THE
Chestertown Transcript

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Saturday Morning, October 23, 1869.

Communications, unless accompanied with the name of the writer, will receive no attention from the Editor.



DEMOCRATIC CONSERVATIVE NOMINATIONS.

FOR STATE COMPTROLLER,

COL. LEVIN WOOLFORD,
OF SOMERSET COUNTY.

FOR THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

Horatio Beck,
Wm. B. Wilmer.

FOR SHERIFF,

Robert W. Calder.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,

Wm. T. Hepbron,
Thomas P. Dixon,
Stevenson Constable.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR,

F. Hyland Taylor.

FOR SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS,

1st *District*—*JOSEPH P. IRELAND,*
2d " *G. W. COVINGTON,*
3d " *ISAAC PARSONS,*
4th " *JAMES P. DeCORSE,*
5th " *I. C. TAYLOR.*

The late Gold Conspiracy in New York---A Black Sea Bubble.

The New York Times gives a full history of the late gold movement in New York, and a complete expose of the theory of the plot, or conspiracy of the New York speculators, by which the President's name was used as a blind, and the bold attempt made to associate him with the scheme, which he finally showed his disposition to crush by an unexpected change of policy, though as we think the speculation had already at that time come to a crisis. The Times explains the mystery of the connection which really existed between Mr. Corbin (the President's brother-in-law) and Gould and Fisk, and the nature of the influence which Corbin attempted to exert upon the President. When the gold corner was first advised, it was plainly necessary that the conspirators should, if possible, know the policy of the government, and secondly to create the impression by some means that the government would not in any event interfere. To accomplish the first purpose, Gould visited the President and endeavored to convince him that as a matter of financial policy the gold market ought to be sustained during the movement of the fall crops, not in the interests of Wall street but of the farmers of the West and the various transportation lines. Mr. Gould also gave Fisk, Jr., a letter of introduction to General Grant. That letter which Mr. Fisk handed Gen. Grant on the Sound boat informed the President that the Black Sea wheat growing regions would be drawn upon by all Europe for supplies of grain this fall unless gold rose to such a rate as to induce its shipment from European markets to this country in exchange; also, if gold was not withheld, all the farmers and laborers in the country could not dispose of their grain; also, that with the depression of gold orders for five hundred car-loads of grain already loaded between St. Louis and New York were countermanded by English houses. Not one word did Mr Fisk pass with Gen. Grant on gold matters or finances disconnected with the railway interests of the country.

All this looked fair enough. It was legitimate as between the two parties. But it developed the fact that the President would not act at all with reference to Wall street. Mr. Corbin was then called upon and persuaded that the success of Grant's administration depended largely upon the continued prosperity of the West and the carrying trade. Mr. Corbin wrote a letter to Gen. Grant urging the financial impolicy of doing anything to interfere with these interests, and a Mr. Chapin, one of Gould's men, was made the special messenger to deliver that letter to Gen. Grant, who was then in Pennsylvania. Whether the letter failed in its purpose was not a matter of vital consequence It gave the impression that a clique was formed between the government and the Erie ring. To keep up this deception another agency was invoked. The following telegraphic correspondence occurred between Gould and Gen. Porter, the President's private secretary:

NEW YORK, Sept. 16, 1869.

Dear General: We have purchased half a million gold on your account. * *

JAY GOULD.

And the answer:

WASHINGTON, PA., Sept. 19.

Gentlemen: I have not authorized any purchase of gold, and request that none be made on my account. I am unable to enter into any speculation whatever.

Yours, respectfully,

H. PORTER.

Later in August, Mr. Gould also wrote a grain and transportation argument to Secretary Boutwell, which elicited the following response:

GROTON, Mass., Sept. 9, 1869.

Dear Sir: Your kind letter of the 30th ult. was forwarded from Washington to this place, but my absence prevented an earlier reply.

I am very glad to receive your suggestions, and I hope to hear from you often, but there is little that I can say in reply. My aim is to improve the credit of the country, collect the revenues, place the loan at a lower rate of interest, and all without impeding the prosperity of the country. Very truly,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL.

All this is clear and tangible. The plan was first to persuade the President that government ought not to sell gold, next to buy up those around him as in the bold attempt upon Gen. Porter, or persuade others that it was wrong to sell, as in the case of Mr. Corbin. Part of this scheme—that in which Mr. Corbin was concerned—succeeded. Beyond that a very essential element of success was gained by the fact which was allowed to leak out that negotiations of some kind were in progress between the administration and the Erie ring. That answered its purpose for the time, until gold was pushed so high that the "bears" were being rapidly broken, and legitimate traders would not buy. The gambling conspirators had already thus about destroyed their market when the President telegraphed the sub-treasurer to sell. Then the long deception became apparent, and the bottom was entirely out of the scheme, and a shamefully wicked plot was exposed.—*Balt. Sun.*

The Maryland Agricultural Fair.

The first annual exhibtion of the Maryland State Agricultural and Mechanical Association will open on the Pimlico grounds on Tuesday next, the 26th inst. The board of managers are making every effort in order to have a grand success It is understood that the premium for the fastest double team owned in Maryland has been increased from a silver pitcher, valued at $200, to one worth $300, presented by Messrs. Geo. W. Webb & Co., and the second premium to one valued at $200, contributed by Messrs. Canfield Bro. & Co. It is understood also that the committee has added to the premium list $30, to be awarded for canned fruit, oysters, &c. The Northern Central Railway Company has carried free over the road all the timber for the use of the fair, and will carry to from Mount Washington all all stock and manufactured articles intended for exhibition. Entries can be made at the office of the association, No. 69 West Fayette street, until this evening at 6 o'clock, except for trials of speed, which are to close at 9 P. M., on Thursday, the 21st instant. After Saturday next all entries must be made at the business office, on the grounds. No entries are to be received after 9 A. M., on Tuesday, the 26th instant.

The programme for Tuesday, the opening day is, at 11 o'clock A. M., exhibition and examination of cattle entered for herd premiums; at 12 M., the same for cattle entered for sweepstake premiums; at 1 P. M. grand cavalcade of all horses on exhibition on the track; at 2 P. M., trials of speed, mile heats, best three in five, to harness; the day to conclude with mile heats, double teams, best two in three. On Wednesday, at 11 o'clock A. M., exhibition and examination of imported cattle, American bred short horns, Devons, Alderneys, Jerseys or Guerneys, Herefords, Ayershires, grades or natives, fat cattle and working oxen; at 11 o'clock A. M. exhibition and examination of heavy draft horses; at 11:30 A. M., show of quick draft horses; at 1 P. M. show of horses for general utility, then races between horses that have never beaten 2.35 in public, mile heats to harness, best two in three, and between horses that have never beaten three minutes in public, mile heats to harness, best two in three. On Thursday, at 10.30 A. M., exhibition of jacks, jennets and mules; at 11 A. M., exhibition of blooded horses; at 12 M., oration in front of the stand, by W. W. Bowie, Esq., of Prince George's county; at 2 P. M., trials of speed, stallions bred in Maryland, mile heats, in harness, and between mares and geldings, bred and reared in Maryland, mile heats, in harness. Friday, at 10.30 A. M., examination of bees, honey, butter, &c.; at 2 P. M., trials of speed, fastest thoroughbred mare, stallion or gelding, under the saddle, mile heats, best two in three, and the same for the fastest racking mare, stallion or gelding.

New Counterfeits on National Banks.

The United States Counterfeit Detector gives the following list of new counterfeits that have appeared since the first of the present month:

Third National Bank of Chicago, Ill.—10s raised from 1s. Well done. 20s, raised from 1s. First National Bank of Springfield, Ill. See gen. 1s and 20s, sixth page, 5s, imit. Farmer National Bank of Reading Pa., reported in circulation. Look out for all Farmers' National Banks, as the town and State can be easily changed and printed from the same counterfeit plate.

5s, Jewett City National Bank, Jewett City, Conn. In the imitation the date on the deck of the ship is 1292. It should be 1492. The date 1492, on right end of the genuine bill, under the Indian Princess is left off of the imitation. The word FEB. under the the engraver's name in imitation. is FER.

2s, Jewett City National Bank, Conn. The coarsest part of the bill is on the left end. *The female with the stars over her head.* The genuine have 16 stars in two half circles. The imitation have 23, and very indistinct.

10s, Farmers' National Bank of Amsterdam, N. Y. The letter "A" in "Amsterdam," under the words *National Bank of*, in the above imitation, are smaller than the other letters, and the *curved line* under "UNITED" runs into the shading of the "UNITED." The genuine does not.

20s, Fourth National Bank, New York City. In the battle of Lexington, on the left end of the bill, the man lying on the ground, his right foot in genuine does not touch the lower border; the imitation teuches both lower and left borders.

Mutual National Bank of Troy.—10s. Imitation. Dangerous; the first letter u in Mutual is out of proportion to all the other letters. The curved line under the word "UNITED," in imitation, extends into the shading "UNI."

Auburn City National Bank, N. Y.—10s, Imitation. The shading of the words "AUBURN CITY" in the counterfeit is all blurred and heavy; the genuine is clear and distinct.

50s, imitation. Reported in circulation.

Third National Bank of Chicago, Ill.—10s raised from 1s.

State Asylum for Inebriates.

We have received from the Cor. Sec. of the Association for the erection of the State Inebriate Asylum the following letter. It is the purpose of the ladies interested in this matter to hold a fair at some early day, to aid this enterprise. The object will at once comment itself to the ladies of our county. We observe that in Talbot the ladies have held a meeting to take measures to assist their sisters of Baltimore. Any information can be obtained by addressing the secretary. The letter is as follows:

BALTO., Oct. 12th, 1869.

Mr. Editor—In behalf of the association of ladies formed to assist in the inauguration of the State Asylum for Inebriates, I would respectfully call attention to the recent publications in the city papers (in reference to the Fair proposed to be held in November) requesting, you to use the powerful influence of the Press to incite an interest in this laudable enterprize.

By order
Mrs. WM. G. TAYLOR, Cor. Sec.

A Clergyman Charged with Murder.

The Grand Jury of Kane county, Ill., have found an indictment against Rev. Isaac B. Smith, of Turner Junction, for the alleged murder of his wife by drowning last June. It appears that in the early part of June, Smith with his wife, drove in a buggy to Elgin, and in the evening returned to the house of Mr. Benton, a brother-in-law, about two miles from Elgin, in considerable excitement, and asked if his wife was there, saying that his buggy had been overturned in crossing a small stream about a quarter of a mile from Mr. Benton's, and he and his wife thrown out, and as he had not been able to find his wife, after getting out, he thought she might have gone to the house and left him. He accounted for the overturning of his buggy by saying that the horse having stopped in the stream to drink, he stepped over upon one of the hills to uncheck the rein, when his wife called to him to hurry, that she felt faint, when the horse started, and turning sharply, threw them both out, dragged him under the water and across the stream twice, the wheel passing over him, and the horse stamping him under foot.

When he got up he looked around for his wife, and seeing the buggy robe floating in the stream, supposed it to be his wife, and caught it, and then went on to Mr. Benton's to look for help. He subsequently gave a different version of the affair, and the horse being found standing still in the water, with the buggy resting on one side, just where the alleged accident took place, and the body of the woman only ten or twelve feet from the buggy, led to investigation. It also appeared, after Mrs. Smith was buried, that there was insurance to the amount of three thousand dollars on her life, and an accident insurance of six thousand dollars, which facts Mr. Smith had kept concealed, because, he said, they would make talk It was also discovered that the stream was but seventeen inches deep where Mrs. Smith is said to have fallen from the buggy. Other circumstances cast suspicion upon the affair, and Mr. Smith has been indicted as above stated. Public opinion in Turner and vicinity is divided as to his guilt or innocence, but Mr. Benton and other friends believe him innocent.

The New Senators of Virginia.

The Legislature of Virginia yesterday elected two Senators to represent that State in the United States Senate. The choice fell upon John F. Lewis, Esq., of Rockingham county, and Judge John W. Johnston, of Washington county. Mr. Lewis is a native of Lewiston, a small town in Rockingham county, and a lawyer when party lines were strictly drawn, he was an uncompromising whig, although residing in the very midst of what was then known as the "tenth legion" of Virginia democracy.—He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1861, but voted against and refused to sign the ordinance of secession. Throughout the war he countinued a persistent advocate of the Union, and was selected by Governor Pierpont as his secretary upon the removal of the seat of government from Alexandria to Richmond. Upon the decapitation of Governor Pierpont by order of General Schofield, Mr. Lewis returned to his home in Rockingham, where he resumed the practice of his profession. The convention which nominated Governor Walker, placed the name of Colonel Lewis upon the ticket as a candidate for Lieutenant Governor, and at the election in July the latter officer ran two thousand ahead of his ticket. Col. Lewis is about fifty years of age, of slender build, but six feet in height, and of a very sedate and reflective turn.

Judge John W. Johnston, who has been selected as the colleague of Colonel Lewis, is a native of Washington county, Va., a lawyer by profession, and a nephew of General Joseph E. Johnston, who figured prominently in the Southern army during the recent war. He was always a devoted friend of the Union, and so remained during the war. A few months since he was appointed judge of the Circuit Court of Washington county, and this, so far as our information goes, is the first and only position of public trust he has ever filled.

"Nothing in the Paper."

The Richmond Examiner has a spicy chapter on the subject of newspapers, elicited by the stereotyped remark of indifferent readers after scaping the "minature world" of a daily issue of news, that "there's nothing in the paper." It says:

And men are always grumbling about their papers, and insinuating how much better *they* could do it. They talk as flippantly about "fine articles" on every imaginable subject as if *they* could effect such a change. Let some of these overrunning philosophers *try it* for one hundred and fifty days in succession.

And then they think it is nothing to "select" for a newspaper—you have merely to run the scissors through a half dozen exchanges, and you have got matter enough. Now this is *the* most important, and the most difficult department to fill on a newspaper. Very few men have the slightest idea how to do the work. It requires *a thorough newspaper man*—who knows the public appetite well—who knows what is going on in the world—and who knows how to rewrite and pack a column into a dozen lines.

Men who skim a newspaper and toss it aside little reflect how much brains and toil have been expended in serving up that meal. Busy heads and busy hands have been toiling all day to gather and prepare those viands, and some [illegible] has been lit from cellar to [illegible] to get that paper ready for [illegible] by crack of dawn.

"Nothing in the paper." Nothing in your head! that's what's the matter.

THE EPISCOPAL METHODIST.—The editors of this well-known journal, the organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, published in Baltimore city, announce that they have secured the services of the Rev. Dr. John H. Linn, Rev. Dr. L. D. Huston, Rev. A. W. Wilson, and the Rev. Dr. Lipscomb, of the University of Georgia. The Rev. Dr. Munsey will also be an occasional contributor to its columns. Rev. John Poisal and Rev. S. S. Roszell, of Baltimore, are the managing editors.

To the Voters of the Fifth Election District of Kent County.

Believing you to be fully apprised of my nomination by the Democratic Conservative party of Kent, for School Commissioner of the Fifth Election District of our County, I was content to remain silent, and let my election rest upon its merits; strengthened, as I believed it would be, from the fact of my being the regular nominee of the party. I had hoped to escape the buffeting usually given candidates for office, deeming the humble position to which I may be said to aspire and the modesty of its *honors* and emoluments the very best guarantee and protection against all assaults. But I am disappointed, and although unversed and unskilled in the art of political warfare, find that I am called upon to defend myself.

I have been informed from reliable sources that my position as a well-wisher of our public schools is brought into question, and I am reported as being opposed to public schools. It is a duty which I owe to myself, my friends, and the great *party* which honors me with its confidence to emphatically deny the *charge*. To my friends and all who know me, even my opponents, it is well known that I have ever been a staunch supporter, advocate and patron of education and all educational interests. But I believe the provision made for our schools should be strictly appropriated to school purposes, and those who are appointed to instruct our children should be well chosen and fully competent for that no less responsible, than arduous duty. Laws (no matter for what purpose framed) however just and wholesome, are often misadministered, sometimes, unintentionally.

Of a good and beneficial law, we have no reason to complain; against its misuse and abuse, and utter perversion of its end and aim, all good citizens should loudly protest.

The nomination for School Commissioner came unsought and unsolicited, and if by your suffrages I am made a member of the School Board of our County, I shall to the best of my ability perform my part, ever keeping in view the bests interests of the *schools* and the *people*. That I have not withdrawn from the field, as has also been reported, this letter will evidence.

Very respectfully,
Oct. 21, 1869. I. C. TAYLOR.

Baltimore Grain Market.

[From Thursday's Paper.]

WHEAT.—White—1.85@1.60.
Red—(new) $1·40@1.50.
CORN.—White—1.12@120. cts. Yellow 1.08@1.12 cts.
OATS—58@60 cts.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

I HEREBY forewarn all boys and idlers from trespassing on my premises with dog or gun to hunt, shoot game, or for any other purpose.

I will prosecute all such after this date,
Oct. 16, 1869—3t. W. H. STEWART.

Notice.

THE position of Steward at Washington College is now vacant. Applications will be received by the Secretary until Nov. 2nd, 1869. By order of the Board.

J. A. PEARCE,
Oct. 23—3t. Secretary.

Coal, Coal.

THE subscriber having bought out Wm. H. Hamilton's Coal Business, is prepared to supply Mr. Hamilton's customers, and the public, with all kinds of Coal, at lowest cash price. J. T. TWILLEY.
Chestertown, October 23—3m

VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY FOR SALE!

THE URIE MILLS, which are on the Public Road from Chestertown to Philadelphia, are FOR SALE. They are within a mile and a half of Kennedyville, to which point the Railroad will be completed by the 1st of December next.

The Grist and Saw Mills
ARE IN FINE CONDITION

and fitted up in good style—the former with two setts of Burrs which are new, and the Gearing has been thoroughly repaired. The supply of water cannot be surpassed by any in the county. The springs are unfailing, and the Mills are always in operation.

THERE IS A COMMODIOUS
DWELLING, KITCHEN, &c.,
NEAR THE MILL.

There is a DWELLING and STORE-HOUSE on the Public Road and A POST OFFICE.

WHEEL-WRIGHT AND SMITH SHOPS on the premises, and a good business.

There are also eight other Tenment Houses under Rent.

A quantity of **ARABLE LAND** is attached to the premises.

Having determined to change my business, this property may be purchased on advantageous terms as to price and credits. A man of enterprize, with a moderate amount of capital, could realize a handsome sum annually

Address the subscriber at Urieville Post Office or the Hon. George Vickers, his Attorney, at Chestertown.

The Title is indisputable.

WM. T. SMITH,
Urieville, Kent Co., Md., Oct. 23, '69-3t.

CONSTABLE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued by T. Waters Russell, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Kent county, to me directed, at the suit of W. W. Wallis, against the goods and chattles, lands and tenements of [illegible] (colored) I have [illegible]

TO THE TAX PAYERS Of the First District.

HAVING concluded that the taxable citizens of the First District may have forgotten that they owe taxes for 1869, I beg leave to remind them of that fact—and that unless they show some evidence of a disposition to pay them, I shall at an early day avail myself of the comfort of the law.

I WILL BE AT
GALENA on Monday;
MASSEY'S on Wednesday mornings;
SASSAFRAS on Wednesday afternoons;
CHESTERVILLE Saturday mornings;
MILLINGTON on Saturday afternoons;

E. E. MILLER, Collector.
October 23, 1869—tf.



WANTED TO BUY,

A good second-hand *YORK CARRIAGE AND HARNESS*—price must be moderate, and terms to suit. Apply at this Office. Oct. 16—3t.

Large Stock of Fall Dry Goods!

BOUGHT at *CLOSE CASH FIGURES* and offered at reasonable advances.

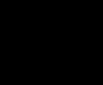
Full Assortment of Seasonable
Farm Goods,

Heavy and Light Groceries and Farm Hardware; all being opened during the coming week, and to which the early attention of consumers is respectfully called, as we claim ability to meet the sharpest competition in trade, and challenge comparison in quality of Goods and Scale of Prices with any House on the Shore doing a legitimate business.

THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, October 16, 1869.

MILLINERY AND NOTIONS!

MRS. C. R. FIDDIS, having just returned from Baltimore with a large and well assorted stock of



MILLINERY
and Ladies Furnishing Goods,

including all the Latest Styles, and Novelties in Bonnets, Hats, Flowers, Feathers and Ribbons, &c., respectfully requests an examination of her stock before purchasing elsewhere, Ladies Kid Gloves and Glove Fitting Corsets, a speciality with us.

TO SEWING MACHINE OWNERS!

I HAVE on hand a supply of prepared Oil for the Wheeler & Wilson Machine also Needles, Cotton, Silk, &c., for the same. October 16, 1869—3t.

PUBLIC SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM
On Chesapeake Bay.

THE UNDERSIGNED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY FOR ABEL J. REES, will expose to *PUBLIC SALE*, on

TUESDAY,
The Twenty-third of November, 1869,
at the Voshell House in Chestertown, at half-past eleven o'clock, A. M., all
THAT FARM AND TRACT OF LAND,
in Kent County, Maryland, called
"Tolchester,"
which is finely situated on the Chesapeake [illegible]more,

FARM FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will sell his Farm at Public Auction, at the Voshell House in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, SECOND OF NOVEMBER.

The Farm is situated about the centre of the County, in a good neighborhood, convenient to Stores, Post Office, Churches, &c. and about a mile and a half from a station on the Kent County Railroad. It contains

150 ACRES

by a recent survey, is divided into five Fie[illegible] under good fencing, has a

SMALL APLLE ORCH[illegible]
OF CHOICE FRUIT,

A Peach Orchard of 800 [illegible]
IN FULL BEARING,
AND ONE OF 1000 TREES.

3 years old next Spring, of well selected



THE DWELLING is [illegible] but comfortable, containing [illegible] rooms; the Barn and other [illegible] buildings are in complete order

The land has been improved and is [illegible] ducing well, and is in many respects desirable as an investment, or for a residence, being one of the most healthy localities in the State

TERMS OF SALE.—1000 dollars cash. The balance in six, twelve and twenty months. The terms may be varied to the purchaser.

The tenant, Mr. Money, will show the premises to any one desiring to see them

T. G. WRO[illegible]
Oct. 16—tds. 152 Pratt st. [illegible]

Middletown Transcript copy tds. and send bill and copy of paper to advertiser.

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 ANN MEGINNISS,
late of Kent county, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 19th day of April, 1870; otherwise they may be excluded by law from the benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 12th day of October, 1869.

WILLAMINA MEGINNISS.
Oct. 16, 1869—4t. Executrix.

B. B. PERKINS & SO[illegible]
Chestertown,
ARE AGENTS for the celebrated
Grover & Baker Sewing Machi[illegible]
and are prepared to furnish [illegible] prices. Persons wanting a Sewing [illegible] can save the freight by purchasing [illegible]

B. B. PERKINS & [illegible]
Sept. 25, 1869—3m.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR [illegible]
Near Georgetown,
KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND

THE subscriber, intending to change [illegible] residence and discontinue the pra[illegible] of medicine, leaving a good opening [illegible] practicing Physician, will sell at Public [illegible] on the
4th DAY OF NOVEMBER N[illegible]
at 11 o'clock, at Galena,

10 Acres of Lan[illegible]
situated on the public road leading fro[illegible] lena to Georgetown, in Kent county.
Improved by a Large
[illegible]AME DWELLING,
[illegible] LARGE STAB[illegible]
[illegible] FLOU[illegible]

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