Chestertown Transcript.

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It is desirable that communications be in by Saturday night if possible, and in any case not later than Monday night or Tuesday morning.

—Court begins next Monday. A short session appears to be probable.

—T. W. Wickes advertises brands of phosphates for corn in this issue.

—Easter Monday brought the usual out-turn of colored people to Chestertown.

—There was a thunder storm in this vicinity Tuesday night, and yesterday was almost like a summer day.

—The steamer Geo. Law is now making the trips of the Ford. The Ford is being overhauled and repainted.

—Capt. Young, of the steamer Geo. Law, is quite ill. His place on the Law is being filled by Capt. Taylor, mate of the Ford.

—The county commissioners reappointed the old board of trustees to the almshouse on Tuesday—Messrs. Wm. Ford, S. A. J. Wickes and Thos. H. Horsey.

—The Osborne reaper is advertised in this issue by Mr. Samuel B. Foard as agent. Numbers of reapers have been sold in this county, and they have given general satisfaction.

—There are a half-dozen glass fronts to be put in store-rooms in Chestertown this spring. Work is now under way upon three of them. Chestertown will soon have the handsomest store-rooms on the Peninsula.

—Judge R. Bennett Willson, of the late Orphans' Court for Kent county, has been recently quite ill. We are glad to state, however, from late reports, that he is greatly improving.

—The Excelsior clothing house has a long advertisement in this issue. The Excelsior is located on the corner of Baltimore and Light Sts., and is very convenient to Kent county vistors to the city.

—Next Monday begins court, and we would remind our friends that court week is a very good occasion during which to remember the newspaper office. Back subscriptions thankfully received.

—"Under the Palms," a Sacred Cantata, will be rendered by the M. P. Sabbath school, at the M. P. Church, this evening, beginning at 7.30 o'clock. General admission 35 cents, children under twelve years 15 cts.

—Barraud and George Hanson, sons of the late Col Geo. A. Hanson, who left about the first of the year for Texas, write to friends that they are greatly pleased with their new surroundings. Barraud speaks very enthusiastically of his new home.

—The following changes have been made since the notice given in our last issue. Bishop Lay will make visitation to Shrewsbury on April 26th, at 3 o'clock P. M., instead of 10 o'clock A. M. The Rev. John Martin will preach at I. U. on the 20th instead of the 27th.

—At the election of vestrymen for Chester Parish, on Easter Monday, the following persons were elected vestrymen for the ensuing year; Geo. B. Westcott, W. N. E. Wickes, G. W. T. Perkins, W. S. Walker, Jas. A. Pearce, E. F. Perkins, S. Hepbron Blackiston, W. Frank Hines.

—Mrs. M. A. Stewart, of Greenwood, Del., who, we understand, is a woman of unusual intelligence, will deliver an address on next Thursday evening, the 24th inst, at the Court House, Chestertown, for the benefit of the afflicted soldiers of the lost cause. The cause is a worthy one, and should bring out a sympathetic audience.

—Prof. T. D. Gambrill, late with the well-known piano and organ firm of Sanders and Stayman, of Baltimore, has located in this town for the purpose of teaching music, vocal and instrumental. He has visited here several times in the interest of the above named firm, to whom he refers as to his qualifications, etc. His advertising card will appear in next issue.

—Next Tuesday there comes a circus. When you come to see the show, beware lest you be taken in by the man with an innocent little game. Most of our readers we have no doubt have long since cut their eye-teeth, but there are some who learn wisdom late in life. The take-in games will not, of course, be the same sort of games as were played last year.

—The schooner John Copper, laden with lumber from the Rappahannock river, consigned to Mr. Joseph Turner, of this town, ran ashore on the Queenstown flats during the squall recently. The high wind caused her to thump and leak badly, the crew remaining at the pumps all night and until she bilged. She contained 72,000 feet of lumber. She has been since raised and towed to Chestertown.

—The following vestry has been elected for Shrewsbury Parish:—J. M. Armstrong, register; N. W. Comegys, D. J. Nowland, J. W. Hurtt, Henry Parr, E. P. Pennington, G. W. Jacoby, J. C. Sutton, senior warden; H. C. Wallis, junior warden; G. W. Price, treasurer; C. C. Morgan, assistant collector; Dr. Latimer, assistant treasurer for St. Andrew's; F. H. Taylor, assistant warden for St. Andrew's.

—Messrs. Elliott & Gemmill gave a thorough exhibition of the running of their traction engine, on last Tuesday, by drawing another engine and a wagon loaded with boys up and down the streets. They ran out as far as Radcliffe bridge, with their horse-draft engine attached, and ran up and down the hill on the road leading out toward the College. Horses did not seem to show as much dread of the engine as had been expected.

—The Radcliffe creek iron bridge was finally accepted by the county commissioners on last Tuesday. They went down in a body and inspected the bridge. Two steam engines, weighing six tons in the aggregate were placed upon the structure at the same time to give some test of its strength. The bridge is pronounced a satisfactory piece of work, both by the commissioners and by others who have examined it. Its aggregate cost is about $3,400,—a trifle more or less. In the long run it is believed that it will be cheaper than a wooden bridge at much less cost.

—Orphans' Court, Tuesday, April 15, 1884—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens. Mrs. Harriet M. Usilton, guardian to Mary S. Usilton filed her guardian bond in the penal sum of $1000, which was received and ordered to be recorded.

Chas. H. Baker, guardian to James T. DeCorse, filed his guardian account for the year 1883, which was received, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

—The general oyster law passed by the Legislature at its recent session repealed the act of 1880 and placed more precise restrictions upon the taking of oysters. The dredging season is shortened two weeks, beginning on the 1st of November instead of on October 15, and ending April 1, but the tonging season is unaltered, lasting, that is, from September 1 to April 15. Additional rest is secured to the beds by the clause which prohibits the taking of oysters even for private use or having them in possession from the 15th of April to the 15th of August, with the proviso that if oysters are caught before the 15th of April they may be disposed of at any time before the 25th. The penalty for violation of this section is fine or imprisonment in the House of Correction. The amount derived from tonging licenses is applied to the benefit of the school funds of the oyster-producing counties.

High Art Base-ball.

Good Friday (last Friday) being a legal holiday, there were a number of people about Chestertown who are usually busy but who, on this occasion, had a whole day on their hands with no particular use to put it to. By a little drumming of the town, two enthusiastic baseball nines were got together, a ball and bats were purchased and the base-ballists struck for the College grounds. There two small-boy nines were found in possession. Another ground was soon secured, however, and soon a spirited game was under way. The most remarkable feature of the game was the catching of a fly ball by Capt. Joe Thompson, of which feat he was justly proud. Full nine innings were played, and the game stood 19 to 15. Some of the players have not yet fully recovered from the game. Another game is in contemplation, but the time when is indefinite.

A Water-Work Meeting.

There is to be a meeting held at the Court House next Monday evening, of the tax-paying citizens of Chestertown, to discuss the question of a water supply.

Col. W. W. Taylor, a responsible and experienced Civil Engineer, who has recently built and put into successful operation a system of water supply for domestic and fire purposes in Westminster, Havre deGrace and other towns, has made a proposition to the corporate authorities of Chestertown.

His proposition is that he will supply the capital, build and put into successful operation a supply of water for Chestertown from "Morgan" and "Free School" springs, on condition he can secure one hundred and fifty patrons in the town who will agree to take water, and an annual appropriation from the corporate authorities of $500 for the use of twenty-five fire plugs for fire purposes.

It is to be hoped that some satisfactory arrangement can be made with Col. Taylor, looking to supplying our town with water. Certainly we are greatly in need of pure water. There is scarcely a pump within the town limits that furnishes water fit to drink. There should be a full turn out to the proposed meeting, and the question of a water supply should be discussed from a nineteenth century standpoint.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

Some of the advocates of free trade boast of the prosperous condition of the laboring classes in England. Can their condition be prosperous in London—where in one district 278,000 human beings dwell on one square mile of land? Can their condition be prosperous in Edinburgh—where the streets of "old town" are thronged all day with men, women and children in idleness and rags? Can their condition be prosperous in the linen mills of Belfast (the largest in the world)—where their average wages are two dollars and fifty cents per week? Dr. Berkley, of Baltimore, in writing about the miserable condition of the laboring classes in England, says, "One is forced to agree with Carlisle in that 'we are the miracle of miracles, the great inscrutable mystery of God.'"

Every now and then death removes some faithful official in this country. This seems to be the only way to get rid of the chronic office holders. Providence works in mysterious ways.

A Betterton sailor says he becomes sea sick every time he rides on the Kent R. R.

The drifters have had success in shad fishing so far this season.

F. H. Harper has purchased the Bloomfield farm of Dr. Dunlap.

E. M. Bonwill is about to have a handsome front erected to his dwelling house.

E. L. Covington is having his store room, at Lynch's, enlarged.

The proposition for Worton and Kennedyville Presbyterian Churches to become one charge has been decided by the latter congregation in favor of remaining with the Westminster Church for the present.

Orchard grass seed is a more profitable crop than wheat, besides the grass can be pastured from six to nine months in the year.

A few days of warm weather and sunshine will cause the peach tree to bloom. The prospect is fair for a crop in this section, except on some of the middle varieties.

Wheat is making fine growth, and promises an abundant harvest. Though the market looks blue, some farmers believe the free-traders will do something to clean the over-stocked markets of the world and advance the price of this cereal. We don't think a miracle of this kind will soon happen, but there is nothing like having faith.

Typhoid fever, erysipelas and croup have been our prevailing diseases this spring.

Still Pond, April 14, 1884.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTIO .

DELEGATES TO CHESTERTOWN AND HAGERSTOWN.

The Republicans held their primaries on last Saturday, and elected twenty five delegates—five from each district—to meet in Chestertown and appoint three delegates to the district convention, which meets in Chestertown April 24; also three delegates to the State convention, which meets at Hagerstown May 1st.

The convention, as finally organized, was composed as follows,—

1st district—Seth B. Richardson, Jonathan Hodgson, John E. Willis, Wm. Davis and John Turner.

2d district—Thos. E. Norris, James, E. Willis, John Comly, Frank Nilson and Joseph E. Weer.

3d district—Wm. Parks, John W. Corey, Isaac Parsons, Henry Wright, J A. Jackson.

4th district—Wilbur Eliason, Wm. H. Hamilton, Thos. Ellis, Jas. A. Jones, Fred. Nichols.

5th district—James Casey, Wm. Crosbey, John E. Beck, Emory Ward, Rich. Ward.

From general observation the primaries of last Saturday, were notas harmonious as an experience meeting. Especially in the fourth district, did there appear to be a disposition to ignore the colored element. This caused considerable kicking, and as the convention was finally organized on last Wednesday, there were two colored delegates from the 4th district and some other colored representatives from other parts of the county.

The delegates to the Congressional district convention, which meets at Chestertown next Thursday, are Thos. E. Norris, S. S. Baker, Wilbur Eliason. Alternates, Wm. H. Hamilton, Frank Wilson, Frederic Nichols.

The delegates to the State convention at Hagerstown, May 1st, are Wm. D. Burchinal, Wm. J. Vansant, George W. Harper. Alternates, Bartus Trew, John Dent and Wm. Perkins.

To the Congressional convention, Chas. T. Westcott, Wm. Perkins and S. B. Richardson. Alternates, Charles Lucas, Jas. S. Willis and John E. Dent.

The only resolution in favor of candidates passed by the convention was one requesting the delegates to Hagerstown to use all honorable efforts looking to the securing of the nomination of Chas. T. Westcott as a delegate-at-large to the Chicago convention. There was no action on the part of the convention relative to Presidential candidates, but it is generally understood that both the delegates to Chestertown and Hagerstown are in the interests of James G. Blaine.

Other Conventions.

DORCHESTER.

CAMBRIDGE, MD., April 15.—The Republican convention of Dorchester met and was organized to-day by the election of James Wallace, Jr., president, and James A. Higgins secretary. Before proceeding to the election of delegates the following resolution was passed:

"*Resolved*, That the Hon. James G. Blaine is the choice of this convention for next President of the United States, and the delegates to be elected by it to Chestertown and Hagerstown, respectively, are instructed to vote for delegates to the nominating convention at Chicago who will favor his nomination."

The following delegates were elected to Hagerstown: Col. James Wallace, Philip L. Lecompte, Thomas J Webb, Enoch D. Slocumb, (colored;) to Chestertown, James H. C. Barrett, Wm. H. H. Todd, James H. Williams, James H. Thomas, (colored.)

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Centreville, Md., April 15.—The republicans of Queen Anne's county held their county convention in the court house in Centreville this afternoon. The convention was held with closed doors, even reporters being excluded.—The meeting was called to order by Mr. Samuel Mallalieu, and the following officers elected: Chairman, Joseph Mallalieu; secretary, Francis A. Ruth. The convention then proceeded to elect delegates to the district convention, which meets in Chestertown, April 24; to the State convention, which meets in Hagerstown, May 1, and to the Congressional convention, which meets in Centreville, resulting in the choice of the following: Wm. J. Hand, Edw. R. Riland, John P. Forester (colored), and John C. Wilson (colored). There was no expression of choice as to President, but it is thought the delegation will favor Arthur.

WORCESTER COUNTY

Snow Hill, April 15.—The Republican convention of Worcester county was called to order to-day by David H. Straughn, chairman of the State central committee of Worcester county, James Ross presided, with James E. Wilbrough secretary. Delegates were elected to the first congressional district convention at Chestertown, April 24, as follows: D. H. Straughn, Jas. H. Vincent, Zadok P. Wharton and Wm. R. Hammond. The Worcester delegation will go to the convention uninstructed, although a majority of the leading Republicans of the county express themselves as favorable to Blaine.

CHARLES COUNTY.

Port Tobacco, Md., April 15.—The Charles county Republican convention met here Monday and organized by the election of W. E. W. Rowe president, and Thos. F. Nickolson and Samuel E. Hamersley secretaries. The Arthur men carried the day, the other side surrendering after the primaries without running a ticket before the convention.

Some Dottings from Worton.

Mr. Editor:—This is a very cold and wet spring, and it is uncertain what effect it has had upon the fruit crops. The hard shell almond is now out in full bloom, but not half the quantity of blossoms it usually has, and I am afraid it will be the same with other fruits. The cherry (if we can judge by ours) will be a scarce commodity this season, and this is what we call their bearing year. A wet spring, however, is death to the cherries, and I am afraid our little ones will have a short supply.

Is the western blizzard moving this way? We certainly had the fag end of one last Wednesday about 10 o'clock A. M. For about 20 minutes it was impossible to see 60 yards ahead; trees and fences on the Hill had no show whatever, and a good deal of damage was done. They say one lady on the Hill got a flake of snow big enough to make a pancake (the Capt. is responsible for that).

Great preparations have been made by the colored people in the Neck for a grand exhibition Easter Monday. Speaking, recitations, singing, &c., but as an old darkey said the other day, "Dar ain't no more Easters like dar use to be in old times."

Our farmers are getting ready for their corn crops. Some have finished ploughing (where their land was light), but we will all have to hurry up to be ready by the 1st of May. Three or four days of fine weather will bring us all up, if we can get it.

Wheat looks "spotty". A great deal has been drowned out, especially on flat or low lands. What is growing makes a good show, and so far there is very little if any fly.

The health of the district is good, and the M. Ds. are not overly taxed with patients.

Your readers should look out for good kitchen gardens; they save doctors' bills and keep us all in good health.

Everything is lively around the Station. House-building is still the order of the day, and our friend the "Dux" has his hands full making preparations for sanitary measures the coming summer, and we hope the Kent A. C. will give their assistance. Worton is going to be a big town.

Vandoran World, a colored fish peddler from the neck, had his arm broken Monday by a fall. We feel sorry for Van., as there is not a more polite colored gentleman in the county. To-day (Easter Monday) has been a fine one, and the lads and lasses of Worton are taking advantage of it.

MAJOR JACK.

Peninsula Items.

Mr E. G. Polk, editor of the Princess Anne *Marylander*, has been appointed on the Governor's staff, with the rank of Colonel.

Benjamin Wells has been selling tickets at the Elkton depot more than forty-six years, ever since the cars began to run on the P., W. and B. Railroad, November 1, 1837.

There are plenty of good, healthy peach blossoms up to date, wherever peaches are grown. If there does not somewhere come a killing frost, peaches will not be worth a —— this season.

Wicomico county liquor dealers are greatly worked up over the new license law, which requires them to receive the endorsement of eight freeholders and to have accommodations for five horses and five guests. They have only until the first of May to so qualify themselves.

An *Every Evening* correspondent says that "Messrs. Gooding and Conwell are talked of as successors of Prof. Skinner, when he leaves the principalship of the Wilmington Conference Academy. Mr. Gooding is the present vice-principal, and Mr. Conwell is one of the faculty. Prof. Skinner's place will be hard to fill."

William E. Woodall & Co., of Baltimore, are building for the Choptank Steamboat Company a new steamer of the propeller pattern and composite type, which measures 100 feet in length, 33 feet beam and 9 feet hold. The vessel, which will cost in the neighborhood of $60,000, will be constructed for both passengers and freight. There will be provided for the former 40 staterooms.

McGrath, the negro blacksmith who is accused of having started the Church Hill fire, had a hearing before Esq. Gould, of Church Hill, on Wednesday of last week. State's Attorney Hopper appeared for the State, and a very strong chain of circumstancial evidence was brought out connecting McGrath with the crime. He will probably be tried at the spring term of the Queen Anne's court.

While Samuel Conoway and John Jones, colored, residing at White Haven, a few miles below Salisbury, on the Wicomico river, were playing with each other Friday night last, Jones, having a gun heavily loaded, told Conoway to "look out, that he was going to shoot," intending to frighten him. He pointed the gun, and before Conoway could change his position the gun went off, the load taking effect in Conoway's body. Conoway lingered until Saturday night and died.

A dispatch from Wilmington, Del., to the Philadelphia *Press* says: "Nathan S. Chance, who was arrested as an accomplice in the celebrated Beachamp murder at Denton over a year ago, has achieved quite a reputation of a certain sort. His intimacy with Mrs. Beachamp led to a quarrel between the husband and wife. When the husband died and traces of poison were found in his stomach Mrs. Beachamp was arrested on suspicion of murdering him, and Chance was arrested as an accomplice. Both were afterwards released. Some months ago Chance eloped with the wife of a prominent citizen of Potter's Landing named Evans. They were pursued by the husband and overtaken, but the wife emphatically refused to leave. A few weeks ago, however, the woman returned and was received kindly by her husband, and they lived pleasantly together until Chance reappeared upon the scene again, and on Friday night they eloped, and have not since been heard of."

MURDER IN DORCHESTER COUNTY.

A WOMAN MISER MEETS A TERRIBLE FATE.

From the Phila. Times.

CAMBRIDGE, MD., April 11.

Five years ago Miss Celia Bush, who had been noted for nearly thirty years as a recluse and was the owner of an estate valued at several thousand dollars, situated near Williamsburg, married a school teacher named Murphy. The old woman was then about sixty years of age and Murphy was credited with having married her for her money. After living together three months Murphy suddenly disappeared and was not seen again until several days ago and then only for a short time. Yesterday afternoon Miss Bush, as she was called since her husband left her, was found in a thicket murdered. Her throat was cut from ear to ear and her skull had been broken in with an axe. Her house is in the centre of a dense clump of woods, almost inaccessible to pedestrians, and she has been the sole inhabitant of it since girlhood, except during the brief period of her married life. She very seldom left her secluded place and worked the farm herself. It was not unusual to see her plowing, and as she drew all of her money from the bank years ago it was generally accepted that she was very rich. She was never known to spend a cent of money, subsisting wholly upon corn bread and bacon—the product of her farm.

HER HUSBAND SUSPECTED.

In the neighborhood she was regarded as a witch and it was certain that she had concealed about her place all the money which had come to her from her parents along with the farm. The precise amount of this money cannot now be ascertained, as the murderer, who it is suspected was Murphy, ransacked the building from top to bottom, tearing open bureaus, trunks and other receptacle in search of valuables. Murphy, the missing husband, was a remarkably good-natured man, as all remember, and this fact leads many to doubt his guilt.—While teaching school he proved to be thoroughly educated but was undoubtedly remarkably lazy. When he learned of Miss Bush's wealth he commenced to pay her attentions and furnished the neighbors quite a sensation by marrying the old lady, despite her sixty years. Not long after the marriage Murphy resigned his position as school teacher and commenced to lead a life of idleness. This enraged the hard-working woman, who insisted that he should work beside her in the field. He declined, and after several weeks' squabbling, during which Murphy discovered that he could not hope to get any of his wife's money, he disappeared.

THE LIFE OF A MISER.

From the time her husband disappeared the old woman, if possible, became even more austere in her life. She never employed help of any kind, mowing and stacking her grain, which she had previously planted and cultivated. Nearly all the produce of her place she sold, and as she never bought anything it latterly became a mystery as to how she could sustain life. Forty years ago she must have had $50,000 and she probably doubled this during the period named. She never kept a bank account and the money was undoubtedly concealed about the house prior to the murder.

State's Attorney Henry came to the place today and took charge of the effects, but a rigorous search failed to give any clue to the murder.

The murder was discovered by a laborer on an adjoining farm, who, in passing through the woods yesterday afternoon, noticed that Mrs. Bush was not working in the field. Suspecting that she was very ill, as she had never before been known to be idle, he went to the house and found that it had been robbed. The neighbors found the body after an hour's search.

A BEAUTY IN HER YOUTH.

"Celia Bush," said an old lady of this town to-day, "was a beautiful girl forty-five years ago, when she was about twenty years of age. She was educated in a private school in Wilmington, Del., and she was engaged to a man named Morley when she came home after graduating. Morley was a small, delicate man, ugly as sin, but evidently a gentleman. Celia was crazy over him and when he jilted her one day for a schoolmate, a Wilmington girl who was visiting her, she became virtually insane. In fact, I think she did lose her reason through grief, as she was delirious for more than three weeks with typhoid fever just after Morley left her.

"When she married Murphy five years ago I think she was crazy, as she several times asked me if I did not think he looked like her girlhood's lover. Any way, from the time Morley proved false she became misanthropic, and when her parents died suddenly of small-pox three months later she shut herself up from the world and commenced leading the life which has made her famous hereabouts for so many years." Murphy's whereabouts are unknown.

LATER.

From the Baltimore Sun.

FEDERALSBURG, MD., April 14.—Considerable progress was made on Saturday by State's Attorney Henry in unraveling the threads of the mystery attending the murder of Celia Bush, but the circumstances of the tragedy as yet are by no means clear. A chain of circumstantial evidence has been woven about a colored man living in the neighborhood, and the theory is that robbery was the sole motive of the crime. It has not been determined, however, whether more persons are implicated or exactly how the murder was committed.

On the spot where the murdered woman had been found was a large pool of blood at the foot of a small tree, and within easy reach of the murdered woman's hand had she been lying, as she must have been, at the foot of the tree, when her throat was cut, is a small sapling stained with blood. It is supposed she seized this sapling in her death agony.

Justice T. A. Mowbray found a pine bludgeon 200 yards from this spot three and a-half feet long and two inches in diameter. One end of this club had been whittled off to give the murderer a better grasp of his weapon. The other end was covered with gray hairs and spattered with blood. The stick was found lying in a path which led in the direction of the houses of several colored people, situated near each other, about two miles away. The fact was then mentioned that two of the colored people living in these houses, Frederick Cephas, known more commonly as "Bug," and Samuel McGlotton, had been present when Miss Bush's body was found on Thursday, and had acted suspiciously. Both of them, it was said, were badly frightened, and Cephas shivered as if from cold.

Lizzie Jenkins, a paramour of Cephas, made statements to the State's Attorney throwing very strong suspicion upon Cephas. According to her statements she herself suspected him of the crime. He was absent on Monday, the 7th inst, the day on which the crime is supposed to have been committed. On his return home, he brought with him a quantity of home-made soap, which he made various statements about. It was wrapped in what appeared to be part of a dress skirt. She also noticed a spot of blood on his trousers, which she afterward covered with a patch Cephas had been strange in his manner of late, and since the discovery of the murder had been reluctant to talk of it.

The State's Attorney secured the soap, and it is said to correspond with soap found in the cupboard of the murdered woman.

Cephas has been arrested together with the negro McGlotten, who is believed to have had a hand in the murder. Cephas kept a while in hiding, but finally gave himself up.

Fred, alias "Bug" Cephas, to whom the suspicion now attaches of being the murderer, is a strongly-built negro, nearly six feet tall, very black, with large lips, flat nose, prominent cheek-bones, small, deep-set eyes and receding forehead. His head is conical in shape, rising almost to a point in the centre His face is repulsive and indicative of low cunning and brutal instincts. He is about 35 years old. His mother placed him while a child with Justice Sirman, of Williamsburg, who gives him a very bad character. He says he was so worthless that he would not permit him to stay about his place, and so dishonest and vicious generally that he often told him he would bring up in the penitentiary or on the gallows. He has a brother in the penitentiary now for stealing. When Cephas reached Williamsburg Saturday afternoon he was in a state of profuse perspiration, and had evidently been running hard for some time. His teeth chattered, and he shivered all over as if from ague. He claimed that he had only run a mile in the direction of Williamsburg in his anxiety to surrender himself as soon as possible He denies all knowledge of the murder, and accounts for the soap which was found in his house by saying he found it in a fence corner.

Suspicion no longer attaches to Murphy, as from his known whereabouts it is thought impossible he should have committed the crime.

O'BRIEN'S COMBINED SHOWS.

A GOOD SHOW—THE MALE AND FEMALE RIDERS FIRST-CLASS. THE ELEPHANTS THE BEST PERFORMING ANIMALS IN THE WORLD, AND A FIRST-CLASS MENAGERIE AT POPULAR PRICES. WE RECOMMEND IT TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

Parents, professors of educational institutions in the city and surrounding country should encourage the attendance of children, great and small, to witness this great exhibition, known throughout the world as the "Great O'Brien Six Shows, etc." Great because of its new and attractive features, one of which is the charming and unrivaled Miss Ella Cooke, the champion of all lady bareback riders. The $31,000 Hunting and War Elephant, Empress; the charming Luila, the Human Cannon Ball. Altogether this is the very best and most attractive show that has ever visited our city.—*Washington Critic.*

This consolidation of Big Railroad Shows is to visit Chestertown Tuesday, April 22. 1t.*

O'BRIEN'S BIG SHOWS—the most novel and attractive ever on the Peninsula, will exhibit at Chestertown Tuesday, April 22. 1t.*

THE O'BRIEN SHOW has as fine a looking lot of horses as any circus that has visited this city. Their collection of wild animals are extensive, and include many that are rarely seen in this country. The ring exhibition is a very superior one, many of the features being entirely new to circus goers. If you don't attend the exhibition to-night you will miss one of the best circuses of the season.—*Evening Republican, Meadville, Pa.* Will exhibit at Chestertown, Tuesday, April 22. 1t.*

THIS IS THE BIG SHOW.—Nothing improper in the performance, but everything to delight and amuse. The street procession is magnificent, far exceeding anything of the kind ever witnessed in this country The mere power of words cannot describe its splendors. Will exhibit at Chestertown, Tuesday, April 22. 1t*.

See the Grand Street Parade on Tuesday morning, April 22.

O'Brien's Six Consolidated Shows are positively six time larger than ever. 1t*

A Red Letter Day in the Calendar.

O'Brien's Six Great Shows, which combines in its organization a *Great* Moral Circus, Menagerie and Museum, introducing the stars of all nations in a supremely sensational selection of the most startling, surprising series of equestrian, gymnastic and acrobatic feats ever witnessed in the arena. *New! Novel! Notable!* And a refreshing radical reform, in fact an entirely new departure in arenic amusements. The company, 100 strong, is unequalled in numbers and excels in ability that of any organization now before the Public. Six times the size of last year; all new acts and features. A most magnificent menagerie; wild beasts, birds and reptiles from Europe, Asia, Africa and the Islands of the Sea. Grand public demonstration marking the entree of O'Brien's Six Shows. Handenberger's six German Menageries and Lowande's Six Brazilian Circuses, now for the first time combined for the season of 1884. Martial Bands of Music fill the air with sweet songs: Jubilee Singers and Camp Meeting Shouters sing in high glee. Ornate and gold mounted Tableau Cars and elaborate Chariots of rich design; A long line of dens and cages contain the wonders of the Zoological Kingdom. Empress, the Mighty War Elephant, fairly makes the ground tremble as she moves majestic, aware of her proud fame of being the largest elephant on exhibition. Two exhibitions daily, afternoon and night. Seats for 10,000 people. Popular prices. No advance on account of the increased attractions. Will exhibit at Chestertown, Tuesday, Aprill 22. 1t*

HANDSOMER THAN EVER.

We open the season of 1884 with the handsomest line of Men's and Boys' Clothing ever before shown in this city, and unequaled in novelty and variety anywhere. We are better prepared to serve you now than ever before, manufacturing, as we do, every Garment upon our premises, under our personal supervision, and whilst our recognized superiority for fine work will be maintained, we will be able to sell at still lower figures than heretofore.

Style, Elegance and Low Prices will greet all patrons of

C. N. OEHM & SON,
THE LIVE CLOTHIERS,
230 W. PRATT ST.,
THROUGH TO
55 HANOVER ST.

☞ Fashionable Garments designed and made up in first class manner at our Custom Department.

April 3, 1884.

Stoves Stoves!
STOVES!

Our line of Cook and Heating Stoves is complete.

We guarantee every one we sell! Our New Emerald, Virginia Farmer Girl, New Regulator, Southern Girl, and New Charm Cook Stoves, cannot fail to do us credit, and the purchaser good service.

Our Ranges have been thoroughly tested and proven a blessing in our community. The leading names are: The Happy, The Maryland, Reliance, Clifton, Daisy and Cozy.

The Happy Cook or Range is for either wood or Coal, and in our judgment has no equal for good baking.

Our "Splendid"
FIRE PLACE HEATER
TAKES THE LEAD!

Every one sold gives entire satisfaction. We guarantee them.

Our stock of Heating Stoves comprises all the latest improvements and are elegantly finished.

Call and examine our stock and get prices.

JOEL R. CLEMENTS,
adjoining Kent Nat'l Bank.

Jan. 31, 1884.

CIGARS! CIGARS!!
Come and try our Edward Allen Poe CIGARS.
March 27. M. A. TOULSON, Druggist.

TO OUR FRIENDS IN THE COUNTY.
Mail us $1 and you will receive a Fine Collection of Easter Cards.
Address, COLIN F STAM, Chestertown, Md.
March 27.

EASTER CARDS.
A Fine, Elegant Assortment of Plain and Fringed Cards, from 3 cts. to $3.
For sale by COLIN F. STAM, DRUGGIST.
March 27, 1884.

To Our Customers.
We have a large supply of Coffees, Flour, and Provisions, &c., prior to the late sharp advance in prices, and are prepared to give our patrons the advantage of our good luck: we have a good article of New Orleans Molasses at a *reasonable* price.
J. B. SAPPINGTON, Leader in Low Prices

PLOW Traces, Hames, Back Bands and Chain Traces.
For sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

PLOWS. PLOWS. PLOWS
Plow Castings. Plow Castings.
The ROLAND CHILLED PLOW and CASTINGS for sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

Something We overlooked
in our Seed advertisement.
OSAGE ORANGE SEED
A Choice Fresh Lot.
BY POUND OR BUSHEL.
COLIN F. STAM.

FENCE WIRE at the Lowest Prices at
March 27. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

A LARGE assortment of Rims, Spokes, Hubs, Shafts, Poles, Plow and Cultivator Handles, Neck Yokes, and Double Trees.
For sale by JOHN K. ALDRIDGE.

THE ROLAND FARM BELLS.
For sale by
March 27. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

SPRING CROPPING.
AN APPLICATION OF
Lister's Fertilizers
Will pay on the Corn, Oat, Potato and other Spring and Summer Crops.
Their preparations for the various Crops, as well as those intended expressly for Peach Trees, and the improvement of the fruit, are offered for sale by their Agent,
W. N. E. WICKES.
Circulars and testimonials of the efficacy of the *Lister* goods are for distribution at the store of Wickes & Brother,
March 27, 1884—2m.

OFFICE OF T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
Manufacturers of STANDARD and EXTANT BONE SUPERPHOSPHATES,
AND SOLE PROPRIETORS AND IMPORTERS OF O. B. GUANO.
The Above Fertilizers
are Manufactured of pure dissolved Bone, Bone Tanking, Nitrogen and Potash, rendering them among the most concentrated and valuable manures ever sold on the market. The process of grinding Bones and mixing Fertilizers is rigidly carried on by the use of the best and most improved machinery, of about 60 tons capacity per day—to the inspection of which all Farmers and the public generally are most cordially invited.
By comparing the following analysis and their approximate cash values, it will readily be seen that our goods are Uniform in quality and value. We respectfully ask that these analyses be compared with other Standard brands:

STATE LABORATORY, Newark, Del., March 13, 1884.
Result of analysis of a sample of Fertilizer received from T. R. Hubbard & Son, Chestertown, Md., marked AMERICAN STANDARD BONE SUPER PHOSPHATE:

AMMONIA	2.96 per ct.	=59 lbs.	@20c.	=$11.80
AVAILABLE PHOSPHORIC ACID	9.53 "	=190 "	@12c.	= 22.80
INSOL " "	3.45 "	=69 "	@ 5c.	= 3.45
POTASH	2.63 "	=52 "	@ 6c.	= 3.12
Estimated value per ton				$41.17

(Signed) J. R. WOLF, State Chemist and Prof. of Chemistry Del. College.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., March 25, 1884.
By the request of T. R. Hubbard & Son, we, the undersigned, went to their factory and drew sample of their AMERICAN STANDARD BONE SUPER PHOSPHATE from bulk, and mailed the same to Prof, F. A. Genth, Philadelphia.
SAMUEL BECK, M. D., WILLIAM MORRIS,
JOHN P. NICHOLSON, JOSIAS RINGGOLD, JR.

STATE LABORATORY, W. PHILAD'A, March 29, 1884.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON—GENTLEMEN: The sample of your American Standard Bone Super Phosphate which I have analyzed at your request gave as follows:

AVAILABLE PHOSPHORIC ACID	10.01 per ct.	=200 lbs.	@12c.	=$24.00
INSOLUBLE " "	3.19 "	= 63.8 "	@ 5c.	= 3.15
POTASH	2.95 "	= 59 "	@ 6c.	= 3.54
AMMONIA	2.69 "	= 53.8 "	@20c.	= 10.60
Estimated value per ton				$41.29

(Signed) F. A. GENTH, Chemist State Board of Agriculture of Penna.
☞ The above is a true copy of Analysis received from Prof. Genth of sample mailed to him by above named gentlemen for me.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON.
April 10, 1884. CHESTERTOWN, KENT CO., MD

Connelly & DeFord
Offer again this season their well known Brands of PHOSPHATE
P. P. Guano.



Sterling.
—FOR—
Corn and Vegetables,
and respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage of their many friends.
☞ Full Line of Chemicals.
March 20, 1884.

ORCHILLA GUANO
—o—
The Great Soil Enricher.
—o—
BY ANALYSIS, EQUAL TO BONE.
The Standard Fertilizer for CORN.
Best and Cheapest for all Crops.
PRICE:---$25 PER TON, CASH.
—o—
Send for Our 40 page Book of recent Testimonials just published;—or write to such Farmers as—
JOS, E. GILPIN, Lankford, JAS. RANKIN & BRO., Fairlee, JNO. Z. CLARK, Lynch's,
GEO. A. JESSOP, " WM. F. BAKER, Edesville, WALTER T. MORRIS, "

R. A. WOOLRIDGE & CO., Importers,
64 BUCHANAN'S WHARF, BALTIMORE, MD.,
PHILADELPHIA, OFFICE, 629 Walnut Street.
FOR SALE BY
WM. HEPBRON,
Feb. 28—3m. LYNCH'S.

THE "ECONOMIST" PLOW,
With Reversible Share and Point.
For sale by
JOEL R. CLEMENTS.
Call and see it.
April 3, 1884.

CHEAP LOT OF FURNITURE
In sufficient quantities,
Will be delivered at your home free of charge.
Feb. 14, 1884. LOUIS K. STAM.

OUR line of TOBACCO 25 cts. to $1.00 a pound. Our 2 for 5 cts. Cigars the best in town, at J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

NO Brand Cigar can only be found at SPARKS

IF YOU WANT A GOOD PUMP, call at J. K. ALDRIDGE

COUNTRY PRODUCE taken in exchange fo goods. WROTH & ALDRIDGE.

EXTENSION TABLES—
new lot just received, very low
Feb. 14. LOUIS K. STAM.

A FEW Chamber China Sets, very low in price at LOUIS K. STAM'S.

C. M. Lucas.
Watches.

4 BARB STEEL FENCE WIRE and Buck-Thorn Barbed fence, for sale at lowest market price by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

Special Notice.

ANOTHER LOT
of those Beautiful Polished Brass
LIBRARY LAMPS!
which I sold so many of during Christmas holidays.
I buy these goods direct from factory, and
SELL THEM VERY LOW.
LOUIS K. STAM.

HANDSOME LINE
—OF—
LATEST PATTERNS OF WALL PAPER.
CITY PRICES
—AT—
LOUIS K. STAM'S.

CHESTERTOWN, March 5, 1884.
PATRONIZE
HOME ENTERPRISE!
Provided, it is *both* directly and indirectly your interest to do so. If we sell you better manufactured
Lumber,
Better Seasoned Lumber, Brighter Dried-out Lumber—out of Best Selected Logs, cut just as it ought to be, and handled especially for you—and at as *low* or *lower figures* than any one else, then why loose time and money buying at any other place?
Call at Scott's Point
and be convinced
We propose that your CASH *shall buy as much valuable* LUMBER *here as at anyothermarket within 50 miles.*
Joseph Turner,
March 13, 1884.

NURSERY STOCK.
Through the very liberal patronage of my friends and customers, I have been enabled to sell this fall over 180,000 Peach Trees, and still have remaining
8000 first-class trees
and about
30,000 Second Class,
consisting of the leading popular varieties.—These 2d Class Trees will run from 2 to 3 feet in height; have good roots, and are healthy Trees. Almost all my own planting has been of this class, and some even prefer them. Price $30 per 1,000; 1st class, $60 per 1,000.
Other Nursery Stock, and especially Strawberry, Raspberry and Blackberry Plants, for sale in quantity. Catalogues ready.
Thankful for past favors I hope to merit a liberal share of patronage.
N. BARNARD,
Stanely, P. O., Kent co., Md.

We, the undersigned, having known Mr. N. Barnard for the past 15 or 20 years, take pleasure in recommending him as reliable and trustworthy, and trees that we have purchased from him have proven satisfactory and true to name.
GEO. B. WESTCOTT, Pres't Kent Nat'l Bank.
WM. T. HEPBRON,
H. T. JUMP,
ISAAC PARSONS,
THOS. J. F. SMITH,
GEO. R. BECK,
RICHARD C. SMYTH,
J. W. COREY,
M. A. S. MAXWELL, M. D.,
W. S. MAXWELL, M. D.,
JOHN B PARROTT,
R. S. DIEHL.
Nov. 29, 1883.

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In Beautiful Boxes, the Nicest Assortment in town—at STAM'S DRUG STORE.

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