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In order to secure attention, subscribers wishing their addresses changed must give OLD as well as new address.

The great sugar refineries in Baltimore were closed a few days ago by the trust and the hundreds of employees were all thrown out of employment.

The New York *Journal* says Hanna spent fourteen millions of dollars to elect McKinley. Why don't the *World* tell us how much the "silver trust" gave to aid Bryan?

John Wanamaker has announced his candidacy for Senator from Pennsylvania to succeed Cameron, a Republican silver Senator. He may win, but we can tell more about it when Quay returns from his fishing trip.

The States carried by Bryan aggregate 1,759-151 square miles, while the States McKinley carried aggregate only 960,600 square miles.—*Jackson Clarion-Ledger.*

Well, let's rejoice over that. It is a rather doubtful compliment, but we must find something for consolation.

An association has been formed in Baltimore to fight the cyclers. It concerns the rights of carriages and bicycles on the highways and in the parks. Why should there be any clash? Common sense and common public interest would seem to indicate the proper thing.

"The sugar trust demonstrates the fact that it is in business for the sugar trust only. Baltimore is not considered in the matter."

The above is from a Baltimore paper which did its best to aid the trusts in the last election. It helped to stab its own city and now cries at the hurt.

Cleveland says that silver is not dead yet, and therefore the "gold Democrats" should maintain their separate organization to aid in any future contest with the "heresy." The Baltimore *Sun* says it is dead. And the *Sun* knows, of course.

Our intelligent Fairlee correspondent wants to know why farmers do not "arrange to hold their wheat?" We will answer for the farmer: Because that is easier said than done. The treasurer will not wait for the taxes. The note in bank must be met. The thousand-and-one other demands are all upon the poor farmer's crops as soon as garnered, and the small pittance must be had for it at once. So that it is not what he *would* do, but what ne *must* do that denies him the opportunities which others possess.

"The day of the "boss" politician is waning in Maryland."—*Balto. Evening News.*

Waning! Phew! Can it be that our esteemed city cotemporary has been asleep for a year past? Waning!—with "our own" Wellington constantly in the public eye since Maryland went into Republican hands? Waning!—with this Wellington boss, the most omnipotent in the State's history, and his star still rising? Brother Grasty, pinch yourself; wake up! This is Republican Maryland now. And "boss" rule is perfect!

Ninety cents a bushel for wheat is greatly encouraging.—*Exchange.*

To whom? Certainly not to the farmer, nine-tenths of whom are *buying* flour! This 90 cent price will be a god-send to the poor agriculturist if it prevails when the crop comes in and he has wheat to sell. But will it do this? Or, if *corn* would go up, as it should if the wheat rise is healthy, to 50 or 60 cents in sympathy with its companion cereal, then we would indeed be encouraged! However, let us not be prophets of evil, but hope for the best.

A business letter received through the mail this week from a stock dealer in Philadelphia, makes this statement as an inducement for us to invest: "Since the election of McKinley —in 24 hours after—the value of these securities increased $25,000,000." What does it mean? If anything at all, it is that all debts have become that much more burdensome. That is, the creditor class is twenty-five millions better off, and the *debtor class that much worse off* by the election of McKinley! Does it not look that way?

The Dorchester grand jury went a little out of the ordinary. A large portion of their report is taken up with a criticism of the sanitary condition of the county jail. They express horror at the condition of a jail out-house and say they "cannot find words in the English language" sufficient to express their opinions of it. Wonder is expressed that the inmates have escaped contagion and the place is described as "a menace to civilization and a detriment to the health of Cambridge."

Hobart says he has been notified of the "naming after him" of 800 babies! What is fame?

A Contradiction.

President Cleveland wrote a letter on last Thursday to the New York Chamber of Commerce banquet congratulating that organization upon the outcome of the election. We make no criticism upon the apparent inconsistency of a professedly Democratic and tariff reform President rejoicing in the triumph of a Republican successor—and that Republican the very personification of protection—the very author of the most odious tariff measure that ever existed in this country!

The following is a verbatim extract from the letter:

"I earnestly hope that in this time of congratulation it will be remembered that constant vigilance and continued effort are required to even maintain present conditions; but that absolute safety will only be secured when our financial system is protected by affirmative and thorough reforms."

Is there not here a flat contradiction? First he insists upon "constant vigilance to *maintain present conditions*" and in the next breath wants this system protected by "thorough reforms!" If the financial system is right why reform it? But, probably he means to say that the "present conditions" should be hedged about—protected and perpetuated—by further legislation of a *similar character*. This in the eye of the Cleveland gold-bug is justifiable. Indeed to him it seems the first duty of government. Tighten the tension—lift the gold yet higher—that its measure may be more hard and arbitrary—that our only means of obtaining it in the sale of our labor and products may be even more difficult and distressing.

Our Court on Prohibitory Laws.

The new chief judge of this circuit has had occasion recently to tackle a very difficult subject—whiskey selling. It was his duty last week to charge the grand jury of Queen Anne's relative to the granting of licenses in Queenstown district. It will be remembered that this district is the only one in the county not under the operations of the local option law and last year the grand jury refused to grant license there also, which made the whole county prohibitory. The applicants for license in Queenstown were indignant at the action of the grand jury, but bided their time, and at the last session of the legislature secured a special act bearing upon the duty of the grand jury relative to that district. Armed with that they went to the court, but were astounded to find the new law open to the same action—or non action—by the grand inquest as of old. Judge Russum gave an exhaustive opinion, taking the ground that the jury was clearly permitted the option of refusal to grant any license, and laying down the rule that a nuisance is a nuisance whether to a single individual or to a community, and under the law the jury could hear and determine whether individual neighbors of the whiskey seller were subject to annoyance or whether the whole community was not better off without any license at all. The jury refused to grant any license in Queenstown district, so the prohibition throughout the county prevails.

In Talbot a similar case was presented in Chapel district, and Judge Stump charged the jury that they "had no right to nullify the law by an arbitrary refusal to recommend the issuing of any licenses."

The charge of Judge Stump has created a sensation. It will be remembered that the grand jury last November refused to recommend the granting of licenses in Chapel district, since which time the saloons there have been closed. This ruling from the court, it is believed, will restore those licenses.

MARYLAND OFFICIAL VOTE.

A Clerical Error in the Kent Returns is Corrected.

The official figures of the recent election is announced from Annapolis. The average vote for the electors, after correcting errors, is as follows:

Republican, McKinley ticket	136,945
Democratic, Bryan "	104,712
Prohibition, Levering "	5,918
Gold-Democrat, Palmer ticket	2,480
Socialist, Matchett ticket	587
National, Bentley ticket	132
Total	250,774.

This is the largest vote ever polled. The total colored vote polled was, in round numbers, 50,000, leaving 207,774 white votes cast. In 1895 the vote of Maryland was 230,305, as follows: Republican, 124,936; Democratic, 106,169; Prohibition, 7,719; Populist, 979. The total registered vote in Maryland this year is white 213,273, colored 53,000.

In this Congressional district the official vote is as follows:

Isaac A. Barber, rep.	17,969
Joshua W. Miles, dem.	17,394
T. Pliny Fisher, pro.	1,724

In Kent county our board of election canvassers made a mistake in the return, crediting the 1981 votes cast for Wm. J. O'Brien to George O'Brien. The Secretary of State could not make the count from the face of the returns, and telegraphed County Clerk Dr. S. G. Fisher to know where the trouble was. The error was soon located in the return of the canvassing board. They had simply written the elector's name George for Wm. J., and Supervisor Hurtt promptly notified the State authorities.

One of our prominent citizens makes a bid for a county office in another column.

The Jury was Illegal!

In the case of B. Palmer Keating, Esq. at Cambridge last Wednesday, Judge Lloyd decided that the grand jury which found the indictment was not legally drawn by Judge Russum. This nullifies the case against Mr. Keating. State's Attorney Harper, of Queen Anne's, proposes to take the case to the Court of Appeals. Judge Russum was one of the witnesses and testified that the jury was drawn from a list of names in possession of the late Chief Judge Robinson instead of being taken immediately from the poll and tax list of the county.

The question now is, does this not nullify every other act of that grand jury? What is to be done with those convicted and now serving terms in the Penitentiary? Any of them can get release if a hearing can be had, and the *habeas corpus* will secure this. They are all presumably innocent. Can they not institute suits and recover damages for false imprisonment?

Is War Imminent?

The daily press is filled with rumors of war. Complications with Spain over Cuban affairs are declared to be serious and our greatest war ships and numerous port defences are being placed in readiness for active hostilities. The report of Gen. Miles relative to this preparation for defence states that "our engineer department is ready with the most modern plans for fortifications, and our ordnance department is prepared with designs for guns and carriages that are equal to any in the world."

The report goes on to say:

"In view of the present serious aspect of European politics, it is only common prudence for this nation to be on its guard, for should a conflict arise we are liable to be embroiled with some power whose navy, in the present defenseless condition of our coasts, might destroy or exact ransoms from our chief cities.

"A war, if it comes at all, will come with no warning and no time for preparation. China, with undefended ports and inadequate navy, was defeated in a few months. In the last war between the great military powers of Germany and France, the surrender of Sedan occurred only 40 days after the declaration of war.

"The wars of nations occur in cycles of varying length, but seldom does a generation pass without a great conflict. Already more than 30 years have elapsed since our last great war, and another may soon, if the past be a guide for the future, terminate one of the longest intervals of peace we have ever enjoyed."

DIED.

In Chestertogn, Sunday, Nov. 15, 1896, the infant son of John D. and Daisy Welch.

In Chestertown, Friday, Nov. 13th, 1896, WARREN, son of Mrs. Walton Harley, aged 22 months.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Worton, Rev. K. M. Buml, pastor. Sunday-school 9.30 A. M. No preaching tomorrow.

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, of Kennedyville, Rev. K. M. Bull, pastor, will preach at 3.15 P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHESTERTOWN.
REV. JOHN M. GILL, PASTOR.
Preaching at 10.30 A. M., Sermon to Children; Sunday-school 2.30 P. M.; Song and Prayer Service 7 P. M.; Preaching 7.30, subject, The World's Greatest Prayer Meeting will be Conducted Exclusively by the Unsaved. The unsaved are specially invited to this service.

M. E. CHURCH, Chestertown, Sunday, Nov. 22nd. Morning service 10.30, sermon subject, Thanksliving to God; Sabbath School 2.15; Epworth League Devotional Service 6.45; Evening service 7.30, Sermon by the pastor, subject, God's Desire Toward Young Men.

UNION, Queen Anne's, 2.30. Sermon by Rev. R. W. Todd, agent for Maryland Bible Society; at 7.00 o'clock sermon by Rev. C. S. York, followed by revival services.

On Thursday, Nov. 26th, 10.30, the congregations of the M. P. and M. E. Churches will unite in Union Thanksgiving Service in the M. E. Church. Sermon by Rev. J. M. Gill. Music by combined choirs.

A PROPOSAL!

CHESTERTOWN, MD., NOV. 19, '96.

TO THE HON. BOARD OF COUNTY COMM'RS:

Gents—As the excitement is all over and we have settled down at work and it is near time for you to appoint your clerk for the next year, I will now make my bid for the clerkship. This year you paid $900 for a clerk and $160 for a helper or teacher. Now I will fill the whole bill for $500, and give bond for faithful work. The farmers pay most of the taxes on 25 cent corn. Respectfully,

1t. JAMES BRICE.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON GOOD REAL ESTATE in Kent county.
Apply to JOHN D. URIE,
j27-tf. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

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HOGS, CALVES, SHEEP.

JOHN GALE,
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FOR SALE or RENT:

A COMMODIOUS STORE and Comfortable and Convenient Dwelling House. Both located near Rock Hall.
Apply to C. A. LEARY,
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TO RENT for 1897:

STORE and DWELLING, on corner High and Mill Streets. Dwelling roomy and in first-class order. Papered throughout. Hydrant and water in kitchen.
Apply to J. B. SAPPINGTON,
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TO RENT:

SEVERAL DWELLINGS in Chestertown, two of them for the balance of the present year, and others for the ensuing year. The dwelling in which I live will be sold at a reasonable price or will be rented at once, and the rent taken in board by the undersigned, if they so prefer.
I have also a lot of Household Goods which may be bought at private sale.
For terms apply to MRS. L. C. SHAW,
s26-tf. or her attorney, J. D. URIE.

At Jacob F. Thompson's

NEW STOCK; No Old or Ice House Fruits to Offer.

Rasins,
Currants,
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Everything ready for Mince Meat and Fruit Cake.

All of above goods sold at Lowest Prices for New Fresh Goods. Remember I have no Old Goods to offer.

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PURE, SWEET, APPLE CIDER,

like we had lats fall. Try it.

Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries

AT CLOSE PRICES.

Yours respectfully,

JACOB F. THOMPSON.

☞Cash paid for Butter and Eggs.

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SALT, SALTPETRE, SAGE and PEPPER.
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PUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property

AS I have determined to quit farming I will sell at Public Sale at Rock Point,

On FRIDAY, December 4, 1896

my Personal Property, as follows:



SIX HORSES AND MULES,

3 Mares, 5 and 8 years old, two good drivers, well broken to all harness: 1 horse, 6 years old, good driver and saqdle horse, will work in all harness: 1 Pair Mules, good size and good workers;

2 Farm Wagons, 4 two-horse Plows, 1 Small Plow, 3 Iron Age Cultivators, 2 Twin Harrows, 1 Horse Rake, 1 Three-spring Dearborn, 1 Wheeled Cultivator, 1 Two-seat Carriage, 1 Drop-foot Carriage, 1 Set of Double Carriage Harness, 1 Set of Single Carriage Harness, 2 Light Carriage Poles, 1 Steel-frame Champion Binder, 1 Grain and Fertilizer Drill, 2 sets of Wagon Harness, hand made; 8 Collars, hair filled; 8 Work Bridles, lot of Plow Gears, 2 and 3-horse Trees, Scythes, Forks, Hoes, Shovels and Corn Knives, Spades, Heavy Blocks and Falls, a lot of Old Iron, 1 Broad Axe and Post Auger, 4 Small Axes for trimming.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; over $10, Nine Months' credit will be given on Note with approved security, payable in the Second National Bank of Chestertown. No property to be removed until terms are complied with.

EDWARD J. PLUMMER.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auc'r. n14-ts.

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Best Family Buckwheat in 100 Pound Bags, only..... .....$2.25.

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We did quite a large jobbing business in this line last year, as many purchasers can testify. We hope to increase this large scattered trade this season.

SALT! SALT!

224-lb. Sacks Fine Salt, only.....95c.
Ground Alum per Sack.....60c.
Bushel sacks 35c.; Half Bushel sacks 20c.

Also, Turks Island and Rock Salt.

Can ship to any point touched by Steamer Sassafras at $1.00 per sack for the Fine, and 75c. on Ground Alum, delivered. Terms, cash.

FLOUR! FLOUR!

Anticipating the advance in wheat, we purchased heavy on Flour. We are under the wholesale market, and selling the retail trade. Purchase now at the advantage given. We sell the BEST.

PATAPSCO SUPERLATIVE,
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We are prepared at all times to bid on Corn for early sale, and can pay more than farmers can clear by shipping. Prompt response to calls. Correspondence solicited.

TURNER & SON,
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Fall Goods!

Canton Flannels from.....5c. per yd. up.
White and Red Wool Flannel
Dress Ginghams and Outings.....5c. up.
Brown and Bleached Muslin.....5c. up.

White Blankets as Low as 55c. per Pair.

UNDERWEAR:

For Gents, Ladies and Children at Lower Prices Than Ever.

Men's and Boys' Winter Boots,
Ladies' and Misses Shoes,
Children's Shoes,
Rubber Boots and Shoes,
Hats and Caps,
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J. H. SIMPERS,
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The Continuous Rush

of trade at our "Great Xmas Preparation Sale" can only be explained by the Many Bargains being offered. The object of this sale is to make room for the Holiday Goods, and as "Right Prices on Right Goods" always commend themselves to the public, we can only invite you to visit our sale and see for yourself. Out of a store full of Bargains we quote a few prices:

5c.
Buys good 7-8 Bed Ticking, only 5c.

5c.
Buys Fancy Plaid and Stripe Outings, now 5c

6¾c.
Buys Fruit of Loom, 4-4 Bleached Muslin 6¾c.

39c.
Buys Dickey's Wool Kersey, now 39c.

33c.
Buys Men's Good White Laundred and Unlaundred Shirts—Special, 33c.

$1.39
Buys a Bargain in Men's Best $2 Heavy Pants, Pants, only $1.39.

$2.25
Buys Men's Good $3.50 Overcoats, now $2.25.

33c.
Still buys the Ladies' Best 50c. Heavy, Fleece-Lined Vests and Pants, 33c.

12½c.
Buys Children's Heavy Shirts, only 12½c.

Hog Killing Season is Here.

Buy strictly Pure Seasonings. We guarantee these goods as the best on the market, and the best we can buy.

9c.
Buys Pure Black Pepper (Best) 9c.

10c.
Buys Pure Saltpetre (Best) 10c.

15c.
Buys Pure 'Hand Rubbed Sage' (Best) 15c.

VERY LOW PRICES ON BUTCHER KNIVES

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Buys Best 50-pound Lard Cans, 38c.

33c.
Buys Best 40-pound Lard Cans, 33c.

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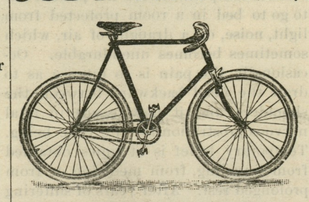
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