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A BIG anti-Hill mass meeting was held in New York Thursday night.

ANOTHER move is on foot for electric lights in Chestertown. Reader don't throw obstacles in the way. Rather help it along.

GOVERNOR BROWN thinks that $50,000 would be a liberal appropriation for the World's Fair. So do we.

MANY Kent farmers are busy grubbing up peach trees. We think they are right. There are entirely too many trees planted.

BLAINE pronounces the rumor of his intended resignation from the cabinet "an infernal lie!" Emphatic but not elegant.

TARIFF REFORM is the one great issue before the country. Let us not take one backward step. Fly that flag until the victory is complete!

SENATOR GIBSON was sworn in last Wednesday afternoon and the ceremony was witnessed by quite a number of Marylanders. Vice-president Morton administered the oath accompanied by hearty personal congratulations.

SENATOR KENNA, of West Virginia, is of the opinion that "Hill has not the slightest chance for the Presidential nomination," and we agree with him. He says further that "I consider the chances of Senator Gorman, Gov. Boies and Gen. Stevenson or some other Western man exceedingly good."

CAROLINE county is anxious to reform her financial matters, and the adoption of a treasury system patterned after Kent's is very favorably considered. Political "patronage" is the only difficulty in the way. Senator Dawson is decidedly in favor of the reform.

SOUND ON THE TARIFF!

On Thursday last the Maryland House of Delegates passed the Laird tariff reform resolution with an amendment, all the democrats present (78) voting for it, three republicans voting against it and three requesting to be excused from voting. The amendment expresses confidence in the judgement and ability of Maryland's Senators and Representives in Congress to deal with tariff reform.

MR. WAILES' GAME SPOILED.

The Baltimore Sun of Thursday says:

Mr. Sidny Wailes has petitioned the Circuit Court of Anne Arundel County for a mandamus to compel the comptroller to pay him $111,389.94 which he claims as commissions on the direct tax fund recently paid to the State by the federal government.

When Mr. Wailes, the claim agent, entered the Comptroller's office at Annapolis the other day and demanded *one hundred and eleven thousand dollars* as his share of the money paid by "Uncle Sam" to Maryland, he was backed by able lawyers and shrewd politicians, and a statute which upon its face implied the justice of his claim. But Comptroller Smith was equal to the emergency. He was not caught in the trap, and the wiley Wailes left the office discomfitted. He found the State's interests well protected by honest officials, and Governor Brown, Comptroller Smith, Treasurer Jones and Attorney General Poe deserve great credit for heading off a well laid scheme for filching from the State over one hundred thousand dollars. The end is not yet possibly—the bait is too tempting to be abandoned without a hard struggle, and all the resources of law and "claim-agent politics" will be resorted to in order to secure the big sum named. But the people may rely upon the wise and faithful action of the State's officers, and, we believe, they will be able to continue to thwart the schemes of Mr. Wailes and his associates.

Resigned on a Pension of $37,500.

Wm. H. Beers, president of the New York York Life Insurance Company at a salary of $75,000 a year has resigned. The board made an agreement with him to retain his services in an advisory capacity at a salary of half pay, $37,500. The presidency has been offered to John A. McCall, comptroller of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and formerly superintendent of the State Insurance Department under Grover Cleveland, by whom he was appointed.

BLAINE WITHDRAWS.

The Secretary of State says he is not a candidate for the Presidential nomination by a letter to Chairman Clarkson. Politicians are greatly surprised, and by Mr. Harrison's friends the letter is joyfully hailed as an indication that it puts at rest all doubt of the President's renomination and that the Minneapolis Convention will simply be a ratification meeting of the St. Louis convention of 1888. Some, however, suspect a trick of some kind on account of the coolness of the letter toward the President. The following is Mr. Blaine's letter:

WASHINGTON, February 6, 1892.

HON. JOHN S. CLARKSON, Chairman of the Republican National Committee:

MY DEAR SIR: I am not a candidate for the Presidency and my name will not go before the Republican National Convention for the nomination. I make this announcement in due season.

To those who have tendered me their support I owe sincere thanks and am most grateful for their confidence. They will, I am sure, make earnest efforts in the approaching contest, which is rendered specially important by reason of the industrial and financial policies of the government being at stake. The popular decision on these issues is of great moment and will be of far-reaching consequences. Very sincerely yours,

JAMES G. BLAINE.

THE Ericsson Steamboat Company, whose boats ply in the Delaware and Chesapeake Canal between Philadelphia and Baltimore, have plans prepared for a new iron boat for that service. The vessel will be 212 feet long, and will have compound engines with cylinders 40 and 20 inches in diameter and 28-inch stroke. She will have superior passenger accommodations.

SENATOR GIBSON is to have a public reception in Easton to-day from two to four o'clock.

THE steamer Tockwogh, sold by the Sassafras River Steamboat Company to the Newport and Wickford Steamboat Company, sailed Saturday for Newport, via the outside route to New York.

THE two Polk farms recently purchased at administrator's sale by Dr. J. A. Draper of Wilmington, will be made into one farm, and extensive improvements made, including the addition of several new buildings. The property has been rented by L. Boulden of near Sassafras, who it is stated, was one of thrity-three applicants.

THE next Cecil county fair will be held Sept. 6, 7, 8 and 9.

Now for Better Railroads!

The big railroad deal, just made public, affects our own local road. The Reading road—now one of the greatest corporations in this country, with a stock capital of six hundred millions of dollars—among other advantages of the deal—gets possession of the New Jersey Central. This latter road owns the Kent road—or, as it is called, the Baltimore & Delaware Bay Road. Now, then, is the opportune time for our people to strike for better railroad faicilities.

The great agricultural and fruit interests of our county are vitally involved in this matter. And every business man, every tradesman and mechanic is concerned. No one who understands anything about it will pretend to say that the service given the county by the Kent road is all that it should be. To put it plainly it is but a miserable apology for something of that name. It has become a by-word and a subject for stale jokes far and near, for its "snail-like pace" and its general inefficiency.

This Kent road runs through one of the richest sections of the State. With good service the road would pay handsomely. It now receives about $2,100 annually for carrying the mails, and during the past fruit season its *net* profit on peach shipments was not less than $10,000. The regular passenger and freight traffic—under all the present disadvantages—probably more than pays all the expenses of this thirty-mile road. This will give some idea of what might be done under a live, efficient management. Its passenger traffic could certainly be largely increased, while the opportunity for a profitable freighting business is not surpassed on many other short roads in the United State.

Our people invested *over three hundred thousand dollars* in this road. They have not a dollar of the stock to show for it, but of this they are not complaining. If the expenditure of this large sum gave them the railroad facilities they have the right to expect they would say nothing of the heavy sacrifice they have made to secure the same.

The New Jersey Central and the B. & O., which is so closely allied therewith, have both failed heretofore to heed the reasonable demands of our people. Will the Reading listen? We believe it will if the proper steps are taken. At least there can be no harm in trying. Let the intelligent farmers and business men of Kent county ACT—act promptly—and effectively.

The great thing needed for Kent and the Eastern Shore is a *through line* from Singerly's (or Child's) in Cecil, to Elkton, thence to Masseys or Lambson, to Chestertown, to Church Hill and Centreville and on down to connect with the Eastern Shore section, already built. This "Eastern Shore Trunk Line" is already chartered under the name of the "Easton and Northern Railroad." Messrs. J. A. Pearce and Wm. S. Walker are the directors on the part of Kent county; they have been active in pushing forward the enterprise but have been met with many difficulties, and the matter has been almost at a standstill for months past. But the door now opens again for a forward movement. Let everybody aid it by word or deed. Agitate it AT ONCE.

We have no reference, of course, in the above reflections, to the local officers of the Kent road—the conductors, engineers and others. They do the best they can, and are as efficient as any others could be under the same circumstances.

Relative to the deal above referred to an associated press dispatch says: "The Reading has leased the Lehigh Valley and the Jersey Central railroad on a 7 per cent basis, and has bought the Lackawanna and the Delaware and Hudson into the combination. The latter roads enter into a contract with the Reading whereby the entire anthracite coal business of the country is controlled by one management only. It is understood that the Reading will have a representation in the Lackawanna and Delaware and Hudson roads, and that the entire anthracite coal business of the United States will be brought under one head."

"The deal is regarded as the most important ever made in the history of rail roads in this country. It will probably revolutionize the anthracite coal business. The centralization of the management will enable the roads entering into the combination to efect great savings in the production and handling of coal, and will simplify the business very much. Enormous sums of money are now wasted annually, and these sums can be saved by systematic management and divided among the security-holders of the roads entering into the combination."

The New Oyster Law.

The oyster bill introduced by Dr. Smith, of Dorchester, has been amended by the committee on the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, and reads as follows: "The season for taking oysters with rakes and tongs shall begin September 15, and the season for dredging and scraping will begin October 15 and March 15, thus shortening the tonging season fifteen days in September and the dredgers fifteen in March. The numbers for scrape will be the same size and character as the numbers for dredgeboats, except that they will be red, where the dredge numbers are black. The section relating to offenders sailing over forbidden bars and going through the evolutions of dredgers will be made to apply in the same way to scrapers. A personal license to tongers will be required of $3 per man. One-fifth of all tonging and scrape licenses shall be paid to the comptroller. The culling law will be amended to make all persons having oysters in their posssession responsible and will prevent purchasers from taking or deducting percentage of small oysters in their purchases. The features of the culling law suggested by Mr. Thompson, of Baltimore city, will be incorporated in the bill. This bill has the approval of Commander Joseph B. Seth, of the oyster navy, who was in conference with the committee while considering it, at their request.

A. E. Booth, the head of the packing firm of A. Booth & Co., says: "We do not want the law changed or modified in any way to make it less effectiye, but want to strengthen it. Now to make the law so binding that we thought it was impossible for the captains to get over it, we inserted a clause that all oysters under two and one-half inches and all shells should be culled right on the beds and bars, and thrown over; that of all cargoes of oysters when bought by the packers one tub out of every 50 should be dumped and set aside, to be gone over and culled after the boat was unloaded, and all shells and small oysters found should be taken as an average as to how many would be found in the whole vessel load and be deducted.

"We thought this would make the captains more particular about culling the oysters, and it did for a while. We received as fine oysters as could be wished for, until they began to get a little scarce, when the packers, who are as much to blame as the captains, failed to carry the law out, and received anything that was brought up the bay.

"There is evidently a big hole in the carrying out the law, in some places as arrests have been made time and time again of captains who failed to cull their oysters, and the law officers failed to make any case out against them. Packers would much rather have the young oysters left down on the beds than brought here where they do us no good but are lost for ever."

Help It Along.

Another move is on foot for electric light in Chestertown. It is in every respect most laudable. Whether it will succeed or not remains to be seen. It ought to succeed. A live citizen and large taxpayer puts the subject in a strong and proper light in a communication elsewhere in the NEWS. Read it. The following petition has been circulated this week and up to this writing has obtained the names given. Many more will sign it without doubt at the first opportunity.

We, the undersigned citizens of Chestertown, do respectfully petition the commissioners to allow an electric light plant company to use the old market House or Town Hall, provided the company will place the building in a safe condition, or erect a new building upon said site and to use and occupy the same as long as it is used for electric light purposes and for no other purpose.

C. F. Stam,
J. H. Simpers,
J. D. Bacchus,
E. W. F. Simpers,
A. Friedman & Co.,
H. H. Barroll,
W. W. Hubbard,
Jos. Peterson,
Harry Rickey,
W. W. Chapman,
R. Snowden Thomas,
Joel R. Clements,
if by local company;
A. J. Cahall,
J. B. McIntire,
D. Arthur Bacchus,
Chas. L. Dodd,
George B. Westcott,
Charles Estes,
John F. Howard,
G. Allen Jarman,
C. Cox Hopper,
H. Gruber,
Wm. R. Maul,
C. M. Lucas,
B. B. Wroth,
J. B. Burchinal,
Thos. D. France,
Jos. A. Catlin,
Wilbur Eliason,
R. Bergen,
W. H. Blakeney,
George D. Lofland,
Edw. J. Plummer,
Ernest C. Reiche,
F. D. Leary,
Harry L. Chew,
C. P. Gilpin,
R. H. Collins,
James T. Dixon,
Wm. M. Slay,
Fred. G. Sutton,
John S. Vandegrift,
Frank H. Howard,
Thomas S. Bordley,
M. A. Toulson,
J. S. Bradly,
S. F. Smith,
John D. Urie,
H. L. Boyd,
John Bordley,
T. V. Simpson,
J. W. Lambert,
Wm. R. Aldridge,
Charles S. Smith,
L. Bates Russell,
W. B. Copper,
W. F. Wroth,
Geo. W. Smith,
J. Lloyd McFeely & Co.,
Chas. H. Wickes,
Thos. G. Wroth,
Wm. B. Usilton,
Willard Melvin,
Samuel G. Fisher,
R. F. Parks,
Wm. C. A. Thompson,
F. A. Greenwood,
W. S. McDonnell,
John N. Dodd,
W. E. Moody,
J. W. Chapman,
Wm. J. McFeely,
Joseph Turner,
Hiram M. Brown,
James Brice,
A. J. Hynson,
Milton Baker,
B. F. Fleming,
if by local company.

Death's Work.

Like lightning from a clear sky the death of two of Kent's old citizens came to our ear. The first was that of RICHARD T. TURNER, an estimable business man and good citizen of Betterton. His sudden demise occurred about 9.30 o'clock Saturday night. He had an office at Betterton wharf where he was accustomed to doing business and on Saturday night after eating his supper repaired for a little while to his office. It was about nine o'clock when the deceased bade his friends good night and started for home carrying a little tin bucket. Upon reaching his home he placed his night key in the door and the noise brought his daughter to the door. Miss Turner did not open the door but called several times to know who it was and thinking it might be burglars went back in the sitting room. Mrs. Turner also went to the door and called but no one answered. About ten o'clock Mrs. Turner says she retired knowing that her husband had a key and could come in when he pleased. She states at 12 o'clock she felt for Mr. Turner but he was not in and supposing he was reading, as was his habit, a little longer than usual again went to sleep, but awoke at 2 A. M. and finding her husband still absent went down stairs to tell him to come to bed. But he was not there and little sleep did she get that night for worrying. As soon as it was light she arose and on opening the front door was astonished to see Mr. Turner sitting on the door mat with his limbs extended and his head resting against the door and settee! The key was also found in the door and the tin bucket by his side. Dr. Maxwell was summoned and pronounced death to have been caused by apoplexy. Mr. Turner did not seem to have an ache the evening before he died and he never looked more robust and hearty since age has come upon him.

Mr. Turner was seventy-three years old and removed from Baltimore about 1853 and purchased a large quantity of unimproved land at and around Betterton. This laud is now in a high state of cultivation. The Betterton wharf, one of the best in the county, was built by the deceased, at which the Ericsson line steamers stop daily. He was a Quaker in religion and a more honest man would be hard to find. His funeral took place at 2 P. M. Wednesday the interment being made at the Old Friends' Meeting-house, near Lynch's, in charge of UndertakerKruzen and was strictly private. A widow and five children survive him; Rich'd T. Turner, Jr., engaged in business at Betterton; Joseph, lumber dealer in Chestertown; Dr. Wm. B., practising in Baltimore; Mrs. Dr. Chandlee, of Baltimore, and Miss Rachel, who is at home with her mother.

Equally startling as the above was the sudden death from apoplexy of EBENEZER T. JACOBS at his son-in-law's home Monday night, aged 71. Mr. Jacobs was in Mr. Leary's store at 9 o'clock and stated that he never felt better. He arrived at Mr. Edw. Lusby's at 9.30 and before retiring sat around the stove smoking his pipe the only other occupant in the room being Sam, a colored boy. Sam says that after smoking the pipe he put his hand to his head and said he felt funny and wanted the door open. He accompanied his desire with an effort to open the door but fell on the floor. Mr. Lusby came down and laid the deceased on the lounge where he died at 11.30 o'clk. Dr. Catlin arrived but the patient was beyond recovery.

The deceased was a native of Queen Anne's but lived in Chestertown for some time. He removed his family to Baltimore two years ago and the deceased was on a visit to his daughter when he died. He was a good citizen and a kind father. He leaves a widow and six children; Mrs. Quimby, Mrs. George S. Biddle, Mrs. Edw. Lusby, Mrs. Kate Dulin, of Wilmington, Mrs. Robert Ford, near Rees' corner, Mr. E. C., Wm., Robert and Thomas Jacobs. The funeral took place Thursday, interment in Chester cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Wm. Morris, Robert Ford, John F. Copper, Edw. Lusby, George S. Biddle and Snowden Thomas.

The third death that it is our duty to chronicle is that of Mrs. MARY M. BECK, widow of the late Horace Beck, who died of paralysis at the home of her son, Dr. Samuel Beck, Monday morning in her seventy-fourth year. Although her death was not as sudden as the two preceding ones it came like a blow to her family and many friends. She has been an invalid for sometime but has borne it all with christian fortitude. She was a kind and loving mother and reared a family of children in the fear of a God to whom she never failed to give homage and whom she always held up before them as their only helper in time of trouble. She died in the love of a crucified Saviour and has left a mark in this life that will not soon be erased. Six sons survive her: Dr. Samuel, George, James L., of Kent, M. M., Walter H., and Clarence, of St. Louis. Before marriage she was a Miss Miller, daughter of the late Merritt Miller, of Kent. Funeral services conducted by Rev. S. C. Roberts took place Wednesday, interment at St. Paul's cemetery.

GOOD PRICES.—Buy boats in Long Cove this week paid seventy-five cents per bus. for good oysters. Capt. John Crouch keeps his boat busy carrying the luscious bivalve and has carried as high as 2,000 bushels to market one week. He has probably paid the oystermen of that vicinity $4,000 this season.

WHAT IT COST.

The recent hanging in Kent of course cost the county something financially but not so much as some people think or say. The commissioners last Tuesday with their usual thought for economy and justice allowed the following: To Sheriff Plummer for springing the trap, $100; for guards, $50; to Watchman Dugan, $60; Watchman Storks, $36; Watchman Henley, $30; Watchman Smith, $15; Carpenter T. J. Joiner, $22; Architect Greenwood, $10.

SALE OF A VALUABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY.—Mr. W. B. Usilton has purchased the Masonic Hall property in Chestertown for $5,000. It is one of the best located business properties in the town. The first story rooms of the building are rented the present year as follows: No. 1, Wm. M. Slay, law office; No. 2, KENT NEWS business office; No. 3, H. L. Boyd, insurance office; No. 4, C. S. York, plumber; No. 5, Dr. S. Beck & Wm. S. Walker, fertilizers. The whole of the second story is used for the printing and publishing business by the KENT NEWS, and has been so used for forty-two years past. The owner intends making some improvements in the building.

END OF AN OLD BUSINESS.—The household and kitchen furniture of William Perkins, colored, were sold on market square Tuesday by Constable Morgan. The sale included all the freezers, etc., which have been in use for a number of years by the noted caterer. This sale closed the busy life of the Rising Sun Saloon under the management of William Perkins. The latter has served the public with ice cream, oysters, ice, etc., etc., at the Rising Sun Saloon since 1859 and for a long time had no opposition of any kind. His wife was a well thought of woman and helped to build up the large business which the old house at one time enjoyed. It is now in the hands of the owners Messrs. Westcott and Chapman and at the present its future use is not known. William Perkins has a good position under the government in the Baltimore custom house.

CONTRACT MODIFIED.—The Postoffice Department has so modified the contract for steamboat mail service between Baltimore and Rock Hall as to require three trips per week until the expiration of the contract, and six trips per week whenever the boats are run that often. This route is served by the Chester River Steamboat Company, the steamers of which only touch at that point alternate days during the winter and spring, hence the modification of contract.

ORANGE TEA.—The Epworth League of Chestertown gave an orange tea at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Toulson Thursday evening. It was a pleasant occasion and skilfully managed. The tea table was beautifully decorated with orange and red while the dining room was prettily attired. The supper consisted of salads, chicken, desert, etc., and was enjoyed by about sixty persons.

THE SCHUBERTS.—The noted Schuberts Quartette that has delighted our people so often will be at Stam's Hall next Wednesday evening and promise a better concert than ever before. They have strengthened their already incomparable organization by the adition of a reader, Miss Ida M. Clemins. Don't Miss this treat.

IN THE NEWS.—On the first and fourth pages of the NEWS to-day will be found a descriptive article of Kent's resources, etc., also letters on "The Lord's Day" by able writers. The article headed "Lessons of the Hour" was written January 30, before the discoveries published in the NEWS last week were known, which presents the matter in a new phase.

GOOD CATCH.—Mr. Frank Collison, of Pine Neck, caught forty bunches of fine white perch and pike Monday. The fishermen in that locality are catching some nice fish but the weather has been so cold that they cannot draw their seines.

THE sale of the late Thomas S. Wilmer's personal property will take place on Wednesday, February 24th, 1892. See advertisement elsewhere.

"Echo" Day.

Yesterday afternoon the "Echo" published by the graduating class at the Chestertown public school was read, and the reading was interspersed with music, etc. The following program was presented:

Song, "The Postman".....Pupils of the 2nd Grade.
Echo, "The Power of Gentleness"...Howard Fowler.
Echo, "Atlantic Cable".....Mary Anthony.
Reading, "Nobody Else".....Maud Thompson.
Recitation, "The Three Traders,"....Wilkins Elliott, Harry Barnes, Walter Sappington.
Echo, "Locals".....Vevia Hendrickson.
Echo, "Biography of Wm. Deane Howells".....Minnie Maslin.
Song, "Mother Tabbyskins".....First Grade.
Reading, "How Jewels are Made".....Lizzie Willis.
Echo, "Spice Box".....Bessie Stuart.
Echo, "Locals".....Sue Lambert.
Recitation, "Nannie's Valentine".....Nora Boston.
Song, "Love of School Girls".....5th Grade.
Reading, "The Nine Suitors".....Annie Deford.
Echo, "Bits of News".....Vevia Hendrickson.
Echo, "Locals".....Bessie Stuart.

Two Surprises.

A climax in the kind acts of Bond Church congregation was reached last Tuesday evening when about forty of the congregation made a raid on the parsonage and filled it with the good things of life. Flour, sugar, potatoes, oysters, poultry, apples, etc., etc., etc., were stored away until his pantry was filled. The party did not remain long and soon after surprising Rev. Mr. Mowbray and wife they withdrew leaving them to enjoy their surprise alone. The thoughtfulness of the popular pastor's congregation has prevented him from wanting either hay or corn while his stock of wood never gives out and the many kind acts of his congregation during the year evidenced the appreciation and love that his people had for him.

Rev. E. H. Nelson, pastor of Galena M. E. Church, was given a surprise last week. The members of his flock came loaded with eatables of all kinds and stored them away for future use. The pastor and his wife was completely taken by storm which made the affair the more enjoyable. Of course they will receive a cordial welcome at any time they may see fit to call again.

GOOD WALKERS.—Thos. Massey, of Masseys, who is attending the State Normal School, West Chester, Pa., accompanied by two other students, on Saturday last walked to Philadelphia a distance of twenty-three miles. It was a very cold morning, the thermometer being 20° above Zero and the road very rough and hilly; the distance was made in six hours and a half. The practice received in the Gymnasium greatly aided them in their walk. This Gymnasium is the best in the United States attached to any school.

THE United "Y" met at Mr. Wash. G. Skirven's last Monday evening, at 7 o'clock which is "Y" night. The president, Miss Ida Crew, was absent and Mrs. Skirven presided. There were about 40 present. The public meeting that was to be held in St. James Church was indefinitely postponed on account of the death of our president's mother. The next meeting will be held next Monday night at 7 o'clock at Mr. Robert Hatcherson's.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles C. Crothers, Esq., state's attorney of Cecil, was in town on business Wednesday. Mr. Crothers is a fine looking specimen of the "Young Democracy" of Cecil.

Tilghman Shafer, Esq., of Kennedyville, was in Wilmington Wednesday purchasing additional machinery for his creamery.

Judge Joseph A. Wickes and daughter, Miss Josephine, are spending a month in Baltimore.

Capt. J. A. Clark of the B. S. Ford is sick with grip; Capt. Wm. Taylor is running the boat during his absence.

Mr. James B. Sappington was in town Wednesday. He states that he will remove to town immediately and take up his residence in his home on corner of Mill and High street. He says "there is no place like home."

Esquire C. W. C. Johnson has been quite sick this week and has been unable to attend to business. Mr. H. L. Crew, of near Betterton, was in town Wednesday for the first time since December, having been confined to the house with the grip, etc.

Mr. B. F. Davis, John, and daughters, Misses Lizzie and Bennetta, attended the wedding of Mr. T. J. Davis in Port Deposit this week.

Mr. Samuel Vannort spent several days this week with his daughter, Clare, in Westminster.

Mr. John Davis, an officer in the House of Correction, was home several days early this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. A. Hudson returned home Wednesday from a week's visit to relatives in Philadelphia.

The engagement of ex-Gov. William Pinkney Whyte to Mrs. Raleigh MacDonald Thomas, of Baltimore, is one of the most notable of recent society events. The wedding will take place shortly.

Mr. J. M. J. Byron was taken ill Monday night and has been sick since. We are glad to report him much better at this writing. Capt. R. S. Emory is improving and Mr. Wm. H. Stewart who has been housed for the past two weeks is able to be out again.

Bessie Wheatley, a scholar of the fourth grade of the public school, received 94 at the recent examination but was omitted from the printed list last week.

Mrs. James Brice was summoned to Philadelphia last Monday by the sickness of her son James. She returned Thursday, Jim having improved sufficient to accompany her home.

Mr. I. R. Starkey who fell on our streets last Friday and dislocated his ankle was removed to his home from Mr. Wm. H. McFeely's last Sunday, and is improving rapidly. He will not be as long recovering as was at first thought.

Miss W. Bailey, of Millington, attended the leap year ball given at the Arlington Hotel, Centreville, by Misses Lollie and Irene Straughn.

Miss Anna May Downey returned to the Conference Academy Wednesday, all traces of the scarlet fever having been removed. The two weeks that it has been closed will be added to the end of the term.

Mr. Creighton Wallace a typo of Ocala, Florida, has been home on a short visit this week. He was accompanied back to Florida by his brother Hugh.

Miss Mamie Roberts, youngest daughter of Rev. S. C. Roberts, and Mr. Joseph Archbell, of New York, will be married on Thursday morning next in Immanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown. The ceremony will take place at 11 o'clock A. M. No cards have been issued in the county.

The marriage of Miss Anna Belle Burlin of Port Deposit, and Mr. Thomas J. Davis of Chestertown, was celebrated Tuesday evening.

Mr. P. B. Hollis returned from his trip to Liverpool last Monday, having been away from Chestertown about two months. He is looking very much "fatter" than when he left and no doubt the sea trip did him good. He states that the trip over required 8 days and the return trip 11. On the way over one of the fireman committed suicide by jumping in mid ocean while a few days previous one of the passengers gave birth to a child. The grip, Mr. Hollis states, is still raging in England, his brother having had an attack while he was at home.

Miss Victoria Power, of Millington, is on a visit to friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. H. C. Layman was in town this week. Mr. Layman was for a long time the correspondent of the NEWS from Chesterville and Crumpton and his letters were highly appreciated. He has now moved to Baltimore and having connected himself with one of the best meat packing houses in Baltimore, Reiman, Doyle & Co., he is now calling on the trade in this and adjoining counties. The firm he represents is first-class, and we can add our personal testimony to the integrity and business qualifications of Mr. Layman. Our merchants would do well to extend a friendly greeting, and give a kindly share to Mr. Layman when he comes around.

The Cecil *News* in speaking of the Chesapeake City Academy under Prof. T. D. Bowers says the outlook for the school is very encouging, it being at present the largest ever held in the town, the scholars numbering 145.

Dr. John Mace, of Cambridge, is visiting friends in Worton.

Mrs. Worrell is visiting her sister, Miss Sarah Jane Houston on High street.

Miss Cecilia Lynch, of Crumpton, is the guest of Miss Sallie Carroll on Kent street.

Messrs. Tom and Robert Jacobs attended the funeral of their father Thursday. Robert is a typo in the *American* office and was accompanied to Chestertown by his handsome bride. Tom is engaged in the clothing business in Macon, Georgia, and now is at the head of a family.

Miss Eva Patterson, of Baltimore, was the guest of Mrs. A. M. Hurtt on Mill street this week.

Miss Etta Hicks, arrived home at Galena last Monday, accompanied by Miss Nellie Salolway of Wilmington, Del.

Mr. Wm. Ford and wife are on a visit to friends and relatives in Philadelphia.

The Misses Wilkins have as their guest at "The Maples", Miss Ada Roberts of Centreville.

Mrs. Meyer and daughter of Baltimore, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergen on Maple Avenue.

Mr. Edw. J. Kennard and family have been spending a week in Chestertown, guests of Mrs. M. A. Skirven.

Prof. C. W. Procter, of Washington College, was not able to attend his class duties yesterday on account of sickness.

S. C. Beckwith, of the class of '72, Washington College, is said to be worth $500,000. He is engaged in the newspaper advertising business in New York at 48 Tribune Building. The editor had the pleasure of shaking hands with Mr. Beckwith last week, in Baltimore as both were Alumni of the same college.—*Easton Democrat.*

Marion DeK. Smith, who qualified Comptroller of the Treasurer last Tuesday, has one of the finest shaped heads we ever looked at. He is a polished gentleman and an industrious worker. Mr. Smith will make one of the best Comptroller's Maryland ever had.—*Easton Democrat.*

GRAND CONCERT!

—BY—

Schubert Male Quartette!

OF CHICAGO.

Stam's Hall, Wednesday Eve., Feb. 17

SAMUEL T. BATTLE, - - - First Tenor
WILLIAM HARRIS, - - - - Second Tenor
JOHN B. LYLEY, - - - - - Baritone
GEORGE H. IOTT, - - - - - Basso.
MISS EUGENIA M. BALDWIN, - - Soprano
MISS IDA M. CLEMENS, - - - Reader
MISS LOUISE ROMAN, - - - Accompanist

The above entertainment is the return of the famous Schubert Quartette, so well known and appreciated by our people. It will come to us stronger and in better condition than in any previous season. Mr. George H. Iott, the unrivaled basso, will sing as a solo a beautiful selection from Handle, entit'e'd, "O Ruddier Than the Cherry." The hearing of this piece alone will be worth the price of admission to the entire concert.

I trust my friends will give me a good house to the above concert, as I have used every endeavor to give them a pleasant evening. Seats are now on sale. Orders by mail will be promptly attended to.

16. COLIN F. STAM.

A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN THE DRUG BUSINESS.

WANTED: A YOUNG MAN from 17 to 18 years of age to learn the drug business. The usual recommendations required.
Apply to J. T. POWER, Millington, Md.
f13-4t.

WANTED:

A WHITE GIRL or WOMAM to cook, wash and iron in a small family in Baltimore. Good home to the right party.
Apply to MRS. JAMES BRICE, Chestertown.
f6-3t.*

BUSINESS CHANCE.

Wanted, an active, energetic and intelligent MAN, with capital of $6,000 to $8,000 to invest in a PROFITABLE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE. Only those meaning business need apply.
HOPE H. BARROLL, ATT'Y AT LAW, Chestertown, Md.
feb6-3t.

FOR SALE:

SOWS, SHOTES and PIGS.
Apply to JESSE R. COPPER, Locust Grove Farm, near Urieville.
feb6-3t.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

R. GROVES,

—WITH—

THOMAS BOND & SON,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 216 Light Street, - Baltimore, Maryland.
fe13-1n.

MILL FOR RENT:

The MILL known as the "Moffett Mill," two miles from Still Pond, for rent from February 1, '92.
Apply to J. S. HARRIS, Still Pond,
or R. S. CREW, Rock Hall.
j30-3t.*

WANTED;

FARMS TO SELL,
Also TO EXCHANGE FOR GOOD CITY PROPERTY.
Apply to W. E. COTTER,
No. 25 N. E. CITY HALL SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Jan23-3m.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON MORTGAGE.
Apply to T. W. ELIASON, Jr.
j23 6t.

MONEY TO LOAN

On Mortgages at 6 per cent. $4,000, $5,000, $2,000, $1,500, $1,000 and $700 on first mortgage.
HOPE H. BARROLL, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Chestertown, Md.
j9-tf.

NOTICE.

MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGE.
WM. M. SLAY, ATT'Y.
j9-tf.

$100 Reward

For the apprehension and conviction of the party or parties, that fired the buildings on the night of December 29th, 1891, on the property of the late David Jones, located on Eastern Neck Island. The above reward will be increased if in my judgment circumstances justifies it. WM. STEVENS.
Jan. 30, 1892—3t.

ROAD EXAMINERS' NOTICE.

THE undersigned, examiners appointed by the Honorable County Commissioners, to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires

The Widening of the Pubile Road

leading into Shrewsbury Neck, along the line of Robert Comley's land to the line of the land of W. N. E. Wickes, in the Second Election District, in Kent county, Maryland, hereby give notice that they will meet on the said road at 10½ o'clock A. M.,

On THURSDAY, March 24th, 1892,

to execute the duties of the said commission.

CORNELIUS J. SCOTT,
JOHN R. BENNETT,
GARRETT FOXWELL,
Examiners.
f13-tm.

Petitioners' Notice

—FOR A—

NEW BRIDGE

Over Waste Stream at Brice's Mill.

THE undersigned Tax-payers of Kent County, hereby gives notice that they intend to apply to the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Kent county, Thirty Days from the date hereof, to build

A NEW BRIDGE

over the WASTE STREAM of BRICE'S MILL.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,
SAMUEL G. FISHER,
R. B. WILLSON,
BENJ. F. BECK, and 23 others.
j30-5t.

Established 1876.

E. T. COMEGYS,

DEALER IN GRAIN,

KENNEDYVILLE - MARYLAND,

Wanted--All the New Wheat and Corn

I can buy, delivered at any station on the railroad. Farmers look to your interest and allow me to make an offer on your grain before you sell. *As I am buying direct for the manufacturer, with a low rate of freight to Wilmington, it is reasonable* to suppose I can PAY MORE for grain than those who buy to sell again.

E. T. COMEGYS.

CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

THIS Certificate of Renewal of Limited Partnership, made this 31st day of December, 1891, witnesseth that the Limited Partnership heretofore formed between J. LLOYD MCFEELY, as General Partner, of Chestertown, in the county of Kent, in the State of Maryland, and SALLIE M. AYRES, as Special Partner, of Baltimore city, in the State of Maryland, for the purpose of conducting the hardware business in all of its branches in the town of Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, under the firm name of J. LLOYD MCFEELY & CO., commencing with the First day of January, 1890, and to end with the thirty-first day of December, 1891, the original certificate whereof is recorded in the office of the clerk for Kent county court, in Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, Liber S. B., No. 2, Folio 503 of the Records of Co-partnership and Dissolutions is hereby renewed and continued for the space of two years, next ensuing, to wit: until the Thirty-first Day of December, 1893.

This certificate further witnesseth that the partners, the business and place of business remain as above, and there is no change in any of the matters specified in the said original certificate, and that the said SALLIE M. AYRES as Special Partner, contributed to the capital stock of said partnership the sum of Three Thousand Dollars in actual cash, which said special cash capital is now on hand unimpaired, and is to remain in said partnership for the renewal period aforesaid, subject to the provisions of article 73 of the Maryland Code of Public General Laws relating to Partnership.

Witness our hands and seal.

J. LLOYD MCFEELY, General Partner.
SALLIE M. AYRES, Special Partner.
Jan. 30, 1892—6t.

Public Sale

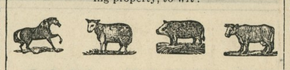
—OF VALUABLE—

Personal Property!

THE undersigned as administrator of the late Thomas S. Wilmer, will offer at Public Sale at his late residence, near MORGAN CREEK BRIDGE,

On WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, 1892,

Commencing at 9 30 o'clock A. M., sharp, the following property, to wit:



FIVE GOOD HORSES,

1 YEARLING COLT, fine size;

24 HEAD of CATTTE,

among them are 4 three-year-old STEERS, 8 MILCH COWS, 2 three and 2 year-old BULLS, also some two-year-old HEIFERS, 5 CALVES;

25 NATIVE SHEEP,

25 Shoats, Sow and 8 Pigs,

60 Good Locust Posts, Crop Wheat Seeded, 2 Fans, 2 Corn Shellers, 2 Reapers, 2 Farm Wagons, and full line farm implements.

HOUSEHOLD & KITCHEN FURNITURE.

Sale positive on date named.

TERMS:—The terms of sale are cash on all sums of $10 and under; over that amount a credit of Seven Months on Note with approved security, will be allowed.

JAMES BRICE, Adm'r.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, AUC'R. fe13-ts.

Legal Notices.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

John D. Urie, Trustee,
versus
Thomas Rasin, Martha E. Rasin.

In the Circuit Court for Kent Co., in Equity.

ORDERED, this 9th day of February, 1892, that the sale of the Personal Property of THOMAS RASIN, made and reported by JOHN D. URIE, Trustee, under a Deed of Trust from the said Thomas Rasin and Martha E. Rasin be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 18th day of March, next:—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 29th day of February, next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $1,449.91.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
True copy. Test:
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
Feb. 13, 1892—4t.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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