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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.

—Peaches are all right to date.

—Messrs. Elliott. & Gemmill have a two column advertisement in this issue.

—The small boys held a circus down by the bridge, on Saturday. It was quite a circus.

—The Guinness & Abbey troupe performed "Peck's Bad Boy" at the Armory hall last night.

—The *Transcript* office is prepared to do job work on a large or small scale. Get our estimates.

—Two strawberry festivals make their announcement in this issue,—one to be at Chestertown, the other at Kennedyville.

—Quite a number of Kent county people have gone to Barnum's show. Chestertown alone turned out well on to a half-hundred.

—By card elsewhere, it will be seen that Mr. R. J. Foard, formerly president of the Enterprise Transportation Company, has opened a commission house in Baltimore.

—The board of directors of the Enterprise Transportation Company held a meeting on last Monday, and elected Capt. Wm. D. Burchinal president, and Capt. J. N. Nicholson treasurer.

—Sheriff Parsons took over three prisoners on Monday, Andrew Howard to the penitentiary, Wm. Taylor to the insane asylum, and Martha Brice, colored, sentenced by 'Squire Wheatley to three months in the House of Correction. They went by the way of Tolchester. Howard seemed to take the matter seriously. The others looked quite happy.

—A large limeboat, the "Margaret S. Kennedy," B. F. Fleming owner, ran afoul of Chester river bridge last Thursday about 4 o'clock and damaged it so that it will not work and considerable time and expense will be required to put it in repair. The draw is left in such a position as to prevent the passage of boats through the same or vehicles over the bridge.

—There is a rumor that the Kent county railroad is certainly to be completed to the bay this summer, and is to be a link in a line between Baltimore and New York, connecting with steamers on Chesapeake and Delaware bays. The party through whom comes our information is a prominent citizen of Vineland, N. J., and he says that the wharves are already built on the Jersey side, opposite Bombay Hook.

—A sea lion of unusual size and some other aquatic animals never before seen in the Chesapeake bay will be on free exhibition at Tolchester Beach the early part of the season. They will be put in a crib built in the bay and the visitors will have a more satisfactory look at them than is usual in menageries and museums, while the animals themselves will have much more room and, presumably, a much better time.

—Orphans' Court, Tuesday, May 6, 1884—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

J. Richard Leaverton filed the last will and testament of G. H. Leaverton, deceased, which was received, admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

On application, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of G. H. Leaverton, deceased, were granted and committed unto J. Richard Leaverton, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $30,000 with approved security.

On application, letters of administration upon the personal estate of Sophronia Robbins, were granted and committed unto Thomas W Skirven, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $600 with approved security.

Another Boat to be Put On in Place of the Ford.

BALTIMORE, May 5, 1884.

Editor Chestertown Transcript—Dear Sir:—As soon as it is possible to make the arrangement, another steamer will be put on our route taking the place of steamer B S. Ford. For the present, and until the arrangements are completed, the steamer Geo. Law will run as per schedule advertised for the Ford. Please note this in your next issue. Very respectfully,

GEO. WARFIELD, Pres.

The Leap Year Ball.

The young ladies of Chestertown took advantage of leap year privileges on last Tuesday night and gave a leap year ball. For the past week certain young men have been wearing a disconsolate look. They were afflicted with a knawing anxiety lest they should have no beau to take them to the ball. They were compelled to stare in the face, the grim possibility of being compelled to remain at home for want of an escort. Have you got a beau to take you to the ball? a *Transcript* reporter asked of an experienced masculine ball-goer. He shook his head mournfully, and said that he had not. How do you feel about it? Well, he replied with a sigh, I guess I know how the girls feel when they get left.

The armory hall on Tuesday evening, was decorated as never on any occasion when masculine hands prepared it for a ball. All the windows were hung with lace curtains and the hall was made as cosy as a drawing room. A handsome refreshment table was spread in the gallery.

All parts of the county were represented, though the attendance was not too large to allow room for pleasant dancing. A lunch was served about one, consisting of coffee, sandwiches and salads.

The ball was altogether a pleasant one, and the ladies have the satisfaction of proving that they can engineer a ball as successfully as the men.

Peninsula Items.

Centreville also is talking about water-works.

Ex-Gov. Hall, of Del., and his family are reported to own forty-eight schooners, generally engaged in the coasting trade.

Budd Cephas, the negro charged with the murder of Miss Celia Bush, is now on trial at Cambridge.

Gov. McLane has appointed W. Scott Roberts, editor of the Centreville *Record*, one of his aides-de-camp, with the rank of colonel.

It is thought that from 50 to 100 new evaporators will be erected this year on the peninsula, if the fruit prospect continues good a few weeks longer.

Edward Martin, a colored man employed in Treat & Co's. factory, Georgetown, fell into a vat of boiling water on Thursday and was so badly scalded that he died on Friday morning.

Seaford boasts of a talking crow, which is allowed by its owner to fly around at will and which takes especial delight in calling the town boys "liars" when they get to disputing at marbles.

Shad fishermen on the Delaware report this season to be the best they have had for a long time. The shad are both large and plentiful. About forty boats are engaged in the business at Delaware City and about thirty at Port Penn.

—The Hotel Richardson, Dover, has again changed owners. It has been purchased by Richardson & Co., the parties for whom it was built, at something like $25,000 less than cost. It is to be closed for a month or two while the proprietor is making a trip abroad, but will be reopened for the reception of guests upon his return.

BURNING OF THE B. S. FORD

$75,000 Goes With the Flames

THE BOAT A COMPLETE RUIN.

INSURED FOR $40,000.

The steamer B. S. Ford on last Saturday made her first trip from Baltimore since she laid off, some three weeks back, for repainting and refurnishing. The Company had just spent twenty-five hundred dollars in decorative work inside and out, and the Ford was as brave and handsome-looking as the day she came from under the hands of the builders. When she made fast to the Chestertown wharf at 4 o'clock P. M. on Saturday, she was an object of general admiration. On Sunday morning, instead of the beautiful steamer, there was moored to the wharf a warped iron hull and the bare machinery of the recently gallant boat.

At somewhere near one o'clock Sunday morning, a fire broke out about midship of the Ford and spread like a flash. When first discovered the fire was leaping up the open space where the walking-beam plays, and in five minutes thereafter it had spread almost from stem to stern. The fresh oil and varnish caught almost like gunpowder. Capt. McConnor, Engineer Bush, Mr. Godwin the clerk, and some others who are employed on the boat had not retired, but when they discovered the boat to be on fire the fire had already made so much headway that they had to escape to save themselves. W. P. Howard, the mate, had retired to his room, back of the pilot-house, and was fast asleep when the fire broke out. When he awoke, pretty nearly the whole boat was enveloped in flame, and it was impossible for him to escape by the usual means of descent. He swung himself from deck to deck, and landed on the wharf with only a slight scorching. The cook, the chambermaid and some of the other employees of the boat had also gone to bed, but were roused in time to escape without injury.

The fire was seen by a few people in the town almost as soon as it was discovered by those on board the boat. The cry of fire brought hundreds of people from their beds. The two hand fire engines of the town were speedily at work, but from the first it was apparent that the fire was a hopeless one, so far as saving the steamboat was concerned. Efforts were successfully turned, however, to saving the passenger house on the wharf and to preventing a complete destruction of the wharf. One-half the wharfage was so badly burned as to be worthless for future use. Notwithstanding the hopelessness of stopping the conflagration, there was a determined fight made, and many citizens of the town distinguished themselves by their fearless efforts to subdue it. Among those who were most conspicuous in preventing the spread of the fire were, Chas. T. Estes, Robt. Boston, Wm. Dugan, L. K. Stam, S. F. Smith, J. N. Dodd, A. Biscoe, Capt. Joe Thompson, W. H. Blakeney, Capt. Anthony, of steamer Enterprise; Chas. S. Smith, of Enterprise; W. C. A. Thompson, W. T. Sutton, C. T. Westcott, Alfred Palmer, E. C. Reiche, B. H. Gardner, J. Byron, Rev. E. P. Aldred. The following colored men also did excellent service: John Ringgold, Wm. Perkins jr., Robt. Johnson, Levi Ringgold, Henry Maize, Edward Jones and Dick Thomas. The officers and employees of the Ford fought manfully and there were others not here mentioned who rendered efficient service. The old engine of 1804 did good work; the new engine soon got out of order and did not amount to much. The means for fighting the fire were very inefficient, but it was the general opinion that streams from a half-dozen engines would not have stopped it when it was once under way. The dry and oiled timbers of the boat burned like shavings. Twenty minutes after the fire was discovered the vessel was a glowing mass of flame from the pilot-house to the steerage and was a sight of rare magnificence. The wind blew the sparks from the burning steamer over the wooden granaries belonging to the Chester River Company, and it was feared these would be set on fire. The houses on River street were also in danger. The house in which James A. Pearce, Esq., lives caught once on the roof and was extinguished by S. T. Wickes. Mrs. Brown's house also caught on the roof, but the fire was put out by H. Clay Brown. Other residents on the street kept a sharp lookout for fire.

By half-past two o'clock pretty much all the upper wood-work of the Ford had burned away. The steamer Enterprise, which had been lying at her wharf about fifty yards distant, now steamed up alongside the Ford, and turned on her hose to help extinguish the fire. Up to this time, when the flames had been leaping in all directions, it had been dangerous for the Enterprise to come nearer. There was at one time talk of fastening the Enterprise to the Ford by a long rope, and towing the latter down the river, where there should be no danger of communicating the fire to other property. This plan, however, was disapproved because it was feared the tow-rope might burn in two and the Ford drift back to the bridge and set it on fire.

THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

How the fire originated is a matter not determined. The fires in the furnace are said to have been carefully banked. There are two ways, in one of which it is believed the fire had its origin. It may have caught from the kitchen, and it may have been the result of spontaneous combustion. The boat, as has been said, has been recently repainted, and though orders were given that all rags and refuse material should be carefully burned, there may have been a careless leaving on the part of some workman of oiled rags where they generated fire. There is no suspicion that the fire was of incendiary origin. There is no doubt that the fire began near the centre of the boat, but there is nothing that conclusively determines its origin.

ALMOST A TOTAL LOSS.

When the sun rose Sunday morning, the B. S. Ford presented a sad spectacle. The blackened and denuded iron hull, the big side-wheels with all their garniture, gone; the large boiler, the engines and all the indestructable part, lay a bare mass of ruins. Hundreds of people went down to the wharf during Sunday morning to look at the wreck. Between ten and eleven o'clock the Corsica came over from Baltimore, bringing Mr. Geo. Warfield, president of the line. As the Corsica drew near to the wharf, Capt. McConnor, of the burned Ford, was standing on the front of the wharf, and the president of the line near the gangway of the Corsica. "Is everybody safe?" asked President Warfield. "All safe," responded Capt McConnor. Mr. Warfield examined the wreck. He said he did not think the hull and machinery worth much, and in any case not worthy being used in a new boat.

THE AMOUNT OF LOSS.

The steamer B. S. Ford was built at Wilmington, Del., by the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company in 1877. She had an iron hull, and measured 173 feet on the keel, with 28 feet beam. She registered 374 tons, drew about 4½ feet, and could make 14 miles an hour. Her total cost was about $75,000. She was brought from Wilmington by Capt. P. S. McConnor in the latter part of June, 1877, and her first trip was a Fourth-of-July excursion from Chestertown to Baltimore and back. She was named for State Senator Budd S. Ford, a former president of the company, who was drowned at Ocean City in 1879. Mr. George Warfield, the present president, was then elected in his place. The Ford carried a crew of fourteen men, and was considered one of the best boats out of Baltimore.

The Ford was insured for $40,000, distributed in the following companies: Providence Washington of Providence, Rhode Island, $2,500; Guardian Fire Insurance Company, New York, $2,500; Washington Fire and Marine of Boston, $2,500; Queen's Insurance Company of Liverpool, $2,500; West Chester Fire Insurance Company, New York, $2,500; United Firemen's Insurance Company of Philadelphia, $2,500; Insurance Company of State of Pennsylvania, $2,500; Equitable Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Providence, $2,500; Security Insurance Company, New Haven, Connecticut, $2,500; Fire Association Company of Philadelphia, $5,000; British America, Toronto Canada, $2,500; National Fire Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut, $2,500; German Fire Insurance Company, Baltimore, $2,500; Mechanics' Fire Insurance Company, Brooklyn, $2,500; Mechanics' Insurance Company, in Providence, $2,500.

The insurance companies sent a representative over from Baltimore on Tuesday, accompanied by a steamboat expert, to ascertain the extent of loss. The expert, after examining the hull and machinery of the Ford, said that from her forward gangway back she is worth nothing except for old iron. A new boat will have to be built in place of the Ford, and this the Company proposes to do as soon as arrangements can be made. The wreck of the Ford yet lies at the Chestertown wharf.

LITERARY NOTES.

We acknowledge the receipt of catalogue for 1883-4 of Fort Edward Institute, Fort Edward N. Y. It is pleasant to note that Dr. Jos E King yet stands at the head of this well-known school. The enrollment of students during the past year was 266. The faculty numbers 14, and the course of training is varied and thorough.

"Golden Days," the Philadelphia young folks' magazine, reaches us rather late in the list of May magazines, but it is a very pleasant visitor early or late.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Wednesday, April 30.—The case of T. R. Hubbard & Son vs. John Z. Clark & James E. Newcomb, continued from yesterday. Several witnesses in rebuttal were offered by the defence, but their evidence was ruled out by the court. The case was then closed and counsel submitted prayers to the court. The court granted a number of prayers, accompanying them by verbal instructions to the jury as to the law that should govern them in determining whether the contract was one of simple sale or sale with warranty. The court announced the rule to be that a man can commend his goods without warranting them, but must not step beyond the line of proper praise allowed by the law. If a man by praising his goods induces another to buy, relying upon the truth of the former's praise or representation, then the seller must make good any defect which the article may subsequently turn out to have. In other words, if a seller of phosphate represents to a farmer that his goods will grow as much wheat or do as well as any other phosphate on the market for the purpose of inducing the farmer to purchase, and the farmer, relying upon this representation, buys the phosphate, which subsequently fails to grow a crop as successfully as some other grade of phosphate, then the farmer, although he may have previously given his note for the phosphate, can successfully resist paying the same on the ground of a failure of the guaranty. It is not necessary for the seller to use the word "guaranty."

The case was then ably argued by the counsel in the case, and at 3 o'clock given to the jury. In about two hours the jury arrived at a verdict, which was sealed and kept by the foreman until the following morning. The jury had been instructed not to divulge their verdict, and speculation was rife during the afternoon as to what it was. Opinion seemed to be nearly equally divided and small wagers were freely given and taken.

Thursday, May 1.—The jury brought in a sealed verdict for the defendant, Clark. There have been few civil cases since that of Turner vs. Wilkins that have excited as much interest.

THE WHISKEY CASES.

The whiskey cases which were indicted under the act of 1878 were then called. The first case was submitted on plea of not guilty and a plea in bar, averring that the recent act of 1884 repealed the act of 1878 therefore there could be no conviction. The State joined issue on the first plea and demurred to the plea in bar. The Court overruled the demurrer, and entered a verdict of not guilty. Smith for State; Hynson for defense. The 18 remaining cases were virtually decided by the ruling in the first.

OPINION OF THE COURT.

In deciding the local option cases, Judge Wickes said in substance: In these cases the parties were indicted for violating the act of 1878, chapter 161, the indictments having been found before the act of 1884 was passed. Pleas have been filed to these indictments, setting up the defense, that the law under which the indictments were found, namely, the act of 1878, had been repealed by the act of 1884. To these pleas demurrers have been filed by the State, and the question presented is, whether the act of 1884 repeals the original local option law of 1878. It is well settled that a statute may be repealed not only by an express provision of a subsequent act, but may also be repealed by implication. When there are two acts of the Legislature on the same subject, and the last act embraces all the provisions of the first, and also contains new provisions and imposes different or additional penalties, the last act passed, operates without any repealing clause, as a repeal of the first. Under such circumstances, it is well settled, that no person indicted under the first act, and whose case is pending when the last act is passed can be punished. The act of 1878, chapter 161 punishes a violator of that law with a fine. The act of 1884 punishes the same offence with a fine or confinement in the House of Correction. The latter act contains all of the substantial provisions of the first, with some additions and changes the punishments. A person indicted under the act of 1878 cannot now be punished under that act because it has been repealed. He cannot be punished under the act of 1884 because it was passed after the offence was committed, and to enforce that act against such offenders would be to enforce an *ex post facto* law. We will add that had the act of 1884 contained a provision excepting all *pending cases* from the operation of that law, the difficulty would have been avoided and offenders have been punished. But this provision having been omitted the parties cannot now be punished. The demurrers will be overruled, and a verdict of not guilty rendered. The Court referred to the following cases to sustain their decision: Norris vs. Crocker, 13 Howard, S. C R.; Hall vs. State, 12 Gill & Johnson; Keller vs. State, 12 Md., Bishop's Criminal Law.

The case of State vs Charles H. Hudgins, indicted for breaking into the premises of Thomas W. Wickes, and for the larceny of whiskey to the value of about $60 on or about the 27th of March, 1883, was next called. The case was tried before a jury. M. deK. Smith, State's Attorney, having been consulted as counsel before his election last fall, was disqualified, and H. W. Vickers appeared for State, and R. Hynson for Hudgins. Verdict, not guilty.

State vs. Wm. Taylor. Indicted for assault with intent to kill Thomas Patterson. Tried before the court and judgment reserved. Smith for State, Hynson for Taylor.

Friday, May 2.—State vs. Anderson Howard, colored. Indicted for the larceny of a buffalo robe from Josiah Massey. Jury trial. Smith for State, Barroll for defendant. Verdict, guilty. Court adjourned on Friday.

Meeting of Kent County Temperance Alliance.

The Kent County Temperance Alliance met in annual convention in the M. E. Sunday school room of this town on Thursday last at 10 A. M. There was a large attendance of delegates from all parts of the county, and much interest was manifested in its proceedings.

The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. T. L. Tomplinson of Millington. The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. W. M. Straver, and responded to by Rev. D. W. Bates. Other addresses were made at various stages of the meeting.

C. H. Baker, Esq., president, read his annual report, which refered particularly to work done, and contained several important suggestions for the future. Reports were also received from the various districts, in all of which it was claimed that "Local Option" has done and is still doing a great deal of good.

The committee, to nominate officers, of which F. H. Harper was chairman, reported in favor of the old board with the addition of Rev. W. M. Strayer as corresponding secretary, and their report was unanimously adopted.

The following resolutions reported by the committee on resolutions, of which Rev. E. P. Aldred was chairman, were adopted:

1st. *Resolved*, That we are grateful for the succes which has attended our efforts in the past and for the general spirit of harmony which prevails among all clases of temperance workers.

2nd. *Resolved*, That there is a censurable indifference on the part of too many temperance people of our county as to the active measure necessary to develop and maintain a healthy public sentiment on the issues involved in the grand temperance movement.

3rd. That in order to strengthen such public sentiment, we encourage the organization of lodges of good templars arrange for the dissemination of tracts and other temperance literature, the placing of temperance volumes in our Sabbath school and other libraries, &c.

4th. That we duly appreciate and heartily commend the interest and services of Hon. W. D. Burchinal, J. F. Wilson and B. B. Adkinson, our county delegates in the general assembly, in securing additional legislation on the question of local option.

5th. That we hereby recommend to all temperance workers to vote for no candidate for county or State officer, who it is believed will not sustain the principle of local option or prohibitory legislation.

6th That we record our disapproval of all legislation looking to the licensing of the iniquitous traffic in intoxicating liquors, by either low or high tax, as a compromise with evil that is humiliating and must prove damaging to the permanent interests of the temperance cause.

7th. That we request the churches of our county, and also all temperance organizations to take up a collection to defray the expenses of the Alliance. And that hereafter every organization sending delegates to the alliance shall take a collection and forward the same to their delegates.

8th. That we recognize the invaluable services of the president of this Alliance, Rev. C. H. Baker, in the interests of the temperance work of our county.

9th. That we urge upon the pastors of the colored churches of our county the importance of educating the people committed to their care in the principles of prohibition.

10th. That active steps be taken to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors on board the steamboats at the wharves where Local Option obtains, and if necessary additional legislation be asked for to accomplish their end.

11th. That it is the sense of this Kent County Temperance Alliance; that a notice of all its meetings shall be published in the county papers for at least two weeks previous to said meetings.

12th. That we will not endorse any effort on the part of the State Temperance Alliance to complicate the work of temperance in our State with any political organization.

13th. That the Kent County Temperance Alliance, realizing the value of woman's work in the temperance cause and believing that their influence would be much more powerful if organized, earnestly recommend to the temperance women of the county the organization of a County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, with subordinate Unions in each district and church.

Other business of temperance was transacted, and at 5 P. M. convention adjourned.

What a Cambridge Editor Thinks of Chestertown.

Mr. Jas. A. C. Barrett, editor of the Cambridge *Era*, was a delegate to the Republican convention, which recently met in Chestertown. In his last issue he draws some comparison between Chestertown and Cambridge, much to our disadvantage. Mr. Barrett comes from a vain-glorious town, and it is to be feared that he is a trifle touched with vain-glory. If we have good health and a railroad pass, we promise to visit Cambridge when the Democratic convention meets there on the 6th of August next, and if Bro. Barrett has over-estimated his "city," or set down aught in malice against our "ancient town," we promise to make a note of it. In the mean time we give his remarks:

CHESTERTOWN.

"We attended the Republican convention of the First Congressional District, held at Chestertown on the 24th. The route by rail via Clayton proved a little tedious, owing to the abominable system of railroading in vogue on the Kent county branch road. Our train rolled in at the Still Pond station just two hours behind time, caused by the long delay in starting from Clayton. The conductor said it was the best he could do under the circumstances, as he had to fill the stations of baggage-master, brakeman, road agent, fireman and conductor. When we learned that, we concluded we were extremely fortunate in reaching our destination at all. The village of Still Pond, containing about 300 inhabitants, is located in the most beautiful and fertile section of Kent. Half a dozen well-kept stores supply the neighborhood for miles around, and each do a paying business. The largest dry goods houses are kept by Mr. George and Frank Harper respectively, both active and energetic business men, clever and accommodating, and both solid republicans and ardent admirers of Mr. Blaine. The village has one of the finest and most attractive Methodist churches to be found anywhere on the peninsula, it having been recently remodeled at a cost of over $9,000. The congregation is large and wealthy, and paid the entire cost of the improvements at the dedication Rev. L. E. Barrett is the pastor, who was returned at the last conference for the third year. Thursday morning we rode to Chestertown, 8 miles distant, and found the ancient town all astir with convention delegates, court people and agricultural machinery. The town does not present a very business-like appearance, though we probably struck it at its busiest season. Court was in session, and the main thoroughfare was well filled with farm implements, steam engines, &c., numberless agents were engaged in setting forth the merits of their respective patents. Like Cambridge, Chestertown can boast of a store for nearly every dwelling. The mercantile trade of the community is said to be large, most of the stores doing a thriving business. We saw no such stores as those of Anderson & Co., Henry Mayer or Jas. S. Shepherd of our town, but there may be in Chestertown one or more that do equally as large business as our best stores. The main street has the appearance of a place that the spirit of improvement has failed to hover over within the past fifty years. The buildings are old and somewhat unattractive. Nearly all the improvements have taken place on the suburbs, and while the town is gradually expanding, very little attention is being given to the improvement of the public squares and buildings in the centre of the town. Our brethern of the press—the *News* and *Transcript*—occupy brick buildings in opposite corners of the Court-house yard, decidedly the most venerable looking structures in the town—one being used as a church at least 100 years ago, and the other dedicated about the same time as a Masonic lodge-room. We found the proprietors of these journals at their post of duty, genial and polite, and although Democratic to the core, had no frowns for us misguided Republicans, but evidently looked upon us as members of the same human family as themselves. The convention, or rather the delegates, spent the morning and nearly half the afternoon in street caucusing. At 3 o'clock the convention was called to order in the court-room, just vacated by judges, jurors and spectators. The business was soon despatched, the long morning caucus rendering a lengthy convention session unnecessary. Messrs. C. T. Westcott and W. D. Burchinal, both residents of Chestertown, are the acknowledged champions of republicanism in Kent, and the only wonder is that the republicans of that county, under such able and active leadership do not win ofteuer than they do. Let us hope that this fall old Kent will let go her former idols and enroll herself under the Republican flag, voting to send Mr. Westcott to Congress, and for the republican Presidential nominee."

[Yes, let us all pray for this last result.—Ed. *Transcript*.]

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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.

Spring Goods
—AT—
J. H. SIMPERS',
GLASS FRONT.

We have just received a large supply of spring goods, comprising in part

Dress Goods,
Percals, Ginghams, Calicoes, Muslins, Cassimere, Cottonades, Flannels, Cheviots, Victoria Lawn, Piques, Swiss, Nainsook.
A full variety of

Hosiery and Gloves,
Hamburg Edging, Laces, Towels, Bed Spreads, Shawls and Notions Generally.

SHOES
of all grades, from the cheapest to finest goods made to our order. Gent's and Boys' Calf English Ties, Congress Gaiters and Button Shoes. Ladies and Misses Pebble Button, Kid Button and Kid Fox Button Shoes, Children's Pebble Button, Kid Button and Solar Tipped Shoes.

Large assortment of Fine

Straw Hats,
for Men and Boys; also, common Straw Hats.

MATTING—Fancy, Check and White Matting to arrive.

CARPETS,
FLOOR & TABLE OIL CLOTH
GROCERIES,
Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Spices, Tobacco, Segars, &c. With a full line of goods put at lowest prices, we are prepared to sell at prices to compete with the lowest. A call solicited.
April 10. J. H. SIMPERS.

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.
M. A. TOULSON,
March 27. Druggist.

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

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

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 Price

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

CABBAGE SEED.
EARLY AND LATE
at M. A. TOULSON'S,
March 27. Druggist.

WHITE Wash Brushes, all sizes at lowest prices. J. H. SIMPERS.

MATTING, MATTING.—Fancy, Check & White Matting to arrive. Carpets and Oil Cloth at lowers prices.
J. H. SIMPERS.

STRAW HATS.—We have a large assortment, newest styles, Fine Straw Hats. Also common Straw Hats at low prices.
J. H. SIMPERS.

GARDDN SEED.
AMERICAN WONDER PEAS,
The most desirable in the market for Family use, for sale by
March 6. C. F. STAM.

R. J. Foard,

Commission Merchant,

Grain, Fruits, Wool, Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Game, &c.

No. 95 South Charles Street,

BALTIMORE, MD.

May 8, 1884.

Special Announcement to Householders.
PAYNE G. GREEN,
323. NORTH SECOND STREET. 323.

I have now on hand the largest stock of Carpets ever offered by me, bought for cash, which enables me to give unusual inducements to cash buyers. All Wool Ingrains 60 to 75, Tapestry Brussels, 65, 80, 90, 1.00, 1.10. Ingrains 35, 40 and 50. My 50c. Ingrains furnish as well as 1.00 Carpets. Window Shades ready to hang, 50c. each. Samples of goods sent to all parts of the country.
April 25—10t. PAYNE G. GREEN, 323 N. 2d St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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

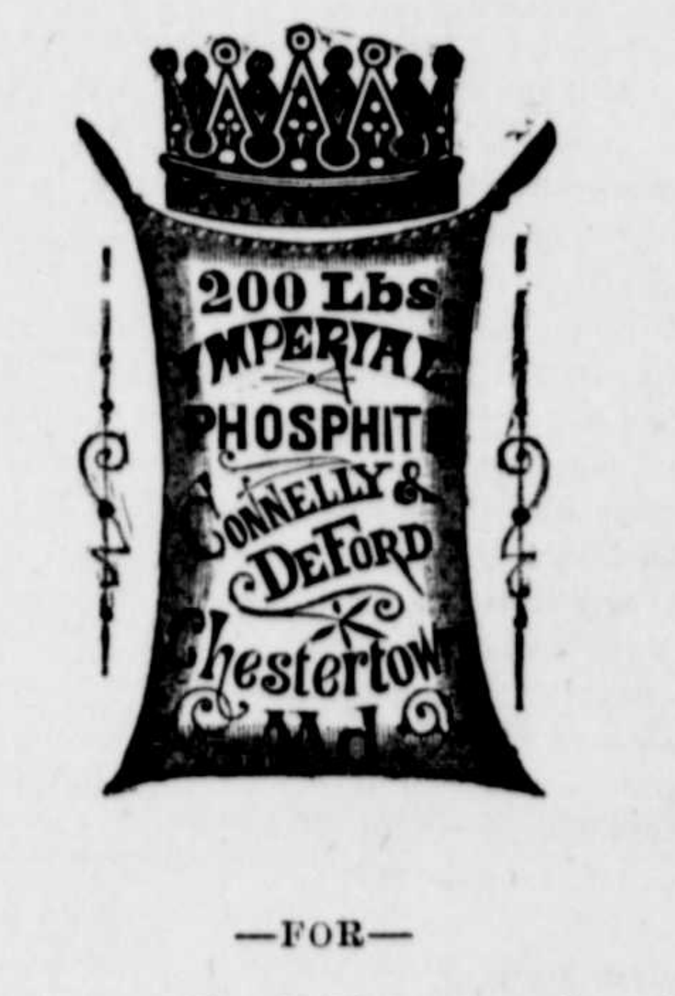
Estimated value per ton $41.29
(Signed) F. A. GENTH, Chemist State Board of Agriculture of Penna.

☞ 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

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The Great Soil Enricher.

—o—

BY ANALYSIS, EQUAL TO BONE.

The Standard Fertilize 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.

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.

C. M. Lucas.

Watches.

THE "ECONOMIST" PLOW,
With Rerersible 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

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

OUR BLANKETS at $1.00 a pair; Our Blankets at 85 cts. a pair; Our Bed Comforts, large and heavy at 90 cts. at
J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

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