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CHESTERTOWN, MD., - - APRIL 20, 1895.

THE steam laundry is numbered among Westminster's prominent industries.

THE Easton *Democrat* reports the peach outlook in that county as "very encouraging."

THE expenses of the Lexow committee in New York city were $67,434, of which John W. Goff received $11,250; four other lawyers, $21,250; and the committee's stenographer, $17,434.

AT A MEETING of the Game and Fish Productive Association of Maryland, held in Baltimore on Tuesday, Dr. W. Frank Hines was elected a member of the executive committee from Kent.

THE Centreville *Record* says that "public opinion seems to be adverse to general re-assessment, believing that existing laws fully provide for the taxation of all property." The Easton *Star* strongly favors a new assessment and says "the question of reassessment will be the most important factor in the coming gubernatorial and legislative contest. No evasion of the issue will be tolerated."

DURING the building of the new court house in Denton the county clerk, Mr. E. C. Fields will occupy Col. P. W. Downes' law offices. The county commissioners and Treasurer Deakyne will occupy the law office in Masonic Building made vacant by the removal of Attorney Hardcastle. The Price trial, which will begin April 30th will be held in the Town Hall.

PRESIDENT JACKSON, General Manager Brackett and other members of the Baltimore Centennial Association, as well as the general public, express themselves as delighted and highly encouraged by the great outpouring of citizens who assembled at Clifton Park on Monday to witness the ceremonies attending the formal acceptance of the site for the great exposition of 1897.

THE sheriff of Caroline comes out in a card in the Denton *Journal* in which he hits some hard licks at the grand jury which found a presentment against him for dereliction of duty in failing to pay over county taxes. The sheriff says: "I have not a single cent in my hands belonging to the county. I wish further to say that a considerable part of the money still due for taxes is owing by *members of the Grand Jury who made the presentment;* and they have since paid their taxes with the County Certificates for their services!"

THE BALTIMORE TELEGRAM supplies a felt want. From a weekly literary journal it has been changed to a Democratic weekly, with the promise to make it a daily as soon as patronage justifies the step. The number now before us contains a splendid likeness of Hon. Isidor Rayner, one of the Democratic aspirants for gubernatorial honors, and the general tone of the paper shows it to be non-factional—that is, its prosperity is not dependant upon its "cleverness" in blackguarding the prominent men of its own party. The *Telegram* very properly advocates no particular candidate for Governor, but is ready to support any proper man who shall receive the Democratic nomination. James Young, Esq., a most estimable gentleman and a consistent Democrat, is the publisher and proprietor of *The Telegram*. Terms $2 per annum.

How uncertain is life! The Cecil *News* comes to us this week in deep mourning and says: "When this paper was last issued Clinton McCullough and Daniel Bratton were each pursuing his usual occupation, and enjoying his usual health, and yet, in the space of one short week, they have both been consigned to their last resting place in the Elkton Cemetery! They were both in the prime of manhood and occupied important stations in the public life of Cecil county."

POLITICAL NOTES.

Very little is "going on" in local politics. Court week has brought numbers of the leaders of both parties to town and talk has been plentiful, but of a general character. We have heard of very few new candidates on either side. Mr. John Nic Vansant is among the new names mentioned for sheriff in the first district. Whether he would serve or not is a question. Mr. Geo. A. Ireland, of Masseys, was also announced as a candidate this week.

Ex-Senator Hepbron thinks the best plan for the Democrats to adopt for nominating a county ticket is to run the candidates through the county, without delegates and let the county central committee declare the candidates according to the highest vote in the county. Others oppose this plan, believing it to be open to great abuse, and favor a direct vote for each candidate in the several districts and delegates to declare the result according to the vote so cast.

According to the Baltimore *Evening News* Ex-Senator Burchinal is taking more interest in farming than in politics. Under the heading "Captain Burchinal a Farmer," the *News* has the following: "Capt. William D. Burchinal, of Kent county, formerly surveyor of the Port of Baltimore, was in town to-day. Captain Burchinal is one of the leading Republicans of the State, and represented his county in the State Senate at Annapolis for eight years. He says that he will not be a candidate for any office this year, as his farming interests, which are large, require all his time. He reports that the prospects for crops of all sorts, including peaches, are good in Kent county."

In State politics the situation also remains unchanged. The Baltimore *American* professes to be still very hopeful of Republican success. It says their prospects are better in Maryland than for thirty years, and as a consequence there is great activity in Republican circles. It clearly indicates its party's line of battle in the following:

"Whatever planks may adorn the platforms of the parties this year, no one doubts but that the leading and paramount issue will be reassessment. There is a demand for reassessment among the masses of the people that will not down: it is present at every conference; it is discussed at every gathering of the voters, and is bound to be considered by every State convention, large or small, that meets this year. Unless all signs fail, reassessment will of necessity, because of its importance and the general demand for it, lead all other questions in this year's political platforms."

Mr. Hattersly W. Talbott, chairman of the Democratic State central committee, has appointed the committee of eleven provided for by resolution passed at the meeting in Baltimore April 3. The committe is as follows:

Hattersley W. Talbott, Montgomery.
Joshua W. Miles, Somerset.
Richard D. Hynson, Kent.
Charles C. Crothers, Cecil.
George L. Van Bibber, Harford.
J. Frank Smith, St. Mary's.
William W. Bowie, Prince George's.
Edward W. Mealey, Washington.
Frank A. Furst, Baltimore city.
Charles H. Carter, Baltimore city.
Conway W. Sams, Baltimore city.

The resolution authorizing this committee and defining its duties is as follows:

"The chairman of the State commitee shall appoint a committee of eleven, of which the said chairman shall be a member, whose duty it shall be to take such action as it may deem necessary to thoroughly organize the party throughout the State with the view of securing a complete registration of voters. This committee is further authorized to make such suggestions and regulations as will secure the full, fair and complete expression of the Democratic voters in the primary meetings. It is to hear all appeals and determine all controversies which may arise prior to the meeting of the State convention."

Hon. Isidor Rayner will open his campaign with a meeting at Music Hall, Baltimore, and then he will canvas the counties.

Death of a Maryland Editor.

We are pained to record the death of Daniel Bratton, editor of the *Cecil County News*. Only recently we saw him the very picture of health, and he was in active business up to a week of his death. He was a pall-bearer on the Monday before at the funeral of Dennis Macauley, and got wet. This caused pneumonia and at 8 o'clock Sunday evening he died. He was in his 40th year and leaves a widow and three children. Six years ago Mr. Bratton began his editorial career and made his paper one of the cleanest and best Democratic journals in the State. The editorial fraternity throughout the State will lament his untimely death.

The Right Spirit.

The Westminster *Advocate*, which is recognized as one of the ablest Democratic journals in the State has this to say of the recent meeting of the State Central Committee: "At the gathering were hundreds of Democrats from all parts of the State besides members of the committee, and prominent among them were a number that for years have been anti-Gorman men. But there were no notes of discord, and all Democrats, Gorman followers and Gorman opponents, in that assemblage favored the nomination of astrong ticket and giving it a united support."

This is the tone of the Democratic press in every county in the State as shown by the *Advocate's* extracts. It is the factionist and the enemies of the Democracy only that are disturbed by the prospect of Democratic harmony.

The meeting of the Public School Teacher's Association yesterday was attended by every teacher in the count- but one, and that one was in court as a witness.

ELECTION NEXT MONDAY.

The town election next Monday includes another important matter in addition to that of town commissioner, and it is to be hoped the qualified voters of the town will exercise their privilege in casting their ballots. The commissioner to be elected is to take the place of Mr. E. W. F. Simpers, whose term expires, and the term of service is three years. Mr. Simpers, we believe, makes an admirable "city father" and the town will be fortunate in securing his services for a full term. The office is of the most thankless character and those who do consent to accept and give so much of their time and thought gratuitously to the interests of the town should have the highest appreciation of the whole community.

The other matters demanding the attention of the voters next Monday are two ordinances which look to town improvement—one is the tearing away of the old market house eye-sore and the erection upon its site of a building for municipal purposes; the other is to authorize the widening of Spring Avenue. We suppose there will be a unanimous vote for both these improvements.

OYSTER INTERESTS.

Police Boats at Chestertown—Court Cases—The Fate of the Oyster Bars—Notes &c.

The Anna B. Smith, of the Maryland oyster navy, arrived in our harbor on Monday to answer summons to the April court in prosecution of cases to be tried for violations of the oyster laws by dredgers and others. The Smith is one of the finest and most effective of all the sailing vessels in our oyster navy and it is certainly a great misfortune that she goes out of service, with the rest of the sailing fleet, on the 30th of the present month. The Anna B. Smith is manned as follows: Captain, Thomas W. Hyland; mate, Robert L. Hynson; crew, Chas. B. Beck, Frank Shreck, Alfred P. Cornelius, John Jones. Capt. Hyland is not certain what he will engage in after the 30th, but some kind of sailing, he thinks. The crew will take whatever employment they can get.

The steamer McLane arrived on Wednesday. She has a genial gentleman and fearless officer in Capt. Turner, her commander. The boat is a fine sailer. She made the run from Annapolis in three hours and ahalf. She is greatly feared by all violators of the oyster laws, as well she may be, as the Captain has now about *fifty cases* before the courts of the "oyster counties." The courts of Anne Arundel and Dorchester are both in session and Capt. Turner must appear at both; he was allowed a few days for his appearance in Kent first. The McLane is officered as follows: Captain, Deputy Commander James A. Turner: mate, Levi Fields; chief engineer, M. S. Parsons; assistant, A. C. Porter; fireman, Wm. Farrell, Richard Mitchell; seamen, Wm. Rollison, David Fields, John Washburn; steward, Geo. Walker; cook, C. Smith.

Mr. Greenleaf Hearn, of Salisbury, a friend of Capt. Turner, came up on the steamer, to see what *this* section of the Eastern Shore looks like.

The McLane and the Anna B. Smith left our harbor yesterday afternoon.

The oyster season closed on the 25th, but the law allows five days for disposal of the catch. The general verdict is that the season has been a very poor one for the tongers. It has been blowing a gale almost every day since the season opened. Capt. Hyland thinks there are more oysters on Swan Point than for fifteen years. A tonger can catch from 15 to 40 bushels per day there. In Chester river the oysters are very scarce. From "Cliff City" up, there are a great many young oysters, but the full grown luscious bivalve is becoming a thing of the past. The best tonging grounds in the river now may be found about Piney Point, on the Queen Anne's side, opposite E. N. Island ferry. There are a great many young oysters on all the grounds and if they can be protected the supply would soon be replenished. Prices during the season have been from 40c. to 60c. per bushel in the river, and 30 to 35c. on Swan Point. At the latter place Monday they sold for 25@27c.

Both Capt. Turner and Capt. Hyland are apprehensive that the withdrawal of the sailing vessels from service will prove very damaging to the oyster interests, as it will be impossible for the two steamers to cover the grounds requiring protection. Capt. Turner says he will do the best he can, and some of the violators will find him about when least expecting it.

The Annapolis *Republican*, which is published in a county deeply interest in the tonging business, and whose editor, Mr. Moss, was a member of the last Senate and is a candidate for re-election, has this to say in its last issue:

"Commander Howard is of the opinion that dredging will be prohibited for several years by the next Legislature, and that the sailing vessels will be turned over to the several counties, under the supervision of the County Commissioners, to be supported from the funds received from tonging licenses. This plan will at least have the merit of placing the protection of the oyster beds in the hands of those interested in their preservation.

THE Wicomico *News* comes to us enlarged and improved. We congratulate its enterprising editors, Messrs. Brewington, Bros., and wish them continued success.

THE Democratic committee of Pennsylvania have endorsed Cleveland's financial policy.

PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned will offer at Public Sale on the Market House Green,

On SATURDAY, APRIL 20th, 1895.

at 2.30 P. M., the following property:

1 York Wagon and Harness,

1 Buffalo Robe, 1 Leather Fly Net, etc.

Also, Lot Household and Kitchen Furniture:

including Beds, Bedsteads, Carpets, Mattings, Stoves, Dishes, &c.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under cash; over that amount a credit of Eight Months will be given on bankable note, with approved security. No property to be removed until terms are complied with.

MRS. M. A. MATTHEWS, Chestertown.
J. H. GREENWOOD, Auc'r. a19-ts.

DIED.

In Crisfield, Md., on the 10th inst., Mrs. ANN ELIZA ELLIOTT, wife of Benjamin H. Elliott, of consumption. The remains were brought to Chestertown and funeral services were held at the residence of her son Thomas B. Elliott, interment in Chester Cemetery.

On Monday last, WELDON LEE, twin son of T. L. and Josie Walbert, aged 9 months.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Worton, REV. K. M. BULL, Pastor. Sunday-school at 9.30 A. M., preaching at 7.30 P. M.

SERVICES AT GALENA:—The following is the order of Church Devotions at Galena on April 28th, FATHER OTT in charge: Mass at 10.30 A. M., with sermon, followed by Sunday School. Evening services at 7.30 P. M., consisting of night prayers, sermon—Papal Infallibility—followed by Benediction. Mass on Monday at 8.30 A. M. The parents are most earnestly requested to bring their children. Sunday School immediately after the mass on Sunday. 2t.

CHRIST M. P. CHURCH—A series of discourses will be given beginning Sunday at 7.30 P. M., on the Book of Revelation. Persons attending are requested to bring their bibles, and to ask questions concerning the theme expounded. The first sermon will have respect to the singular names used in Revelations, such as Antichrist, Beast, False Jews, False Prophet, etc. Questions should be written, and sent up to the pulpit or be handed in beforehand.

$1,000 TO $10,000 TO LOAN

On Good Real Estate in Kent county, at 6 per cent.

all-tf. JOHN D. URIE, ATT'Y.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASS., DECEMBER 31, 1894.

ASSETS:

Value of real estate owned by the company, less amount of encumbrance thereon		$577,396 27
Loans on bond and mortgage		5,141,722 72
Stocks and bonds absolutely owned by company (market value)		5,612,047 70
Amount of all loans (except mortgages) secured by stocks, bonds and other securities hypothecated to the company for cash actually loaned by the company		2,066,780 00
Interest due and accrued on stocks, bonds and other securities		321,356 36
Cash in company's principal office and belonging to the company deposited in bank		800,364 80
Premiums due and in course of collection		480,233 34
Premium Notes in force		650,494 03
All other admitted assets detailed in statement on file in this office		2,971,38
Total admitted assets		$15,653,366 60
LIABILITIES:		
Losses reported, adjusted and unpaid	$118,369 38	
Reserve, at 4 per cent.	14,272,299 00	
Unpaid dividends of surplus or other description of profits due policy holders, including dividends deferred and not yet due	118,352 58	
All other claims	2,770 35	
Total liabilities		14,511,821 31
Surplus as regards policy holders.		$1,141,545 29
Total income		$3,825,159 07
Total expenditures		2,769,989 48
34,394 policies in force in United States on 31st December, 1894		89,877,280 00
23 policies written in Maryland during the year 1894		60,000 00
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1894		29,223 15
Losses and endowments paid in Maryland during 1894		3,625 00
Losses incurred in Maryland during 1894		3,625 00

STATE OF MARYLAND, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. ANNAPOLIS, March 6, 1895.

In compliance with the Code of Public General laws, I hereby certify that the above is a true abstract from the statement of the MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASS., to December 31, 1894, now on file in this department.

I. FREEMAN RASIN, Insurance Commissioner

FRANCIS S. BIGGS, Manager, 23 South St. Baltimore, Maryland. a20-3t.

THIS SPACE IS RESERVED

FOR

CREW'S ROYAL CASH STORE,

ROCK HALL, MD.

UNITED "Y" is requested to meet the President in Fairlee Hall next Monday Evening, if fair.

Mortgagee's Sale of

Residence Property!

AT WORTON STATION.

UNDER and by virtue of the power in a mortgage from Angeline Venable and Joseph Venable to Sarah M. Usilton and John W. Corey, acting guardians to John G. Usilton, and by said mortgagees assigned to John D. Urie, which mortgage and assignment is duly recorded in Liber S. B., No. 10, folio 140, &c., of the Land Records for Kent county, State of Maryland, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale at the Court House Door in Chestertown, Md.,

On SATURDAY, 27th day of April 1895,

AT 11.30 O'CLOCK A. M.,

the REAL ESTATE covered by said mortgage as follows: ALL THAT TRACT of LAND consisting of SIX ACRES of LAND, more or less, located on the public road leading from Worton Station to Lynch's, in said Kent county, adjoining the lands of George T. Williams and others, and now occupied and tenanted by Thomas Lambert.

The property is IMPROVED by a LARGE, WELL-BUILT EIGHT ROOM HOUSE and the usual OUT-BUILDINGS.

TERMS of sale are cash.

JOHN D. URIE, Assignee of Mortgage.
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HO, FOR 1895!

Here we are again With ammunition for another Big Campaign.

HYLAND FARM WAGON AND CELEBRATED HYLAND FIELD ROLLER. The Best on Earth!

The celebrated BARLOW and the U. S. CORN PLANTER—King of all! It can t be excelled. This is the universal testimony.

HARROWS, CULTIVATORS, PLOW TREES AND HAMES, all sizes, Single, Double and Three-Horse Trees.

GENERAL BLACKSMITHING and WHEELWRIGHTING. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

We have accepted the agency for the celebrated PAGE WOVEN WIRE FENCE, a sample of which may be seen at our factory.

Thanking the public for past patronage, and soliciting a continuance of the same,

I am yours, respectfully,

W. A. HYLAND.

GALENA, MARYLAND.

WM. R. ALDRIDGE.

I HAVE IN STOCK for the SPRING TRADE the Finest Line of Goods ever exibited in my Store. Would call attention to the following specialties;

A Choice Line of Neckwear

A Splendid assortment of Suspenders and Belts. A well-selected line of Percales, Ginghams, Ducks, Prints, Figured Cambrics, White Goods. A Beautiful line of Laundried Percales and Madras Shirts. A full line of

Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes and Slippers.

A Large Line of QUEENSWARE decorated Dinner, Tea and Toilet Sets, also a full line of Glassware and Lamps Just think of the Globe Night Lamp for 18c. The largest line of Hosiery in town.

Great Bargains in Mattings.

Call and examine my goods before purchasing. Yours, very resp'y,

WILLIAM R. ALDRIDGE,
a13. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

ELECTION OF TOWN COMMISSIONER.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held at the Court House in Chestertown, Maryland,

ON MONDAY,

The 22d day of April, 1895,

for the purpose of electing ONE PERSON to serve for three years in the place of E. W. F. SIMPERS, appointed to serve out the unexpired term of James A. Shaw, whose term expires May 1st, 1895. Polls open from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. By order of Board.

M. WILBUR THOMAS, Clerk of Com.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

COMMISSIONERS of CHESTERTOWN

—FOR THE—

Period from April 23, 1894, to April 22, 1895.

REVENUE:

Corporation Tax levied		$2,775 99	
Fire Insurance Company, water rent		100 00	
Dog Tax		72 00	
Cart License		3 00	
Show License		5 00	
Fines		1 00	
Rec'd from County Treasurer		2,286 63	
Cash from W. Eliason for 7-12 cost improvement along his front, in addition to his donation of strip of land 235 feet long, average width 22½ inches		90 22	$5,333 84

EXPENDITURES:

Work and material on streets:			
Hauling	$168 50		
Labor	352 06		
Laying Pavements	122 89		
H. S. Barnett, bricks	172 96		
Shells	164 27		
		$ 980 68	
For Lighting Streets:			
Gasoline, lamps, &c	311 26		
Freight on Gasoline	46 83		
Lamp Lighters	167 80		525 89
Sundries:			
T. W. Eliason, lumber	19 68		
Mrs. Primrose, for sand	50		
Blacksmith	1 55		
Rent for college lot	08		
J. K. Aldridge, Hardware and Repairs	26 76		
S. F. Smith	32 72		
J. L. McFeely & Co	2 00		
Trimming Trees	6 00		
Judgment, costs and Atty's Fees, Gibson cases	845 11		
Costs and Atty's fees case H. H. Barroll vs. Commr's Chestertown	194 20		
Election	12 00		
Printing Annual Report, ordinances, &c	76 60		
Bailiff, assist's and clerks	1,169 75		
Water rent for 1895	590 00		
C. H. Davis, witnesses Centreville	8 00		
Repairs to Pumps	1 00		
Insolvencies allowed J. N. Wheatley from 1883 to 1894	93 10	3,079 03	
Total expenditures			$4,585 60

Revenue	$5,333 84
Expenditures	4,585 60
Balance	$748 24
In Bank	2,388 20
Balance	$3,136 44

CHAS. T. WESTCOTT, President Town Commissioners.

Test:—

M. WILBER THOMAS, Clerk.

TURNER & SON

BETTERTON, MD.

LUMBER,

Full Stock, New Stock.

FRAME STUFF—Georgia, Hemlock, Virginia.

DRESSED BOARDS—White Pine and Yellow Pine.

BARN BOARDS—White Pine, Hemlock, Virginia.

FENCING—White Pine, Cypress, Hemlock. $14.00 per thousand for good fencing.

FLOORING—Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia. A good flooring for $16.00.

SHINGLES—All sizes, Heart and Sap.

DOORS—Door Frames.

WINDOW Sash and Frames.

SHUTTER and Blinds.

OULDINGS, etc.

Estimates furnished promptly.

The Celebrated Styrone Poultry and Garden Fence,

Four feet high. The cheapest Wooden Fence of the market. In bundles, 50 and 75 feet. We have on hand a full stock.

Poultry Wire Fence.

Two feet to four feet high, 3 to 5 cents per foot. The best fence sold for keeping the old hen and chickens together. One point note—Cheapness of an investment. Give us a call.

TURNER & SON.

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