Correspondence of the Middletown Transcript.

KENT COUNTY, Md.

Editor Transcript—The fall campaign for political offices was inaugurated at the Metropolitan centre for Kent County one evening last week. A meeting has been held, of the faithful, and in accordance with the ukase of the Autocrat the offices have been distributed. It is decreed who shall be Sheriff, who shall be nominated for County Commissioners, and who shall be allowed to aspire to Legislative honors. Capable, honest men are thrust aside to give place to others who know better how to wield the whiskey influence. Life long Democrats are snubbed and overslaughed, to make room for Conservatives—and gentlemen of sterling abilities and of the highest character are shelved—that the Chestertown Junta may secure the proper tools to do their bidding. The nominations are virtually made, and if we may judge from the past, a nomination is tantamount to an election. The whole business is cut and in the process of drying; away in midsummer, or early fall, primary meetings will be called in the districts to ratify the decrees of the Regency, and strange to say, it will be done. It always has been done and may be expected again. Between this time and the day of nomination the dictator and his clique will be as busy as beavers, in whipping in discontented Democrats, in honey-fugling lukewarm conservatives, and where it can be done, bamboozling sturdy republicans. The rural districts are to be kept in blissful ignorance until the web of influence is woven and spread, and there is no possibility of escape. There will be some surprise at this early revelation, and doubts may arise as to its credibility. It can be proved by the exhibition of the programme.

Two of the present County Commissioners, who have been Whigs—Unionists—Republicans, and are still Know-Nothings, are to be retained. The other is an old Democrat, and cannot be manipulated by the Regency. A more pliant Conservative must take his place. Conservative! that is the word—a kind of table delicacy—compounded with feminine skill of acidulous fruits and saccharine matter—a sweet morsel is a Conservative; not perhaps so healthy a diet for the Democracy as their old regimen of honest hog and hominy, but Democracy is growing delicate, and if the sourest crab-apple Radical can be simmered in sugar and made a Conservative he is easily swallowed, no matter how indigestible. Conservative is to be made Sheriff, for whom an old Democrat is to be set aside. One of the best, most industrious and efficient Legislators the county has had in many years, is ordered to stand back, to make room for a Conservative, who declares open war against the clique who will nominate him. He has taken ground against the town Regency, and he must be got back by an office. An old Democrat who has waited long for something to turn up, and labored hard for his party is, as "a sop to Cerberus," to be made a Collector. How do I know the secrets of the Cabal? All parties and factions have their leaky vessels, and the mongrel party now ruling in Kent county is not an exception. The men selected to be nominated, and elected next fall can be named now. How long will the intelligent yoemanry of Kent County submit to this usurpation? How long is the glorious old Democratic party to be compelled to bow the knee to this modern Baal called Conservatism? Just so long as it refuses to unite against the Court House Regency. Never will the rural districts wield their proper influence until they combine and assert their independence. Then why not rally at once and organize to subvert the dominant autocracy. This word is used advisedly and deliberately. Every reader in this County will fully understand it. Let then the friends of free thought, free speech, and free Press—the friends of equal rights of town and county, meet and make nominations without regard to party, and select the best men of the County for places of trust, both for the legislature and county offices, and they can be elected. As a suggestion, let the meetings be held at Galena, Kennedyville, Chesterville, Hanesville, and Belair, on Saturday evening March 27th at 3 o'clock, P. M., and make one united effort for the emancipation of the County from the thraldom of the Chestertown Regency.

But "can these dry bones live?" We shall see. I am not a politician. I do not profess to belong to a Party. I claim to belong to myself. I readily recognize that I owe certain duties to my country, to my neighbors and to my God—but none to party. The degrading shackles of Party cannot bind me. I pity the man who can be thus bound. He is the veriest slave, while he is free indeed whom the truth makes free. In the interests of this freedom I urge my fellow citizens of Kent County to assert their independence.

The idea of vassalage is inherent in, and inseparable from Party, if its policy is not simply one idealism. Take an illustration from the presently existing parties. The Republican advocates universal suffrage, equality before the law, and, if its platform can be understood, the payment of the government bonds in gold. How many of them heartily assent to all these dogmas? No matter how averse a man may be to one of them, or more than one, yet he must take the dose prescribed or he cannot be a Republican.

So of the Democratic party, a man may heartily entertain the idea of paying the bonds in gold and, as cordially abominate civil equality with the negro race. As a party man he must surrender his opinion on one point to enable him to assert it on the other. But sacrifices must be made for the good of the party. Well! what then? Why "Jeshurun waxed fat and kicked." The party calls in a mass of heterogeneous elements, and all who will not, or conscientiously cannot, endorse the doings of this hybrid thing, or object to the tyranny of a secret conclave are to be trampled in the mire.

United by [illegible] cohesive attraction of public plunder, they riot on the spoils of office, and stick at nothing to retain their power. Blessed be the man who can afford to speak and vote as he thinks right. Wretched is he who "cannot dig, and to beg is not ashamed." All honor to the toil of mind or muscle that elevates the man above the partizan, and enables him to say "I can dig, and beg of any party I am ashamed."

I am informed that the p. t. Transcript has made another guess, and ascribed the authorship of these letters to another party. Wonder if he is right this time? May not a dozen or a score have a hand in? I only throw out the hint asserting nothing. Truly yours, SINAPIS.

TO THE LADIES.—Ladies desiring a superior kid glove are referred to the advertisement of Wm. H. Ringgold, 95 N. Charles street, Baltimore.

We have seen a pair of these gloves, which were sent to Mr. R. W. Jones of this county. Mr. Jones is well acquainted with W. H. Ringgold, and recommends him to the favorable consideration of the people of Kent and the adjoining counties.

Baltimore Grain Market.

[From Thursday's Paper.]

WHEAT—White—$1.90 @ 2.20.
Red—1.05@2.10.
CORN.—White—75@81 cts. Yellow 83.
OATS—No sales.

DIED.

JACOBS.—On the 7th inst., near Sassafras, JANNIE, aged 5 years, 10 months and 21 days, daughter of Thomas A. and Eliza F. Jacobs.

Rest, darling, rest!
In the green pastures of the heavenly shore,
Where sin and sorrow can approach no more,
With all the flock by the Good Shepherd fed,
Beside the streams of life eternal led,
Forever with thy God and Saviour blest,
Rest, darling, rest!

GALE.—On Saturday, March 20th, at the residence of Howard Meeks, MARY ARAMINTA GALE, eldest daughter of James Harper Gale, aged 10 years and 6 months.

"But Jesus called them unto him, and said suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke xviii.—16th.

CHESTNUT RAILS

FOR SALE, delivered upon navigable waters of Kent county, by early application to R. T. TURNER, JR.
March 27, 1869—3t*

SPRING DOMESTICS.

NEW STYLE PRINTS, SHIRTING, OSNABURGS & HEAVY TWILLS, BLEACHED MUSLINS of most approved makes, a full stock on hand bought for cash. IRISH LINENS of all grades, and superior Russia Crash and other Towellings, and a full stock of HOUSEHOLD GOODS generally.
These Goods were all bought C. O. D. and will be sold upon accommodating terms.
THOMAS S. WICKES.

WHITE GOODS.

PLAIN & CHECK CAMBRICS, SWISS MULLS and NAINSOOKS, VICTORIA LAWNS & PLAIN TARLATANES, and a full and varied Line of White Goods generally, all of direct importation, and many of them of high quality and rich in style.
THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, March 27th, 1869.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

A general assortment seasonable Dry Goods.
Groceries on hand previous to late advance.
Farm Hardware and all kinds Plow Castings.
Plow Gearing, &c., of superior Manufacture.
A Full Line of best Boots, Shoes and Hats.
Ready Made Clothing of very fine Grades.
Goods opened on Monday, the 8th instant.
THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, March 6, 1869.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of Administration on the estate of

MARY KENNARD,

late of said county, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on on before the 5th day of October, 1869, otherwise they may be excluded by law from the benefits of said estate. Given under my hand this 23d day of March, 1869.
CHARLES H. BAKER,
March 27, 1869—4t. Executor.

Agents Wanted—$10 a Day.

Two $10 Maps for $4.

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Apply for Circulars, Terms, and send money for Sample Maps, to
J. T. LLOYD,
23 Cortlandt St., N. Y.
March 27, 1869—1m.

MARCH 13th, 1869.
SPRING GOODS.
SOMETHING NEW AND BEAUTIFUL

NOW OPENING at the People's Popular Store. Special attention is called to our BLACK ALPACA'S, we say they can't beat. Bring your cheap GOODS along and compare, which will ensure us Sales.—Sheetings, Bleached and Brown Muslins, Tickings, Cambrics, New Styles Prints and Chintze's.
We are waiting for some of our friend's to settle their last years' accounts. Mr. Credit in the city is unknown.
Respectfully,
WM. A. VICKERS.
Chestertown, March 13, 1869.

NOTICE
—TO—
MERCHANTS, TRADERS, AND OTHERS.

ALL PERSONS AND BODIES, Corporate or politic, in Kent county, who are or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be in the occupation of any house or place for any purpose for which a License is made necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to obtain a License or renew the same, on or before the

FIRST DAY OF MAY ENSUING,

under the penalties prescribed by said laws for the infraction thereof.

Those interested are notified of the following requirements of the License Laws passed by the General Assembly of Maryland.

The rates required for Traders' Licenses are as follows:

If the amount of goods on hand at the principal season of sale, or expected to be kept on hand, does not exceed one thousand dollars, the price of License is $12 50

If over $1,000	and not over	$1,500	15	50
" 1,500	"	2,500	18	50
" 2,500	"	4,000	22	50
" 4,000	"	6,000	80	50
" 6,000	"	8,000	40	50
" 8,000	"	10,000	50	50
" 10,000	"	15,000	65	50
" 15,000	"	20,000	80	50
" 20,000	"	30,000	100	50
" 30,000	"	40,000	125	50
" 40,000	"		150	50

The applicant must either make oath, as heretofore, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County where he is engaged in business, of the amount of goods kept on hand at the principal season of sale, or the oath may be administered by a Justice of the Peace when the person wanting the License applies through an agent. If the latter course be adopted, the following form will be deemed a sufficient compliance with the act:

Kent County, to Wit:

On this——day of——1869, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for said County, personally apppeared ——————, and declared that he intends to apply for a trader's license, under the laws of the State, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent County, and made oath that the amount of the stock of goods generally kept on hand by him (or by the concern in which he is engaged, in case it is a partnership) at the principal season of sale, (or if the applicant has not previously engaged in such trade, that the amount of the stock of goods which he expects to keep, &c.,) does not (or will not) exceed $

Sworn before ——————,
Justice of the Peace.

If the oath be administered by a Justice of the Peace out of the county in which the application is made there must be attached the certificate of the Clerk of the county in which the Justice resides.

The rates of License of females vending millinery, &c., whose stock at any season of the year does not or will not exceed $500, is $6 50. If their stock does or shall exceed $500, the rates are the same as those of Traders' License and the same form of application must be observed.

The law requires all persons proposing to sell spirituous or fermented Liquors, or Lager Beer in quantities not less than a pint, to apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in person, or in making the oath before a Magistrate as above, state that he desires a license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors, as the case may be, and the amount of stock in trade, in the same manner as those applying for Traders' License. If the amount of stock does not or shall not exceed $500 the rate is $18 50

If over 500	and not over	1000	"	35	50
" 1000	" "	2000	"	50	50
" 2000	" "	4000	"	75	50
" 4000	" "	6000	"	100	50
" 6000	" "	10000	"	120	50
" 10000	" "	20000	"	140	50
" 20000	" "	30000	"	150	50

Persons applying for Ordinary licenes, in which spirituous or fermented Liquors or lager beer is sold in quanties less than a pint, must make application to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the county in which they reside, and must also be recommended by two respectable freeholders of the immediate vicinity of the applicant, which may be made in the following form:

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent County:—We the undersigned, free-holders of Kent county, living in the immediate vicinity of —— ——, who is about about to apply to you for a license to keep an Ordinary at——, in said County, do hereby recommend him as a suitable person to obtain the license.

—— ——,
—— ——, 1869. —— ——,

The applicant must then make oath to the Clerk to the following effect: That he has bona fide, and without intending to evade the requirements of the Acts of Assembly of this State, regulating the issues of Licenses to ordinary keepers and traders, provided and expects to maintain six good beds with sufficient clothing therefor, and three rooms more than sufficient for private use of said applicant, and stabling and provender for five horses at least.

In addition he shall also make oath to the Clerk of the rate of rent or annual value of the house or place at or in which the business to be authorized by the License may be done or if intended to be done. If the said rent or annual value does not exceed

$100 the rate is 25 50

If over $100	and not over	200	"	40	50
" 200	"	300	"	50	50
" 300	"	400	"	60	50
" 400	"	500	"	75	50
" 500	"	750	"	90	50
" 750	"	1000	"	100	50
" 1000	"	2000	"	150	50

Any person proposing to keep an oyster house, &c., or any place other than an ordinary, for the sale of spirituous or fermented Liquors, or Lager-beer in quantities less than a pint, shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County where he resides, and must be recommended by two respectable free-holders of his immediate vicinity as a suitable person to keep such a house. The License in all cases is $50.00.

The oath required to be made by applicants for Traders' License, and License to sell spirituous liquor in quantities not less than a pint, may be made before a Justice of the Peace and forwarded to and filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, to whom all applications for License must be made.

Any person, or company of stage players, ventriloquists, slight-of-hand performers, rope-dancers, tumblers, and wire-dancers' shall, previously to exhibiting or performing for a reward in any county in this State, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for such county thirty dollars for one year, or one dollar for each exhibition, at his or their option.

Every person or company of circus riders or equestrian performers, who shall exhibit for a reward in any county in this State, shall pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for such county, the sum of thirty dollars for a license therefor for one year.

Every person or company who shall exhibit for a reward any animal or animals, or natural or artificial curiosities of any kind, (except models of useful inventions,) shall pay to the said Clerk the sum of fifteen dollars for a License therefor for one year.

Each license shall contain a list of the personal performers, or animals, or other articles or things to be exhibited.

The owner or keeper of every stallion or jack shall, before being permitted to stand or station such animals, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of some one of the counties in this State the highest sum which he intends to ask or receive for the season of one mare and the receipt of the said Clerk, with the seal of his Court attached thereto for said sum, shall be the License for stationing or standing such stallion or jack for one year from the date thereof: Provided, that in no case shall the sum directed to be paid by this section for such license be less than ten dollars; and that every stallion or jack upon which the said tax is paid, shall be exempt from all other State tax.

Any owner or keeper stationing or standing any stallion or jack without a license, shall forfeit and pay twice the sum authorized and required to be paid in the last preceding section, one-half to the State and the other half to the informer.

JOSEPH E. GILPIN.
Sheriff of Kent County.

Laws

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at the regular session commencing January, 1862, relating to Licenses.

AN ACT to amend the twenty-first and twenty-second sections of the fifty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Licenses of Hawkers and Pedlars.

SEC. 1. Be enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the twenty-first and the twenty-second sections of the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the licenses of hawkers and pedlars, be and the same are hereby repealed, and the following sections enacted in lieu thereof:

Twenty-one." For every such license not to extend beyond the county in which the same be issued, there shall be paid the following rates, to wit: Eor every license to travel on foot, the sum of forty dollars; to travel with a horse or other beast of burden and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of fifty dollars; with two horses or beasts of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of seventy dollars. For every such license to extend over the whole Fastern Shore or the whole Western Shore, there shall be paid the following rates, to wit: for every license to travel on foot, the sum of sixty dollars; to travel with a horse or other beast of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of one hundred dollars; with two horses or other beast of burden, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

"Twenty-two." No such license shall be granted to any other than a white person or to any hawker or pedlar in the name or style of partnership or company and but one person shall act under any such license.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect on the day of its passage.

AN ACT to amend the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Licenses, adding thereto the following section, relating to partnerships taking out Licenses.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following section be and the same is hereby added to the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws, to follow the second section thereof:

Any license may be obtained by partnerships or firm, as well as by individuals; but in all cases, the names of all the partners of any firm shall be set forth in full in the license, and no license shall protect any person pretending to act under the same, unless it is named therein, or in entitled as a representative, or assigned under the provisions hereinafter contained in this article, and clerk issuing the license shall enter upon the record of license, the full names of all the members of a co-partnership to which such license is issued.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect on the 30th day of April next.

AN ACT to amend the seventieth section of the fifty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to License for Ordinaries.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the seventieth section of the fifty-sixth article of the Code of Public General Laws relating to License for Ordinaries, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

If any person or body politic shall propose to open or keep an Ordinary, shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which said applicant may reside, or if he resides in the city of Baltimore, to the Court of Common Pleas, far a license therefor, under which license spiritutous or fermented liquors, or lager beer, may be bartered or sold in quantities less than a pint.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect on 30th day of April next.

AN ACT to amend the forty-second section, relating to the granting of Licenses to Traders, of Article fifty-six of the Code of Public General Laws.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the forty-second section of Article fifty-six of the Code of Public General Laws relating to be granting of License to Traders, the and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted as a substitute therefor:

Sec. 42. When any person or body, politic, or corporate, shall propose to sell or barter anything mentioned in the preceding section, except spirituous of fermented liquors, he shall apply to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which he may reside, or if resides in the city of Baltimore to the Court of Conmon Pleas, for a license therefor; but no license to trade or sell spirituous or fermented Liquors shall be issued by any Clerk of a Court to a feme-covert, or to and person under the age of twenty-one, without the special order of the Judge of the court; but no judge shall give such special order to issue licence to sell spirituous or fermented liquors, unless upon the recommendation of at least ten respectable free holders, resident of the ward or district wherein the place of sale may be, and whenever any license shall be issued to a feme-covert, or minor, the said feme-covert, or minor, shall be responible for all contracts made in the prosecution of their business under such license, and shall be liable to be sued therefor in any court of this State; and the said feme-covert may be sued, or indicted and prosecuted in case of a violation by her of the license laws of this State, or in case she should keep a disorderly house, as if she were a feme sole; and, if judgment be obtained against her on my contract, execution shall or may issue in the ordinary way to affect her separate estate, provided however, that such responsibility shall in no manner affect or impair the responsibility of the husband, or parent under the existing laws; and that this Act shall take effect on the Thirtieth of April next.

Amendments to the License Laws passed January Session, 1868.

(Chapter 238, page 414.)

AN ACT

To add an additional section to Article fifty-six to the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Licenses, so as to empower a trader to sell the license to trade with the stock of goods.

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following be added to Article fifty-six of the Code of Public General Laws entitled Licenses.

§—. And be it enacted, Any trader who has taken out license to sell goods, chattles, wares, merchandise, spirituous and fermented liquors or lager beer, in this State, shall have the privilege to sell out said license to any party purchasing his stock of goods, and purchasing or renting his place of business, and the party so purchasing may continue to sell under the license of his predecessor in business until the expiration of said license.

(Chapter 448, page 863.)

AN ACT.

To add to the tenth section of Article 56, of the Code of Public General Laws, a sub-section requiring a license to enable any person to act as Real Estate Broker.

Section 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That there be added to the tenth section of article 56, of the Code of Public General Laws, a sub-section to read as follows:

Sub-Section. 1.—Any person applying for the same and paying the sum of fifty dollars, may obtain a license for carrying on the business of Real Estate Broker, and individual, co-partnership or firm who shall carry on the business of a Real Estate Broker, without a license shall be subject to the penalties imposed upon upon other Brokers by section seventeen of this Article.

N. B.—By instructions received from the Treasury Department at the Clerk's office all person applying for a license of any kind, (except marriage licenses, which are same as heretofore,) will hereafter have to pay the fee of fifty cents for issuing the same, making a total of sixty cents, as stated above. The fee of fifty cents as heretofore been charged to the State.

JOSEPH E. GILPIN,
Sheriff of Kent county.

The foregoing are truly taken and copied from the laws received from the Comptroller.

JESSE K. HINES.
Clerk Circuit Kent Co.
March 27, 1869.

HOUSE FOR RENT, suitable for two families—at Turner's Creek. Apply to
G. W. JONES.
March 20, 1869—tf.

Garden Seed! Garden Seed!!

JUST RECEIVED, a well selected assortment of Robert Buist's genuine GARDEN SEED—embracing all the earliest and best varieties—which are now offered to the Public, at Philadelphia prices.
J. L. STAM & SON.
March 20, 1869—tf.

Instalment Notice.



AT A MEETING of the Directors of the Queen Anne's and Kent Railroad, held March 11th, it was

Ordered, That a FIFTH and final instalment of NINE DOLLARS PER SHARE be required of the Stockholders, to be due and payable *thirty days* after date of this notice.

As the Company are now prepared to lay track as soon as the Delaware Railroad has completed the section from Massey's to Townsend, it is hoped that this call will be promptly responded to.

By order of the Board.
W. H. JACOBS,
March 20, 1869—3t. Sec'y.

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March 20, 1869.

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