Mercantile Mart.

Mercantile advertisements must be handed in on Saturday Morning to insure insertion in next issue. Legal advertisements, which cannot be omitted, require all the type we can spare on Mondays

LOCAL RECORD.

The Markets.

The Baltimore market is still very dull. We quote Flour, Howard Street, Super, $4 cents. Corn, 50 cents. Oats, 30 cents. Gold 104½.

[illegible] are the institution and should be used from attacks of Colic, Flatulence, etc., by Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. Price 25 cents per bottle.

[illegible] people will bear, with a relative degree of patience, the delay of the pains and sufferings of a cold, but we do not know of any one who can quietly and cheerfully suffer with that most annoying affection—Headache. Yet thousands of our fellow-sufferers have had their headaches instantly relieved by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and there are hundreds of others who have not heard of it or do not know it, who may be cured by using this medicine.

Do not forget to call at Dr. Bull's Drug Store and get a bottle of Keller's Vegetable Life Drops.

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Do only the "Allay" on "Shoe Ease." They will pay you better than anything else.

The County tax in Queen Anne's county is reduced 11.15 on the $100, the State tax 17½ cents, making a total of 28½ on the $100.

The Sheriff will have no difficulty now in selling their Silver, as there has been rain enough to make the hardest ground soft.

The Fertilizers manufactured by I. P. Thompson, Georgetown, Delaware Co., Pa., have a rapidly growing reputation.

Every one gives the most encouraging report of "Allay." It will prove even more successful this season being in better condition.

Mr. Peter Stevens, register of Easton district, received 9 votes last week, and erased 1 vote from the registration list, on account of death and removals.

The Republicans of the County hold their primary meetings on Saturday, the 15th, and select their ticket on the following Thursday, the 20th inst.

The Summer ended with the last day of August, and the autumn weather commenced on the first of September. The clerk of the weather is on time this season.

The equinoctial storm, which had prevailed for days, passed off on Saturday night, and Sunday was brought with it a bright warm sun, and a delightful breeze.

"When Katydids are singing in a tree, put your ear against the trunk of the tree, and you will instantly stop singing. Why is this? Who can tell?

Milton H. Willis, Esq., will sell Mr. Henry Clarke's property at auction, at his residence in Oxford, on the 27th inst. He has some valuable stock and farming implements.

The most popular as well as the most reliable Phosphate in the market is the "Alta." Test beside other articles of same half price, and be satisfied thereby.

Shannahan & Wrightson have received and opened their stock, and now have their new Hardware store in full blast. They have a large and well assorted stock, and will be pleased to have call from their friends.

The large basket factory, wheelwright and blacksmith shops of Leeland and Buckhanstaff, at Carlson, have been destroyed by fire. The loss has made a big hole in the business part of the town.

"For many years I have heard of Simmons' Liver Regulator; and now regret I so long neglected to take it regularly, for had I known it as well and as sooner, it would, no doubt, have relieved me before, as it has done now, of all the debility and suffering from which I suffered so long. V. A. Bennett."

The Mayor of Hambleton not being satisfied with having the largest corn, now claims to have the biggest baby in the county. If there was a premium offered the county show, the doctor says, under one month old, with the weight the mother would be won by the Hambleton boy, baby, which weighed over 12 pounds at birth.

A gentleman hereabouts who recently removed from Monterey, in Western Maryland, says it is delightful there in hot weather to excursion on "the Devil's Race Course" a remarkable formation in the mountains, being a straight level road in the woods, forty feet wide, paved with rough stones, whether by nature or man, no one can tell.

Thompson & Kersey, the chief merchants in Easton, have always presented the finest assortment of goods to be found on the Eastern Shore, and this season they reached the manufacturers of several classes of goods, and by purchasing large quantities have placed in stock a representation of carpets, ready-made clothing, dress goods, &c., not to be equaled in the State outside of Baltimore city. A peculiar feature in the mode of doing business, by this firm, is their readiness to offer the trade all the choice novelties, and just now the new Linoleum Carpet only to be found at their carpet depot. Our advice to those in want of carpets is, don't purchase without seeing this beautiful and durable invention. Read the new advertisement in this issue.

Who Can Beat It?

Mr. Charley W. Rose raised on his farm near Wye Landing, from two bushels of wheat seeded, eighty-three and a half bushels of good sound wheat—seeded early in November and on corn ground.

LORENTZ & RITTLER,
CHEMICAL & SUPER PHOSPHATE FACTORY.
BALTIMORE, Sept., 6th 1877.

As there are several parties claiming to be agents for the sale of Our fertilizers in Talbot County we desire it to be distinctly understood that we recognize *Mr. Thomas C. Nicols, of Easton*, as our *Sole Agent for said County.*

LORENTZ & RITTLER.

Democratic Ticket.

The Democratic County Convention of Caroline met on Tuesday last at Denton, and nominated the following ticket:

For State Senator—Daniel Fields.
For the House of Delegates—J. P. Manlove and R. Y. Collins.
For Sheriff—J. B. Bishop.
For County Commissioners—John Daily, W. G. Horney, W. W. Williamson.
For County Surveyor—S. H. Melson.

Teachers Appointed.

The County School Commissioners, last Tuesday, made the following appointments of teachers:

Easton High School—Mr. Charles W. Baker, Vice Principal; Miss Maggie Tilghman, First Assistant.

Easton Primary School—Assistant, Mrs. M. Helen Hambleton.

St. Michaels High School—Miss Emma Wrightson, Vice Principal; Miss Alice McDaniel, Assistant.

St. Michaels Primary School—Miss Annie M. Edgar, Assistant.

Oxford Grammar School—Miss Sallie Hall, Assistant.

A Chicken Thief Shot At.

One night last week, a couple of thieves went to Mrs. Forman's to rob her hen house. Their voices in the yard, talking to the dogs, waked the servant girl, who waked up Mrs. Foreman, who immediately waked up her son. The girl imprudently lighted a lamp, and seeing the light, the thieves started off. Young Mr. Forman dressed himself as soon as possible, took his gun and fired at the dog, which was following his retreating master. Had the girl not lighted the lamp, there would probably have been a jury of inquest over a dead chicken thief—verdict, serves him right. As every body now sleeps with a gun or pistol near at hand, it is likely that the scamps who have been robbing pantries and chicken houses in town, will ere long catch a dose of lead.

Reopening of the Methodist E. Church.

On Sunday morning last, the M. E. Church of Easton, which had been closed for several weeks, for the purpose of making alterations and putting in a new organ, was reopened for divine service. There was a large congregation present, Rev. Mr. Clemm, of Baltimore, assisted by Rev. Mr. Tompkinson, the pastor of the Church, officiating. The expense of making the organ chamber, and putting in the organ, was about $1,800, and the collections and subscriptions on Sunday, together with what had previously been subscribed or paid, amounted to about $1,600, leaving $200 yet to be raised, to liquidate the indebtedness. The new organ was made by Mr. Henry Niemann, corner Caroline and Holland streets, Baltimore. It is a very fine instrument, 11 feet high, 10 feet wide, has 20 stops, 2 manuals, and a superb pedal bass. The compass of the instrument is nearly 1200 pipes. Mr. L. Dodson, Jr., is the organist; he is a fine performer, and the music will be a great addition to the Church service, and will doubtless attract a large congregation.

A Small Earthquake.

On Friday morning Maddaway S. Cooper and some two or three friends were sitting in his store on Dover street, smoking and talking about the delightful rain of the previous night. All of a sudden the house began to shake, they heard a noise like thunder, and the rats began to squeal as if the last day had come. Supposing that a young earthquake had shaken the premises, Mr. Cooper, in great alarm, bolted for the street, expecting the house to fall down on his head before he could escape. He found the rats equally alarmed running in all directions like looked around, but found everything still. He then commenced to explore the premises for the cause of the uproar. Looking into the alley, between his house and Mr. Stebbins', he found that the cellar wall, the whole length of his store, next to the alley, had caved in, carrying with it into his cellar, about half of the earth in the alley, burrying under it innumerable rats, which kept on squealing. The place is now known as "Cooper's Cave," and was visited on Friday by any number of curiosity hunters. Preparations were made at once by the owner of the property to have damage repaired.

A Double Murder at Jarrellsville!!

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN CHAPEL DISTRICT!!!

Indice Flagstaff and Kate Wilt Murdered in their Beds in Cold Blood.

THE INQUEST AND BURIAL.

Immense Collection of People to View the Scene.

A HORRIBLE SPECTACLE.

This community was greatly startled on Sunday day by the announcement that Indice Flagstaff and his wife Anna A. Flagstaff, were found murdered, at Jarrellsville, Md., about 8 o'clock, on Saturday, at the residence of Mr. Flagstaff, in the village of Jarrellsville. Mr. Flagstaff was a tanner by trade, and was about 60 years old, and his wife was about 45 years old, and they had no children living with them. Mrs. Flagstaff was a native of Ireland, and was the second wife of Mr. Flagstaff, and married him in Baltimore. Mrs. Flagstaff's sister, who lives in Baltimore, was married to Mr. Thomas Kirkland, who lives in the West, and a son named Clark living in Baltimore, said to be wealthy. The house consists of a small old building, used by Mr. Flagstaff as a kitchen and workshop. Next to the kitchen is the old dwelling, which is connected with the kitchen by a small enclosed passage. There is a stairs in one corner of the passage leading to the second floor. The old man had been in poor health for some time, complaining of a pain in his side, and had not been able to work for some time. He was quite feeble, and could not walk without assistance. He was in the habit of sleeping in the second floor, the half chamber in the room over the kitchen. He was murdered in his bed. Mrs. Flagstaff was very deaf, but was an active woman for her age, and slept on the ground floor, the bed standing in the middle of the room. She was also murdered in her bed. When found weltering in their blood, they presented a most horrible spectacle. The instrument used was a blacksmith's chisel-hammer—a sharp chisel at one end and a hammer at the other, with a handle about fifteen inches long. It had been about the house for some time. It had the mark of blood on it.

The old lady received three blows, one terrible blow over the right eye, that brained her, and must have killed her instantly; another severe blow over the left eye, and one slight blow on the right side of her head. The pillow on which her head rested was saturated with blood. The old man received nine blows; three on his head, one cut on his throat, two on his left jaw; one on the left side of his upper and lower teeth, and one on his right collar-bone. The blow on his head and neck split the skull, and made wounds in his brain, from which probably killed by the first blow, and the others were dealt to dispatch him after he waked. He was found dead in his bed covered with blood.

The murder was not discovered until about 8½ o'clock on Saturday morning; it was probably committed between midnight and day the same morning, during the heavy rain which prevailed at the time. The night was very dark, and favorable for such a terrible deed of crime. Mrs. Flagstaff's sister, who lives in Baltimore, is in the habit of making her visits there, and she has plenty of money from California, and she had been talking lately of going out there to visit her son. It is known that Mrs. Flagstaff had money in the house, and may have had twice that sum. She talked a good deal about her money, and said if she died, she would put it where no one could find it. She positively refused to deposit it in bank. She had been unwell lately, and was under the treatment of Dr. Thomas R. Holt. Since the tramps have been around, the old people have sometimes been afraid of nights, and several times called in Mrs. Kate Waddell, who lives just across the road, to come and stay all night with them. She says she has done so several times, and was probably more familiar with the peculiarities and pecuniary affairs of Mrs. Flagstaff than any one else in the neighborhood; and as she bears a bad character, and has since the murder, been talking about leaving the county, she has been arrested and lodged in jail on suspicion of having committed the bloody deed. She is the wife of Joseph Waddell, a laboring man living in Jarrellsville, who appears to be simple and inoffensive. On the night of the murder Joseph Waddell slept at his mother's, who also resides at Jarrellsville. The murder is still shrouded in mystery.

Kate Waddell was the first to discover it. Going to the Flagstaff house about 8½ o'clock on Saturday morning, and finding the old people murdered, she returned with the astonishing story that *they had been killed by rats*. Her husband then carried the news to Mr. C. Flagstaff's, who immediately repaired to the residence of his parents, to find his father and aunt in the condition described. He at once sent for Mr. John Reese and others, and in a short time a number of the neighbors collected at Jarrellsville, from whence the news spread over the county. On Saturday morning, while Joseph Garrett, living at Carter's corner, about a quarter of a mile off, was driving his cow to pasture he found in the road a pair of Kersey pants nearly covered with sand. He took them home and showed them to his wife. After the murder was known, while Garrett went for Mr. Reese, Mrs. Garrett went to Jarrellsville and told about the pants. They were sent for, and identified as belonging to the murdered man. How they came there is a mystery. If Mrs. Waddell is the murderer, were the pants put near Garrett's to implicate him? or was the deed committed by someone from a neighboring Jarrellsville town, who dropped the pants in the way? Some The trunks and chests, bed-clothes, &c., in Mrs. Flagstaff's room, had the appearance of having been ransacked, everything was turned upside down, and a part of the old lady's underclothing is gone. On Saturday a thorough search of the house was made for Mrs. Flagstaff's money, but it could not be found. The trunk in which she kept her money was found locked and the key gone; breaking it open, it was found to be empty. The chest in which she kept her bed-clothes was also found locked and the key gone; on breaking it open, everything inside was in disorder, but there was no money. After the old lady was murdered, her keys were taken, the trunks unlocked, the money stolen, the trunks locked again, and the keys thrown away. It is the most dreadful tragedy, the most cowardly and brutal murder that has ever occurred in this county. Mrs. Waddell, now in jail on suspicion of having been connected with it, is the daughter of one John Willis, who died near Church Creek, Dorchester county, while she was an infant.

The funeral of the murdered people took place on Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Heaven, of the Episcopal Church of Hillsborough officiating. At least three hundred people were present, a number from Easton. Dr. Thomas R. Holt, of Hillsborough, made the medical examination of the bodies for the jury of inquest. On Sunday the bodies were examined by the following physicians of Easton: Dr. Earle; Dr. Bateman, Dr. Goldsborough, Dr. Tripp, and Dr. Johnson. Esquire John Reese is the Justice of the Peace who is holding the jury of inquest assisted by constable Thomas Sewell. The jury was summoned on Saturday, rode in session on Saturday and Sunday, and will meet again to-morrow. The following parties have been examined: Kate Waddell, Joseph Waddell; the mother of Joe Waddell, Kate Waddell's little daughter; Joseph Garrett and his wife, Dr. Holt, and perhaps other.

The following are the gentlemen composing the jury of inquest:

Clement Anderson, Alex. Smith, James W. Shaw, A. Chaffinch, Nathaniel Perry, Thomas Waddell, Samuel Cheezman, Richard Parker, Charles W. Sewell, Thomas Dashiell, Joseph H. Brown, Daniel Turner, Willetts Hayden, James R. Todd.

This is a most outrageous and bloody, murder, and the murderer ought not to be allowed to escape. The county commissioners to-day ought to offer a liberal reward for his or her arrest and conviction, and the case put in the hands of an intelligent detective from the city. No one in the county can sleep while such a devil incarnate is at large. There is really no evidence yet to criminate Kate Waddell.

A Run Over the Railroad.

If any one wants to see a swarm of peaches, they should jump on the cars, the 10:30 train, and run up to Clayton. The smocks are ripe now, and going forward to market in large quantities. Last Thursday was stock day, and we found Mr. Wm. B. Townsend on the train, with three car loads of sheep. He had over three hundred for the Philadelphia market, and says he ships every Thursday, and has only missed one Thursday since last May. Those who do not see the sheep that are shipped over the railroad, can form no idea of the number of lambs annually raised in this county for market. The Trappe district is the great sheep growing section of the county. Mr. Townsend says there are a plenty of sheep yet for sale in the county. At each station on the road, the train stopped and took on one or more cars loaded with peaches. Peaches have been bringing $1.50 a basket, and those who have them to ship are making money. Goldsborough is the great peach station. Dr. Alex. Hardcastle ships his crop from Goldsborough, and we noticed him, coat off, sleeves rolled up, and hard at work, gathering in empty baskets. It is said he will clear $18,000 off his peach crop this season. At this station we came near witnessing a homicide. A young man named West got into an altercation with an old man named Hughes, about some property advertised for debt. After passing some not very complimentary epithets pro and con, on the station platform, West talked of jumping Hughes, when the old man drew his *barlow* and looking daggers at West's jugular, made towards him, *to defend himself*. West turned as white as a sheet, and rushed into the station house and grabbed a chair to defend himself with. They then fought each other desperately with hand work over the door sill; West inside fearing to come out, and the old man outside, not daring to go in. The moral character of each was buckled over the ragged edge until the train left. The train did not reach Clayton until nearly 4 P. M. Having nothing else to do, we rode in to town and took a peep at the ancient city of Smyrna. We will not slander the place by calling it a lively town, for it is nothing of the kind. It appears to be about as dead as a rotten peach. It has some very pretty residences, notably that of Mr. Alexander Cummings, a new Gothic dwelling of beautiful proportions. After an hour's walk about town, we returned to Clayton, and witnessed the peach trains pass. A heavy train freighted with peaches passed Clayton every hour, taking the luscious fruit to Philadelphia, New York, and Boston. The choicest fruit is shipped to Boston. From twelve to fifteen heavy peach trains pass Clayton daily. It is getting to be an immense business, and there will be millions in it for the Peninsula, when times get lively again.

The Philadelphia Times says, the Indians have struck General Howard in a vital spot by severing the telegraph wires in his rear. We need not look for any more defeats of Joseph until the breach is repaired. Alas, poor Howard!

CARRIAGES! CARRIAGES!!

S. R. Hopkins & Son having just received a Fresh Consignment of New Carriages, Harness, &c., are now fully ready for the fall trade. Their stock is by far the largest on the Shore, embracing every variety and style of Carriage needed in this market, which they are now offering at Reduced Prices. They have also on hand a number of second-hand Carriages of very little use. Parties wishing to close out their stock of Second Carriages for the season, they will sell them at less than city prices. Citizens of this and the adjoining counties are invited to give them a call. All new work warranted as represented. sept-1f

RATTAN CHAIRS.

Rocking Chairs, Office Chairs, Parlor Chairs, Light Stands, Tables, Ornamental, Beautiful—Photographs of the latest patterns—For sale by Dodson & Avery, dealers in Hardware and House furnishing goods, under the Town Hall, St. Michaels. Also a specimen can be seen at Easton Stair Office, Photographs of Dodson & Avery, in Easton, Bloxom House, Dodson & Avery on all orders. Everybody ought to have them. Price $1.50 each, according to pattern. Call and see them. jly10-3m

Thompson & Kersey's

OWN SELECTION.

Goods Just From the Mills.

No Second Hand Stock on Sale!

CARPETS!

STYLES NEW!

GOODS FRESH!

Just from the loom and selling at lower prices than *Old Stock and Old Styles* when not bought of the manufacturers. One of the firm has spent several days visiting different Carpet Mills, selecting and making arrangements for the

GREAT EXHIBITION

of Brussells, Three-Ply and Ingrain Carpets to commence at their

CARPET DEPOT

on the 11th of September. Remember that we are the only merchants on the shore that offer the people their goods from *first hands*. Brussells Carpet at prices within the reach of all.

Carpet at 25 Cents!

Beautiful styles, heavy goods, 37½ cents. We have on exhibition the new, beautiful and durable

"LINOLEUM CARPET,"

which is sold only by first-class Carpet dealers. Don't fail to see it! Our pledge is Largest Assortment, Newest Styles, Lowest Prices!

Thompson & Kersey.

Rambos Schuylkill Lime

AND

Eureka Phosphate of Lime.

THE subscriber has made arrangements to furnish the Farmers of Talbot, Queen Anne's and Caroline counties, with these well known and universally approved fertilizers.

The Schuylkill Lime will be delivered at any time in vessels at any of the landings in our waters. Orders solicited. Terms easy.

The Eureka Phosphate is put up in strong 200 pound sacks, in prime condition for drilling. It is good for all crops, but especially for Wheat. Am prepared to fill orders at once, in any quantity. Early orders solicited. Terms easy.

J. A. FRANK NEAL.

Skipton, July 24th—3m

VALUABLE FARMS FOR SALE.

THE subscriber has for sale several valuable farms, running from 10 acres to 500 acres, to a farm, with or without improvements, at from $10 to $75 per acre. These lands are very desirable, and situate in a most highly improved section of the State of Maryland. They are offered on the most favorable terms. A rare opportunity is presented to those wishing houses, or to purchase real estate as an investment. Apply to or address

J. A. FRANK NEAL,
jul24-6m Skipton, Talbot Co., Md.

MERRITT, GASSAWAY & COMPANY,
FORMERLY
WARDEN, MERRITT & CO.,

Flour & Grain Commission Merchants,

NO. 4 SPEAR'S WHARF, BALTIMORE.
July 24-6m

A CARD.

To the Farmers of Talbot:

The Farmers of Kent Co., Md., during the last two years by practical tests have established the fact that the

I. P. THOMAS

Raw Bone Superphosphate

was as cheap at $45 per ton as the best brands competing with it at $31.50. For corroborative proof, address J. Frank Wilson, Chairman of Test Committee, Still Pond, Kent Co., Md. Over one hundred and fifty farmers in Kent are using our brands with entire satisfaction.

No certificate necessary to establish a reputation. In said county alone. Address

I. P. THOMAS,
jul17-6m Cheyney, Del Co., Pa.

EASTON CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, A. M., Principal.

A DAY school for boys, preparing them for College.

The school year is divided into two sessions, with a vacation of one week at Christmas, and a recess at Easter. First session begins

Monday, September 10, 1877,

and closes Friday, February 1, 1878. Second session begins Monday, February 4, and closes on Friday June 28.

Tuition, $40 per annum

for the English Branches, and $60 including Latin and Greek, *payable in advance, at the beginning of each session.*

Suitable board can be obtained in the town for boys living at a distance.

For further particulars, address the Principal, Easton, Maryland.

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Turnip and Rutta Baga Seed—A fresh supply of the above seeds, for sale, just received and for sale by

HENRY & GOLDSBOROUGH.

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1023 CHESTNUT ST. PHILADA

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OPPOSITE CITY HALL PARK, COURT HOUSE, AND NEW POST OFFICE.

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All Modern Improvements, including Elevator, Gas, and Running Water, in every room.

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AT THE

Old Stand of Jas. C. West.

COME and see for yourselves, and examine my stock; it is as cheap for cash as is offered on the shore. As I buy for cash only, I can sell cheap for cash. Please give me a call before buying elsewhere, and I will guarantee you will buy, for I intend to try to satisfy my customers both in price and quality.

So lend a helping hand my friend
And help me with my store,
I'd like right well to pay my way,
And just a trifle more.

I have TOBACCO and SNUFF of the very best brands. CIGARS that can't be beat in town. Confectionery, nice and sweet; to supply the wants of my little friends, which they often come to get. And there are as good farmers around as ever trod the soil, who like myself, are well content to earn their bread by industry and toil.

So lend a helping hand my friends!
And help me with my little store,
I'd like right well to pay my way,
And just a trifle more.

The public's obedient servant,

may8-tf SILAS LANE.

Ice Cream.

Martin & Co. will supply parties, picnics and excursions with Ice Cream at city prices. Families can at all times be supplied, delivered at their houses by leaving their orders in advance. We use none but the best "Aldernay Cream" which makes it superior in richness and flavor.

The Brown Store Front around the Corner.

Ice Cream and Confectionary.

JOHN M. MASON respectfully informs the public that he has removed his Ice Cream Saloon and Fruit and Confectionary Store to his new building next to the Odd Fellow's Hall, on Market Space.

He keeps on hand a general assortment of Fruits, Nuts, and Confectionary, French and Plain.

CAKE AND ICE CREAM of the best quality served up at any time, and families supplied to order. He invites a call from his friends and the public. He has fitted up a nice saloon, where his customers can be comfortable.

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FURNEY'S EXCELSIOR SHOE STORE.

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