The Transcript,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Thursday Morning, Feb. 10, 1881.

S. E. SULLIVAN. C. G. WOODALL.

SULLIVAN & WOODALL,

Editors and Proprietors.

JAY GOULD states in the New York *World* of Monday, that the purpose of the great telegraph company combination is to lessen rates and not to increase them.

THOMAS CARLYLE, the great English philosopher and historian, died last Saturday morning. Thus within the last sixty days England has lost two great thinkers and two great writers—Marian Evans (George Elliott) and Thomas Carlyle.

THE Baltimore *American* of Monday prints cuts of Baltimore's anticipated new post office. The design, as presented in the cuts, appears to be rather squatty. It will not compare with Baltimore's City Hall in architectural beauty. The style of architecture is after the French renaissance.

THE Baltimore Press Association holds its annual banquet at the Eutaw House, Baltimore, next Saturday. President Hayes, Thomas F. Bayard, James G. Blaine, and other prominent personages have accepted invitations to be present. A. S. Abell, W. H. Welsh, C. C. Fulton, Fred Raine, L. P. D. Newman and John L. Thomas, Jr., will constitute a committee of reception, who will meet the invited guests in a special car at the Washington Depot, and escort them to Baltimore.

THE Congressional Committee on Commerce have reported a bill recommending the following appropriations for Maryland and Delaware river improvements: Maryland—for harbor at Baltimore, continuing operations for shortening and deepening the channel to 27 feet at mean low water, $150,000; harbor at Annapolis, $5,000; Breton bay, Leonardtown, $3,000; Choptank river, Denton and Greensboro', $5,000; Elk river, $5,000; Secretary creek, $3,000; Threadhaven creek, $3,000; Wicomico river, below Salisbury, $2,000; Susquehanna, above and below Havre-de-Grace, $15,000. Delaware—piers of ice harbor, at New Castle, $20,000; improving Broad creek from mouth to Laurel, $10,000; mouth of Duck creek, $3,000; Mispillion creek, $3,500.

IN recent years, in some of the States, the legislatures have made the procuring of divorce a very easy matter. In Vermont and Massachusetts, the divorce statistics show that there is an average of one divorce for every thirteen marriages, and in one section of Massachusetts the average reaches as high as one divorce in every six marriages.

There is, perhaps, no State in the United States where divorce is so rare as in the State of Maryland,—especially on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. During the year 1880, there were in Kent county about 180 marriages. If the average of divorces were as high with us as in one section of New England, there would have been 30 divorces to balance these marriages; or if the average had been as great as the general average in New England, there would have been 15 divorces for 180 marriages. But on the contrary there was only one divorce in Kent county during last year (a colored couple) and the average in the last ten years has not been above one a year. The average of marriages in Kent county has probably been 150 per year during the last ten years, and it is safe to estimate that in this county the proportion of divorces to marriages is not greater than one in 150. This average it is believed will hold all over the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Put this average of one divorce in 150 marriages alongside of one divorce in every 6 marriages or even one in every 13 marriages, and the wide difference will be observed.

In most of the Western States the marriage laws are as lax as in the New England States, and the relative proportion of divorces to marriages, is almost as great.

A GREAT stir has been made in Sussex county, Delaware, over the reported ill-treatment of bound boys. The Philadelphia *Times* sent a correspondent down into Sussex, who seems to have found numerous instances in which bound boys were insufficiently clothed, under-fed, and brutally treated. In many instances the boys were without underclothing, and their over-clothing consisted of a thin cotton stuff. They were frequently compelled to be exposed to the terrible cold, and were ofttimes brutally beaten. The worst case was that of a small negro boy, whose feet became frozen, the flesh fell off, and he was finally compelled to have his feet amputated.

It is needless to say that the most of the Delaware people are as kind-hearted as are to be found anywhere, and the few cases of savage inhumanity are isolated. The better people of Delaware, should not, however, allow any man with such brutally mean proclivities to thrive among them.

A man who would brutally mistreat and under-feed a dumb brute, is not fit to own a dumb brute. And we believe, as earnestly as we believe anything, that the law should deprive such a man of the ownership of his brute. We believe that even the beast that perisheth should have some rights and privileges protected by the law. It should at least have the right of enough to eat, and of sufficient protection from the cold and storms of winter. It should furthermore have the right guaranteed it, of not being worked to death.

But when we come to speak of the ownership, or the controllership, of a poor, wretched, parentless little human, we think the law should punish and punish severely the man who would brutally mistreat it. It would seem from the *Times* report with regard to these Delaware children, that they were not in some instances accorded the rights that should be guaranteed dumb animals,—i. e. they did not have enough to eat, they were not sufficiently protected from the cold, and they were in two instances compelled to do service that came near resulting in their deaths.

It is probable, however, that the Delaware authorities will investigate the reported cases of cruelty, and will take the bound boys away from those who have been unmerciful task-masters.

CONGRESS has been in session for more than two months now, and the expiration of the present session is not far off. There have been no particularly exciting questions brought up for discussion. The next presidential nomination is four years off, and there has consequently been no posturing and speechmaking for political effect. Presidential aspirants find it too early to make attempts to ride into notoriety, by working up startling and brilliant theories with regard to questions under discussion. Conkling has not indulged in any of the greatest efforts of his life, and Blaine has remained unusually quiet, probably hoping to make a better impression upon his party and the country in his future capacity of Secretary of State. Bayard has taken his usual leading position in senatorial debates, and Maryland's Senator Whyte has stood in the front ranks as a constitutional lawyer, and sound debater.

The bills brought before Congress that have attracted most public attention, are the different bills for refunding the national debt, the congressional reapportionment bill, the electoral count bill, the bill for encouraging American commerce in American bottoms, and the bill for placing Genl. Grant on the retired list with a pension.

None of these questions have as yet been settled. Upon some of them there has been a great deal of discussion. It looks as though an extra session will be called in March. It will require hard work and night work to get through with all that is before Congress, before the fourth of March. The average congressman is not noted for over-working himself.

Hayes steps out and Garfield takes his seat on the 4th of March. Quite a number of Democratic representatives give up their seats to Republicans, and a number of seats that are now held in the Senate by Democrats, will also then be filled by Republicans,—so that the Republicans will have a majority in the lower House, and the two parties will be about evenly balanced in the Senate. Thus if an extra session is called it will work with its political feature changed, and in conjunction with a new President and a new Cabinet.

THE Republican Outs, among the government office-seekers of Maryland, have a heart-sick dislike for that portion of the civil service reform theory, that teaches that office holders should hold on to office, without any sign of letting go.

The continuance in office doctrine, is beautiful and abounding in wisdom to the Ins, but the Outs would see more real sense in civil service, if that plank was left out.

A correspondent of the Cecil *Whig* in a communication to that paper, gives vent to his disgust at the thought of the Ins staying in. He says:

"In Maryland, at least, the subject of a more extended 'change' may be discussed. Many of the minor Federal appointments have been held by the present occupants for twelve years—some of them as long as fifteen years. Now, as it is no secret that the pay received by these gentlemen is double or treble what they could otherwise make, it seems nothing but fair and honest that other members of the party, just as capable and faithful, should have the benefit thereof for awhile, and that these gentlemen ought not to object to stepping aside for four years, at least. A civil service that appoints the best men to office is all right, but the man who supposes that a party can be successful in this country that proposes to keep one set of men in office for life, must be a natural born fool. He might have a very 'respectable' party, but he would have a very small one. 'To the victors belong the spoils' is perfectly right, if honestly directed.

"There are Republicans who have done their duty—who have stood up for principle—who now think that a 'change' is in order, and when the proper time comes will let their wishes be known."

IN California the males formerly out-numbered the females very largely, but this disproportion has been gradually decreasing, and now the disparity is comparatively small. According to the last census, the population of the State, exclusive of Chinese, who are nearly all men, is 789, of which number 443,271 are males and 346,415 females.

"NOTES BY THE WAY."

The following is a report of the weather for the first week in February (taken from my diary) for the last fifteen years:

1867.—1st, 3d, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear. 2d, 4th, rainy. Mild during the week.

1868.—1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, clear. 5th, snow and rain. 6th, 7th, clear, cold, fine sleighing.

1869.—1st, clear. 2d, 3d, 4th, rain and snow. 5th, 6th, 7th, clear, mild.

1870.—1st, 2d, 3d 4th, clear, 5th cloudy with snow. 6th, 7th, clear, moderate temperature.

1871.—1st, 2d, cloudy, rain, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, clear, 7th cloudy, snow. Lowest temperature 17°.

1872.—1st, 2d, clear, 3d, snow hail, 4th, 5th, clear, 6th rainy, 7th, clear. Moderately cold.

1873.—1st, 2d, clear, 3d, snow, rain, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear, cold, fine sleighing.

1874.—1st, 2d, 3d, cloudy, snow, rain, 4th, 5th, clear, 6th, 7th, snow. Lowest temperature 18°. Fine sleighing.

1875.—1st, 2d, clear, 3d, rainy, 4th, 5th, 6th, clear, 7th, snow and rain. Lowest temperature 10°.

1876.—1st, cloudy, 2d, clear, 3d, 4th, cloudy, snow, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear. Lowest temperature 14°.—Fine sleighing.

1877.—1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear and mild.

1878.—1st, cloudy, rain, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear. Lowest temperature 18°.

1879.—1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, clear, 5th snow, rain, 6th, 7th, clear. Lowest temperature 22°.

1880.—1st, clear, 2d, 3d, cloudy, snow, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, clear. Lowest temperature 12°.

1881.—1st, snow, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, clear, 6th, 7th, clear. *Fine sleighing. Lowest temperature zero.*

Tuesday last was Candlemas Day. It is celebrated by some churches as the festival of the Purification of the Virgin Mary. It is said the ground hog comes out of his hole on this day. If it is good weather on this day it indicates a continuance of winter and bad crops, and if it is foul weather it is a good omen.

The popular Scottish rhyme is:

"If Candlemas day be dry and fair,
The half of winter to come and mair;
If Candlemas day be wet and foul,
The half of winter's gone and yule."

The superstitious need not be in a hurry getting ready for spring work this year. The first of June will do for corn planting.

A reporter informs us that Galena has two political clubs at present. Temperance and Anti-temperance clubs. Two clubs, measles and mud are enough to kill a town as large again as Galena. Cannot some good Samaritan go to her aid.

Still Pond Sabbath school is preparing for its Missionary Anniversary to take place in a few weeks.

Rev. James L. Houston is visiting Georgetown. He expects to lecture at Still Pond shortly. His subject is "Tom O'Jack's Lad."

A couple recently married near Still Pond have played quits. The bride does not love the groom, and the groom vows she shall have no other man to love. Such is life.

Semi-annual cooperative sales of surplus stock, &c., have been inaugurated in Harford county under the auspices of the Deer Creek Farmer's Club. This is a good thing. Farmers can get rid of many things that will be of use to others, and of no use to themselves.

Eureka Grange meets at Still Pond every Saturday afternoon. There are a number of earnest grangers, who are determined to keep organized, and derive benefits from it in the future as they have done in the past.

Evaporated fruit has found its way into foreign markets. A London house purchased one hundred and sixty tons of a New York firm. The business is becoming enormous. We need never fear about peaches, pears and apples paying. All we have got to do is to grow them. Evaporation is a success.

The new pastor of the Presbyterian churches preached at Westminster and Kennedyville yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. Kennard has been very sick, but is better. Dr. Jacobs is very ill with typhoid fever. We hope he will be better before this reaches you.

There is a "candidates supper" talked of—to be at Kennedyville shortly. TECUMSEH.

Lynch's, Feb. 7th, 1881.

Peninsula News.

At the opening of spring Cambridge expects a big vessel-building boom.

Col. Edward Lloyd, of Talbot, has been ill with pneumonia, but is now convalescent.

Cornelius Comegys, a well-known citizen of Queen Anne's county, died recently of paralysis.

A race between an ox and a horse is what Caroline county sports are looking forward to with interest.

Hon. George W. Covington, Congressman-elect, has formed a law-partnership with Mr. Wm. S. Wilson, of Snow Hill.

Dover, Seaford, Felton and other Delaware towns complain that burglars are altogether too numerous for a State that contains three good, solid whipping-posts.

The Breakwater Light says the ocean for miles and miles, or beyond the reach of the telescope from the top of Henlopen lighthouse, appears as an interminable field of ice.

An Easton thief, in one night last week appropriated to his own use seven chickens, about thirty ducks and chickens from another party, a cracked pot and 24 cents in cash. He evaded the officers of the law by giving leg bail.

The Capital hotel, Dover, Del., was burned last week. It was insured pretty nearly to its full value, so that the principal loss will fall upon the fire insurance company. The hotel company will probably rebuild a handsomer house.

Rising Sun is excited over a case of grave robbery there. The corpse was that of a young man who had been buried about two years. The body has been removed and a stranger, known to have been in town last week, is suspected of having stolen it and sold it to a Baltimore college for $5.

The Pocomoke City *Gazette* thinks a glance at the map ought to convince any one that this Peninsula should constitute a State. Materially the advantages would be many, but, politically, is it not asking too much of us while Sam. Townsend and the Saulsbury brothers still live? We cannot help thinking so, though it pains us to express it.—*Cambridge Era.*

MARYLAND'S OYSTER INTERESTS.

On Friday of last week the board of public works held an important meeting at the executive chamber, Annapolis. There were present Gov. Hamilton, Comptroller Keating and Treasurer Compton, who constitute the board. This being the day appointed by the board to consider certain charges brought against the oyster police navy for negligence of duty in refusing to arrest violators of the dredging law a large number of tongmen were present, and manifested a deep interest in the matter. Capt. Samuel M. Travers, commander of the oyster police navy, was the first called before the board. Capt. Travers denied that he had been derelict in his duty as commander of the force. He stated it was an utter impossibility for him to arrest all the vessels engaged in dredging on the bay, but when he witnessed such violations of the law he always made arrests. Capt. Wm. T. Cullin, of the police sloop Bessie Woolford, and Capt. Copper, mate, and F. C. Benner, engineer of the steamer Leila were also before the board, and corroborated Capt. Travers's statement. A delegation of Annapolis tongmen, consisting of W. H. Burtis, Arthur Martin, Capt. Lemuel Mitchell, Benjamin Holliday and others were also admitted to a hearing before the board. Capt. Mitchell presented several letters from tongmen down the bay, charging Capt. Travers with negligence of duty in permitting dredging vessels to engage in violation of the oyster law in their midst. The principal charge referred to was for allowing these vessels to dredge at Swan Point, Kent county, on the 15th of January last. One of the delegation stated that he saw over a dozen vessels engaged in dredging at Thomas's Point on the 8th of January, and that the police steamer went in sight of them, but did not make any arrest. To this charge Capt. Travers referred the board to his "daily log book," which showed that two vessels had been registered as dredging on that day in the locality named. Capt. Travers further stated in defense of this particular charge that the ice barred him from making arrests on that day, but he had the numbers of certain vessels engaged in dredging, and at the first opportunity would arrest the lawless dredgers. One of the letters presented to the board was from a tongman of Kent county who preferred charges against Capt. Travers, and asked to be heard in the matter, but the party was not present. This letter was read, but no further consideration was given it. A communication from tongmen of Somerset country was read to the board charging Capt. Childs, of the police sloop Katie Hines, of that district, as incompetent to perform the duties as commander of said vessel, and asking that the interests of the tongmen of that locality be protected from the outrages of the oyster dredgers, especially in Manokin river. Capt. Childs was not present, but the board said they had no authority in the matter and referred the petitioner to the local authorities of their county for protection. The Annapolis tongmen suggested to the board the propriety of purchasing or hiring a tug to assist in protecting the oyster beds in this vicinity, but the board said they did not have the power to do this. The police sloop Nannie Merryman, is now on the railway in a helpless condition, the police steamer Leila is hemmed in the ice at Baltimore, and the oyster bars at present are at the mercy of dredgers. There were seen Friday from the dome of the capitol six dredging vessels at work on Thomas's Point, and two at Greensbury's, two miles from Annapolis. Thursday there were ten on Thomas's Point and two at Greensbury's.

GRASS is king of Dakota, the proposed new State. The Territory lies entirely in the broad valley of the Missouri and that of the Red River of the North. The Black Hills, with untold wealth, are partly within her western borders, while on the east are Iowa and Minnesota, with their railroads reaching after her abundant grain crops. Besides gold and silver, coal is found in the northern and western districts, and petroleum springs from the rocks in many places. The climate presents less that is objectionable to the Eastern emigrant than either of the adjoining States. Its winters are milder and its atmosphere is of the most remarkable salubrity. The soil is a rich vegetable mould, ranging from the most fertile alluvium in the bottom lands—of which there are many thousands of acres along the Missouri and its tributaries—to the more compact upland prairie, thoroughly well adapted to the production of wheat and other grains.—Oats, peas, barley, and such small grains attain the ripest perfection; but the great and crowning wealth of Dakota, outranking gold, wheat, corn, and all else, is her incomparable crop of grass. Thousands of square miles of her bottom lands two tons or more per acre per year at a single cutting, while away north, in the Red River valley, four tons per year are secured by two cuttings. For stock raising, wool growing, dairying, grain growing, and the production of root crops, Dakota possesses unsurpassed advantages.

ABOUT PEACHES.—Mr. Jos. Noble, of Bridgeville, says that most people who examine peach trees for the purpose of seeing whether fruit is killed or not, cut the bud open, and, if they find a black spot in the center, pronounce the peach as dead. This, Mr. N. thinks, is not the correct way. He says, if you will cut into the twig just below the bud, there you will find the peach proper, and that in examining them in this way, since the cold snap, he has found them to be alive. He also says that the sap in the trees freezes every winter, if it is not unusually moderate, and thinks the fact that it is frozen this winter does not argue that the peaches are killed at all.—*Seaford Index.*

THE manufacture of brick is one of the most important industries of Macon, Ga. The material furnished by the land below the city in the Ocmulgee swamp, and a tract extending across the Brunswick Railroad, is said to be unexcelled in the world for purity and firmness.

THE names of towns and settlements in Arazona possess the merit of originality. Here are some of them: Tombstone, Good Enough, Tough Nut, Contention, Family Fuss, and Discipline

ON the Little Colorado lives a woman who avers that she is 128 years old, and that she distinctly remembers the famous dark day, 19th of May, 1780. There are still a number of old people who have "heard tell" of that remarkable phenomenon from those who experienced it. Perhaps it is not generally known that the darkness, which was that of a dark night, extended for many miles out into the Atlantic. It was not in any wise explainable by eclipse.

DR. HIRAM SHAFFER is the leading physician at Wooster, Ohio. His wife objected to his visiting women patients, and demanded that he should confine his practice to men. He refused to thus throw away more than half his income, and she has left him.

ABOUT $7,500,000 has been expended on the Mississippi River, aside from the jetties, since the formation of the Government.

Hot drinks should be avoided in day time during cold weather, as they have a tendency to weaken the lungs and affect the throat. Take Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup for all cases of Coughs, Colds and Hoarseness. Price 25 cents a bottle.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

RESOLVED, that the members of Amicable Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., have heard with sincere regret of the death of Bro, SAMUEL B. ARMSTRONG, one of the oldest and most faithful members of this Lodge; that in his death the order has sustained the loss of a useful member, ourselves a worthy brother and friend, and his family a sad bereavement.

Resolved, That the members of this Lodge, in respect to his memory, will attend his funeral in a body; that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge, and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased with the assurance of our sympathy in their affliction.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the county papers for publication.

JAS. A. PEARCE,
JAS. H. THOMPSON,
J. B. BURCHINAL,
COMMITTEE.

Attest:—E. C. REICHE, Sec'y. 1t

MARRIAGES.

SOLLOWAY—DAVIS.—On the 1st instant, at the M. E. Parsonage in Galena, by Rev. J. E. Bryan, JOSEPH H. SOLLOWAY to Miss CHARLOTTE N. DAVIS, both of this county.

ROEDER—JOINER.—On the 2d instant, at the M. E. Parsonage in Chestertown, by Rev. E. B. Newnam, THOMAS L. ROEDER to Miss SALLIE R. JOINER, both of this county.

SMITH—OWENS.—On the 25th ultimo, at Betterton M. E. Church, by Rev. J. B. Merritt, JOHN M. SMITH to Miss MARY M. OWENS, both of this county.

DIED.

RINGGOLD.—On the 5th of February, at the residence of her grandson, Robert R. Calder, in this town, Mrs. MARY A. RINGGOLD, aged 74 years.

HADDAWAY.—Near Willis's Cross Roads, February 3, 1881, JESSIE T., son of George and Sarah Haddaway, aged 4 yrs and 6 mos.

KENDALL.—In Broad Neck, January 29th, of consumption, ANN ELIZA, wife of Luther A. Kendall, aged 41 years and 6 months.

ARMSTRONG.—In Chestertown, February 2d, SAMUEL B. ARMSTRONG, in his 47th year.

New Advertisements.

Notice.

THE undersigned hereby notifies his friends and the public in general that the *BLACK SMITHING BUSINESS* will still be continued at Locust Grove, after Jan. 1, 1881, under the name of William H. Kelley, Agent.

Feb 10—3t WM. H. KELLEY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby gived that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, Letters Testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

JOHN T. SKIRVEN,

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 subscribers on or before the 9th day of August, 1881; otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under our hands this 7th day of January, 1881.

THOMAS W. SKIRVEN,
J. WALTER SKIRVEN,
WASHINGTON G. SKIRVEN,
Executors.

Feb 10, 1881—4t

Valentines

AT SPARKS'.

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.—The next Session commences FEBRUARY 1, 1881. For catalogue or further information address

Wm. H. PARKER, PRESIDENT,
College Station, Prince George's Co. Md.

Feb. 3, 1881—4t.

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Feb. 3, 1881—y. Baltimore, Md.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters Testamentary C. T. A. on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

WM. A. TAYLOR,

late of Kent county, Md. 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 25th day of July, 1881; otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand this 25th day of January, 1881.

AUG. L. VANNORT, *Executor.*

Jan. 27, 1881—4t.

For Sale,

500 Bushels Clover Seed.

300 choice at $5 50
160 prime at 5 25
40 fair at 5

Also, *TIMOTHY and ORCHARD GRASS SEED,* for the cash only, at the warehouse in Chestertown.

JOS. W. THOMPSON.

Jan. 20, 1881—tf

THE best New York Buckwheat Flour for 4 cts. per lb. at 85 cts. per bag.

J. A. PERKINS.

BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT

Showing the condition of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Kent County, Maryland, Chestertown, Dec. 31st, 1880.

ASSETS.

Loans on Bond and Mortgage	$59,660.00	
Stocks and Bonds absolutely owned by the Company (market value)	14,050.73	
Amount of all Loans (except Mortgages) secured by Stocks, Bonds and other securities hypothecated to the Company for cash actually loaned by the Company	3,488.21	
Interest due and accrued on Stocks, Bonds and other securities	1,413.00	
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company deposited in bank	4,113.77	
Premium Notes	127,453.00	
Total Admitted Assets		$210,178.71

LIABILITIES.

Losses reported, adjusted and unpaid	700.00	
Reserved as required by law	4,786.13	
Surplus not called for	434.91	
All other claims		
Total Liabilities		$5,921.04
Surplus as regards Policy-holders, including Premium Notes		$204,257.67
Total Income	10,095.73	
Total Expenditures	1,335.05	
Amount of Policies in force in Maryland on 31st December, 1880	1,914,452.00	
Amount of Policies written during the year 1880 in Maryland	135,681.00	
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1880	5,631.46	
Losses paid in Maryland during 1880	1,706.01	

STATE OF MARYLAND,

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

ANNAPOLIS, MD., January 1st, 1880.

In compliance with Act of 1878, Chapter 106, I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from the statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, Md., to December 31st, 1880, now on file in this Department.

JESSE K. HINES,
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

Feb. 10, 1881—3w.

BARGAINS IN CLOTHING

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Feb. 3, 1881.

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AND FANCY ARTICLES.

We have in stock and are constantly receiving Fresh Drugs, which we secure from only reliable and first class wholesale dealers

Our PRESCRIPTION DEPARTMENT cannot be surpassed in this county for reliability or promptness.

We also keep on hand the most reliable Patent Preparations.

In connection with our Drug business we propose this year to push our trade in Stationery, Books and Fancy Articles. Our large sales the past season encourage us in giving special attention in this direction.

We shall continue to give personal attention to every department of our business, and leave no effort untried to give perfect satisfaction to all who favor us with their patronage

T. W. WICKES,

February 3, 1881 DRUGGIST.

ORDER NISI.

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR KENT COUNTY, STATE OF MARYLAND.

ORDERED on this twenty-fifth day of January in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-one, that the sale of the Real Estate of the late Honorable E. F. Chambers, made by George W. T. Perkins, Executor, and within reported, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be shown, on or before the twenty-ninth day of March next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Kent County, Maryland, once a week in each of three successive weeks, before the 27th day of February next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $24,110.28

ROBERT NICHOLSON,
THOS. J. SHALLCROSS,
R. B. WILLSON,
Judges of Orphans' Court.

True Copy—Attest:
JOEL C. SLATGHTER,

Jan. 27, 1881—3t Register of Wills.

COURT ORDER OF RATIFICATION.

In the matter of the sale of the Real Estate of George W. Reynolds & Co., as agents for Capt. Tucker, made by Richard H. Corbaley, late a Collector of Taxes for the First Election District of Kent county, Maryland.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county.

THE Report of Sale and proceedings in the aforegoing case having been read and considered, and the same appearing to have been regular, and the provisions of Law in relation thereto having been complied with, it is thereupon, this seventeenth day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-one, ordered that the sale made and reported by Richard H. Corbaley, late a Collector of Taxes, as above set forth, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown, on or before the first day of April next: provided a copy of this order be published in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks prior to the first day of March next.

JOS. A. WICKES.

True copy—Test:
SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

January 20, 1881—4t

W. H. LAMBERT & CO.

WE hereby notify our friends and the public generally, that we have opened a

NEW STORE

at the room recently occupied by Mr. S. Merritt, alongside of Mr. J. K. Aldridge's hardware store.

We hope to receive a liberal share of public patronage.

W. H. LAMBERT & CO.

SLEIGH BELLS, A large assortment; Ladies', Gents and Boys' SKATES; Christmas Tree Holders, &c., at

Dec 16 J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

Kent Co., Smyrna & Del. Bay R. R.

Connecting with Delaware Rail Road at Clayton.

FALL AND WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after Monday, January 10th, 1881, until further notice trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH. LEAVE	Passenger No. 1. Daily. A. M.	Mixed No. 3. Thursdays only. P. M.
Chestertown	8 00	2.00
Worton	8.15	2.20
Lynch's	8 25	2.30
Still Pond	8.30	2.40
Kennedyville	8.45	3.00
Blacks	9.00	3.15
Lambson	9.15	3.30
Masseys	9.30	3.45
*Delanys	9.45	4.00
*Bingham	9.55	4.10
arr Clayton	10.05	4.30
leave "	10.36	5 04
" Middletown	11.10	5.30
" Wilmington	12.07 p m	7 04
arr Philadelphia	1 16	8.25
Baltimore	3.28	9.20
New York	4.45	3.45 a m

GOING SOUTH. LEAVE	Passenger No, 2. Daily except Thursdays. A.M.	Mixed and Pass'gr No.4 and No. 5 Thursdays only. A. M.	P.M.
New York	8 15	4 20	1 00
Baltimore	9 45	7 00	3 00
Philadelphia	11 45	8 10	5 15
Wilmington	1 05 p.m.	9 25	6 30
Middletown	2 06	10 02	7 35
arr Clayton	2 30	11 02	8 02
leave "	2 40	11 10	8 10
" *Binghams	2 55	11 25	8 25
*Delanys	3 00	11 40	8 35
Masseys	3 15	11 55	8 56
Lambson	3 30	12 10 p. m.	9 05
Blacks	3 40	12 20	9 15
Kennedyville	3 50	12 35	9 25
Still Pond	4 00	12 45	9 30
Lynchs	4 05	12 50	9 40
Worton	4 10	1 00	9 45
arr Chestertown	4 30	1 15	10 00

Stations marked thus (*) have no agents.

Freight for Delanys and Bingham's must be prepaid.

The morning trains make connection at Clayton with the Delaware Railroad going North and South.

Passengers on morning train to and from Baltimore change cars at Wilmington or Delaware Junction.

Freight carried at low rates to all points and must be at Stations 30 minutes before starting time, in order to insure dispatch.

Trains run on Philadelphia time, which is 5 minutes faster than Baltimore time.

Excursion Tickets issued at reduced rates from all Stations for Wilmington or Philadelphia, good for two days, and to Baltimore, good for four days.

FRED. GERKER,

Sept. 23, 1880. Lessee.

GROCERIES AT CITY PRICES.

We have on hand a First Class Stock of

Groceries and Provisions.

Sugars, Teas, Coffies, Flour, Lard, Hams, Sugar Cured Shoulders, Breast Meat, Side Bacon, Sausage, Mince Meat.

Tobacco of all grades. Cigars, Snuffs, Pipes, Pickles, Buckwheat, Beans, Hominy, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Corn, Canned Peas, Canned String Beans, Canned Crabs, Salt Mackerel, Corned Shad, Smoked and Salt Herring, Molasses, Syrups, Pure Cider Vinegar, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, Prunes, Dates, Citron, Candies, Apples, Onions. Sweet and Irish Potatoes.

We aim to keep a *first class* stock of

Vegetables.

Give us a call.

J. A. PERKINS,
Opposite the M. E. Church.

P. S.—Country Produce wanted for trade or cash. Jan. 13, 1881—y.

1881.

E. W. F. Simpers,

(Opposite Stam's Drug Store,)

DEALER IN

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NOTIONS

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE,

CHOICE FAMILY GROCERIES

Would call special attention to stock of

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as follows:

MOLASSES, SYRUP, SUGAR, TEA, COFFEE, RICE, BUCKWHEAT, FLOUR, HOMINY, CHEESE, PRUNES, PICKLES, CHOW-CHOW, OAT MEAL, CANNED GOODS, COMPRESSED CORNED BEEF.

Our motto—GOOD GOODS, LOW PRICES.

E. W. F. SIMPERS,
Chestertown, Md.

Market price paid for country produce.

Jan. 13, 1881—y. E. W. F. S.

Auditor's Notice.

C. A. LEARY, ASSIGNEE,
vs.
GEORGE H. THOMPSON AND WIFE.

No. 587 CHANCERY.

NOTICE is hereby given to the creditors of the late George H. Thompson, interested in the proceeds of the sale of the Real Estate mentioned in the aforegoing cause, to file their claims, properly authenticated, before the undersigned, within sixty days from the date of this notice, at which time I will proceed to state an account, distributing the proceeds among the persons entitled thereto.

By order of Court.

EBEN F. PERKINS,

Jan. 21, 1881—4t. AUDITOR

Covered Glass Bowls,

Setts, Individual Butter Plates, Butter Dishes Bread Plates, Goblets, Mugs, and everything you need in the Glassware line, you can find at

Jy 15 SPARKS'S, opp. court house

CALL and see our good Cigars, 2 for 5.

J. A. PERKINS.

The LARGEST and Most Varied Assortment SEASONABLE GOODS IN TOWN can be found at

SPARKS',

OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE.

Consisting in part of

Fine Plated Ware.

Bohemia Glass-ware, Vases, Toilet Setts, Jewelry Cases, Work Boxes, Writing Desks Work Stands, Dressing Cases, &c.

A Splendid Line of LAMPS,

CHEAPER THAN EVER!

Fine Glass Ware.

Goblets, Setts, Celery Glasses, Covered Bowls, Pickel Dishes, Bread Plates, Cake Stands, and anything you may need in that line.

TOYS! TOYS!

To suit all ages. Wagons, Sleds, Tin Toys in abundance, and the largest stock o. DOLLS ever seen in Chestertown, and the Cheapest.

CONFECTIONERY

of all kinds. Nuts, Figs, Raisins, Lemons, Oranges, Cocoa-nuts, Chow-Chow, Pickles, Sauces French Mustard, Conserved Fruits, Malaga Grapes, and everything at lowest prices.

Cigars and Tobacco,

A fine line, try them.

CLOCKS. CLOCKS.

We still sell good Clocks at small profit.

Come one and all, and look at our stock before buying. It will pay you.

SPARKS,

Dec. 16, 1880. opposite Court House.

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

Again the Festal Season Approaches.

Again

C. F. STAM

Announces to the public that he has now ready a

Magnificent Assortment

of

Christmas Goods,

such as you will rarely find in a country town.

Silver Plated Ware

Cake Baskets, Card Receivers, Flower Stands, Casters, Berry Dishes, Cups, Waiters. Knives, Forks and Spoons, of the best quality and most artistic designs.

Bohemia and Majolica Ware.

Vases, Toilet Setts, Pictures, Plates, Tea Setts, and Pickle Dishes, elaborately adorned in antique designs.

Books! Books!

Works of Standard Literature, Poetry and Song, in attractive and substantial bindings. Bibles, Hymn Books, Prayer Books, Children's Toy Books, Albums, Alphabet and Building Blocks.

Perfumery.

The Choicest Foreign and Domestic Perfumery and Colognes in cut glass and pressed bottles.

Special Notice.

Our Stock of HOLIDAY GOODS

Being so Large and Varied

We can only enumerate a few articles. We beg you to come in and examine for yourself. We pledge you a cordial welcome, a comfortable store and low priced goods.

Respectfully,

COLIN. F STAM,
Druggist.

Notice large sign Christmas Goods on corner.

Dec. 16, 1880. C. F. T.

B. F. FLEMING,

DEALER IN

GRAIN, LIME, COAL, WOOD, PEACH CRATES AND BASKETS.

Schuylkill Lime a Specialty.

Mr. B. F. Fleming: I used Mogee's Schuylkill Lime on corn last spring. It slacked more to the bushel, acted quicker, and gave me the best satisfaction of any Lime I have ever used.

GEORGE H. SNITCHER.

Mr. B. F. Fleming: We have used Mogee's Lime for three successive seasons. It slacks more, contains less core, acts quicker, and we believe it is the best Lime in the market.

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REFERENCES:

James A. Pearce, Esq., Chestertown; Robert Nicholson, Hanesville; Robert G. Nicholson, Hanesville; Hyland P. Smith, Smithville; Stephen Lecates, William Vannort, Jesse Morris, Chestertown; William T Nicholson, Worton; James L. Beck, Walter Beck.

This Lime will be delivered by cars or vessel to all Stations and Landings on the Peninsula.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Don't fail to come and see me before purchasing.

Orders by mail promptly executed.

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April 1, 1880—y Chestertown.

RENOVATING FEATHERS.

THE undersigned has located in Chestertown, on the corner of High and Mill streets, for the purpose of renovating by a patent process and the use of steam

Feather Beds, Mattrasses,

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For particulars and terms, apply to

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Jan 20—tf Gardner Building.

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VENDUE Notes and Notes of Hand for sale at this office.

NOTICE.

C. F. STAM has just received a large stock of the

NEW METHODIST HYMNALS,

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FLEXIBLE WEATHER STRIPS Keep out cold wind, snow, rain and dust; save fuel and secure comfort for windows and doors. For sale by

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PLATED WARE. Look around and price elsewhere; then give us a call, and we will sell you good goods at small profits. SPARKS,
Opposite Court House.

POCKET BOOKS, Rubber Bands, Lead Pencils, Gum Rattles, Pens and Ink, very cheap—at STAM'S DRUG STORE.

TOYS: DOLLS, WAGONS, CARRIAGES, and FIRE-WORKS.
HUDGINS' BAKERY.

BONES! BONES!—Highest cash price paid for raw bones, at KENNARD & CO'S.

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