# Easton Star.

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T. K. ROBSON, Editor


It is amusing to read the frantic appeals of the Northern people to the South, to go against the silver bill, on the ground of honesty. Judging from their lucubrations, one would suppose that these Northerners are the awfulest honestest people in the world. The prospective loss of a trifling per cent. between silver and gold, they regard as a fearful calamity, and they are using all kinds of denunciartoy epithets, to deter Southern people from sustaining the silver bill. They profess to regard the remonetization of silver as the wickedest thing ever devised by the ingenuity of man. The "rag-baby" two years ago was a bad thing; but now it is dead and buried, the silver-baby is tenfold worse. We think the South is the last place in the world they should appeal to while prating of their honesty. These very honest gentry had no scruples whatever in paying for United States bonds with currency not worth fifty cents in the dollar, as compared with gold, and then by act of Congress, compelling the payment of the bonds, interest and principal in gold; and, while they were owning and drawing six per cent. interest in gold on the bonds, they were at the same time banking on a good part of them, and receiving of the Government a loan without interest, within ten per cent. of their amount, which they also speculated upon, making heavy dividends. Those large profits the people of the South have in part to pay.

They also demand, and have for a long time received, enormous protection for their manufactured goods, raising the price of both domestic and foreign goods in the market, and forcing the South, as well as other sections, to pay an onerous tribute to them.

More than this they had the hardihood to urge a bloody and unrelenting war against the institutions of the South, and under pretence of devotion to the Union, without the least compunctions of conscience, deliberately moved the Southern people out of at least $1,500,000,000 of slave property, besides the other robberies committed during and since the war. Maryland was robbed just as much as South Carolina, although Maryland was in the Union during the war, and her rights of property ought to have been protected by the Federal Constitution. Now these men, who committed these high handed robberies, for they were nothing else, have the impudence to prate to the Southern people about honesty. Their honesty consists in making all they can out of the people, without regard to the means to be used, and if they saw any profit to themselves in the silver bill, they would go for it to a man. There is not a doubt of it. Their moral code is gauged by their personal interests, nothing more, nothing less. If silver was mined in New England and New York instead of California and Nevada, there is no manner of doubt that we should have had a "Bland Bill" long ago.

These shrewd yankees have a perfect right to oppose the silver bill, if it threatens to interfere with their profits in gold speculations, but for decency's sake, in view of the past, they should not set up a claim to greater honesty than other people, who cannot view the subject from the same stand point from which they view it.

Is the inspection of grain in Baltimore any use to the farmers? We think not. Much, if not most, of the grain that now goes to Baltimore from the Eastern Shore is sent to the elevators and there weighed. The grain Inspectors go to the elevators, get the weight, and tax the farmers with the cost of weighing, without performing any other service. It is therefore apparent that the inspection is useless, and a tax on the farmers for nothing. Abolish the inspection, and with it the inspection tax, and the grain would still go to the elevators, where the buyer and seller would get the weight and settle by it as they do at present. The little that is delivered otherwise would not pay the inspectors' office rent. It is preposterous to talk about taxing the whole western grain trade of Baltimore, the millions of bushels that go by rail to the elevators, for the benefit of the inspectors who do not handle it. Baltimore is interested in making the port charges on Western grain as light as possible, so as to preserve her advantages over other Eastern cities, and it would be an atrocious imposition to tax it for the benefit of official inspectors, when there is no manner of use for it. Both the grain and tobacco State inspectors ought to be abolished, and the business, now done by them should be remitted to private competition. Then there would be "free trade and sailors' rights." and "the devil take the hindmost."

We do not think any good can come of reopening the presidential election as proposed by Mr. Montgomery Blair. As the country has quietly acquiesced in the great fraud of seating a President who was not elected, let it be so, and let the business of the country not be deranged by a new agitation. The country cannot afford to pay the price for the promised good, were it attainable, which is highly improbable. Hayes's term would be up before a decision could be reached by the Courts, and the contest would bring the country only three or four years of unprofitable turmoil, and possibly something worse. Whether Mr. Hayes was or was not elected is not the question to-day, for everybody knows he was not elected; the live question is, shall his Southern policy be sustained, Chandler, Conkling, Blaine & Co., are for breaking down Mr. Hayes's cabinet, getting control of the President, and reversing his Southern policy, and this all Democrats should oppose to the bitter end. Mr. Blair's move appears to be in the interest of Mr. Conkling, and with Senator Conkling Democrats should have no kind of sympathy. The legislature should not adopt the memorial.

Balloting for United States Senator at Annapolis will commence to-day. If no election takes place, a Democratic caucus will be held, to determine between the claims of the various aspirants. The correspondents at Annapolis of the Baltimore city papers, appear to be entirely in the dark as to who will be the successful candidate. It is therefore impossible for us here, to give our readers anything definite on the subject. Ex-Gov. Whyte is said to be making a strong fight to re-elect Mr. Dennis. Senator Gorman is working actively for Ex-Gov. Groome, Honorable Robert M. McLane and John W. Davis Esq., and Ex-Gov. Bowie are pushing Ex-Gov. Thomas. Hon. Alfred Constable is doing all he can for Judge Stump. Others are at work for their respective friends. In such confusion it is futile to venture to conjecture the result. Some one not prominently talked of now may be the winning man. We cannot but hope, however, that Governor Thomas' great intellectual force may ultimately make him the Senator.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

The Maryland legislature appears to have gone to work in earnest. A great many leaves have been asked to report bills, local and general. Some bills have already passed one or both Houses. The committees are hard at work preparing business for the Senate and House. Mr. Blair has opened the Presidential election question by offering a strong memorial, which will doubtless provoke debate. The State Treasurer and Police Commissioner for Baltimore have been elected. A bill has been introduced and referred to a special committee, to repeal the law requiring the United States Senators to be taken alternately from the Eastern and Western Shores, a custom that has prevailed ever since the organization of the Federal Government. Special committees have been appointed to investigate the expenditures on the State house, and the house of correction. The large cost of these establishment, some of them made without authority of law, appear to have alarmed the legislature. Leave has been asked to introduce a bill providing for the sale of the Oyster Navy Steamer Lelia, and substitute in her place the steam yacht bought by the Fish Commissioner. A bill has also been introduced to do away with the Fish Commissioner-ship, held by Mr. Downs. Bills have also been introduced to tax mortgages. A resolution passed the Senate and House authorizing the extension of the time of Judge James A. Stewart as chief Judge of the first judicial circuit to the full term for which he was elected. Judge Stewart will be 70 years old next fall. The Senate bill to pay the commissioners who run the boundary line between Maryland and Virginia $9,000, for their services, has passed the Senate. The Legislature has contracted with George Colton, Esq., to do the legislative printing for the round sum of $38,000. A bill has passed the House, authorizing the city of Cumberland to issue $65,000 of bonds to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

### Abstract of the Report of the Comptroller.

The report of the Comptroller is valuable for its statistics explanatory of the State finances. The following figures are culled from the Report just submitted to the Legislature, for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1877:

REVENUE.

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| Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1876 | $ 401,494 29 |
| Receipts during fiscal year | 2,109,193 73 |
| Total receipts | $2,510,268 02 |

SOURCES OF REVENUE.

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| From the State Loan | $ 219,315 00 |
| " United States | 51,362 64 |
| " Ordinary Sources | 1,838,516 09 |

LOSSES.

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| Losses by the failure of the B. & O. Railroad, the Tide Water Canal company to pay, and the change in the Insurance law, is put down at | $ 260,000 00 |

DISBURSEMENT.

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| Total disbursements during year | $2,112,646 89 |
| Income of Free School Fund disbursed | 21,270 87 |
| Disbursed for indigent blind | 17,550 00 |
| State stock purchased for the sinking fund | 33,396 00 |
| Expended for overdue debt in London | 221,176 35 |

BALANCE IN THE TREASURY.

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| Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1877 | $397,981 13 |

ESTIMATES.

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| Probable Receipts for present year | $1,893,016 94 |
| Add balance in Treasury | 397,981 13 |
| Aggregate amount of revenue | $2,290,998 07 |

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS.

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| The whole estimated disbursements for the year | $2,138,900 00 |
| Estimated balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1878 | 152,098 07 |

FALLING OFF IN SCHOOL FUND.

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| Falling off in School fund, by the failure of the B. & O. Railroad to pay | $34,069 36 |

DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS.

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| Ain't received by the State for interest on stocks, mortgages, &c | $190,756 70 |

OYSTER FUND.

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| Ain't received on acct. of oyster fund | $ 51,078 76 |
| Expended for oyster navy | 50,136 76 |
| Ain't to credit oyster fund | 250,834 26 |

STATE DEBT.

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| Ain't of Public State Debt | $10,758,677 69 |
| Ain't diminished during year | 308,777 78 |
| Ain't increased during year | 236,930 00 |
| Net diminution of debt during the year | 71,847 77 |

STATE LEVY.

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| The whole State Levy for 1877 was | $ 825,357 26 |
| Levy for public schools | 478,468 62 |
| Levy for interest on public debt | 346,899 24 |

ASSESSMENT.

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| Basis of assessment for 1877 | $478,468,288 00 |
| " " " " 1876 | 429,112,418 00 |
| Increase of assessment | 49,355,610 00 |

PUBLIC SCHOOL TAX.

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| Balance of school tax in hand Sept. 30, 1876 | $ 303,300 01 |
| Receipts of Public School tax for the fiscal year 1877 | 540,795 41 |
| Disbursements during year on account of this tax | 844,095 42 |
| Bal. to credit of school tax | 206,850 67 |
| The whole amount expended by the State, counties, and the city of Baltimore for schools in 1877 was | $1,554,046 41 |

STATE BOUNTIES AND PENSIONS.

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| Ain't paid during the year for State bounties | $ 4,800 00 |
| Ain't expended for pensions | 34,060 00 |

SUNDRY AMOUNTS REVENUE RECEIVED.

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| From clerks of courts | $411,777 97 |
| From Registers of Wills | 59,438 08 |
| From Collectors of State taxes | 810,414 85 |
| From auction licenses | 7,000 00 |
| From gross receipts of Railroad companies | 25,596 50 |
| From taxes paid on taxable public debt of State and city | 47,760 06 |
| From incorporated institutions | 73,320 51 |
| From State Tobacco inspectors | 9,433 90 |
| From Miscellaneous receipts | 26,788 41 |
| From sundry officers named in table 10 | 14,823 92 |
| From taxes on protests | 7,649 00 |
| From fines and forfeitures | 6,935 44 |
| From Foreign Ins. Companies | 31,446 72 |

COLLECTORS.

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| Ain't due by collectors of 1877 | $459,187 49 |
| Ain't due by collectors for back years | 583,270 51 |

OTHER OFFICERS AND CORPORATIONS.

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| Ain't due by Sheriffs | $ 27,415 16 |
| Ain't due by clerks and registers | 87,748 30 |
| Ain't due by B. & O. Railroad | 1,082,234 62 |
| Ain't due by other incorporated companies | 65,645 59 |

THE NEW ASSESSMENT.

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| Ain't of real estate | $361,857,517 94 |
| " " personal property | 110,616,649 73 |
| " " banks & other stocks | 49,037,401 90 |
| " " railroad property | 25,532,650 84 |
| Total valuation of property | $547,044,270 41 |
| Total cost of assessment | 237,425 04 |

THE TOBACCO WAREHOUSES.

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| Cost of the two new tobacco warehouses | $ 56,229 78 |

THE STATE HOUSE.

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| Ain't expended for repairs | $32,000 00 |

At the Democratic legislative caucus held at Annapolis Thursday night, Mr. John Milroy was nominated for Police Commissioner of Baltimore over Major Harry Gilmor, the present incumbent. The nomination was subsequently confirmed by the two Houses of the Legislature acting in joint convention. Mr. Milroy was a Police Commissioner until two years ago, when he was superceded by General Herbert.

THE BALTIMORE BEE.—The name of this lively Baltimore daily paper has been changed to *The Morning Herald*. The *Herald* is an excellent paper.


Babies are the institution and should be guarded from attacks of Colic, Flatulence, etc., by Dr. Ball's Baby Syrup. Price 25 cents per bottle.


## MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.

The following are announced as the standing committees of the Senate and House of Delegates of Maryland:

SENATE.

Finance.—Messrs. McLane, Gorman, Ford, Miller and Peter.

Internal Improvements.—Messrs. Sullivane, Hepbron, Peter, Hill, and Comlts, of Allegany.

Chesapeake Bay and Tributaries.—Messrs. Cooper, Bannon, Ford, Sullivane, and Combs, of St. Mary's.

Judicial Proceedings.—Messrs. Dennis, Bannon, Humphrey's, Willson, and Combs of St. Mary's.

Labor and Immigration.—Messrs. Wilson, Joyce, Freeman, Garey and Lancaster.

Federal Relations.—Messrs. Miller, Wilson, Dennis, Peter, and Hill.

Militia.—Messrs. Joyce, Ford, Sullivane, Willson, and Newcomer.

Agriculture.—Messrs. Hill, Franklin, Hepbron, Garey, and Newcomer

Education.—Messrs. Stump, Sullivane, McLane, Gorman and Steiner.

Printing.—Messrs. Lee, Hepbron, Miller, Cooper and Lancaster.

Corporations.—Messrs. Gorman, Humphreys, Lee, Joyce, and Combs, of Allegany.

Engrossed Bills.—Messrs. Humphreys, Lee, Cooper, Miller and Steiner.

Pensions.—Messrs. Freeman, Franklin, and Welfley.

Public Buildings.—Messrs. Bannon, Stump and Gorman.

Contingent Expenses of the Senate—Messrs. Peter Dennis and Freemen.

Library.—Messrs. Combs of St Mary's, Stump and Lancaster.

Executive Nominations.—Messrs. Ford Bannon, McLane, Lee, and Combs of St. Mary's

Elections.—Messrs. Franklin, Hepbron, Cooper, Garey, and Coombs of Allegany.

Retrenchment in the Expenses of the Several Departments of the State Government.—Messrs Lancaster, Wilson, Joyce, Humphreys and Steiner.

Invalid Deeds.—Messrs. Steiner, Hill, Stump, Combs of Allegany, and Freeman.

Revolutionary Claims.—Messrs. Newcomer, Ford, Welfiley, Wilson, and Miller.

Insolvent Laws.—Messrs. Garey, Welfley, Lancaster, Humphries, and Comlts of St. Mary's.

To Act Jointly with the House Committee, as required under the constitution, section 24, article 3.—Messrs. Hepbron, McLane, Franklin, Gorman, and Combs of Allegany.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Elections.—Messrs. Yellott, McKaig, Matthews, Hall, Carmichael, Dennis, Canby, Osborn and Massey.

Ways and Means—Messrs. Thomas, Knight, Spencer, Banks, Higgins, Travers, Sellman, Burt and Perkins.

Claims—Messrs. Harrig, Roach, Campbell, Tracy, Smith, Shriver and Riggs.

Judiciary.—Messrs. Blair, Rayner, Williams, Scott, Wilson, McKaig, Hamilton, Johnson of Baltimore county, and Merrick.

Pensions—Weedon, Johnson, Roach, Canby, Scarboro, Mitchell of Charles and Todd.

Internal Improvements.—Messrs. Rayner, Blair, Hardcastle, Johnson of Baltimore county, Scott, Fiery and Brace.

Education—Messrs. Williams, Turner, Scarboro, Oler, Griffith, Weedon, Kerman, Roach and Hinks.

Militia—Messrs. Vandiver, Knight, Snowden, Townsend, Tyson, Hall, and Wilson o Garrett.

Agriculture—Messrs. Parker, Townsend, Shriver, Carmichael, Jones, Hartsock and Osborne.

Corporations—Messrs. Higgins, Campbell, Tracy, Sanders, Snowden, Harrison, Rowe, Turpin, and Blocher.

Insurections Messrs. Brown, Key, Hamilton, Berkheimer, Nutwell, Tracy, Jones, Spencer, and Farrow.

Colored Population.—Messrs. Key, Scharf, Fooks, Sellman, Burton, Hall and Lugenbeel.

Manufactures—Messrs. McCosker, Burton, Carroll, Canby, Burt, Harrison and Leib.

Public Buildings—Messrs. Knight, Thomas, Brown, Acton, Sanders, Houston and Perkins.

Public Records—Messrs. Fiery, Odor. Newbold, Touchstone, Matthews, Campbell and Massey.

Library—Messrs. Wilson, Yellott, Turner, Burt, Thompson, Fiery, and Perkins.

Printing.—Messrs. Spencer, Dennis, Burt, Nutwell, Mitchell, of Baltimore city, Johnson of Dorchester, and Lawrence.

Immigration—Messrs. Hamilton, Carmichael, Touchstone, Berkheimer, Rowe, Matthews and Leib.

Chesapeake Bay and Tributaries.—Messrs. Hardcastle, Weeden, Vandiver, Sanders, Cox, Thompson, Acton, Travers Turpin, Rowe, Kernan, Dennis, Berkheimer, Parker and Key.

Roads and Highways—Messrs. Tyson, Kernan, Griffith, Harrison, Polk, Riggs, and Mitchell of Charles.

Contingent Fund placed at disposal of Executive—Messrs. Cox, Hayes, Odor, Burton, Shriver, Turner and Todd.

Currency—Messrs. Banks, Scott, Thomas, Fooks, Houston, Hall and Brace.

Federal Relations—Messrs. Scharf Williams, Sellman, Houston, Burt, Merrick and Hinks.

Expiring Laws—Messrs. Johnson of Dorchester, Sones Griffith, Smith, Hays, Lugenbeel, and Blocher.

Engrossed Bills and Resolutions—Messrs. McKaig, Cox, Vandiver, Mitchell of Baltimore city, Wilson, Scharf, Polk, Newbelle and Lawrence.

Insolvency—Messrs. Hays, Touchstone, Carroll, Thompson, McCosker, Osborne, and Hartsock.

Article 3, Section 24, Constitution—Messrs. Polk, Blair, Mitchell of Baltimore city, Snowden, Townsend, Turpin and Todd.

Organization.—Messrs. Nutwell, McKaig, Harrison, Knight, Vandiver, Townsend, Brown, Canby, Tyson, Jones, Key, Cox, Polk, Turpin, Dennis, Johnson of Dorchester, Burt, Scharf, Sanders, Spencer, Hardcastle and Weeden,

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

The committee on organization reported the following named persons as officers of the House:

Sergeant-at-Arms—George A. Showers, Carroll county.

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms—Harrison T. Winterbottom, Dorchester.

Doorkeepers—George W. Philips, Baltimore county; James F. Busey, Baltimore city, and Conrad Printz, Baltimore city.

Folders—Perry Jones, Somerset; Levin J. Gale, Wicomico; J. W. Lyons, Calvert; Geo. W. Benson, Cecil; Matthew Reynolds, Harford, and W. H. Richardson, Worcester.

Pages—John T. Colton, Jr., Charles; Alex. Robinson, Baltimore city.

Committee Clerks—David Lynn, Allegany; Charles J. Foxwell, St. Mary's; Frank G. Wrightson, Talbot; Scott L. Heffinger, Washington; Thomas Clark, Howard.

Messenger—Jose h Delaney, Kent.

Journal Clerk—Thomas C. Boone, Anne Arundel.

Engrossing Clerk—D. Wilton Snowden, Prince George's.

Postmaster—Walter C. Taylor, Queen Anne's

Assistant Postmaster—Pierre Leizear, Montgomery.

Any additional subordinates who may be appointed after the organization of this House shall only receive compensation from the date of actual appointment. And the committee recommend the following gentlemen as chaplains to the House, who shall receive as compensation for their services the sum of one hundred dollars: Revs. McIlhaney, Kibbler, Lemmon, McNeer and Kratz.

ENABLING ACT FOR A JUDGE.

Judge James A Stewart, of the first circuit, who will arrive at the age of 70 years in October next, has informed the Legislature of the fact, as it disqualifies him from filling out the term of fifteen years for which he was elected in 1867, unless enabled to do so by act of the General Assembly. Judge Stewart is well preserved and vigorous for his age. There is no doubt of his continuance on the bench, but under the law he is ineligible for re-election. Before the war he was three terms in Congress, and was also on the bench. His residence is at Cambridge.

The Philadelphia *Times* calls William E. Chandler, "the eminent outrage shrieker."


The very large majority of people eat very little and drink nothing, so they say; when the fact is they daily overload the stomach and drink inordinately, and suffer the consequences, viz: Heartburn, Waterbrash, Pains in the Stomach, Side and Chest, in a word Indigestion, which is the summary of physical discomfort. They should keep a bottle of Keller's Vegetable Life Drops handy, and they will always have a faithful physician who will save them many a pain-


## Death of the King of Italy.

Victor Emmanuel, King of Italy, died on Wednesday. His eldest son was immediately proclaimed his successor, and ascended the Italian throne as Humbert I.

KING HUMBERT'S PROCLAMATION.

As soon as the new King was proclaimed, he reappointed all of the late King's ministers, and issued the following proclamation:

"Italians: The greatest misfortune has suddenly befallen us. Victor Emmanuel, the founder of the kingdom of Italy and its unity, has been taken from us. I received his last sigh, which was for the nation; his last wishes, which were for the happiness of his people. His voice, which will always resound in my heart, bids me vanquish sorrow, and indicates my duty at this moment. There is only one consolation possible, namely: to show ourselves worthy of him; I by following in his footsteps, and you by remaining devoted to those civic virtues by the aid of which he accomplished the difficult task of rendering Italy great and united. I shall be mindful of his grand example of devotion to his country, love of progress, and faith in liberal institutions, which are the pride of my house. My sole ambition will be to deserve the love of my people.

"Italians, your first king is dead. His successor will prove to you that institutions do not die. Let us unite in this hour of great sorrow. Let us strengthen that concord which has always been the salvation of Italy."

THE POPE AND THE DEAD KING.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The Rome correspondent of the Times states that the two prelates who were sent to the Quirinal by the Pope brought the papal benediction. It is said the Pope exclaimed that he would have gone himself to administer the sacraments but for his infirmity.

Hon. Montgomery Blair, in the Maryland House of Delegates, has re-opened the Presidential question, by offering a memorial, praying Congress to pass a law authorizing the Supreme Court of the United States to investigate the alleged frauds, and determine whether Hayes or Tilden was elected. The memorial was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Gen. Hardcastle, from this county, has asked leave to introduce a bill in the House of Delegates, to repeal the law exempting mortgages from taxation. It was referred to the committee of ways and means. The proposition is said to be substantially the same as that offered by Mr. Sulivane in the Senate. It is thought there will be a big fight in the legislature over the bill to tax mortgages.

The Russians have captured the whole Turkish army defending the Shiptapass, consisting of 31 battallions of infantry, 10 batteries, and 1 regiment of cavalry. This great victory will very likely hurry up the armistice the Turks have applied for at the Russian headquarters.

Mr. Secretary Schurz sometime ago appointed a commission to overhaul the Indian Bureau and report upon its condition. The commission reports that it has unearthed numerous stupendous frauds; in fact that it found the bureau rotten to the core. The chief of the bureau in Washington has therefore been dismissed the service, and the whole subject laid before Congress, and reforms recommended. It is this overhauling of a corrupt service by the administration, and turning out the machine politicians and putting in good business men in their places, that makes the Blaintes, the Chandlerites, and the Conklingites so furious.

The Democrats of Ohio have nominated George H. Pendleton, for United States Senator, to succeed Stanley Matthews, and to-day he will be elected by the legislature of that State. Mr. Pendleton is one of the ablest statesmen in the country, and cannot fail to take a leading part in the proceedings of the Senate. The state of Ohio, after the 4th of March, 1879, will have a very strong representation in the Senate in Thurman and Pendleton.

## Special Elections in Baltimore.

Elections will take place in the 1st and 2nd legislative districts of Baltimore on the 31st inst, to fill the vacancies in the House of Delegates, caused by the death of S. Sands Mills and John F. Wiley.

CONGRESS.—Congress reassembled on Thursday. A lively time occurred in the House at the opening, because of the absence of many Democratic members. For a while the Republicans had a majority, and they promptly went to work to stop the investigations into the extravagance and corruptions of the Grant administration. Their little game played out, however, as soon as the absent Democratic members reached the capitol.

MUST STEP DOWN AND OUT.—The Board of the State Fishery Force have asked for the resignation of Captain Lemuel Mitchell of the sloop Nannie Merryman, because he does not appear to have used sufficient discretion in the use of fire arms in enforcing an observance of the oyster law by dredging boats. Capt. Mitchell has been regarded as the most efficient commander in the oyster navy.

The Baltimore Weekly *Sun* of January 12th commences a brilliant and original prize story entitled "So Natural," by a lady of Baltimore.

## Cupid on a Bender.

The matrimonial market was extremely active in Easton last week. No less than five couples were married in town Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. W. K. H. N. Gould, of Baltimore, and Miss Sallie Powell, eldest daughter of the late John A. W. Powell, opened the ball at Christ Church at 1½ A. M. on Tuesday. The ceremony was performed by the Rector, Rev. Dr. Robert Wilson. There was a large company present to witness the marriage.

At 11½ A. M. Mr. William J. Marshall, of this town, and Miss Ellen Myers, were married at Trinity Chapel by Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, Bishop of Easton. A large number of their friends were present.

At 11½ A. M. Mr. L. Dodson, Jr., and Miss Emma Thompson, only daughter of Walter H. Thompson, Esq., of the mercantile firm of Thompson & Kersey, were married at the Methodist E. Church, by Rev. T. L. Tomkinson. The church was crowded with persons from all parts of the county. The brides were all married in handsome traveling suits, and immediately took the Miles River steamer for Baltimore. We understand there were two other brides, from St. Michaels, on the same boat.

On Wednesday at 4 P. M., Surgeon Charles Goldsborough, of the U. S. Navy, stationed at Norfolk, Virginia, and Miss Nora Winter, were married at Christ Church by Rev. Dr. Wilson. This was a full dress wedding, and the church was crowded with the elite of the county. After the marriage there was a reception at Mr. Howes Goldsborough's, which lasted until late in the evening, after which the newly married couple and numerous friends took the steamer at Easton Point for Baltimore.

At 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Michael B. Nichols, of the firm of Jarrell, Nichols & Cox, and Miss Kate F. Roberts, were married by the Rev. Father Henehy at the residence of the bride's father, Ex-Judge William D. Roberts. As this was a private wedding, it was only witnessed by a limited number of relatives and friends. The bride not being a baptized Catholic, they could not be married in the church.

It was generally remarked that all five of the brides looked lovely, as did also the bridesmaids and the grooms certainly all appeared as happy as love could make them. The STAR reporter fully intended to give an elaborate description of the double-quicking of the ladies from church to church, to make sure of seeing all of the marriages, but he got run over two or three times while taking notes, lost his pencil and paper and therefore must apologize for the brevity of this notice. It is fearful to be on the street when Cupid is on a bender.


## Familiar in Every Household.

Dr. R. V. Pierce, the great "medicine man" of Buffalo, is running for the office of Senator from that city. He seems to be the most popular man on the track, and well he may be, for his name is familiar in every household in the land, and the people will vote for him regardless of his politics.—*Wilkesbarre News.*

Correct, as the *News* always is. The Doctor was elected by about 3,000 majority.—*Buffalo News.*

FOR SALE.

A Fine French Plate Show Case, six feet long, at half price.

B. Altemus & Co.

BACK AT HIS OLD STALL.

WILLIAM R. TOWNSEND, Butcher, informs his friends and the public that he is back at his old stall in the Easton Market, and will be pleased hereafter to sell them their meat. jan5-3w

☞ Look to your interest and you will call at the Tobacco store of Silas Lane, where you will find the best Tobacco, Cigars and Snuff, for the price, in town or county, and prices according to quality. Please call and examine my stock as I am receiving new goods almost every Boat day, of new brands and new styles. I have also a good assortment of plain candies and taffys, Lemons, Oranges and Peanuts, Cakes and Crackers, also Paper and Envelopes. Come and see for yourselves, and I believe you will buy as it is my intention to suit my customers both in price and quality. Thanking my friends for their kind patronage thus far in my business, I solicit a continuance of the same.

SILAS LANE,
At the old stand of J. C. West.


## New Advertisements.

### PROPOSALS FOR WORKING THE PUBLIC ROADS.

The County Commissioners will receive sealed proposals, until the 1st day of February next, for working and keeping in in repair all the county roads and the bridges on said roads not over 12 feet span, in the several election districts, for the year 1878—the bids in each district to be made separately.

The Contractor will be required to keep in good travelling order all the roads and bridges under his charge throughout the entire year; The roads to be ditched on one side where ditches have been heretofore made, new ditches cut where it may be necessary, and the roads thoroughly drained, and graded where necessary so that the center of the road shall be highest—all bridges not over 12 feet span kept in thorough repair, the contractor furnishing all the material, which shall be of best white oak; the work to be inspected by the County Commissioners or by examiners appointed by them, to be paid for by the Board before any money will be paid; half of the contract money to be paid after inspection and approval on the 1st of July, and the remaining half after inspection and approval on the 1st of January ensuing; the contractor to give bond in double the amount of his contract for the faithful performance of his contract

The estimate number of miles in each district are: Easton, 81; St. Michaels 39; Trappe 32. Chapel, 100; Bay Hundred, 21.

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RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Loans and Discounts, | $340,369 74 |
| Overdrafts | 1,485 12 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, | 200,000 00 |
| U. S. Bonds on hand | 50,000 00 |
| Phila., Wilm'n & Balto. R. R. Sts. | 15,687 50 |
| Due from Approved Reserve Agents, | 80,401 03 |
| Due from other National Banks, | 82,710 83 |
| Due from State Banks and Bankers, | 10,261 79 |
| Real Estate Furniture and Fixtures | 12,000 00 |
| Current Expenses and taxes paid | 217 41 |
| Checks and other Cash Items, | 765 78 |
| Bills of other National Banks, | 3,259 00 |
| Fractional Currency, including Nickles | 679 43 |
| Specie, including gold Treasury certs., | 3,778 08 |
| Legal Tender Notes, | 21,081 00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation | 9,000 00 |
| Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent redemption fund, | 1,000 00 |
| Total | $832,677 28 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Capital Stock, paid in | $200,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund, | 100,000 00 |
| Undivided profits, | 17,311 54 |
| Nat. Bank notes outstanding, | 180,000 00 |
| Dividends Unpaid, | 5,124 75 |
| Individual Deposits, subject to check | 293,640 46 |
| Due to other National Banks, | 30,968 55 |
| Due to State Banks and Bankers, | 5,731 96 |
| Total | $832,677 28 |

STATE OF MARYLAND, } ss
COUNTY OF TALBOT, }

I, Richard Thomas, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RICHARD THOMAS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of January, 1877.

Correct: A. W. P. ROBINSON, J. P.

Attest:
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