The Transcript,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Friday Morning, April 28, 1876.

Only One Dollar a Year, in advance.

MONTGOMERY BLAIR AND GOV.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

The opinion of the Justice Brown in the case of Ordway vs. The Central National Bank of Baltimore, is a matter of interest to every national bank in this State, and indeed, in the whole country. In brief, it is here decided that the National Bank act, so far as it confers jurisdiction upon the state courts in suits for the recovery of a penalty, is in conflict with the Constitution of the United States.

A PICTURE OF MRS. BEECHER.

[From the Hartford Times.]

Having occasion to go no board the Acklawaha boat to-day, I noticed a pale, elderly woman, with very white hair, who kept herself aloof from the excursionists; and by accident I learned it was the wife of Henry Ward Beecher. She was going up the river twenty-six miles to a settlement on the St. John's called Beecher, in honor of her famous husband. She came up to Palatka on Saturday—possibly from the residence of Mrs. Stowe, at Mandarin; though I wouldn't like to vouch for this—for "the Beechers are peculiar."

This member of the family is said to have her own peculiarities. She is an old woman now—probably not less than 70—(for she is considerably older than her husband)—and her aspect is that of a woman who suffers from an inward pain that reaches deeper than the physical body. Some observers, seeing her sitting there alone on the steamer, might say she was borne down by grief and trouble—and surely she has had her share; but there was something in that pale, determined face which spoke of more than grief.

A bystander said: "She looks like three whole tragedies boiled down into one act;" and this did better express that unhappy face. A strange secret, inner history in its cold marble. It is not a winning face—not the countenance one would expect to see in the wife of Henry Ward Beecher. What it does express I will leave to others to make out. Enough for me to know that she carries, poor woman, a sight of trouble beyond the miseries of most of those who deserve punishment.

She hid her face at times with her hand not from staring curiously, for she knew not that she was at that moment the object of scrutiny on the part of strangers—but seemingly by a sort of involuntary and helpless movement born of some internal struggle. It was a stern, unhappy, uncomfortably face, and one I was almost sorry to have seen.

☞ New York is alarmed at the loss of her grain trade. In an article on the subject yesterday the Graphic is incidentally somewhat complimentary to Baltimore. It says:

Statistics are valuable and convenient to have about, but sometimes they are as uncomfortable as the business end of a carpet-tack when one sets his bare foot squarely upon it. Some of the railway figures that have come to light swallow like shoe-pegs. Here is the simple fact that from January 1 to April 10 more than 11,500,000 bushels of grain had been received in Philadelphia and Baltimore, and that during the same period only 3,500,000 had been brought to New York. It is the New York foot that is on the tack. Here within a week some 380,000 bushels of grain have been sent to Philadelphia and Baltimore and only 9[illegible] have come here. More tack. In 1866 Baltimore shipped 769,664 bushels of corn; last year she shipped 5,577,404 bushels. Her corn trade increased over seven-fold while that of New York increased about fifty per cent. In seven years the wheat export of Baltimore rose from 10,769 bushels to 2,975,266 bushels, while that of New York increased from 7,208,370 bushels to 24,722,963 bushels. More tacks under our bare feet. In fact, the whole floor is carpeted with tacks. And the railways have put most of them there.

THE BEECHER SCANDAL TO BE OPENED AGAIN.

The plan proposed by the advisory council for an investigation of the charges against Mr. Beecher provided that the suggested commission should not be constituted unless formal charges were preferred against him within sixty days after the dissolution of the council, or unless within the same time it should be deemed expedient by the examining committee of Plymouth Church and the committee of three that new and important testimony should be heard by this committee. The sixty days expired yesterday, and the committee of three announced their purpose to constitute the scandal commission of five without further charges from the opposition. Mr. Shearman says the commission will examine the Bowen charges and those recently made by Rev. Dr. Fairfield, of Mansfield, Ohio, who declined to attend the advisory council, and in a sermon explaining his action declared that he personally knew Mr. Beecher to be guilty of the adultery charged and in the most solemn manner pronounced him "the most infamous character of the nineteenth century."

Mr. John Welsh presented his annual report to the stockholders of the Centennial Exposition on Thursday. It shows that the actual receipts thus far from all sources aggregate $5,103,063.25. Of this amount $294,737.90 remains unexpended. Enough is assured, including the $1,500,000 appropriated by the United States to swell the receipts to $7,000,000, besides the receipts from admission fees. The total estimated cost of the Exposition from first to last is $8,500,000. If no more than $1,500,000 shall be taken in as admission fees there will be no deficit, and at least twice that amount should be realized at fifty cents for each visitor. The report, the Philadelphia Times says, is fairly satisfactory, though it is not creditable to the nation that the stock subscriptions reach only $2,500,000, probably four fifths of which come from persons resident within a hundred miles of Philadelphia.

☞ Mr. George A. Cutler, editor of the *Dallas Commercial*, an excellent journal of Texas, favors us with a communication inquiring whether the following statement made by the Kansas City *Times* is true or not:

"All editors are requested to forward their address, accompanied by a photograph, to the editor of THE SUN. They will receive in answer a free pass to the Centennial, with a coupon entitling them to a seat at a grand editorial banquet to be given at the Continental Hotel."

We beg to inform Mr. Cutler, not without regret, that this paragraph is not true, and that we are not in a position to furnish free passes to the Centennial or coupons to any grand editorial banquet. We suggest also to our friend at Dallas that he ought to have known that the statement of the Kansas City Times was intended as a hoax. The editor of THE SUN would never undertake to run the deadhead department of the Centennial on so mean a scale. If we had the management of that department, every editor in the country should have two free passes and a banquet every day; and to the handsomest and best behaved one there should be given at the end of the great Exhibition a purse of one hundred thousand silver dollars to help him on in life.—*New York Sun.*

☞ An amusing scene occurred in a Salisbury church last Sunday. A gentleman, who felt sleep stealing over his senses while the minister was preaching, thought to resist its influences by resorting to the expedient of chewing a clove, the pungency of which usually had the effect of restoring his equilibrium in moments of drowsiness. He put the clove between his teeth and shut down, when there was an explosion that startled the audience and most effectually aroused the gentleman of somnolent propensities. He had substituted the head of a parlor match for a clove. It must have cost the minister a terrible struggle to repress his risables. However, the only visible effect it worked upon him was a heightened color and greatly accelerated utterance.—*Eastern Shoreman.*

☞ Lieut. Cameron, the African explorer, was entertained at lunch by the Mayor of Liverpool the other day. In reply to the toast of his health, he stated that his discoveries had led him to the conclusion that there exists in the centre of Africa a system of water communication which, by the addition of a canal thirty miles long, would be complete from the Congo to Zanzibar. He believed that boundless stores of wealth—agricultural and mineral—could be thus developed, and when other parts of the world were worked out, that we might look to Africa for new granaries, new coal mines, and new materials for manufactures.

New Advertisements.

A CARD.

To Centennial Visitors.

MRS. B. B. PERKINS,
1020 VINE STREET,
Will accommodate transient boarders. The street cars pass the door every five minutes direct to the main entrance of the Exposition: and two depots, from which steam cars will be run to and from the grounds every 10 or 15 minutes, are but a few squares from 1020 Vine st.

TERMS for Supper, Lodging and Breakfast will be two dollars—and no fee to be paid to agents. [April 28—3m

HINES & CO.,

DEALERS IN

Agricultural Implements and

LISTER'S PHOSPHATE,

HAVE on exhibition at their Warehouse, (*next door to the Kent National Bank,*) samples of the

IMPROVED

BUCKEYE REAPER,

WITH

The Miller Rake and Dropper,

and to the Farmers of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, for the Harvest of 1876, they are offering a considerable inducement, both in regard to *PRICE AND TIME.* Indeed, their Improved Reapers are something for Farmers worth looking at before purchasing any other kind. They have also the

Crawford Improved Mower.

They sell Steam Engines & Threshers

and furnish Extras for the same. They are offering very low one of the *Cheapest Hay Rakes* that has ever been offered to the Farmers of Kent and Queen Anne's counties.

They also sell

JONES PEACH ASSORTER,

and have one constantly on Exhibition, showing the manner in which Peaches are culled for packing, and thereby securing the Farmer a better price for his fruit, to all of which we would respectfully call the attention of Farmers and request them to call and see us before purchasing elsewhere.

HINES & CO.,
Agents for Kent National Bank,
April 28, 1876—1y

New Advertisements.

COMMISSIONS RECEIVED.

NOTICE

To Newly appointed Officers.

THE Commissions for Justices of the Peace and other Local Officers recently appointed for Kent county, whose term of office will commence on the First day of May, prox., were received at the Clerk's Office in Chestertown, on April 22d, 1876. They are hereby notified to qualify within 30 days from the said day, otherwise their places will be vacated.

D. C. BLACKISTON,
Clerk Circuit Court for Kent County.
April 28, 1876

Examiners' Notice.

THE undersigned, Examiners appointed by the County Commissioners for Kent county, to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires

THE OPENING OF

A PUBLIC ROAD

IN the FIRST AND SECOND ELECTION DISTRICTS OF KENT COUNTY,

beginning on the Public Road leading from Locust Grove to Galena, and running through the lands of Miss Armstrong, Dr. J. J. Black, James S. Wilson, John G. Miers, Henry Kraft, Dennis McCauley, and others, and coming out on the public road from Galena to Chesterville, at or near the Catholic Church;

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE

to all persons interested, that they will meet, on

WEDNESDAY,

The 24th day of May, 1876,

At 10 o'clock A. M., at Locust Grove,

to discharge the duties imposed upon them by the said appointment and commission.

JACOB HIGHLEY,
PERE HENDRICKSON,
WALTER J. GRIFFITH,
EXAMINERS.

Kent county, April 28, 1876—4t

Proposals for a New Bridge.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the County Commissioners for Kent county,

Till May 30th next,

TO BUILD A NEW BRIDGE

across the stream in Corey's Lane, on the road to Buck Neck, in the Third Election District, of the following dimensions: The Bridge or span to be eight feet long and twelve feet wide, to rest on five sills five by ten inches, of good White Oak Lumber, with stone abutments of Port Deposit stone. The abutments to be nine feet high, sixteen feet wide and one and a half feet thick; three wings, to be eight feet long, and one to be twelve feet long and one foot thick, to be cemented with good cement, the whole to be done in a workmanlike manner.

By order.

T. W. RUSSELL,
Clerk to County Commissioners.
April 28, 1876—5t.

Fashions for Spring and Summer.

ABE SCHWARTZ,

MERCHANT TAILOR

FROM

PHILADELPHIA

RESPECTFULLY invites his friends and the public to call and examine his new

Spring and Summer Goods And Styles,

RECEIVING DAILY from the Eastern markets.

Fine Goods A SPECIALITY.

BLACK CLOTHS OF THE FINEST GRADES

In *ENGLISH and FRENCH CASSIMERES* we have styles that must please the most fastidious.

☞ Feeling confident that we understand the needs and wants of this community, and that we are now prepared to meet its demands *both in styles and prices*, we again solicit an examination before purchasing elsewhere.

☞ *We guarantee a fit in every case.*

ABE SCHWARTZ

April 21, 1876.

A New Fertilizer!

personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

MARTHA MEEKS,
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 11th day of November 1876; otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 11th day of March, 1876.

HOWARD MEEKS,
April 14, 1876 *Administrator.*

SWEET POTATOES FOR SALE.

THE subscriber has a lot of *very fine sweet potatoes for sale.*

EDWARD SLAUGHTER.
April, 7 1876—4t.

Public Local Law,

PASSED BY THE

GEN'L ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

At the January Session, 1876.

Published in compliance with an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, which requires that all Public Local Laws shall be published for three consecutive weeks in all the newspapers published in the county wherein the law is made to take effect.

Public Local Law.

OPERATIVE IN KENT COUNTY.

CHAPTER 128.

AN ACT to protect English mocking birds in Charles, Calvert, Kent and St. Mary's counties.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons in the Counties of Charles, Calvert, Kent and St. Mary's to shoot, kill or in any manner take, trap, encage, barter or sell any English mocking birds, old or young, or wilfully destroy the eggs or nests of said birds.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the possession by any person or persons in the aforesaid counties of any bird or birds mentioned in this act shall be *prima facie* evidence to convict under this act.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the justices of the peace for the above named counties shall have jurisdiction over and may take cognizance of all cases of persons violating the provisions of this act, within their respective counties: and any person or persons convicted before any justice of the peace of the county in which the offence is committed of violating the provisions of this act shall be fined by said justice of the peace in a sum of not less than five dollars, nor more than twenty-five dollars for each and every offence, with costs, and on the failure or refusal of such person or persons to pay said fine or fines, or give security therefor, the said justice of the peace shall commit him or them to the county jail for a period of not less than five nor more than twenty-five days; and provided the party or parties convicted under this act before any justice of the peace shall have the right of appeal to the Circuit Court of the county in which the offence is committed, within sixty days, and on such appeal being prayed the justice of the peace shall cause the said party or parties to give bail for his or their appearance at the next term of said Circuit Court of the county in a sum double the amount of the fine or fines imposed where the said party or parties shall be tried *de novo*, and if convicted, shall suffer the same penalties as those imposed by said justice of the peace with costs; and provided further whenever said bail is given the party or parties shall be set at liberty, and all fines collected under this act shall be applied to the repair of the roads of the county in which the conviction takes place.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall not be construed to interfere with the right of any citizen or citizens in the aforesaid counties to take the young of the birds mentioned in this act; provided he or they make oath in due form of law before some justice of the peace of the county in which he or they reside, that such young birds taken are intended for his or their true and *bona-fide* use, and not for the purpose of sale or barter; and provided further, that this act shall not embrace or include any bird of which any person may own or be in possession of at the time this act shall take effect.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the oath mentioned in the preceding section may be made before or at the time of trial, but shall only be *prima facie* evidence of innocence.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March, 25th, 1876.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That the aforegoing is a correct copy of an Act of Assembly passed January Session, 1876.

A. GASSAWAY,
Secretary of the Senate.
M. Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
April 28, 1876—3t.

Public Local Law.

OPERATIVE IN KENT COUNTY.

CHAPTER 114.

AN ACT to authorize the Clerk of Circuit Court for Kent county to have several of the land records of said county rebound, and to continue the general index of judgments and decrees on the dockets of said court from the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

WHEREAS, several of the land record books in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county have, in consequence of long continued use and imperfect binding, become so dilapidated and worn that great inconvenience and injury is likely to result therefrom, therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the clerk of the said court be, and he is hereby authorized to have as many of said record books as need it well rebound in a strong and substantial manner, provided, that the Judges of the Circuit Court of Kent county shall deem the same necessary.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to continue the index of all judgments and decrees on the dockets of said court, from the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, in the names of all the parties to such judgements or decrees.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the County Commissioners of Kent county be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to levy upon the assessable property of said county a sum sufficient to pay the expenses incurred or to be incurred under this act, such rates as the General Laws of the State authorize, provided however, that they levy for same that the account shall be approved by the Judge of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and said clerk are notified.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 14th, 1876.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That the aforegoing is a correct copy of an Act of Assembly passed January Session, 1876.

A. GASSAWAY,
Secretary of the Senate.
M. Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
April 21, 1876—3t.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That the aforegoing is a correct copy of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed January Session, 1876.

MILTON Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
Secretary of the Senate
April 28, 1876—3t.

Public Local Law,

OPERATIVE IN KENT COUNTY.

CHAPTER 355.

AN ACT to repeal section fifty-six of the Public Local Law, title, "Kent County," sub-title "Chestertown," passed on the first day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and to re-enact the same with an amendment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section fifty six, title "Kent County," sub-title "Chestertown," of an act passed on the first day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, be and the same is hereby repealed, and re-enacted to read as follows:

56. The money which shall be annually levied by the County Commissioners of Kent county, for repairing the streets, lanes and alleys of said town, shall be paid to the said Commissioners or their order, and shall be expended by them for that purpose; and they shall appoint in the month of June, annually, a Supervisor of said streets and alleys, and of the public road between said town and Whaland's Mill, and between said town and Thomas P. Dixon's gate, formerly Samuel Thomas's gate; and the said County Commissioners shall levy the sum of three hundred dollars annually for the use of said Commissioners for said town, but not until they are satisfied that such appointment of supervisor has been made and accepted.

SECTION 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7th, 1876.

JOHN LEE CARROLL,
Governor.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, that the aforegoing is a correct copy of an Act of Assembly passed January Session, 1876.

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
Secretary of the Senate.
M. Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.

MARYLAND SCT:

I, James S. Franklin, clerk of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, do hereby certify that the aforegoing is a full and true copy of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, of which it purports to be a copy, as taken from the original law, deposited in and belonging to the office of the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand, as Clerk, and affix the Seal of the said Court of Appeals, this 13th day of April, 1876.

SEAL

JAMES S. FRANKLIN, *Clerk.*
April 21, 1876—3t.

Public Local Law,

OPERATIVE IN KENT COUNTY.

CHAPTER 99.

AN ACT to repeal section eighty-one of article fourteen of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Kent County," sub-title "County Commissioners," and to amend and re-enact the same with amendments and to add a sub-section thereto, and to provide for the appointment of two County Commissioners by the Governor, to serve until the next general election.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section eighty-one of article fourteen of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Kent County," sub-title "County Commissioners," be, and the same is hereby repealed, amended and re-enacted with an amendment, and to add a sub-section to said article and section so as to read as follows:

81. There shall be five Commissioners for Kent county.

SUB-SECTION. The county commissioners shall have the general supervision of the public roads in Kent county, and the work done thereon, and for this purpose they shall at their first meeting in January after their election and qualification, assign among themselves the different districts of the county, one of said commissioners to each of said districts, whose duty it shall be to supervise all the public roads in the districts assigned to him, and to go over said roads at least one and not more than two days in each month, for which service they shall be entitled to same per diem and mileage as for other duties performed by them; and before the accounts of any person appointed as supervisor under them by the board of county commissioners are passed by the said board, they shall first have the endorsement and approval of the said county commissioners thus assigned to, and put in charge of said district.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That until the general election there shall be appointed by the Governor, two persons of said county, one to reside in the first election district and the other in the second election district of said county, to said election county commissioners with the powers already in office until the next general election, and the board thus enlarged, shall at their first meeting after the qualification of the two thus appointed, assign to themselves the roads as provided among the sub-section hereinbefore enacted, and said board of County Commissioners shall meet as often as necessary, the first day of January until the next general levy shall be made, but shall not meet annually after said levy and until the first day of January next succeeding, except on the first Tuesday of each month.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1876.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That the aforegoing is a correct copy of an Act of Assembly passed January Session, 1876.

A. GASSAWAY,
Secretary of the Senate.
M. Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
April 21, 1876—3t.

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