to us for subscription, advertising, or job work, are respectfully requested to settle their accounts before the first of January. We have seldom found it necessary to make a public appeal to our patrons, and hope that this call will be promptly responded to.

THE WEATHER.—The first cold weather that we have had this season set in on Thursday last, with a stiff northwesterly wind. During the night it became somewhat calmer, and on Friday morning the river opposite this town was frozen over. The thermometer at 8 o'clock the same morning stood at four degrees above zero. The steamers had considerable difficulty in making their way down the river, and unless the weather moderates, navigation will be completely closed in a few days.

LAND SALES.—George Vickers, Esq., as Trustee, sold at Forktown on Saturday, the 15th inst., some lands of the late Wm. S. Downey, without improvements, near Rock Hall and Denbeigh, at $49.00 and $54.25 per acre.

J. A. Wickes, Esq., as Attorney for Mrs. Emily C. Frisby, sold at the Voshell House, on Tuesday last, about 50 acres of land situated near Forktown. Purchased by Mr. Bennett Wilson, at $32 per acre.

☞ On Thursday next, the 27th inst., R. Hynson, Esq., as Trustee, will offer at public sale, at the Voshell House, a small tract of land in Quaker Neck, adjoining R. L. Nichols and others.

Vendues.

Monday, Dec. 24th—John Stokes, at the Allen farm, in Still Pond.

Wednesday, the 26th—Rob't J. Lusby, Adm'r, will sell the property of the late Henry H. Burgess, near Chesterville.

Same day—James Curlett, at the Diehl farm, near Fairlee creek.

Thursday, the 27th—William Watts, at Still Pond, will sell, at public sale, his large stock of store goods.

Same day—David R. Derrickson, near Bell Air.

Same day—J. E. Boyd, near Spry's Landing.

Friday, the 28th—Thomas S. Wilmer, Adm'r, the property of the late James Pearce, at the Baker home farm.

Same day—Thomas A. Meredith, near Locust Grove.

Wednesday, Jan. 2d—Mrs. Martha J. Walmsley, Exec'x, the personal estate of the late Capt. John B. Walmsley, near Spry's Landing.

Thursday, Jan. 3d—Mrs. Sarah Anderson and Thomas Slaughter, Adm'rs, the property of the late Wm. C. Anderson, near Chesterville. See advertisements.

COMMUNICATED.

CHRISTMAS—*To the Town Commissioners and the Bailiffs.*—There was an ordinance, and it is presumed that it still exists, against the firing of crackers, rockets, and guns, &c., in the town. At one time the ordinance was strictly enforced, and prior to and during Christmas week the citizens were not annoyed by such inappropriate exhibitions of festivity. What has been effected, heretofore, can be again. Let the Bailiffs be instructed, and their number quadrupled for ten days, and let any violator of the law be sought for and fined—let the Bailiffs be vigilant, and their work will be half accomplished.—Already, in open day or at twilight, the work of firing crackers has commenced, to the annoyance of the citizens, and the peril of houses and of property, and no notice seems to be taken of such violations. The fines now imposed are collectable as State fines, by imprisonment if unpaid. Minors can be fined and punished, and unless some efficient action shall be taken, we may expect unpleasant consequences. A CITIZEN.

d22-3t. W. T. SMITH...

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale FOUR FINE COWS, and CALVES. The Calves are about one week old. Six months credit.
d22-3t. JOHN T. SKIRVEN.

FARMER WANTED.

A GOOD FARMER to take charge of a place of 560 acres, near the Choptank River—225 acres are under cultivation. A first-rate opportunity will be afforded to a competent man. Good reference will be required.
Apply to JAMES S. DUNGAN,
d22-3t. 436 Walnut st., Philadelphia.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of Kent County will be held at the office of GEORGE VICKERS, Esq., on MONDAY, January 7th, 1867, at 11 o'clock, A. M.
d22-3t. N. G. WESTCOTT, Sec'y.

For Rent,

FOR the year 1867, the BLACKSMITH & CARTWRIGHT SHOPS, and DWELLING, at Harmony, Kent Co.
Apply to WM. ARCHIBALD.
Dec. 22, 1866—3t*

For Rent.

THE HOUSE situated on Calvert St., in Chestertown, and now occupied by Mr. Edward Thomas, is for rent for the year 1867. For terms apply to
dec22-3t. J. A. WICKES.

Agents Wanted,

IN a business that they can make $10 on every $1 they invest in it, and there is no risk as every family will have it. It requires but a small capital. Persons with or without families, will learn something to their advantage by addressing the undersigned at Hanesville, P.O.
dec22-3t* E. STOUT, Agent.

NEW GOODS!

NEW GOODS!!

AT REDUCED PRICES,

JUST RECEIVED

BY

T. W. ELIASON & SON.

December 22, 1866.

Large Stock of DRY GOODS, AND GROCERIES.

Goods for the Holidays.

1866—CHRISTMAS—1866.

THOMAS S. WICKES, invites the attention of buyers to his present large and varied Stock of Goods, many of them purchased in view of the approaching Holidays and coming cold weather. These Goods have all been bought when the markets have felt their greatest depression, and having been paid for mostly with cash, can be disposed of on the most accommodationg terms to prompt men. [December 22, 1866.

FOREIGN LIQUORS

Some of them of extra quality. DOMESTIC LIQUORS for culinary purposes on hand and for sale, by THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, Dec. 22, 1866.

Clothing! Clothing!

COME ONE! COME ALL!!

And examine my stock of Ready-Made Clothing just opened this week, and bought at the lowest prices for cash, which I will sell very low for cash. ☞ Be sure to call and we will convince you all that we can beat the county in the above named articles, as well as *Base Ball*.
C. W. WARREN,
Kennedyville, Kent county, Md.
Dec. 22, 1866.

"FACTS ARE STUBBORN."
—*Shakespeare.*

And the fact that STRAUSS is selling Goods lower than "any other man," attracts those in want of CLOTHING to his establishment. He opened this week, in addition to his large and complete stock already on hand, the latest Winter styles of English Meltons and Cassimere Overcoats, Scotch Cassimere Dress Suits, fine English Melton suits, and a magnificent assortment of fine Silk Scarfs, Ties, Gloves, Under Garments, &c. The above mentioned Goods are entirely new patterns and designs, and will be offered within the reach of all. Those wishing to make an acceptable and useful present, can do so advantageously to themselves by calling on B. STRAUSS,
d22. Second door below the Post Office.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration on the personal estate of James Pearce, late of said County, deceased.

All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 18th day of July, 1867, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit in said estate.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of December, 1866.
THOMAS S. WILMER, Adm'r.
Dec. 22, 1866—4t.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration on the personal estate of William C. Anderson, late of said County, deceased.

All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 18th day of July, 1867, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit in said estate.

Given under our hand and seal this 18th day of December, 1866.
SARAH ANDERSON,
THOMAS SLAUGHTER,
Dec 22, 1866—4t. Adm'rs.

WE... (if fair, if not, ... the following pr...

3 GOOD ... TWO ...

10 Head of CA...

among them 6 MILCH COWS and ...

21 Head of SHEEP,

12 SHOATS and 2 BROOD SOWS ...

1 WAGON AND HARNESS,

Dearborn and Harness, Ox-Cart, Hay Frames, Saddle and Bridle, Sleigh, Sleigh Bells and Harness, Fan, Corn Sheller, Harrows, Cultivators, Ploughs, and other FARMING UTENSILS.

2 Tons Blades, 2 Tons Hay, 39½ bush. Wheat seeded, 30 bushels of Potatoes;
One-half interest in

Schooner "Susan Ellen,"

and Tackle; half interest in SCOW; lot of Grain Bags; 75 Bushels SEED OATS.

Also, at the same time and place, will be sold the other half interest in the SCHOONER "SUSAN ELLEN," and Tackle and Scow, belonging to the estate of the late C. W. Spry.

TERMS.—All purchases of Ten Dollars and under cash; on all sums over that amount a credit of six months will be given on note with approved security. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.

The sale will commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.
MARTHA J. WALMSLEY,
Executrix of John B. Walmsley, dec'd.
Dec. 22. 1866—ts.

PUBLIC SALE OF LAND.

THE undersigned, as Attorney for John D. Carter, Esq., will sell at Public Sale at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, 15th January, 1867,

at 11 o'clock, A. M., that TRACT OF LAND known as

"THE CLIFF,"

lying on Chester River, in Quaker Neck, Kent county, Maryland, containing

About 50 ACRES.

This Tract of Land is situated eight miles from Chestertown, and adjoins the farms of Messrs. R. L. Nichols and John Start. Three Acres have been cleared and are inclosed; the balance is WOODLAND, principally pine, and a sufficient amount of Chesnut and Cedar to supply and keep in repair the fences. The whole tract is now nearly inclosed with a good fence. The Wood is valuable, and it is believed that a sufficient quantity could be cut and sold, in a short time, to pay the entire purchase money.

The location is admirably adapted for a Canning Establishment. Oysters abound in the immediate vicinity, and can be purchased throughout the year for twenty-five or thirty cents per bushel. There are also large Peach Orchards in the neighborhood, from which a supply of fruit could be obtained on reasonable terms. It is also an excellent stand for a Store, and a profitable business could be done by a person of enterprise.

THE IMPROVEMENTS consist of a good FRAME DWELLING, two stories and a half high, with Kitchen attached. There is a Store Room in the Dwelling.

The purchaser can have immediate possession.

THE TERMS OF SALE ARE:—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal instalments of one and two years from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the undersigned.

J. A. WICKES.

For any additional information which may be desired, application may be made to JOHN D. CARTER, Esq., at Townsend, Del., or to his Attorney in Chestertown, Md.
Dec. 22, 1866—ts.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the Circuit Court of Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of John H. Bewley, against the goods and chattels of Samuel P. Gordon, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said Samuel P. Gordon, of, in and to the following property, to wit:

4 Beds, Bedsteads, and Covering,
1 Desk, Bureau, Cupboard, 3 Tables, 1 Parlor Stove, Cook Stove, 2 sets Chairs, 1 Clock, 1 Settee, 2 Looking Glasses, some Carpet, lot of Kitchen Furniture;
3 Cultivators, 5 Ploughs, lot of Plough Gears, Fan, Corn Sheller, Sleigh, lot of Hoes, Spades, Shovels, &c. Also,
4 HORSES, 3 COWS, 10 HOGS,
Wagon and Harness and lot of Corn on hand.

And I hereby give notice, that on *THURSDAY, December 27th*, 1866, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the residence of the said Samuel P. Gordon, near Millington, I will sell the said property, so seized and taken in execution, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy said debt, interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

WM. M. GILPIN, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Chestertown, December 18, 1866. } d22-1t.

Collector's Sale.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on THURSDAY, the 3rd day of January, 1867, at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M. and 3 o'clock, P. M., I will offer at public sale for cash,

4 HEAD OF HORSES,

levied on as the property of Pere Hendrickson, to pay the taxes due for 1865, from the said Pere Hendrickson with interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

d22 ts[2.00] JOHN P. EDES, Col'r.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE STORE GOODS, At Public Auction!

On THURSDAY, December 27th,

I will sell at Auction at my store in Still Pond

My Entire Stock of Goods,

AND FIXTURES,—consisting in part of Large lot BOOTS & SHOES, all sizes, of City and Eastern Manufacture; fine Stock of READY MADE CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, STRAW GOODS, CASSIMERES, TWEEDS, Kerseys, Flannels & Yarns; also, Muslins, Dress Goods, and all goods belonging to the Dry Goods line. Hosiery, Gloves, Worsted and White Goods; Tubs, Brooms, Brushes, Baskets, Mats, Cords, Wicks, &c.

DRUGS, Dye Stuffs, Paints, Oils, and Window Glass, China, Glass, Crockery Ware and Stoneware, Tinware, Cutlery, Hardware, Stationery, School Books, Notions and Fancy Goods, &c., &c.

All these goods are in good order, and it will be to the interest of every one to attend the sale, which will continue from day to day until all the goods are sold.

Dont forget the day, THURSDAY, Dec. 27th.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A.M., when the terms will be made known.
dec22-1t. WILLIAM WATTS.

VENDUE.

THE subscriber will sell at Public Sale at his residence, near Locust Grove, on

Friday, December 28th, 1866,

if fair, (if not on the first fair day,) the following property:

4 Head of Horses,

2 COLTS, Matches,

6 HEAD OF COWS, very fine,

13 SHEEP, 10 SHOATS,

1 Male Hog, extra breed; 2 Brood Sows; 1 Peach Wagon, 1 Farm Wagon, iron Axle; and Harrows;

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., when the terms will be made known.
d22-ts. THOMAS A. MEREDITH.

VENDUE.

BY virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, the undersigned, as Administrator of James Pearce, deceased, will sell at Public Sale, at the late residence of said deceased, on the Baker Farm, about 4 miles from Chestertown, on

Friday, December 28th, 1866,

(if fair, if not, on the first fair day thereafter,) the following property, viz:

6 Work Horses,

1 Stallion, 1 Colt,

12 Head of CATTLE,

among which are some good MILCH COWS, and 1 YOKE OF OXEN.

25 Head of SHEEP,

15 SHOATS, 2 SOWS and Pigs;

1 Carriage and Harness, 1 Dearborn, Ox-Cart, Wagon and Harness, sett Carriage Harness, 2 Saddles and Bridles, 1 Wheat Fan, 2 Corn Shellers, 1 Roller, 1 Drill, 1 large Sinclair Horse Power, 1 Westinghouse Thresher, 1 Dorsey Reaper, 1 Sleigh, 1 new Truck, 1 Chest of Tools,

Farming Implements,

Cultivators, Harrows, Shovels, Forks, Hoes, Rakes, Plow Gears, &c.

1 Cutting Box, 59 Peach Boxes, 55 bush. Potatoes, 5 bush. white Beans, 60 bush. Wheat seeded; 12,000 lbs. Corn Blades.

Household & Kitchen FURNITURE,

4 Feather Beds, Bedsteads, Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Bureau, Crockery Ware, Cook Stove, &c. 1 Clock, 1 Silver Watch, 1 double-barrel Gun, 1 Duck Gun, 2 Horse Blankets and Robe, and numerous other articles not necessary to mention.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS.—All sums of and under Ten Dollars cash; all above that amount six months credit, on note with approved security.

THOMAS S. WILMER,
Adm'r of James Pearce, dec'd.
Dec. 22, 1866—ts.

"THE GOOD OLD TIMES" come again. To be convinced, try HUDGINS' DELICIOUS MINCE PIES.

50,000 RABBIT SKINS WANTED by
dec15. WM. SIMPSON.

BEHO... Large Stock of New & D... STORE GOODS, At Public Auction!

1 HORSE PO...

1 Bed and Bedstead, Bed Clothes, Chairs, Cupboard, Table, Desk, one small Cook Stove, and other articles of Household & Kitchen Furniture. Also, about 15 lbs. of Wool.

TERMS OF SALE.—All sums up to $10 cash; all over that amount a credit of six months, by giving note with approved security.

ROBERT J. LUSBY,
Adm'r of Henry H. Burgess, dec'd.
Dec. 15, 1866—ts.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned having concluded to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale at his residence, on

THURSDAY, the 27th December, 1866,

(if fair, if not, on the first fair day thereafter,) the following property, to wit:

4 Head of Horses,

TWO COLTS,

1 YOKE OF OXEN,

Three Cows,

1 Heifer, Eleven Shoats,

1 CARRIAGE AND HARNESS,

Ox-Cart, Dearborn, ½ interest in Reaper, 1 Wheat Drill, Plows, Cultivators, Harrows, Plow Gears, &c;

1500 BUNDLES OF GOOD BLADES, MOWING SCYTHES & CRADLE,

1 COOKS TOVE, nearly new,

1 Parlor Wood Stove,

Four Hundred Head of CABBAGE,

25 bushels of Turnips.

TERMS.—All sums of $10 and under cash, all over that amount 6 months credit on note with approved security.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.
dec8-ts. J. E. BOYD.

VENDUE.

THE undersigned having concluded to discontinue Farming, will sell at Public Sale at his residence, near Bell Air, on

Thursday, Dec. 27, 1866,

(if fair, if not, on the first fair day thereafter,) the following property, to wit:

4 Head of Horses,

None better in the County;

1 FINE STALLION, 4 years old next Spring,

TWO COLTS.

1 YOKE OF OXEN,

4 Good MILCH COWS,

THREE CALVES,

TWO CARRIAGES AND HARNESS, one new; 1 Fan, 1 Corn Sheller, 1 steel-tooth Horse Rake, 1 Roller, 1 Wagon and Harness, Ox-Cart, 1 Wheat Drill, Plows, Cultivators, Harrows, Plow Gears, and

Farming Utensils.

500 bundles good Corn Blades, 2 Tons of Timothy Hay, Mowing Scythes & Cradles.

Household and Kitchen Furniture,

1 Cook Stove, nearly new, 1 Parlor wood Stove, Beds, Bedsteads and Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Stands and Bureau.

400 head of Cabbage, 2 Chests and Carpenter's Tools, of all kinds; lot White Oak Lumber, and 1900 Shingles.

TERMS.—All sums of $20 and under cash; on all sums over that amount a credit of Ten Months will be given on note with security.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.
dec15-ts. DAVID R. DERRICKSON.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County, letters testamentary on the personal estate of John B. Walmsley, late of said county, deceased.

All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 18th day of July, 1867, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of December, 1866.
MARTHA J. WALMSLEY, Exec'x.
Dec. 22, 1866—4t.