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To Travelers.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.

BALTIMORE AND CHOPTANK ROUTE.

Commencing March 30th, 1880.

The steamer ENOCH PRATT, will leave Baltimore, Pier 3, Light street, foot of Camden, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 o'clock P. M. for Easton, Johnson's (Dodds' cliff), Bachelor's Creek, Plain, Cambridge, Choptank, Todd's Junction Point, Secretary Creek, Clark's and Vienna and the steamer Highland Light will leave same pier, at same hour, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for all the above landings; extending her trip to Dover Bridge, Towers, Potters and Denton. Both steamers making connection with the Del. R. Ches. & Kent, and Del. & Del. R. R.

Returning the steamer Highland Light will leave Denton every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, at 12 o'clock M. with the steamer Enoch Pratt on every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, will make a daily boat, except Saturday, from Medford's at 12 M., Secretary at 2, Cambridge at 5, Oxford at 6 and Easton at 9, each boat stopping at the intermediate landings named, arriving in Baltimore at 4 P. M.

Freight taken at low rates.

EDWARDS BENSON President.
Office 203 Light street, Baltimore.
Rosier S. Dixon, Agent at Easton.

Winter Arrangement,

ST. MICHAELS & WYE RIVER,

STEAMER OLIVE, Capt. E. N. Dodson.

On and after Monday, Nov. 29th, 1880, will leave Tunis' Mills at 10.30 A.M., St. Michaels 12 M. and Claiborne at 12 45 P. M., every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arriving in Baltimore at 6 P. M. Returning leave pier 12, Baltimore, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 M; arriving at Claiborne at 5 P. M., Tunis' Mills 6.30., and St. Michaels 7 15

Wye River Arrangement—Leave Public Landing at 7.30 A. M., Wye Landing and Trimble at 8 30 A. M., for Baltimore every Wednesday and Friday. Wye River passengers from Baltimore on Tuesday and Thursday will have to remain on steamer until following morning.

H. C. DODSON, General Agent.

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Delaware & Chesapeake

RAILWAY.

Summer Arrangement.

ON and after Monday, Sept. 20th, 1880, (Sundays excepted,) trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	No. 1.	No. 2.
Oxford, Leave,	7 20 AM	10 00 AM
Trappe,	7 42	10 13
Easton,	8 00	10 27
Woodland,	8 18	10 56
Cordova,	8 29	11 06
Hillsboro,	8 45	11 22
Ridgely,	9 02	11 38
Greensboro,	9 15	11 55
Goldsboro,	9 30	12 16 PM
Henderson,	9 41	12 28
Marydel,	9 51	12 48
Slaughters,	10 04	1 07
Kenton,	10 22	1 35
Clayton, Arrive,	10 37	2 00
Wilmington,	12 20	6 40
Philadelphia,	1 40 PM	9 25
Baltimore,	3 22	9 30
New York,	4 45	3 45 AM

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	No. 3.	No. 4.
New York, Leave,	11 55 AM	8 15 AM
Baltimore,	7 05	10 05
Philadelphia,	8 10	11 45
Wilmington,	9 25	1 05 PM
Clayton,	12 10	2 35
Kenton,	11 26	2 56
Slaughters,	11 44	3 17
Marydel,	11 56	3 33
Henderson,	12 08 PM	3 45
Goldsboro,	12 18	3 55
Greensboro,	12 33	4 15
Ridgely,	12 47	4 32
Hillsboro,	12 59	4 46
Cordova,	1 15	5 06
Woodland,	1 25	5 16
Easton,	1 41	5 38
Trappe,	2 03	6 05
Oxford, Arrive,	2 15	6 20

All Freights must be at the various stations at least Thirty (30) Minutes before starting of trains, otherwise they will lay over twenty-four hours.

Freight Trains will have Passenger Car attached, which will be subject to delays incident to the Freight business.

Oxford, July 20, 1880. O. S. SANFORD, Supt.

Notice to Travelers.

The conveyance of the subscriber runs regularly from the hotels in Easton to the cars and steamboats, to convey passengers to any place they may desire to go. Passengers at private residences called for at any hour by leaving word at my office, on Railroad Avenue. Horses and carriages for hire at all times at my livery stable. Travellers conveyed to any part of the county or peninsula. Handsome turn-outs always on hand.

LUTHER W. COVEY.

Easton March 25th, 1879.

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The Schooners Clara M. Leonard and Annie M. Leonard.

THE above boats are making weekly trips between Easton and Baltimore, and will do all kinds of freighting as cheap as any other line. Every effort will be made to give satisfaction. Our boats are new and built out of the very best material. Orders left with Messrs. G. E. Howdoin & Co., Commission Merchants, corner of Bowley's Wharf and Prattst., Baltimore, will be promptly attended to. Grain brought at lowest freight rates. All Grain Bonded on our Warehouse, to clear. We will be at the owners risk. Agricultural Lime delivered at the lowest cash price. Feeling thankful for past favors, we hope by strict attention to business, a continuance of the same.

C. R. LEONARD & BRO.

Office in same room with R. S. Dixon on Dover street, Easton.

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Livery, Sale and Exchange Stables,

EASTON, MD.,

SOLOMON PIPPIN, Proprietor.

Horses and Carriages

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Passengers conveyed to any part of the peninsula.

Ample accommodations for horses at livery; also good shelter for carriages.

An Omnibus regularly on the cars and steamers.

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Ready Mixed Paints.

In 1 gallon cans, in ½ gallon cans, in quart cans, in pint cans, in ½ pint cans any shade or color, for sale by E. L. Tripp.

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SHINGLES. LATHS,

Sash, Doors, Bricks, &c.

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PINE, HEMLOCK, CYPRESS

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SHINGLES, LATHS, PICKETS, MOULDINGS, CASINGS, FRAMES, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, LIME AND HAIR,

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We have always on hand a full supply of MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, GEORGIA and WHITE PINE, and HEMLOCK

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with facilities unequaled in the State for manufacturing and filling orders promptly and delivering anywhere. We invite a comparison with city or other dealers.

Our constantly increasing business is an evidence of fair prices

We have also BUILDING HARDWARE and a full line of General Merchandise for country trade.

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PRICES LOWER THAN EVER.

My long experience in the Lumber trade should be a guarantee to purchasers of my ability to suit them both in quality and prices.

Prime articles of No. 1 White Pine and White Hemlock Fencing now in stock.

Principal office in Easton and Yard at Royal Point connected by Telephone.

Deliveries made on navigable water free of freight.

Comparison of Quality and Prices Solicited.

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WE ARE NOW RECEIVING AT THE

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From the well-known Factory of

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Our Fall and Winter Stock of

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Comprising every variety and style in the New York Market, which, for elegance of quality, style, finish and low price, is not to be surpassed. The Public are cordially invited to call and examine our Stock. No trouble to show goods.

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Wishing to close out our immense line of ELEGANTLY MADE CLOTHING before JANUARY 1ST, (all this year's make) we have made SWEEPING REDUCTIONS, rather than carry them over.

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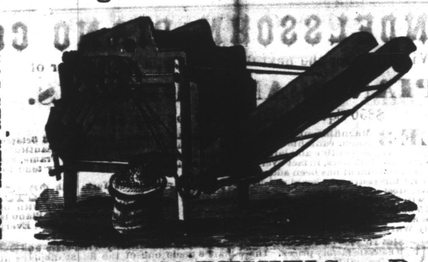

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I have just received a new stock of

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I am thankful to the public for past patronage and solicit a continuance of the same. Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

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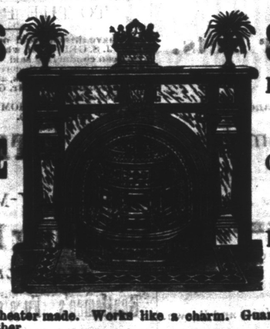

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We do our own work and guarantee satisfaction, and bottom prices. FAVOR US WITH YOUR WORK.

HULSE & NICHOLS.

Select Poetry.

The Death of the Old Year.

Full knee-deep lies the winter snow,
And the winter winds are wearily sighing:
Toll ye the church-bell sad and slow,
And tread softly and speak low,
For the old year lies a-dying.
Old year, you must not die;
You came to us so readily,
You lived with us so steadily,
Old year, you shall not die.

He hath gone to his place of rest,
He will not be in the dawn of day,
He hath an other life above,
He gave us a friend, and a true true love,
And the New-year will take 'em away.
Old year, you must not go,
So long as you have been with us,
Such joy as you have seen with us,
Old year, you shall not go.

He froth'd his bumpers to the brim;
A jollier year we shall not see,
But tho' his eyes are waxing dim,
And tho' his foes speak ill of him,
He was a friend to me.
Old year, you shall not die:
We did so laugh and cry with you,
I've half a mind to die with you,
Old year, if you must die.

He was full of joke and jest,
But all his merry quips are o'er.
To see him die, across the waste
His son and heir doth ride post-haste,
But he'll be dead before.
Every one for his own.
The night is stary and cold, my friend,
And the New-year blithe and bold, my friend,
Comes up to take his own.

How hard he breathes! over the snow
I heard just now the crowing cock.
The shadows flicker to and fro;
The cricket chirps: the light burns low;
'Tis nearly twelve o'clock.
Shake hands, before you die,
Old year, we'll dearly rue for you:
What is it we can do for you?
Speak out before you die.

His face is growing sharp and thin.
Alack! our friend is gone,
Close up his eyes tie up his chin
Step from the corpse, and let him in
That standeth there alone,
And waiteth at the door.
There's a new foot on the floor, my faiend,
And a new face at the door, my friend,
A new face at the door.

SUBMISSION.

CARDINAL NEWMAN.

Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom
Lead thou me on;
The night is dark, and I am far from home;
Lead Thou me on;
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
Shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now
Lead Thou me on;
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will. Remember not past years.

So long Thy power has blessed me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent till
The night is gone;
And with the morn those angel faces smile
Which I have loved long since and lost awhile!

Meanwhile, along the narrow, rugged path
Thyself has trod,
Lead, Savior, lead me home in child-like faith,
Home to my God,
To rest forever after earthly strife,
In the calm light of everlasting life.

Miscellaneous.

Fifty Dollars or Fifty Cents!

There is on the borders of Connecticut a small town, which, though weak and feeble still, with the help of a Home Missionary Society, supported a minister and maintained regular divine worship. About the time it became necessary to pay the minister's salary, there moved into the place a man who gained his living by carting coal, and other similar labor. It was noticed that this man was very regular in his attendance at Church, and was never absent from the prayer meeting; but in a pecuniary point of view was not considered a valuable acquisition. It was a custom when the salary becomes due, for one of the deacons to collect all he could from the people, and then get the balance from the Home Missionary Society. In accordance with this custom, one fine morning Deacon A——, a man of considerable means and considerable parsimoniousness, started forth, subscription paper in hand, to see how much he could squeeze out of the parish for the support of the minister. The first one he met, was the above mentioned coal-carter, moving along the road with a cart load of that material. The deacon then considered within himself that it might be worth while to ask him to contribute, seeing he was a good sort of person, and every little helps, and so accosted him with "Good Morning Mr. B——, are you willing to give anything toward the support of the pastor?" at the same time handing him the paper. The man stopped, stood thoughtfully for a moment or two, drew a pencil out of his pocket, and with his dirt-begrimed hand he headed the list with the sum of $50. The deacon was so taken by surprise that he'd hardly believe the evidence of his own eyes, and thinking the man had made a mistake, and not wishing to take advantage of him, he asked him: "Did you not mean that for fifty cents? The coal-carrier turned and drew himself up to his full height, and with great earnestness replied, "I do not value the Gospel at 50 cents a year." This answer placed the case in a new light. The deacon went immediately to the pastor, related the incident and said: "If that man can give $50, I can give $500. The same spirit actuated the rest of the parish on hearing the story, and in a few days the salary was raised by the people themselves without the necessity of applying for outside aid. Reader, it becomes you to consider the question suggested by this incident. How much do you value the Gospel at? for upon the answer may depend your life for Eternity.

A Hint to the Track.

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"The what?"

"The man who runs this thing—the captain; or whatever you call him."

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"You go through Chicago, don't you?"

"Why, of course. What of it?"

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The price of Scribner's Monthly is $4.00 a year, and new subscribers who begin with the November number may secure by the payment of $1.00 additional, nine back numbers, containing all of Part I. of Schuyler's now famous serial history of Peter the Great, of which Rev. Edward Eggleston recently wrote: "It is indeed a wonderful story, needing no aid to the imagination to make it one of the most curious in human history."

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"What I was going to tell you about was the wonderful way in which American magazines are getting on in London. Scribner's has had a very large sale here for some years past, and its circulation must now be, I think, fully as great as that of any English magazine, and it would not surprise me to hear that it is greater. Its illustrations have made its way easy for it. A very distinguished wood-engraver once told me that no work done in England in his line nowadays is worthy to be compared with what he saw every month in Scribner. If I mentioned his name, there is no one on either side of the Atlantic who would dispute his fitness to pronounce an opinion on such a subject. The rapid advance of Scribner's is easily accounted for, and is thoroughly well deserved."

The price of Scribner's Monthly is $4.00 a year, and new subscribers who begin with the November number may secure by the payment of $1.00 additional, nine back numbers, containing all of Part I. of Schuyler's now famous serial history of Peter the Great, of which Rev. Edward Eggleston recently wrote: "It is indeed a wonderful story, needing no aid to the imagination to make it one of the most curious in human history."

For $3.50 extra, the two richly bound volumes of last year may be had in connection with a year's subscription. Book-sellers everywhere, or the publishers, Scribner & Co., 743 Broadway, New York, will supply the numbers and volumes.

One of the characters in the town of Monkey Wrench, Kansas, is named Hammer.

"Most perfect of Juvenile Magazines," is what the Detroit Free Press calls St. Nicholas. Its growth is the most astonishing thing with the children in this country. In point of its location in the American system, the opening Christmas number, "Dear Children," the best edition of which is to hand, is a quaint, delightful production, with the true Christmas spirit, and the usual abundance of the adventures, in the American tongue, of a party of children in the mystery of wild Indians, and a Christmas story. The Frontier Indian Fighting, which is to form a feature of the life in the Rockies, is written by a veteran officer of the magazine.

The American people have their peculiarities, we confess, and some of them are summed up in the question and exclamation with which we shall be asked for an hour to be used as it is for them. Yankees, for we are ignorant, and we feel as badly when we fail as they do. That is the reason I have written my story as I have. It is a little to so much better for my people if the writer people and a more thorough knowledge of them, because we have felt deeply the results of their ignorance or sin." All has only your national and ... which is felt twelve times a year. The North American recently declared, "It would puzzle any one to say in what respect St. Nicholas could be improved." Subscriptions beginning with the beautiful Christmas number will commence the two serials mentioned. Price, $3.00 a year. The Christmas number is for sale everywhere for 30 cents. Published by Scribner & Co., 743 Broadway, N. Y.

A Wise Dog.

Mr. Ernest Ingersoll says that he is firm in his belief that animals have a language of signs and utterances by which they communicate with each other, and that their vocabulary, so to speak, is much larger than it has generally been considered to be. In commenting on this he tells the following story of his own experience: A very good-natured and amusing utterly unthoroughbred little dog was a member of a family which I was visiting. The dog and I became very good friends at once, and remained so until the second day, when I casually began to joke his master upon owning such a miserable cur. At once the little dog pricked up his ears, and, noticing this, I continued my disparagements in a quiet, off-hand tone, his master meanwhile defending and condoling with him until at last the dog could stand it no longer, but, without any provocation beyond my language, which was not addressed to him at all, sprung up and softly bit at my heel, as though to give me warning of what might happen if the joke went any further, and after that he utterly broke off our friendship.

In Blackwood's Magazine just published by THE LEONARD SCOTT PUBLISHING CO., 41 Barclay street, N. Y., one of the principal articles is a contribution by W. W. Story, "A Jewish Rabbi in Rome," which calls to mind the poem "A Roman Lawyer in Jerusalem," from the same pen, that attracted much attention several years ago. It is a striking picture of the corruptions in the Church in the 15th century, under Sixtus IV.

"Reminiscences of an Old Fogey" is an agreeable narrative of voyages to and from India in former days, in steamers of the Peninsular and Oriental Co.'s line, with a glimpse of Indian life, of the experiences of cadets fresh from school, and of girls who in the bloom of youth went out to seek their fortunes.

The new story "The Private Secretary" begins well. "Dr. Wortle's School" is continued.

The other articles are "Army Reform," in which complaint is made of the non-action of the War Office; "The Close of the Afghan Campaign," and "The Unloaded Revolver," which is another name for the Turkish question, and is filled with gloomy forebodings.

The periodicals reprinted by The Leonard Scott Publishing Co., 41 Barclay street, N. Y., are as follows: The London Quarterly, Edinburgh, Westminster, and British Quarterly Reviews, and Blackwood's Magazine. Price, $4 a year for any one, or only $15 for all, and the postage is prepaid by the Publishers.

PETERSON'S MAGAZINE, for January, is before us, in advance, and has outdone itself even. Besides two beautiful steel-engravings, a double-size colored steel fashion-plate, and a superb colored pattern in Henri III. embroidery, and some half a hundred wood-engravings of fashions, work-table patterns, etc., it has an array of tales, novelets, etc., such as is rarely seen in any magazine. Rebecca Harding Davis, for instance, has a story, one of the most beautiful prose idyls ever written. "Josiah Allen's Wife" gives a humorous sketch, that will make anybody laugh. There are two novelets, both powerful: one by Ann S. Stephens, the other by Jane G. Austin. Besides these, are other tales, poetry, etc. A profusely illustrated article, on "London In The Season," will interest every fair reader. The terms are but TWO DOLLARS a year, with great deductions to clubs, and handsome premiums to persons getting up clubs. Specimens are sent, gratis, if written for, to persons wishing to get up clubs. Address CHAS. J. PETERSON, 306 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

N. B.—We will furnish "Peterson" and THE STAR, for one year, for $3, cash in advance, to those wishing to take both.

COL. A. McCLURE, Editor of the Philadelphia Times, is making a tour of the South, and writing to his paper letters on the social and material condition of the Southern States. His letters will be scrupulously impartial, and will be read with interest North and South. Thursday's Times contained a graphic letter from Atlanta, representing Georgia as rapidly recovering in manufactures and all other diversified industries, including the production of small farms. He says the factory and the schools are the great privileges of the age in the South, and they are now doing a grand work in Georgia.

We desire to call the attention of our readers to the Grand Holiday offer of the Mendelssohn Piano Company, whose advertisement appears elsewhere. This Company offers an $800 Square Grand Piano, 3 stringed, 7½ octave, in a handsome rosewood case, for only $365, also many other styles of Pianos and Organs at great bargains for the Holidays, including sheet music at one-third price.

These Pianos, including Grand, Square and Upright, make use of the finest display at the Centennial Exhibition, and were unanimously recommended for the Diploma of Honor and Medal of Merit.

The Mendelssohn Piano Co. are the first to do a general business with the purchaser direct, saving him more than one-half the price asked by agents for the same article. They are doing a large business with the Agency System, and giving the people the Piano at Wholesale or Agency prices.

We would recommend any of our readers who have any thing of ever buying a Piano or Organ, between now and New Year, to send Down between now and New Year, which will be mailed free to all.

A return envelope, addressed to Geo. A. Mendelssohn, Manager, New York, will secure a reply by return mail, and his ticket was the receipt for the money.