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THE Legislature will certainly pass a new assessment bill. What kind it will be remains to be seen.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND came to Maryland last Thursday from New York and is duck shooting at Spesutia Island, in the Susquehanna river. The Presidency is not troubling him.

The Date Appointed.

The State Central Committee of the Republican party of Maryland met in Baltimore on Thursday and decided to hold a convention at Frederick, May 4, to select delegates to the national convention at Minneapolis.

Messrs. Westcott, Harper and Henry, of Kent, were present to represent the central committee of this county.

It is understood that there will be two candidates in Kent for delegate at large to the Republican National Convention—Messrs. C. T. Westcott and W. J. Vannort.

THE CONSIDERATION.

In the Assessment Bill the consideration with the members of the legislature should be:

1—Increase the basis of taxation.

2—Equal taxation on all property—whether held by individuals or corporations.

3—Economical machinery. Do away with superfluous officials. The Lord knows it will cost enough anyway, and the taxpayer must pay the bill!

4—Pass the bill, but let it be an honest bill, in the interest of the *many* and not of the *few*.

Two Legal Giants.

Probably the most interesting discussion of recent date took place in Annapolis last Wednesday night. It was in the Senate chamber before the finance committee, and the subject was the Belt charter and B. & O. railroad taxation bills. The speakers were John K. Cowen, the great corporation lawyer, and John P. Poe, the Attorney General of the State. The debate occupied about three hours and was attentively listened to by most of the senators and crowds of interested persons thronging the doorways. Mr. Cowen is a man of splendid physique, easy mannerism and fine oratory generally, while his legal capacity—in the corporation line especially—is probably unsurpassed in the State.

John P. Poe is more than Mr. Cowan's equal in many respects and inferior only in physical appearance. The lack in physique, however, Mr. Poe fully makes up by his earnest manner and lively jesturing. The comparisons on this occasion between the two legal giants were altogether in Mr. Poe's favor. His earnestness, his eloquence, his matchless legal lore and his fearless expounding and combatting, all combined to demonstrate his greatness in all the elements of a legal advocate.

One thing in Mr. Poe's favor was the fact that he was on the side of the people—it was the old fight of the State against powerful corporations. Mr. Poe did full justice to the State in sustaining its right to compel the corporations to bear a just proportion of the tax burden, and therefore has the thanks and best wishes of every taxpayer in the State.

WHY IT MAY BE DEFEATED.

The papers intimate the possibility that the new assessment bill may not be adopted, after all the expectation and desire of the people. And, of course, every interested reader of the NEWS will inquire, Why not? The Baltimore *Evening News* very pointedly hints at one cause of trouble. It says: Calmorons as are the people for some more equitable and enlightened system of taxation, it is impossible to meet these demands so long as we are hampered by the ironclad and antiquated provisions of Article 15, of the Declaration of Rights. By voting down the amendment to this article at the last election, the people of the State have imposed upon themselves the continuation of an old-fashioned and opprsesive system, whose death blow would have been dealt by its adoption.

Until they think better of this action and sweep from the statute book this burdensome relic of antiquity, no legislation can afford more than a very temporary and partial relief, and it is worse than useless to pass the present bill, whose effect would be to divide out a large appropriation among a host of place-holders in return for an assessment as useless as laborious.

A $20,000 FIRE IN EASTON.—Midnight fire Saturday night destroyed about $20,000 worth of property on market space, Easton, burning out the block from Mason's carriage warehouse at west street. The buildings destroyed were Alex. Fountain's, occupied by Wm. Wright's clothing store on first floor and the Easton Democrat newspaper office on the second floor, John Y. Todd, editor: Frank C. Mason's double house, occupied by Harry Adis as a general store; Dr. J. H. Anderson's occupied by D. Cook, restaurant, and Miss Ella Brown, seamstress: B. F. Lambdins, occupied by M. P. Henry's store and dwelling. The houses were all properly insured. There was $3,000 insurance on the Democrat office, $1,000 on Wright's stock and $2,000 on Adis', who says his loss is over $9,000. Henry's and Cook's goods were not insured, but were mostly removed and saved. Much more valuable property was in danger, but the skillful work of the fire department confined the flames to narrow limits. No more frame buildings are to be allowed in the business blocks of the town.

PENINSULAR TOWNS.—There are 12 towns on the Eastern Shore numbering over 1,000 inhabitants each, but in the following list Havre de Grace, just across the Susequehanna, is included. They are as follows: Cambridge, 4,192; Centreville, 1,309; Chestertown, 2,632; Crisfield, 2,565; Easton, 2,939; Elkton 2,318; Harve de Grace, 3,244; North East, 1,249; Oxford, 1,135; Port Deposit, 1,908; St. Michaels, 1,329; Salisbury, 2,905; Snow Hill, 1,483. Which shows that, after Wilmington, Cambridge is the most populous town on the Peninsula, and that New Castle, which stood second in 1880, now comes in only a good third.

FOUND.—Capts. John Startt and Frank Dadds, who were reported missing several weeks ago, have been found. On the first page of the NEWS will be found an account of the finding of Capt. Startt, of Centreville, and on Saturday Capt. Dadds, of Queenstown was found drowned in the harbor. It is supposed that they slipped overboard at night. Both of these men are well known to many of our readers.

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The Man For '92.

Presidential preferences now form a fruitful theme for discussion, and, with the Democracy, the outcome of the Chicago convention is looked to with more than usual interest, in view of the possibilities in favor of one of Maryland's own distinguished citizens.

The Cecil *Democrat*, on this point, says in its last issue:

> Presuming it be impossible to nominate Cleveland the next man beyond all question is the senior Senator from Maryland, Hon. Arthur P. Gorman. He is the second choice of the country in any section and where you find a unanimous second choice you find a strong candidate. Mr. Gorman is prominently mentioned in connection with the nomination and not a few believe he will be nominated.

Cleveland has many admirers in Kent, more than any other of the many distinguished men named for the Chicago nomination outside of our own State, but the sentiment here is overwhelmingly in favor of our own statesman—ARTHUR P. GORMAN. Not alone for local State considerations either, for he is equal in ability to any; he has the brains, the heart, and the experience, which preeminently fit him for the high station of Chief Executive of the nation, and the prospect for his nomination is now equal to that of any other man named. More than this, his nomination will insure Democratic ascendency in national affiairs, as his election would be certain and his administration a grand success without the shadow of doubt.

From every section of Maryland comes the information that the Old Commonweath is buckling on her armor. And, unless Mr. Gorman positively refuses the use of his name—which would be unjust to his State and his party throughout the country—he will have enthusiastic backing from every section of the Union. Maryland will go into the fray in dead earnest. She is not the biggest State in the Union, but she has as big claims as any and will present a candidate in every respect worthy.

Kent would esteem it a special privilege to aid directly in Senator Gorman's nomination if the State convention will honor her by selecting one of her honored citizens as a delegate to Chicago. Our county was the second in the State to place Senator Gorman in nomination for the Presidency, having followed Worcester in the adoption of resolutions to that effect in a regular county convention. This, we think, should entitle us to consideration. On this point we have but one suggestion: there should be harmonious action. Division of sentiment—rivalries and wrangling—simply means defeat; our delegates to the State convention whoever they may be, and whoever prefer, will utterly fail in accomplishing good results. Let us all bury the past and act together for the general interest of the whole party.

Political Gossip.

LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL.

Col. W. J. Vannort came home from Baltimore greatly encouraged by the outlook for his election as delegate to the Republican National Convention. He says: "If I can get in the State convention no power can keep me out of the National convention, and there is but one thing to keep my name out of the State convention, that is the failure to get my own county. I know I have a few personal enemies who will deny me this if they can. But they will fail. They must fight the administration. I represent the administration and my defeat would clearly be the defeat of Harrison and the Republican administration. It can't be done." The Colonel draws a very rosy picture not only relative to his own county but the State at large, and thinks the opposition to him is weakening every day, and by the time the fight comes on he will have a clear field. He apprehends that Col. Hodson will be his strongest opponent; that it is out of the question for Messrs. Hodson and Westcott to "pull together" when the friends of both are seeking to advance them for the same honor, and that they must part company, or that Hodson will be successful over Westcott. But Col. Vannort proposes to save them both any difficulty by taking the honor himself, which is all very nice from the Colonel's standpoint, but he will hardly find things to work just as he thinks. Messrs. Westcott and Burchinal are not *saying* much but in the matter of *doing* it is likely their opponents will find they have not been idle.

Gen. Felix Agnus made the following prediction to a city reporter a few days ago as to the out come of the factional fight in New York's Democratic circles which is of interest to the friends of Senator Gorman. He said: "You probably do not remember the famous Ten Broeck-Ochiltree-Parole match at Pimlico a number of years ago. It was, perhaps, the greatest race ever run there and excited untold intrest. It drew the largest crowd ever seen at the track.

"Now, this fight between Hill and Cleveland reminds me very much of that race, and I will tell you in what way. There was Ten Broeck holding the record, and with every chance of winning. But a combination was made to beat him. Ochiltree was to be 'killed' in order to set the pace at the beginning of the race, and when the favorite was beaten, Parole was to be brought up and take the race. Well, it turned out just in that way. Ten Broeck and Ochtlitree started at a killing pace, and Parole looked to be a poor third. Indeed, he was hardly thought of in the race,

"But soon the two leaders were seen to be played out. The pace was too heavy for them, and the people saw Parole slowly creeping up and finally winning the race with ease. Hill and Cleveland will kill each other just that way. The pace will be too hot for them at the beginning, and they will soon be out of the fight. Then the third horse will come in, and he is Arthur P. Gorman. Remember what I tell you. When the time for the convention comes you will see it come out just as did the great horse race. Gorman will be the winner."

Col. William J. Vannort, on February 27, received a handsomely executed official notice of his appointment as aide-de camp on the staff of General Palmer, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States.

"Do you think Colonel Vannort will be sent to the convention?" General Agnus was asked.

He replied: "I feel that if the convention does not select him as a delegate at large, the members of that body will insult themselves and belittle their organization. For Yannort is an honest, well-bred gentleman, one of the old school style who will not come down to the tricks and practices of the lower order of politics."

REPUBLICAN DISTRICT DELEGATES.

For the district delegates those now talked of are: First district, James L. Hand, J. B. Turner, Capt. W. D. Burchinal and M. M. Higgins; Second, Col. John A. Wilson and S. W. Bradford; Third, William F. Stone, William T. Malster, D. Pinkney West and Charles F. Riehl; Fourth, Joseph M. Cushing, Daniel L. Brinton, the Hon. Henry Stockbridge, Jr., J. Frank Supple and Harry S. Cummings, the latter the colored Councilman from the Eleventh Ward of Baltimore; Fifth, Senator Wilkinson, Dr. Washington G. Tuck, Senator Charles E. Coffin; Sixth, Lewis C. McComas, John C. Motter and the Hon. Lloyd Lowndes, provided that if Mr. Lowndes declines to be a delegate at large he will accept a place as a district delegate.

SALE OF DWELLINGS.—Mr. Thos. G. Worth has purchased of the Chester Loan Association the two Duyer dwellings on Mill street for $1381.50.

WE are glad to learn that the appointment of Mr. Estes as notary at Chestertown, will shortly be confirmed. Mr. Roeder, we understand has declined the appointment.

MILL SOLD.—The mill property known as the Godwin mill, near Crumpton, was sold on Tuesday by Thomas Hill, Esq., under mortgage, and was purchased by Rev. Albert Chandler for $5,700.

FISH have begun to make their appearance in Chestertown market. Mr. Hubbard, of near Tolchester, brought a fine lot to town Wednesday and retailed them for 40 and 60 cents per bunch. In a week's time fish will be plentiful.

THE Tolchester Steamboat Company Wednesday placed on the railway the steamer Louise for general repairs, including new keel and changes in the stairway, making them more ample. The Louise will be newly painted and upholstered, and look like a new craft when finished.

DAM BROKE.—The dam at the Chestertown mill broke loose Tuesday night. The dam has had a heavy pressure on it since the paper mill fire and the recent northeast storms broke through it on the night named. All the water will be let out of the mill and a new dam built together with new gates.

NEW STORE.—Mr. W. S. McDonnel has opened a new store opposite the Chestertown National Bank in connection with his old stand and will keep a full stock of confectionary, cigars and tobacco and is making arrangements to open an ice cream saloon this summer.

MESSRS. T. R. HUBBARD & SON are still in the field with their home manufactured fertilizer. They guarantee nothing but the pure article and as their goods have been weighed in the balance and proved among the best, they feel justified in expecting a big trade this spring.

CHINAMAN IN TOWN.—A real Chinaman arrived in Chestertown by train from Middletown Wednesday. He came here in answer to a letter from Mr. Vandergrift to Mr. Jos. Parsons. Mr. V. would like to start a Chinese laundry in town but the Chinaman objects to going on the back street and unless a room is secured on Main street he will return to Middletown. He talks plainly and states that he likes the people of Middletown very well as they invited him to church, fed him high and treated him elegant.

Religious Events.

The annual session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference will convene in Wilmington, Del., on Wednesday next. Mr. Wilbur Eliason is the lay representative from Chestertown Station, and Mr. J. C. Loud from Pomona.

The M. P. Conference meets in Pocomoke city April 6. Mr. S. F. Smith is the delegate elect from Christ Church, Chestertown, and F. G. Usilton, alternate. The church is a unit in the desire for Rev. Mr. Greenfield's return.

Mr. S. Vannort has been elected delegate from St. James' and Mr. John P. Nicholson alternate.

Rev. R. Irving Watkins and wife left Chestertown Tuesday for conference. Before going to conference Mr. Watkins will go to West Virginia to perform a marriage ceremony. His pulpit in Chestertwon will be occupied morning and night by Prof. C. W. Proctor.

Messrs. Maltby and Randolph, of Johns Hopkins University Y. M. C. A., were in Chestertown Sunday for the purpose of speaking to the Y. M. C. A., of Washington College. They held service at the college in the morning and in the afternoon spoke to a large audience at the same place. They are both fluent speakers and worthy champions of the good cause.

The Lenten services at the P. E. Church are being well attended.

The Maryland State Sunday School Convention will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 6 and 7, and preparations will be at once commenced with the view of having the largest and most enthusiastic convention hitherto held. The convention will be held in Baltimore city as usual. Entertainment will be furnished delegates; reduced fare will obtain on railroad and steamboat lines. Each Sunday School will be entitled to two delegates. Pastors and superintendents are delegates by virtue of their office.

Bishop Andrews who will preside at the coming session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, and who had been making an investigation of the church troubles in Dover district, gave a preliminary hearing to both sides of the question for the purpose of getting at the true imwardness of the complaints and charges as yet informally made against Presiding Elder J. A. B. Wilson. The opponents of the presiding elder, represented by about fifty layman from Dover, Felton, William Grove, Camden and St. John's Churches, were first given an opportunity to present their grievances to the Bishop. The hearing was held in First M. E. Church, Dover, and lasted from 10 o'clock in the morning until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. At 4 o'clock the Bishop went to the residnce of the presiding elder and listened to the pensentation of the case from Mr. Wilson's standpoint by a number of his friends. His conclusions will be announced at conference.

ARBOR DAY.—Governor Brown has issued a proclamation designating Wednesday, April 6th, as Arbor Day, and recommends that it be observed by the people of the State, in conformity with the resolution, by planting trees, shrubs and vines in the promotion of forest growths and culture, and in the adornment of public and private grounds and ways, and in such other places as may be in harmony with the character of the day so set apart. He also specially recommends to parents and teachers in public schools that they encourage their children, or those under their ifluence, to plant or transplant at least one forest or shade tree on that day by the side of some public road or about their school house or homes. Where the day is not legal holiday he hopes the authorities will cause to be observed in all the puplic schools, and teach an impotant lesson to the children in our State.

JESSE T. HYATT the well known weather prophet of Middletown, makes the following predictions for Delaware, Maryland and New Jersey for the month of March; 1st, 2d and 3d, fair and cold; between the 4th and 7th, storm; 8th, 9th 10th and 11th, cold fair weather; between 12th and 14th, cold storms and heavy winds; 15th 16th and 17th, fair weather; 18th cold: between the 19th and 22d, cold, windy and stormy; 23d, 24th and 25bt, fair weather; between the 26th, 29th, warm rain and cold wave afterwards; 30th and 31st cold. There will be 15 days of fair weather, and several snows during the month. Mr. Hyatt also predicts that there will be a half crop of peaches. If he'll tell us the price of peaches next fall he'll be doing something.

To Be Rebuilt!

J. C. Morgan, Esq., general manager of the American Strawboard Company, arrived in Chestertown Wednesday. He was accompanied by Mr. Howell, insurance adjuster. After making a thorough examination of the ruins, etc., they returned to Chicago on Thursday eveneng. Mr. Morgan stated Thursday before leaving that the mill would no doubt be rebuilt. Every thing was favorable to that end and just as soon as the insurance could be adjusted, possibly two months from date, work on the mill would be commenced. He stated the mill was fully insured, but of course there were many things that were not covered, such as tools, etc. He advised Superintendent Matthews to keep track of his best employes as they would no doubt be needed again. Superintendent Matthews and Mr. Frank Miller are now engaged in making an inventory of the damaged machinery, etc. This news will certainly be received with much gratification by the people of the whole county.

Eastern Shore Banks.

Business men will be interested in the following figures taken from the last reports of a few peninsula banks:

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS.	
Chestertown National Bank	$201,784 31
Second National Chestertown	130,584 90
Centreville National	307,764 08
Queen Anne's National	154,752 05
Easton National	510,433 48
Far. & Merchants National, Easton	132,481 06
Denton National	129,690 32
National Bank, of Smyrna	240,627 33
Fruit Growers, of Smyrna	207,473 97
INDIVIDUAL DEPOSITS.	
Chestertown National	$301,574 57
Second National	152,511 55
Centreville National	208,979 91
Queen Anne's National	92,061 63
Easton National	278,572 22
Far. & Merchants National, Easton	70,479 54
Denton National	117,915 95
National Bank, of Smyrna	140,224 14
Fruit Growers, of Smyrna	154,407 12

PARALYZED.—Mr. G. Washington Parks, a well-known blacksmith of Chestertown, and an esteemed and respectable citizen, was stricken with paralysis Wednesday at noon. He was in his shop shoeing a horse when his daughter called him to dinner and wishing to finish shoeing the horse before eating told his daughter he would be there after awhile. About one o'clock his daughter, Emma, went to the door to look for her father and saw him staggering from the shop. She immediately ran to him and on assisting him to the house he fell unconscious on the floor. Dr. H. L. Dodd was sent for and treated his afflicted side. He is better at this writing, but is still unable to speak.

JAPANESE TEA.—The young ladies of the Chestertown 'Y' gave a "Japanese Tea" Tuesday evening which was a grand success. The tea was served at their headquarters next to the Chestertown National bank and the room was ar from being adequate to the demands of the occasion. The room was decorated with lanterns, etc., but the supper was *the* thing. It consisted of chicken and potato salad, ham, coffee, tongue, etc., etc., and was served in abundance by bewitching waiters. About $35 was realized.

CHESTERTOWN WINS.—The Demorest contest annonced in the NEWS to take place at Union M. E. Church Friday evening was well attended and the contest a spirited one. The contestants were Miss Mary Anthony, Minnie Peregoy, Macie Hynson, Chestertown; Miss Hope Greenwood and Miss Rebecca Carroll, Fairlee; Merritt Miller, Worton, and Miss Mina Crew, Betterton. The recitations were interspersed with singing by the "Y." The judges, after much thought and deliberation announced that Miss Macy Hynson was the winner of the medal and in a few appropriate remarks it was awarded by Mrs. Wm. H. Stewart.

HELD FOR COURT.—"Charley," an employe on Mr. Theodore Diehl's farm, was shot by Mr. Diehl last Monday. Although not fatally shot he was very much peppered and Dr. Hessey had quite a job picking shot from the young man's limbs. At the hearing before 'Squire Beck the boy stated that Mr. Diehl was quarreling with him and on the spur of the moment shot him with a gun. Mr. Diehl stated that he was firing in an opposite direction from the boy and that the latter was only struck by shot that glanced back from the object aimed at. The justice held Mr. D. in $250 bail for court.

Musical Evening.

Christ Church Lyceum devoted last Wednesday evening entirely to music and one of the best entertainments yet presented by this organization was given. Admission was by card only and the lecture room was filled with an intelligent and appreciative audience. The entertainment opened with a pretty solo by Mr. Howard Fowler followed by a humorous quartette by Mrs. Wm. R. Aldridge, Miss Julia Thompson, Dr. H. L. Dodd and Mr. W. W. Chapman. The sextette of brass instruments led by Mr. A. M. Culp was well rendered after which Elsie Fallowfield and Louise Usilton sang a pretty little duet; this was followed by a well-rendered cornet solo by Mr. Allie Culp after which Miss Anna G. Lambert sang "My Old Kentucky Home" in her usual sweet manner. The duet on violin and piano by Mr. William A. Elliott and daughter, Miss Julia, was highly enjoyed and after much urging gave the audience a second piece. Lizzie Quelet won the admiration of all by her rendition of "The Cows are in the Clover" and so did Mr. David Ford in his skilful production of favorite airs on the harmonica and autoharp. Miss Pearl Coleman rendered a new piano solo "The World's Fair March," after which Mrs. Aldridge, Miss Thompson, Dr. Dodd and Mr. W. W. Chapman rendered a most difficult quartette in an admirable manner. The piece was titled "Jack and Jill" and the several parts as sung evidenced the ability of the singers. The band composed of Messrs. T. J. Joiner, A. M. Culp, Carl and Jack Westcott, John Cannon and Alvin Willis played a closing selection in good time. The executive committee, consisting of Misses Nettie Russell, Marian Lusby and Clara Usilton, certainly deserve the plaudits of the audience for the presentation of this excellent program.

PROHIBITION DELEGATES.—The prohibition party will hold their national convention in St. Louis on June 29. At the State convention in Baltimore this week the following delegates were elected;

At Large—Daniel W. Miles, of Somerset county, elected by acclamation; Wm. H. Silk, Baltimore city; Wm. Daniel, Baltimore city, and W. Frank Tucker Baltimore city.

Provisional Delegates—Dr. D. E. Stone, Frederick county, John M. Parker, Baltimore city; W. L. McCleary, Baltimore city; Geo. W. Covington, Kent county; Thomas Cox, Talbot county.

Alternates—Rev. T. H. O'Brian, J. H. Robinson, Lawrence Hastings, G. E. Swain, Col. J. B. Odom, O. H. Brace, W. W. Moore, C. E. Jarrell and E. Mallalieu.

Rev. S. B. Tredway was chosen a congressional district delegate.

The Observance of Lent.

The NEWS presents to its readers this week the able sermon delivered by Rev. D. L. Greenfield in Christ Church, Chestertown, last Sunday morning, on "Why Methodist do not keep Lent." In subsequent issues we will present the reasons for its observance in the Prot. Epis. Church, written by Rev. S. C. Roberts, of Chestertown, and for its observance in the Catholic church from the pen of Rev. Father Connelly, of this town. These articles are published with the intention of presenting to our readers reasons for and against the observance of this world-renowned fast, and considerable pains have been taken to secure them.

IN JAIL.—Constable Walter Francis brought two boy peddlers to jail Thursday for peddling without a license. Their names are Benjamin Mullen and Samuel Miller and claim to have only brought some goods from Baltimore to Mr. Robt. Wickes. They spent the night in bewailing their fate and refused to eat.

THURSDAY gave us all sorts of weather. The day opened clear and springlike but before 4 o'clock a thunder storm accompanied with one flash of lightning and a regular snow squall was upon us. At six o'clock it was again clear and the thermometer was going down. The mercury stood 19° above.

WHO CAN BEAT IT?—Mr. J. V. Crosby, of near Edesville, has one of the best paying ewes in the county. She has raised *six lambs* in *thirteen* months. If there is another farmer who can eclipse this record we would be glad to hear it.

FIRE.—The fodder rick on Mrs. E. R. Wickes' farm, near Chestertown, were fired Tuesday night at 8.30 o'clock and but for the timely assistance of the college students the buildings would have caught. Mrs. Wickes evidenced her appreciation of the timely service done her by setting out to the volunteer firemen eatables, etc.

NOT IN DEFAULT.—Messrs. J. P. Hatcherson and J. A. Casey are published in the last Comptroller's report as in arrear to the State as Sheriffs of Kent county. Neither of them owe the State *one* dollar. The charges against them are for fines imposed by courts that have never come into their hands. There is a bill before the present Legislature which if it passes—and it certainly should—authorizes the Comptroller to strike off all such dead claims.

Personal Mention.

Capt. Jas. W. Patten formerally of Kent county, but who now resides in Baltimore, has been quite sick for some time past, and there is but little hope entertained of his recovery. Which his many friends in Kent will regret to hear. Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stuart returned Thursday from a visit to Mr. Patten.

Mr. J. M. J. Byron was in town on Thursday, almost entirely recovered from his recent severe sickness.

Mr. J. K. Aldridge has been quite sick for two weeks past, but is now convalescent.

T. Romie Strong, Esq., one of our delegates, was home on Thursday and visited Chestertown on business. It is the first day he has missed a session of the House.

A sad affliction has recently befallen our worthy friend Mr. Richard Groves, of Quaker Neck. He has lost two of his children by that terrible disease, dyphtheria, and has now taken the disease himself. It is to be hoped he may soon recover.

Miss Rebecca Shemwell, daughter of Wesley Shemwell, Esq., of Prince Frederick, spent several days this week at the residence of H. W. Vickers, Esq.

Messrs. Wm. Ayres and Allie Loud heard the noted sermon of Bishop Foster in Baltimore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Durding were the recipients of a small box of Florida oranges, sea shells, moss and samples of cement used for building purposes, composed of ground shells, from Dr. A. P. Sharp, who is now in Florida. The present is highly prized by Mr. and Mrs. Durding.

Miss Etta Buchman, of Baltimore, is spending an enjoyable visit in Rock Hall, the guest of Miss Bessie Satterfield.

Mrs. S. B. Treadway has painted and presented to Mrs. Wm. Morris, a beautiful oil painting of the dwelling and surroundings on the old Morris homestead, where Mr. Walter Morris now resides. The picture is an exact copy of the substantial and comfortable-looking country home, and is beautifully executed. Mrs. Treadway has marked talent as an artist, and though never having developed her natural powers by an elaborate course of training, her work is unusually fine.

Miss Kate Woodall, of Georgetown, has been the guest of Miss Minnie Allen in Smyrna the past week.

The wedding of Mr. Robert Nelson Stevens and Miss Carrie V. Roach is announced to take place in Mount Pleasant Church, Crisfield, Wednesday morning, March 23, at 5.30 o'clock. Mr. Stevens is a member of the well known commission firm of Stevens Brothers and a native of this county while the bride-elect is the sister of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Coulbourn, of Crisfield.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

The Chestertown M. E. Sunday school held its anniversary exercises last Sunday evening. The altar was decorated with some potted plants and the program carried out as follows:

Song—"Battle Hymn of Missions" ..... School
Prayer ..... Rev. R. I. Watkins
Song—"Wonderful Story of Love" ..... School
Scripture Lesson ..... Rev. A. T. Melvin
Song—"They Crucified Him" ..... School
Recitation ..... Seven Little Children
Song—Come to Jesus ..... School
Recitation—"Room For the Children" .....
..... Miss Belle Boston
Song—"What a Wonderful Savior!" ..... School
Address ..... Mr. Maltby
Song—Sitting at the Feet of Jesus ..... School
Collection Speech ..... Harry Anthony
Collection of Offerings .....
Recitation—"The Missionary Chant" .....
..... Miss Florence Melvin
Song—"Behold, the Bridegroom Comes" .....
..... School
Reading of Reports .....
Song—"Marching to Glory" ..... School
Doxology .....
Benediction ..... Rev. R. I. Watkins

The amounts of the classes for the year were read and as Miss Idel Baker's class had contributed the largest amount, $12, she was announced the banner class. The total for the year raised for foreign missions alone amounted to about $125.

Ravages of Diphtheria.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—It is with much sadness we communicate to you the sudden bereavment which has befallen our relatives and friends, Richard Groves and family, of Lankford. Two children, John aged nine years, and Maurice, aged seven years, bright and interesting boys, died and buried within three days with dyphtheria. The father, mother, Richard, their oldest son, with John Maurice composed a short time ago a happy, cheerful and loving family, now the circle is severed by the breaking asunder of two bright links, only to be linked in that beautiful "Haven of Rest," by the hand of One who doeth all things well. The entire community and large circle of relatives and friends express deepest sympathy for the bereaved family.

A. S. G.

SKIFF FOR SALE.

Any one in need of a SKIFF in good order apply in person or by letter to the KENT NEWS office, or to JOHN H. ALDRIDGE, Chestertown, Md.
ma12-3t.*

WANTED:

A good, white FARM HAND. Apply to L. T. ORR, Millington, Md.
ma13-2t.*

WANTED:

A MAN with small family, to work on farm, for 1892. Good wages will be given. Apply to W. H. BOWERS, Still Pond, Md.
m12-3t.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF THE—

CHESTERTOWN NATIONAL BANK

at Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business March 1, 1892.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	$201,784.31
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	104.94
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	15,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents	104,482.74
Due from other National Banks	35,925.43
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	5,500.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	1,353.13
Checks and other cash items	12.49
Bills of other Banks	1,815.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	216.44
Specie	13,010.05
Legal-tender notes	8,575.00
TOTAL	$387,786.53

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	$ 60,000.00
Surplus fund	12,000.00
Undivided profits	7,408.06
Individual deposits subject to check	301,574.57
Certified checks	546.99
Due to other National Banks	6,256.91
TOTAL	$387,786.53

State of Maryland, County of Kent, ss:

I, JOSEPH PETERSON, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOSEPH PETERSON, CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of March, 1892. CHARLES ESTES, N. P.

Correct—Attest: RICH'D D. HYNSON, EDWIN S. VALLIANT, ALDAY CLEMENTS, DIRECTORS.
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No. 206.

MR. WILLIAM S. McDONNELL

—HAS OPENED—

A BRANCH STORE!

—AT—

No. 206 Main St., Chestertown,

opposite the Chestertown, National Bank, where he will keep a fresh line of

CONFECTIONERY,

CIGARS and TOBACCO.

☞Call and see him at No. 206 Main st.

FOR SALE:

80,000 BARR'S MAMMOTH ASPARAGUS CROWNS
COMEGYS BROWN,
m5-6t. POMONA.

SEED POTATOES.

Come to Chestertown and get your SEED POTATOES this spring, the finest that has been in town for some time. XX EARLY ROSE and XX BURBANKS POTATOES for seed, and I will sell by barrel or bushel at very low prices. Give me a call before buying elsewhere. JOSEPH H. BROWN,
m5-4t. Chestertown.

FOR SALE:

A Desirable Property in the village of Rock Hall, consisting of a TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING, size 16x32 feet, with necessary Out-Buildings, on a lot of land 50x190 feet. Terms reasonable. For further particulars apply to THOMAS H. AYRES,
m5-3t. Rock Hall P. O., Kent co., Md.

WANTED:

FARMS TO SELL,
Also TO EXCHANGE FOR GOOD CITY PROPERTY.
Apply to W. E. COTTER,
No. 25 N. E. CITY HALL SQUARE,
jan23-3m. PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ONION SETS,
SEED POTATOES.

I am prepared to furnish growers with SEED POTATOES, grown from stock carefully selected and shipped me from Caribon, Maine, of the best and most prolific varieties. Early Rose, Early Maine and others. Also, a fine lot of Yellow Danver and Silver Skin ONION SETS.
BENJAMIN F. RASH,
fe27-tf. Lynch's Kent co., Md.

WANTED TO RENT:

For the summer months a Comfortable House, decently furnished, with some adjacent grounds; convenient to railroad and steamboat landing. Address, stating location, description and terms. HERBERT HOOPER,
m5-1m. 32 W. Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

WANTED:

To trade one Pair of Mules for TWO HEAVY HORSES (or Mares preferred. Will give some boot if value of horses will warrant. N. BARNARD,
fe27-3t. Still Pond.

WANTED TO RENT

For the summer months a Comfortable House, decently furnished, with some adjacent grounds; convenient to railroad and steamboat landing. Address, stating location, description and terms. BOX 464,
fe20-1m. Baltimore Postoffice, Md.

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,
fi3-4t. Millington, Md.

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,
j9-tf. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Chestertown, Md.

NOTICE.

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

Rose Hill Nursery!

70,000 PEACH TREES FOR SALE.

The above trees are all grown from STRICTLY WILD PEACH SEED from Tennessee Buds taken from healthy bearing trees.

Catalogue furnished free on application.

JOHN BELL, Manager,
m5-5t. Chestertown, Md.

FURNITURE!

Mattresses, Chairs, Window Curtains,

NEW GOODS! LOW PRICES!

WE keep on hand at our Furniture Warerooms oppo. Chestertown National Bank, a full assortment of all kinds and grades of Furniture, such as Bedsteads, single and double, Lounges, Marble and Wood-top Parlor Tables, Dining and Kitchen Tables, Bureaus, Washstands, Tin Sideboards and Safes, Commodes, Hat and Towel Racks, Extension Tables, Chairs and Rockers of various patterns, Mattresses, Woven Wire Bed Springs, Cots, Looking Glasses, &c. We deal directly with the manufacturers, consequently

We Sell at Bottom Prices.

No use to go to the city for any goods in our line as we can sell you as cheap if not cheaper than you can buy elsewhere. Give us a call and we feel sure you will be convinced.

I. W. HINES & CO.,
fe20-3m. CHESTERTOWN.

TREASURER'S LAST NOTICE!

TO TAX-PAYERS.

IN THIRTY DAYS my official term expires. The law requires me to turn over to the sheriff on the first day of April EVERY UNPAID TAX BILL, and he must proceed at once by legal process.

I have no option in the matter; the law is plain and imperative. Those indebted for the past year should settle AT ONCE. This will save the heavy costs certain to follow delay.

☞This is my LAST NOTICE.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM B. USILTON, TREASURER.
Feb. 27, 1892.

PUBLIC SALE OF

PERSONAL PROPERTY

THE undersigned will sell at Public Sale in front of the Market House in Chestertown, Md.,

On SATURDAY, March 26, 1892,

at 2.30 o'clock P. M., if fair if not fair, the following Tuesday at same place, the following Personal Property:

Two Fine Mares,

namely:

One Bay Mare, DAISY, extra fine driver; one Iron Gray Mare, SADIE, heavy in foal, kind and gentle, good worker and fine driver;

1 York Carriage as good as new;
1 Cutter, in good order; 1 Road Cart,
2 Bridles and Saddles, in good order;
2 Single-Barrel Breech-Loading Guns in good order.

TERMS OF SALE ARE:—All sums of $10 or under, cash; over that amount a credit of Six Months will be given, purchaser to give bankable note with good security and payable in the Second National Bank of Chestertown. No property to be removed until terms of sal are complied with. Notes to bear interest from day of sale.

B. SPENCER SUTTON & BRO.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auc'r. ma12-ts.

A VALUABLE PIECE OF LAND

At Public Sale.

THE undersigned will sell a Lot of Land containing about

FORTY ACRES,

situated at Worton Station—between the main road and the railroad, part of it on each side of Mr. Jos. Venable's land. It is desirable BUILDING LOTS or for TRUCK LAND. Will sell five acres with the privilege of the whole. I will either sell or give a mortgage on the land for a small interest about 5 years. For further particulars apply to JOSEPH H. PORTER,
ma12-3t. Worton Station.

Public Sale.

THE undersigned will sell at Public Sale at his residence on the farm called "ROUGH and READY" between Chestertown and Crumpton,

On WEDNESDAY, March 16, 1892,

at 10 o'clock A. M., the following Property:

2 Very Fine Milch Cows,

one a Thoroughbred ALDERNEY,

THREE SHOTES,

HOUSEHOLD & KITCHEN FURNITURE.

TERMS:—Six months on sums over $10, payable in Chestertown National Bank.

JAMES A. KIRBY.
JOHN ATKINSON, Auc'r. m5-2t.

A Fine Stallion

AT PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned as attorney for the owner will offer at Public Sale at the Market House in Chestertown, Maryland,

On SATURDAY, March 12, 1892,

AT 2.30 O'CLOCK P. M.,

The Fine Stallion, Chief Clydesd