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The Planters' Advocate.

UPPER MARLBOROUGH:

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 15, 1857.

☞ The result of the election in the State of Connecticut, a summary of which is [illegible] in another column, is the record of the most auspicious and important event which has occurred in American politics during the current year—one which, while it is highly gratifying to the supporters of the administration in a partizan light, will, we apprehend, command a hearty "All Hail!" from the lovers of the Union everywhere. It will be seen that the contest was, as is usual there, between the National Democracy, unaided and single-handed, on one side: and a conglomeration of Abolitionists, Republicans, *soi-disant* Whigs, Know-Nothings, Maine law-ites and Women's rights men on the other,—each side presenting a full ticket. Notwithstanding the odds, the Democratic candidate for Governor has been barely defeated, by a very trifling majority, and two out of the four members elected to Congress are Democrats—being both gains. The fight was a gallant one, and its results show the ability and the determination of the National Democracy in that State to cope with all other parties and factions combined together. In this contest that party occupied the same position, and proclaimed the same principles, which it held and defended in the Presidential election—besides which, it was further held responsible, *as a party*, by the speckled opposition, for the Supreme Court's decision in the case of Dred Scott. The issue of the struggle gloriously shows that New England is not yet sold out to the nigger-worshippers, and that Treason holds no mortgage upon her people and their opinions. A division of the representation in Congress, the ejection of two Abolition members, the wonderful vote polled by the State ticket, make this election practically a Democratic success, and certainly give to that party all the moral effect of a triumph. And, considering that a New England State was the scene and New England men the actors, just under the dark shadow of Massachusetts niggerism, we lose sight of its party aspect and congratulate our readers upon this victory of National and Union sentiments: and we cheerfully recognize the claim of Connecticut to the title which the *Boston Post* bestows, when it calls her the "Breakwater of New England fanaticism!"

☞ A few days ago, in the *Union*, the official journal, we perceived the following announcements, indicating that a thorough change had been made in the Federal offices at Baltimore, and that not even the Attorney and Marshal had been re-appointed, as was expected:

"WM. MEADE ADDISON to be District Attorney for the District of Maryland, *in the place of the present incumbent, whose commission has expired.*

"JOHN. W. WATKINS to be Marshal for the District of Maryland, *in the place of the present incumbent, whose commission has expired.*"

At the time the above announcements appeared in the *Union*, the "present incumbents" of the above places were WM. MEADE ADDISON and JOHN W. WATKINS—two gentlemen of the same names with the other two gentlemen appointed "in their places," upon the expiration of their commissions. The two gentlemen thus appointed are unknown to us by reputation or otherwise, but if they shall only prove equal to their namesakes whom they have superseded, they will be very capable officers; and we cannot but express our sincere regret that it should have been found necessary to remove two such efficient officers and accomplished politicians as Messrs. ADDISON and WATKINS. No two men stood higher in the party in this State, and their removal from office will be generally regretted, we are sure—especially as it was universally conceded that they would be reappointed. We may remark it as a notable circumstance, however, that two men, of precisely the same names, have been appointed as their successors. This is such a coincidence that we thought, at first, that certainly our friends ADDISON and WATKINS had been reappointed—but of course the above official announcement is positive proof that changes have been made. And as the *Union* cannot be accused of endeavoring thus to create the impression that removals had occurred, when they really had not, in order to gull or appease the outside Democracy, we were bound to accept its official record as a fair statement of fact. We may be allowed to express our satisfaction, however, at finding that there are two MEADE ADDISONS and two WESLEY WATKINSES, in the ranks of the party in Maryland, worthy to succeed each other in these high offices!

DEATH OF A DISTINGUISHED MARYLANDER.—We learn from a telegraphic dispatch, says the Baltimore *Clipper*, of yesterday, that Col. EDWARD SCHLEY, of Frederick, died in that city, at his residence, on Sunday night last. Col. S. was not only an exemplary and influential citizen, but remarkable for his unassuming manners, manifold virtues, and unimpeachable integrity. Few men leave behind them more blissful recollections, and none better or brighter testimonials of usefulness. We lament his demise the more because it was wholly unexpected, and assure the surviving members of his excellent family, that their sudden bereavement is not confined to their homestead alone, but strikes a sympathetic cord in the breast of many a Marylander. May he rest in peace.

The death of Hon. SAMUEL BRENTON causes a vacancy in the congressional delegation of Indiana. The vote of Mr. Brenton's district for Congress last year was as follows:

Brenton, black republican	10,699
Lowry, democrat	9,989
Brenton's majority	710

This is a close vote, and may, with zealous exertions on the part of our friends, be overcome.

MINISTER TO CHINA.—It is stated that WILLIAM B. REED, Esq., of Philadelphia, has been tendered the mission to China. Mr. REED was a Whig, but has supported the Democratic party since the organization of the Know-Nothing order. He is an able and talented lawyer.

"STATES RIGHTS' ADVOCATE."—We have received the first number of this paper, published at Centreville, and edited by THOMAS J. KEATING, Esq. It is well printed and edited with ability.

It is stated that CALEB CUSHING will be sent out as first Minister to the Court of Persia. He speaks nearly all the modern languages, and probably the Persian.

BRUTAL, VERY.—The Hartford Courant says that Woodruff, the late member of Congress from New Haven and Middlesex, Conn., who was a candidate for re-election, "was voted down by brute force of numbers."

The Legislature of Massachusetts have passed a law making the testimony of an atheist a legal tender in the courts of that State.

Judge Taney and his Libellers.

The following remarks from the *Concord Inquirer* do no more than justice to the character of the eminent jurist, whose motives have been so recklessly impeached by a portion of the northern papers since the delivery of the Dred Scott opinion. Certainly if these despicable sheets press can ever be said to "bite against a file," it is when they undertake to defame Chief Justice TANEY. The facts mentioned by the *Enquirer* concerning his personal opinions of slavery and of his having freed his own negroes are not generally known, and must operate Northward to show the folly of charging him with being solicitous for the spread of the institution. The annexed remarks will have interest to our readers as coming from a Northern journal:

Within the last few weeks the various hirelings of the Republican press—partly through ignorance and malignity, and partly at the solicitation of the frightened leaders of their expiring party—have been striving to escape the fatal effects of the recent Supreme Court decision, not by constitutional argument, but by that last resort of dying faction, the *argumentum ad hominem*. They are as superstitiously afraid of the Constitution, as the Hindoos of their invisible Deity, and its requirements are only known to them through the crafty oracles uttered by their false and reckless high priests. And thus the decree of the highest tribunal on earth is sought to be combatted by an indiscriminate and rabid abuse of its members; among the rest, exposed by his very eminence, Roger B. Taney has received their fiercest assaults. We do not propose to defend his private character, for its purity and sacredness render it invulnerable. Nor do we presume to stand as the advocate of his lofty abilities and legal learning, for few, even of his cotemporaries, are equal to the task. *History* is his defence and his eulogy. Her testimony is that never has there existed in this gifted land a mind more endowed with comprehensiveness and discrimination, or a heart more full of honor and nobility, than that of Roger B. Taney. The mantle of Chief Justice Marshall has fallen upon him with all its adorning virtues, increased by time and polished by experience. The master spirits of the last half century have done homage to him, and it is related that when a young man, at the death of William Pinkney, when some one exclaimed, "Alas! the Goliah of the bar has gone," old Justice Dorsey, of Maryland, a man of able judgment, exclaimed, "Aye! but we have the *David* left in Roger B. Taney."

Many rich tributes, both to his talents and character could be mentioned if time would permit. And yet this is the man that is reviled by these upstart slanderers as weak, venal, fickle and unprincipled.

His course has always been thus unimpeachable, and Henry Clay himself, in his highest partisan excitement, never dared to impugn the honesty and purity of the motives of the first Democratic justice. But he is charged with being the advocate of slavery and its propagandism, and that only because of his acting in accordance with his oath, and expounding the Constitution by its true letter and spirit. Let the decision speak for itself; but Mr. Taney, personally, is opposed to slavery, in principle and practice. Forty years ago, although never wealthy, he freed every negro in his possession, and has paid servants' wages ever since. They were all valuable, and one, his body servant, has been the head waiter of the largest hotel in Baltimore for many years.

Annapolis Election.

The municipal election took place in the "Ancient City" on Monday, the 6th instant, and resulted in favor of the good cause by a very decided majority. The *Republican* says the election passed off in a most peaceable manner, and we are quite glad to see a better feeling existing between the two parties. The following is the result:

FOR MAYOR.

Democrats.	*Know-Nothings.*
Richard Swann.....227	Abram Claude.....211

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A Predication Verified.

President BUCHANAN returned from his mission to England last April, and his friends in Philadelphia applied to the Know-Nothing Councils of that city for the use of Independence Hall for his reception—but were refused. The *Journal of Commerce* thus noticed and prophesied in relation to the matter:

"The Know-Nothing Councils of Philadelphia have refused the use of Independence Hall for the reception of the Hon. James Buchanan. Never mind: the people will furnish him with a Hall after the 4th of March next, which will be 'sufficient for all practical purposes.'"

The prophecy, says the Bridgeport *Farmer*, has been fulfilled; and in addition to this, the Know-Nothing Councils have been turned out of power, "neck and keels," by an unprecedented majority. This indicates a "very bad state of things" for "freedom and free speech, in bleeding Kansas."

ECCLESIASTICAL.—The Catholic *Mirror*, of last week, makes the following announcements:

We learn that the Right Rev. John McCaffrey, President of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmittsburg, has been appointed to the See of Charleston; Rt. Rev. John Barry, late administrator of Savannah, is now Bishop elect of that See; Rt. Rev. Francis McFarland, P. P., of Utica, New York, is Apostolic Vicar of Florida; and Rt. Rev. James Frederick Wood, P. P., of St. Patrick's, Cincinnati, is coadjutor to the Bishop of Philadelphia. The official documents have arrived for these appointments. We presume that other appointments for the other ecclesiastical provinces have been made, and are known by this time in the proper quarters.

Col. Benton was asked the other day to take a cracker and a glass of wine at the house of a friend.

"Unleavened bread, sir," said the Colonel.—"Sir, unleavened bread, sir—the word cracker is not to be found either in the Scriptures or in any of my works. It is unleavened bread, sir, from *Levo levare*, Latin to lift or raise, sir, and *un* not and Saxon *brad* baked meal, sir—signifying, a species of bread that has not been raised, sir. Yes, sir, thank you, sir. I will have one or two pieces, sir, of unleavended bread, sir, and sir, a glass of wine, sir, and shall be honored if you and this woman here, will take a glass of wine with me."

PAPER TOWNS IN NEBRASKA.—The Nebraska *Pioneer*, of March 24th, says:

"We would advise all our friends to beware of paper towns. There is at this time a perfect town making mania; everybody seems desirous of being the owner of a town. All persons desiring to secure an interest in Nebraska would do well to examine for themselves or get a responsible agent to act for them. Never buy from floating speculators, unless you thoroughly examine the title and property, or you may be fleeced."

REV. DANIEL WALDO, the venerable Chaplain of the House of Representatives, now 94 years old, has revisited his home in Connecticut. Last week he preached two sermons in Sharon, walked half a mile from the parsonage to the meeting-house, and went through the exercises without apparent fatigue. Mr. Waldo was a soldier in the Revolution, and once fell into the hands of that abominable set of fellows who were known as the "Cow Boys."

A celebrated billiard player in New York has challenged another of equal celebrity to a game for the modest sum of $5,000.

The Connecticut Election.

The Hartford *Times* thus sums up the result of the election in this State:

The Democrats elect two members of Congress; Opposition two.

The Democrats elect 8 Senators; the Opposition 12—one in doubt.

In the House, we should judge that the Opposition will have a majority of probably 30 out of 232 members.

On the popular vote, from present indications, the Holly ticket will be elected by about 1,000 majority.

The Democrats of Connecticut did a good day's work on Monday. It was only last fall that they were defeated by 10,000! Now, they have elected two members of Congress, viz: Samuel Arnold and Wm. D. Bishop.

Mr. Arnold is elected in the second district by 200 majority, and Mr. Bishop in the fourth by over 300.

Clark (Know-Nothing) is re-elected in the first by something over 300 votes. Last fall we had over 2,000 against us in this district. Dean (Know-Nothing) is re-elected in the third district by a reduced majority.

The Democratic State ticket is running close upon the Know-Nothing, but the chances are in favor of the latter by a meagre majority.

The Democrats have carried the 1st, 4th, 5th, 10th, 11th, 12th, and 18th districts.

The Fusionists carry the 2d, 3d, (very close,) 6th, 7th, 8th, 14th 15th, (by 20 votes,) 16th, (close,) 17th, (close,) 20th, and 21st districts.

We cannot judge of the 9th, 13th, and 19th from our returns.

The Legislature is probably against us, but not by so large a majority as in former years. We lose a number of Senators and Representatives by exceedingly close votes.

A gain of two Democratic Congressmen was a triumph in itself, and the news will be hailed as a victory by the Democrats of the Union, especially as we cut a majority of 10,000 down to almost nothing in five months' time.

Since the above was in type we learn from a dispatch to the Baltimore *Sun*, that Bishop, Democrat, is elected in the fourth district of Connecticut by 17 plurality. The delegation will, therefore, stand two Democrats and two Republicans, instead of four Republicans, as at present. Holly, Republican, is elected Governor by only 266 majority.

Resignation of a United States Judge.

The Hon. W. W. DRUMMOND, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of Utah Territory, has forwarded his resignation to Washington. He thus sets forth his reasons for resigning:

In the first place, Brigham Young, the Governor of Utah Territory, is the acknowledged head of the "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints," commonly called "Mormons," and as such head the Mormons look to him, and to *him alone*, for the *law* by which they are to be governed; therefore no law of Congress is by them considered binding in any manner.

Secondly. I know that there is a secret oath-bound organization among all the mail members of the church, and to acknowledge no law save the law of the "holy priesthood," which comes to the people through Brigham Young, direct from God, he, Young, being the vicegerent of God and prophetic successor of Joseph Smith, who was the founder of this blind and treasonable organization.

Thirdly. I am fully aware that there is a set of men set apart by special order of the church to take both the lives and property of persons who may question the authority of the church, (the names of whom I will promptly make known at a future time.)

Fourthly. That the records, papers, &c., of the Supreme Court have been destroyed by order of the church, with the direct knowledge and approbation of Gov. B. Young, and the federal officers grossly insulted for presuming to raise a single question about the treasonable act.

Fifthly. That the federal officers of the Territory are constantly insulted, harassed and annoyed by the Mormons, and for those insults there is no redress.

Sixthly. That the federal officers are daily compelled to hear the form of the American government traduced, the chief executives of the nation, both living and dead, slandered and abused from the masses, as well as from all the leading members of the church, in the most vulgar, loathsome and wicked manner that the evil passions of man can passibly conceive.

HORRIBLE MURDER IN FISH-TOWN.—The season is just opened! Fish-Town begins its annual saturnalia, and its career is blood-stained already. On Sunday night a horrible murder was committed there. It seems that two men named Jas. Clark and —— Goodrich were sitting with others around the stove in a booth belonging to Capt. Hubbard. Some wrestling, &c., having occurred, and all the party in good humor, the proprietor called to them to stop the noise and sit down.

They had hardly done so, when Clark asked Goodrich for a chew of tobacco. Instead of giving it, Goodrich went over and took hold of Clark. Clark said, "if you choke me that way, I'll put you out of doors." With that, Goodrich pushed Clark down on the seat. Clark stood up, some feet from Goodrich, who went towards him, Clark retreating. When he arrived near enough he raised his hand, and several witnesses now for the first time perceived that he held a knife, (a sheath knife, such as is used for cutting fish,) with which he stabbed Clark in the abdomen. Clark exclaimed, "I am cut," fell, and in fifteen minutes was a corpse.

Goodrich was immediately arrested by the night watch, and was committed to jail by Justice R. M. Smith.

On Monday morning Coroner Neale held an inquest over the body of the murdered man, and the jury found that the deceased came to his death in the manner above stated.—*Alexandria Sentinel.*

MRS. EX-PRESIDENT POLK.—Mrs. Polk, the esteemed widow of the ex-President, has determined to reside in Washington during the next session of Congress. Heretofore, since her husband's death, with the exception of a visit in London at the time when Mr. Buchanan was the American Minister there, Mrs. Polk has resided in Tennessee. It will be remembered that the deceased ex-President left to his widow the charge of taking care of and publishing his memoirs, which, so far as they relate to his administration, are said to be minute, full of interesting personal anecdote and abounding in reflections suggested by the state of public affairs and the conduct of his Cabinet.—*N. Y. Post*

The Richmond, Va., Dispatch learns that the Blue Ridge is on fire at different points, extending from Waynesboro, Augusta, several miles northward. The mountains east of the Valley, from Woodstock to Mount Jackson, are also on fire. On Monday and Tuesday nights of this week, the view of the burning mountains was magnificent.

The executors of the estate of the late Mrs. Emily C. Judson ("Fanny Forrester") have released the Rev. Dr. R. W. Griswold from his engagement to prepare a history of her life for the press, on account of the critical condition of his health. An engagement has been made with the Rev. Dr. Kendrick, of Rochester, New York, to perform the service.

A few days ago Mr. Godfrey, of Pee Dee, S. C., received a letter which had been mailed to him, at Clio, in the same State, on the 18th January, 1828. It enclosed a thirty dollar bank note on the Merchants' Bank at Pee Dee.

In Philadelphia, recently, a little child was taken before an Alderman for the offence of stealing a *top*, and committed to the Moyamensing Prison, and it was further stated that the boy screamed so after being taken to jail, that he was put into a dark cell.

A chap, reading that Mexican files had been received in New York city, went into a hardware store and asked to look at some of them. He is a brother of the man who inquired for a pound of Liverpool dates received by one of the steamships.

The Fredonia Censor says that 1,000,000 lbs. of maple sugar have already been made in Chautauque, which, at the price likely to rule for some time to come, (12½ cents a pound,) will be worth $125,000.

Seventeen Days Later from California.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The steamer George Law has arrived with nearly $1,250,000 in specie, and San Francisco dates to the morning of the 23d ult. She connected with the steamer Golden Gate, which left San Francisco on the regular day, (the 20th,) but had to put back in consequence of a slight accident.

The dates from Greytown are to the 2d. Col. Lockridge went up the river, on the 24th of March, with all his forces to the attack on San Carlos. When last heard of he was at Muchacha Rapids, intending to attack Castillo next morning, the 27th.

There is nothing later from Walker's position.

Some excitement existed on the Isthmus growing out of the apprehension of an attack upon the foreign residents being meditated by the natives.

The railroad company were taking every precaution to protect passengers and property in transit across the Isthmus.

A bearer of dispatches from Bogota took passage at Aspinwall, on his way to Washington, with news that Mr. Morse had been refused all the proposed negotiation of the riot question.

A propositon has been made in the New Granadian Senate to send a force to the Isthmus, which met with opposition.

The news from California is meagre. No further action had been taken in the Legislature concerning the State debt.

The prisoners in the State prison were starving for want of food, and some had already died. The Legislature had appropriated $5,000 for their relief.

Trade at San Francisco was improving. Chinese produce had already largely advanced—teas fully 50 per cent. Flour had declined already 5 per cent., closing at $11 for superfine.

The receipts of gold dust had been very large.

Another Freak of Lola Montez.

LOUISVILLE, April 10.—Lola Montez's benefit was to take place to-night, but on the opening of the theatre Lola wanted carpets instead of green baize to be spread on the floor of the stage. This the stage-manager refused, and appealed to the auditors. They both talked together, and an indescribable scene of confusion and excitement ensued. The manager subsequently made a speech to the audience, and Lola refused to play. The money was returned to ticket holders, and there was no performance.

Rev. Mr. Kalloch.

BOSTON, April 11.—The Tremont Temple Baptist Society last evening passed resolutions expressing their unabated confidence in the integrity of their pastor, Rev. Mr. Kalloch, and earnestly requesting him to resume his services as their pastor.

Murderers Sentenced.

BOSTON, April 11.—Chief Justice Shaw to-day pronounced sentence of death against James Magee and Charles L. Cater for the murder of the warden and deputy warden of the State prison. The sentence takes effect after a year's imprisonment.

Governorship of Utah---The Next Presidential Campaign.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The *Herald's* Washington correspondent says the Governorship of Utah has been offered to Major McCulloch, of Texas, and been declined.

The *Herald* has an editorial urging the political supporters of Col. Fremont to concentrated action in view of the next Presidential campaign.

Large Real Estate Purchase.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Hon. Senator Douglas and Hon. Mr. Rice, of Minnesota, have purchased two squares of ground immediately west of Mr. Douglas' present residence in this city, paying therefor $51,000. It is understood that the intention is to erect magnificent dwellings thereon for themselves and Vice President Breckinridge. Another large square near the Capitol was sold to Wm. W. Corcoran and Hon. Mr. Bright, who intend to build first-class residences thereupon. These sales show a large advance in value in the past few years.

ELI THAYER REPULSED.—A company of French gentlemen, as our readers have been informed, own a considerable tract of land in Southwestern Virginia—we believe, in Wythe county. Mr. Lacourteur, an intelligent citizen of France, who is one of the company, is in this country acting as its Agent. We learn from the Wytheville Telegraph that Eli Thayer has proposed to him recently to join him in the enterprise of settling these lands. Mr. L. declined the overture. The Telegraph says that Eli came out of the correspondence with a flea in his ear.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.—An aged woman named Margaret Creek residing about two and a half miles south east of town, was burned to death on Wednesday last. It is supposed that fire had been communicated to her clothes and that in her efforts to extinguish it she got into a bed, which was found much burned, and finally proceeded to the kitchen and plunged into a large kette of water. When found she was lying on the floor a lifeless corpse and burned almost to a crisp. The deceased was living with her son and was about 80 years of age.—*Hagerstown Mail.*

PRESENT OF RELICS.—Mrs. James K. Polk has presented to the Tennessee Historical Society a set of curiosities which have been in her possession for some time. Among them are a blue pitcher, used in the Indian council at Hopewell, 1785, originally the property of Oken-shai-tah, the King of the Cherokees; an Indian pipe presented to President Polk by the head chief of the Winnebagoes, and a piece of oak from the old frigate Constitution.

MARRIED IN FUN.—Miss Jaquet, of Chester Co., (Pa.) and a Mr. Batchell, of Ohio, were married in sport, about a year ago, on the impulse of a banter; but the lady, having shown her spirit, declared she would carry the joke no further. Both parties soon found that they had gone too far. Mr. Batchell was a gentleman of property in Ohio. He could no longer make title to his real estate. The young lady, who reigned as a village belle, soon found she had been trifling with a serious matter, and she now applies for a divorce.

HIGH PRICE OF SHOES.—A combined attempt is now being made to raise the price of shoes, and the reason given is the high price of leather. We are informed, however, that the great item in the present cost of shoes, is the extravagant price paid at the North for labor, most of the New England shoemakers receiving more for ten hours' labor than they could earn in agricultural operations in a week.

A HORSE WITH A CORK LEG.—The Adelaide (Australia) Register has the following: "We have recently seen Mr. Collins's mare Jewess. It will be remembered that she broke her near fore leg on the race course in April last, while running for the town plate. Amputation was performed by Mr. Grabb, under whose care she has completely recovered. Her condition is excellent, and the cork foot seems to answer the purpose admirably."

FEEDING ENGLAND.—A parliamentary paper has just been issued showing the total imports of grain and flour into England for the past year. Three-fourths of the total supply of foreign flour were obtained from the United States, in addition to three-fifths of the amount of Indian corn, and more than a fourth of the amount of wheat.

DRILLED WHEAT.—An observant farmer informed us on Monday that his drilled wheat came up well and looked finely, whilst that sown broadcast was quite unpromising; and that it required only one half as much guano for drilled wheat.—*Fredericksburg Herald.*

READING FOR CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.—The Boston papers announce the publication, in pamphlet form, of the great argument of R. H. Dana, Esq., in the adultery case of Rev. Isaac S. Kalloch, "*churches and religious societies* being furnished with the report at $4 per hundred."

Wm. Lyon Mackenzie, of Canadian rebellion notoriety, now an editor in Canada, and a member of the provincial parliament, is on a visit to the States for the first time in some years.

Vice-President Breckinridge's property in Wisconsin is worth $100,000.

Special Correspondence of the Baltimore Republican.

The Great Four Mile Race at Columbus.

The greatest four mile race that I ever witnessed, and one of the most exciting that has ever been run in this country, came off last Saturday on the Chattanoga Course, Columbus, Georgia. The contest was of the most spirited character throughout, and the enthusiasm and intense interest manifested by the large concourse of spectators I have never seen equalled.

The entries were Messrs. Campbell & Barton's Lizzie McDonald, (formerly Sue Washington,) Thomas Purvear's Charleston, McDaniel's Frankfort. Before the hour of starting, Charleston was a little the favorite over Lizzie McDonald, it being reported among the knowing ones that Lizzie had made a bad trial run, and about even betting between Charleston and the field, the latter rather the favorite. All things being in readiness, they started for the

1st *Heat.*—Lizzie having the track, Charleston second, and Frankfort outside. Coming down the stretch, 1st mile, Charleston made a dash for the track and took it from Lizzie without an effort, who appeared to be reserving her speed for the next three miles, during which she made some gallant dashes at him but without avail, Charleston coming in the winner without an apparent effort, in 7 minutes 59 seconds, which, taking into consideration the very heavy state of the track, from the rain the day previous, I think the very best heat ever run in America. Frankfort just dropped in to save his distance. After the heat, Charleston and Frankfort seemed but little fatigued, and appeared not to feel the quick work they had performed; not so with Lizzie, who appeared much distressed, and the general opinion seemed to be that Charleston would be the winner.

2d *Heat.*—A good start, Charleston the track, Lizzie second, and Frankfort outside. They went from the first at a killing pace; on the first mile Lizzie attempted to take the track, but it was no go. In the second mile she went at Charleston three different times, and each time, after a most gallant and exciting struggle, was obliged to give way—Charleston running, with his head bowed, at the same rapid pace; Frankfort going quite well, and looking as if he designed mischief. In the third mile, the boy on Lizzie would brace his mare and then go at Charleston; but it was no use. In the fourth mile, the boy on Lizzie went at Charleston five different times. On entering the home stretch in the fourth mile, Charleston was a good length ahead of Lizzie, and Frankfort about three lengths behind. The heat had been so intensely exciting between the first two, that the spectator had not been watching Frankfort; but Jacob, his rider, had been patiently waiting his time. He now made a gallant effort, and the veteran horse with lightning speed responded to the call. Coming down the stretch at quarter horse speed, while the welkin rang with the shouts of the astonished multitude, the cry was, who had won the heat? A blanket would have covered all three when they passed the Judges' stand, Frankfort winning about a foot ahead of Charleston, and about two feet ahead of Lizzie. Time—7 min. 40 sec.

After this it was anybody's race. All three looked well. Charleston and Lizzie had run for both heats, and Lizzie looked much better than she did after the previous heat. The knowing ones now offered to bet that no person could name the winner.

3d *Heat.*—At starting Frankfort inside, Charleston second, and Lizzie outside. At the first quarter Lizzie took the track and commenced opening the gap. Under instructions from her trainer, the boy continued to go along. The time for the first two miles was slow—4:13.

Patterson again telling the boy to go along, the mare commenced opening the gap wider, and at the end of three miles was considerably ahead of both. On entering the fourth mile, again commenced the struggle gradually to close the gap, and at the half-mile post Frankfort was considerably nearer. From that to the quarter he gradually drew closer, and made a desperate dash, but it was useless. It was a gallant effort, but he had so exhausted his powers in closing the long gap that Lizzie had opened in the first three miles, that the veteran had to succumb—Lizzie winning easy in 8 minutes, the last two miles being run in 2:47. Wasn't that some pumping, Messrs. Editors?

4th *Heat.*—Charleston drawn. Betting two to one on Lizzie winning. Lizzie at the start commenced opening the gap, and the description of the heat does not require much comment. She never was caught, and won the heat in 8:13. Old Virginny blood will tell, as it told in this race, when it comes down to broken heats.

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P. S.—Before closing this I am sorry to announce to you that the noble Frankfort died on the evening of the race; Charleston also appeared to suffer much. Lizzie next day fine as silk, and playful.

HORSE RACE.—A number of persons collected on Thursday afternoon last, at the Deep Cut, near Tenallytown, D. C., to witness the race between Tenth Legion, a horse from Rockingham county, Virginia, owned by Mr. Clatterbuck, and Old Joe, owned by Mr. Darnes, in Georgetown. The race was one-fourth of a mile, and was won by Tenth Legion. Betting ran high.

A PATRIOT.—The "$10,000 to a Mexican officer of rank," among the items of secret service money paid out by Gen. Scott in Mexico was, it is stated, paid to no other than President Santa Anna, the man whose patriotism began and ended in his own pocket.

Ex-Mayor Haviland, of New Bedford, has presented the amount of his salary, as Mayor, for two years, ($1,600,) to the Free Public Library of the city.

Gen. Persifer F. Smith publishes a letter vindicating Hon. Jefferson Davis from the charge made by Governor Geary of having denied him the support of the government troops.

Miss Louisa Pyne, the popular English vocalist, sails for England in the steamship Persia on the 29th inst.

Gen. Sam Houston is a candidate for Governor of Texas, in opposition to the democrats.

MARRIED,

On the 7th instant, Mr. JOSEPH T. CLARKE and Miss ELIZABETH SELBY, both of this county.

On the 24th of February last, by the Rev. Mr. Morgan, JAMES TAYLOR, Jr., and Miss ANNIE H., third daughter of the late Capt. C. L. Gantt, of South River, Anne Arundel County.

DIED,

On Saturday last, after a protracted illness, Mr. JOHN H. BALL, (Printer,) of this village, in the 27th year of his age. The deceased was of a kind and obliging disposition, and just and honorable in his dealings. In his last illness he was comforted by the ministrations of a man of God, and died in the expression of a FAITH that gives his friends a reasonable hope to believe he now rests secure in the mansions of the blest. W.

At her residence in Charles County, on Monday the 20th ult., Mrs. ANN COX, in the 53rd year of her age, after a protracted and painful illness, which she bore with great fortitude, calmly and with Christian resignation, awaiting her approaching end. The many andendearing qualities of this estimable lady are too well known to require eulogy.

THE MARKETS.

SATURDAY, *April 11.*—*Wheat.*—A fair inquiry to-day but receipts are very light. About 1000 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and sales of fair to good white at $1.46@1.53, prime do. at $1.55; and choice white $1.60. Sales of good to prime red at $1.35@1.39 ℔ bushel. *Corn.*—A good demand, and the prices of yellow ruled higher. About 5,000 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and sales of good to prime white at 61@63 cents, and good to prime yellow Corn at 64@66 cents ℔ bushel. *Rye.*—None offered on 'change to-day. We quote Maryland nominally at 75@80 cents, and Pennsylvania Rye at 80@85 cents ℔ bushel. *Oats.*—About 1500 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and sales of Virginia at 42@44 cents, Maryland at 45@47 cents, and Pennsylvania Oats at 48@50 cents ℔ bushel.

MONDAY, *April 13.*—*Wheat.*—A fair demand to-day and prices were firmer. About 6000 bushels were offered on 'change to-day, and sales of fair to good white at $1.43@1.48, prime do. at $1.55@1 58; and very choice white at $1.68. Sales of good to prime red at $1.38@1.42 ℔ bushel. *Corn*—A brisk inquiry, and prices ruled firm. About 25,000 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and sales of good to prime white at 60@63 cents, and good to prime yellow at 65@66 cents ℔ bushel. *Rye*—About 200 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and all sold, Maryland at 75 cents, and Pennsylvania Rye at 85 cents ℔ bushel. *Oats.*—About 1800 bushels offered on 'change to-day, and sales of Virginia at 44@46 cents, Maryland at 47@48 cents, and Pennsylvania Oats at 48@50 cents ℔ bushel.

TOBACCO.—Maryland Tobacco continues in very active demand, and is sold as fast as inspected. The common varieties of Maryland have still further advanced in price, and the inquiry is still very brisk at the advance. Ohio has also been in good demand, and we had reported sales of 350 hhds. at full rates. Kentucky Tobacco is also in fair request. We still quote the range of prices as follow, viz:—Maryland sound common $6.50@7.25; good common to middling $7.50@8.37½; good to fine $9.12½@13. Bay Tobacco—Tip $7.87½@8.37½; seconds do. $12@13; superior $17.50@25.50; yellow $25.50@32.50, as to quality. We quote Ohio as follows: Inferior to good common brown $8@8.50; middling to good reds $9@10; good to fine reds and spangled $10@13; good to fine yellow $15@20; fine red segar wrappers $12@15. We quote Kentucky Tobacco at $11@12.50 for Lugs; $14@17 for medium Leaf, and $18@20 for Fine. The inspections for the week were 731 hhds. Maryland, and of other kinds 342 hhds. Total 1073 hhds.

Local and Personal.

The Circuit Court has been regularly in session since our last issue. Many cases have been disposed of, though the number terminated by verdict is remarkably small. In the more important civil cases verdicts were rendered under instructions of the Court, and bills of exception signed. There have been several criminal trials of some interest, one of which was that of *William Smith, Sr.* and *William Smith, Jr.*, citizens of Washington, charged with interfering with the election at the polls of the 6th District in this county last fall. They were indicted under the act of 1805, which named the day on which Presidential electors were to be chosen in this State. It was objected by Mr. CAUSIN, counsel for the traversers, that since that act, Congress had passed a law fixing an uniform day for holding said election, in virtue of which law, and not of the act of 1805, the election of last fall was held. It was further objected that the penalties of the act of 1805 were confined to elections held "in virtue of that act." The Court, being of that opinion, ordered a verdict of not guilty in the case of the elder Smith, and the State's Attorney thereupon directed a *nolle prosequi* in the case of Smith the younger.

John Wedge, free negro, was tried on an indictment for stealing a horse and selling it in Washington, and was found guilty. He was yesterday sentenced to the penitentiary for six years and two months. Prior to the sentence a motion for a new trial was made by the prisoner's counsel, and overruled by the Court.

William Taylor, free negro, was tried on an indictment for harboring a negro woman, the property of J. P. CHANDLER, Esq., whom he took off stealthily to the District. He was found guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years and three months. The Court will adjourn this morning.

Fruits Injured by the Frost.—We copy the following letter of Dr. JOHN H. BAYNE, of this county, from a late number of the Alexandria *Gazette:*

I regret to say the intensity of the cold of last night has proved nearly fatal to the entire crops of Peaches, Apricots and Cherries. I have examined my orchards this morning, in every position, and find the results more disastrous than even last season. Situations that were then comparatively exempt, have now suffered most severely—and superadded to the destruction of the more important fruits, the early strawberries have been entirely killed. Apples have so far escaped, and perhaps the Pears, of which there is every prospect of abundant crops. Yours, very respectfully, JOHN H. BAYNE.

Tuesday, April 7, 1857.

Leonardtown Beacon.—JOHN F. KING, Esq., has sold an interest in the *Beacon* to GEO. H. MORGAN, Esq., and the paper will hereafter be published under the firm of MORGAN & KING. We wish the new firm every success.

Appointment.—WALTER BOWIE, Esq., has been appointed by the Commissioners County Surveyor in the place of EDWARD HERBERT, Esq., resigned.

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GEORGE W. HILLEARY,
April 15, 1857—td Commissioner.

Trotting Match at the Long Old Fields.

THERE will be a trotting match to come off over the Long Old Fieds Course

ON SATURDAY, the 18th day of April.