The Maryland Claim.—A Bill has been reported in Congress authorising the payment of the claim of Maryland for interest on money expended in the late war, which, without doubt, will pass—the principle upon which the claim is advanced, having been settled by the act of Congress of last year, authorising the payment of a similar claim to Virginia. By this act the State of Maryland will receive about one hundred thousand dollars. The City of Baltimore, also, has put forth a claim upon the same principle, and will recover from eighteen to twenty thousand dollars. Our information on this subject is entitled to entire confidence.

To the attention and exertions of the able Senator in Congress, Gen. SMITH the people of Maryland and the citizens of Baltimore, are indebted for these pleasing results. It is within our knowledge that Gen. Smith was the first to suggest the putting forth the claim of Maryland and this movement on his part suggested the subject to the city authorities. It is therefore but just that the people should know these things that they may be duly estimated with the other labors of a venerable public servant.

Methodism.—"The first time I had the pleasure of being in company with the Rev. John Wesley, was in the year 1783. I asked him what must be done to keep Methodism alive when he was dead—to which he immediately answered,—The Methodists must take heed to their Doctrine, their Experience, their Practice and their Discipline. If they attend to their doctrine *only*, they will make the people *Antinomians*; if to the experimental part of religion only, they will make them *Enthusiasts*; if to the practice part only, they will make them *Pharisees*;—and if they do not attend to their discipline, they will be like persons who bestow much pains in cultivating their garden and put no fence round it to save it from the wild boar of the forest.

Singular custom.—The southern part of Devon, (Eng.) is remarkable for its excellent cider. For the purpose of insuring a good fruit harvest, the following custom is almost universally kept up in that part of the country. On the eve of the Epiphany, the farmer attended by his workmen, with a large jug of cider repairs to the orchard, and encircling one of the best bearing trees, they drink the following toast three several times—

Here's to thee, old apple tree;
Whence thou may'st bud—whence thou may'st blow;
And whence thou may'st bear apples enow!
Hats full! caps full! bushel, bushel-sacks full!
And my pockets full too! Huzza! huzza!

Some are so superstitious as to believe that if they neglect this ancient custom, be the weather what it may, the trees will bear no apples that year.

ORIGIN OF PHRASES.

"To Rule the Roast"—is to govern, manage, or preside over; Johnson observes, that it was originally written Roist, which signifies a tumult, and then implied to direct the rabble.—*Brady's Variety of Lit.*

"To bear the Bell"—is to suppress others, or to be the first in merit; alluding to the wether, who wears the bell, and is followed by the flock; or the first pack-horse of a drove who has bells on his collar.—*Brady.*

"Piping Hot"—This expression is taken from the custom of a baker's blowing his pipe or horn in villages to let the people know his bread was just drawn, and consequently 'hot' and light.—*Brady.*

"Under the Rose"—that is privately or secretly. The rose was it is said, sacred to Harpocrates, the God of Silence and therefore frequently placed on the ceilings of rooms destined for the receiving of guests; and implying, that whatever was transacted there should not be made public.—*Brady.*

"To come in pudding time"—that is by dinner time, or time to begin dinner, pudding being the first dish that was served up.—*Brady.*

"A Welch Rabit"—Bread and cheese toasted; that is, 'a Welch rare bit'—*Brady.*

"Pettifogger"—A little dirty attorney, &c. It is derived from the French word *Petit vogue*, of small, or little reputative.—*Brady.*

Sudden death.—Mr. Uriel Smith while apparently in good health, and attending a town meeting at Francistown, N. H. suddenly fell down dead in the pew where he sat. The moderator was just about to declare an unanimous vote for him, as town Clerk.

John Carrol, was hung in Jackson county, Florida, on the 27th of January last, for the murder of Mrs. Elvire B. H. Northrop, being the first execution that has taken place in that territory since its cession to the United States.

Mr. Whippo, an engineer, examined the route from Warren, on the Allegheny to Franklin, Penn. and from thence to Pittsburg, and states that the whole expense of canal navigation from Buffalo to Pittsburg, will not be equal to $2,000,000.

Although it may be thought by many very singular how we obtained our knowledge, yet we assert it as a fact, that Ladies always pull off their left stocking last.

Cambridge Chronicle,

AND
Eastern Shore Advertiser.

CAMBRIDGE, SATURDAY, April, 15 1826.

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N. E. corner of High and Poplar streets.

Our readers may form some idea of the recent transactions at Washington, by referring to the Congressional reports under date of April 8th.

We are requested to state that *Solomon Kirwan*, Esq. declines being considered a candidate for Elector of the next Senate of Maryland.

We are authorised to announce *John Douglass* and *John Brohawn*, esqrs. as Candidates for Electors of Senate at the ensuing election.

Arthur H. Willis, esq. is a candidate to represent Dorchester county, in the next Legislature of Maryland.

Philemon L. Chew, esq. late member of the Executive Council, is a Candidate for Elector of Senate, for Prince George's county.

Levin Gale, esq. is a Candidate to represent the Congressional district composed of Kent, Cecil, and Harford counties, in the next Congress of the United States.

Robert W. Kent, of Anne Arundel county, is a Candidate for the next General Assembly of Maryland—and *Horatio Ridout*, of the same county, for Elector of Senate.

James Polk and *Thomas C. Carroll*, Esqrs. of Somerset county, are candidates for Electors of Senate.

A number of the most respectable citizens of Queen Anne's county have requested a public meeting of the people, at Centreville, on Monday the 1st of May next, "for the purpose of considering the propriety of adopting measures to restrict undue and improper practices, in obtaining votes for any office in the gift of the people."

Literary.—We learn from the New York Post that a highly interesting work is in the press at Madrid; the Voyage of Christopher Columbus, compiled chiefly from his own papers, which have been discovered within a few years, and composed in part of extracts from his journal. This work has been prepared for publication by the famous Bishop Las Casas. A translation from the Spanish into English is making by Washington Irving, who is at present at Madrid. It will probably be published in this country early in the ensuing summer.

An English paper makes mention of an action brought by a lady, to recover damages for the breach of a promise marriage. The lady had been married for fifteen years, but was at the time a widow—the gentleman had but one objection to comply with his promise, and that was, he was a married man at the time that he made it, and the father of a grown up family. In this strange courtship, it was proved that the gentleman declared that in case of refusal, he would shoot himself, which the lady advised him to do, and procured him a pistol for that purpose. The Jury, pitying the distresses of this loving couple, returned a verdict for the lady of £14 19s. 6d. damages.

Cobbett.—Some efforts are making, at the instigation of a crazy provincial Baronet, (Sir Thomas Beevor) to return this notorious person to Parliament. A meeting was held in Lincoln's Inn Fields for the purpose of deliberating on the proper measures to be adopted. After a good deal of noise and nonsense, it ended in the passing of certain resolutions recommending a public subscription. In the course of his speech Cobbett said that "if he should be returned to the next Parliament he would make the ears of ministers tingle as they had never tingled before; or if he did not, then would he suffer any man present to drag him from his house and tread him to pieces in the dirt."

THE DUEL.

It appears by the following letter which we copy from the Baltimore American, that a duel was fought on Saturday last, between Mr. CLAY, Secretary of State, and Mr. RANDOLPH, of the U. States Senate.

"WASHINGTON, April 8—6½ o'clock.

Since 4½ o'clock, the city has been in an uproar. The news has just arrived that Secretary Clay, accompanied by General Jessup, Senator J. S. Johnson of Louisiana, and Dr. Hunt,—and Mr. Senator Randolph, with Colonel Tatnall of Georgia, and Colonel Hamilton of S. Carolina, went out to fight at 4 o'clock. They fought at twenty feet—Mr. Clay fired twice, and Mr. Randolph, on the second round, fired in the air, and then offered his hand to Mr. Clay. It is said on the second fire Mr. Clay struck Mr. Randolph's clothes, and it is believed Mr. R. wore a frock, or his large drab coat. Had any thing serious occurred, several duels would have taken place.—Mr. Randolph, in a four hours speech yesterday, (alluding to Mr. Clay,) *called him a black-leg, and went on in a violent strain—but was not called to order.*

Another letter of same date says:—"They (Messrs. Clay and Randolph) took their stand at eight paces. Randolph's pistol went off by accident, before the word. Clay fired and ripped the lining off his waist-coat. They then took fresh pistols—Clay fired a second time, and missed—Randolph discharged his pistol in the air, and tendered Clay his hand, which, at the suggestion of the seconds, was received, and thus the affair ended.

"Messrs. M'Duffie, Trimble and Vance have thus far had no explanations.—What the newspaper publications will produce, time must determine."

The Washington papers contain the following statement of this affair, furnished by the friends of the parties.

"On Saturday, the 8th of April, at half past four o'clock, a meeting took place between Mr. Clay and Mr. Randolph, upon a call of the former, in consequence of certain expressions used by the latter in a recent debate in the Senate, which Mr. Clay considered offensive, and applied *personally* to him.

Mr. Randolph was attended by Col. Tatnall of Georgia, and Major Hamilton, of South Carolina; Mr. Clay by General Jessup, of the Army, and Mr. Johnson, of Louisiana.

The parties met on the ground—exchanged salutations, and took their stations.

The pistol of Mr. Randolph, which was suspended by his side, went off. It was perceived to be an accident, and so pronounced by Mr. Clay; immediately, however, upon the report of the pistol, Mr. Randolph turned to Col. Tatnall and said, "I told you so." Col. Tatnall then turning to Gen. Jessup, observed, "Sir, the fault was mine: Mr. Randolph protested against the use of the hair trigger: it was at my express instance the hair was sprung." Another pistol was immediately handed to Mr. Randolph—the parties resumed their stations, and exchanged shots without effect.

Immediately after the report of the pistols, while Col. Tatnall and General Jessup were re-loading, Col. Benton, of Missouri, rode up, and united with Mr. Johnson and Major Hamilton in an effort to stop the affair, which proved ineffectual. The parties again took their stations and the word being given, Mr. Clay raised his pistol and fired, and the ball passed through Mr. Randolph's clothes.—Mr. Randolph reserved his fire—holding his pistol perpendicularly up—said "I do not fire at you Mr. Clay;" and discharged his pistol in the air. He added, "it was not my intention to have fired at you at all; the unfortunate circumstance of my pistol going off accidentally, changed my determination." At this instant Col. Benton came up, and said "Yes, Mr. Randolph told me so expressly, eight days ago." The parties simultaneously approached each other, both with extended hands—Mr. Randolph remarking, "Sir I give you my hand"—which was cordially received by Mr. Clay; and the affair thus honorably and happily closed.

The friends of the parties, without consulting their respective principals, in the hope of terminating the difference in a manner alike honorable to both, were induced to delay the period of meeting for a few days."

Surgical Operation.—In the 17th number of the New York Medical and Physical Journal, Dr. David L. Rogers has reported an important and interesting case of epilepsy, of *fourteen* years standing, cured by the operation of trepanning.

The subject of the case was a Mr. D. aged 46 years, who had labored under fits of epilepsy for the previous 14 years. "For the last ten," says the report, "they have occurred so frequently as to disqualify him for labor of any kind, and they have gradually increased in frequency and violence. From their long continuance his mind is much impaired, and he is fast approaching to a state of idiotism." It appears that he had received a blow on the head, some time previous to these fits, which fractured his skull. Dr. Rogers conceiving this to be the cause of the fits, recommended an operation for his relief; and accordingly on the 5th of Feb. 1825, assisted by Professor Mott and Dr. King, he removed the injured portion of bone by the application of the trephine, and found a *spicula* of bone projecting into the brain.—Dr. R. adds, "nine months after the operation, I saw this man in the street: he stated that his memory had nearly recovered its usual strength, he has had no returns of the fits; and is so far restored to health as to attend to his business without any inconvenience."

Acts of the General Assembly of Md.

AN ACT to make valid the acts of Justices of the Peace, relating to supersedeas.

Whereas, many of the justices of the peace within this state, have not written out at large and signed supersedeas in the form now required by law, but have made an entry in their dockets to the following effect: Superseded this —— day of —— by A. B and C. D. (as the case may be.) and doubts have been entertained whether said supersedeas is valid and binding in law, and to remove all such doubts,

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the entry made by any justice of the peace of this state, in his docket, or on the warrant, in the following words: Superseded by A. B. and C. D. or to that effect, shall be as valid and binding upon the parties superseding the said judgments, and the same legal operation and effect, as if the said supersedeas had been written out at length and signed by the justice before whom the same was taken.

Sec 2. And be it enacted, That in future, it shall not be necessary for a justice of the peace, to write out the supersedeas, in the form now required by law in any case within the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace, but repeat the form to the party and his securities, and enter the same in his docket: "superseded by A. B. and C. D. (as the case may be,) this——day of——for — months; which docket entry shall have the same force and effect in law, as if the same had been written at length, and signed by the said justice.

AN ACT to enable purchasers to obtain possession of lands and premises sold by Sheriffs, Coroners and Elisors, at public auction.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That whenever any lands or tenements shall be sold by any Sheriff, Coroner or Elisor, by virtue of any process of execution from the Court of Appeals, Court of Chancery or any other named, in the said process or any other person or persons holding under such debtor or debtors by title subsequent to *Court* Court, and the debtor or debtors, the date of the judgment or decree shall be in the actual possession of the lands or tenements so sold, and shall fail or refuse to deliver possession of the same to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, it shall and may be lawful for the Court, to which the said process shall be returnable on the application of the purchaser or purchasers of the said lands or tenements, his, her, or their agent or attorney, and on no good cause having been shewn to the contrary by the said debtor or debtors, his, her, or their agent or attorney or other person concerned within the first four days of the term next succeeding that to which said process was returnable to issue a writ in the nature of a writ of habere facias possessionem, reciting therein the proceedings which may have been had on said process, thereby commanding the said Sheriff, Coroner, or Elisor, as the case may be, to deliver possession of the said lands or tenements to the purchaser or purchasers thereof.

And be it enacted, That the said Sheriff, Coroner or Elisor, shall have all the powers in the execution of any writ of habere facias possessionem, to him directed.

On Saturday afternoon a pedestrian, named Macmillian, completed the arduous task of walking 105 miles in twenty four hours, which he did 20 minutes within the time. He commenced his labour on Friday, at half past four, and finished at ten minutes past four on Saturday.—The spot of ground selected for the purpose was on the foot pavement between Hope-park Chapel and the gate of Newington House. Macmillian had the disadvantage to contend with one of the stormiest nights experienced this season, being pelted with rain, wind, and hail, nearly half the time—Notwithstanding, he walked the last mile in 15¼ minutes, and appeared then to be quite fresh.

SUMMARY.

On Friday last the counting-house and carpenter's shop at Mr. Betts' air furnace in Wilmington, Del. were destroyed by fire, together with a great number of valuable patterns. Loss, 4 or $5000.

The trial of Isaac B. Desha, in the Harrison circuit court, Ken. was, on motion of the Attorney for the Commonwealth, postponed until the next June Term. The absence of witnesses, whose testimony was thought to be essential for the commonwealth, was the ground of the postponement.

John Cleves Symmes is in New York, and is making preparations to deliver lectures on his theory.

The Detriot Gazette of February 21st mentions that six Indians have been killed by their own countrymen since the first week in Jan. The introduction of whiskey among them, appears to be the principal cause of these appalling crimes.

D. Barber and Thomas Mitchell, Esq, of Milledgeville, (Geo.) fought a duel with short rifles at fifteen paces at Cambelltown, (S. C.) on the 9th ulti. The latter was killed on the second fire.

Wm. Hayward, Esq. is not a candidate for the next congress of the U. S. for the district composed of Queen Ann's Talbot and Caroline counties, as has been stated.

Mrs. Sharpe, relict of the late Col: S. P. Sharpe, has addressed to the public, through the medium of the last Kentucky Argus, a pretty long communication, in which she vindicates the character of her deceased husband against the foul and fiend like attack made upon it by Patrick Henry Darby.

The United States schooner Shark, was cruising off St. Jago de Cuba on the 2d ult, all well.

☞ The Orphan's Court of Dorchester county, will sit on MONDAY week, the 24th inst.

MARRIED,

In Talbot county, Mr. William Ross, to Miss Lydia Haddaway—Mr. James C. Catrop, to Miss Ann Kirby.

In Baltimore, Mr. Francis S. Key, of the United States Navy, to Miss Eliza beth Lloyd, daughter of Henry Hall Harwood, of Annapolis.

DIED,

In Talbot county, Mrs. Mary Mackey, relict of Mr. Philip Mackey.

On the 29th ult. at his late residence, Charles Jones, Esq. late Sheriff of Somerset county, in the 52d year of his age.

In the city of Washington, on the 31st ult. John B. Colvin, esq.

Near Cambridge, on Saturday night last, Mrs. Priscilla Caulk, much regretted by her friends and acquaintances.

PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.

BALTIMORE, April 12, 1826.

Flour, Howard-st. per bbl.	$4 50
Do. Susquehanna	4 00
Do. wharf	4 00
Wheat, white, per bushel	0 80
Do. red.	0 77
Rye, per bushel	0 65
Apple Brandy,	0 37
Peach Do.	0 85
Whiskey,	0 29
Oats, do.	0 42
Corn Meal, per barrel	3 40
Corn,	0 70
Oak tim. and scant. m. feet	10 a 15
Oak Boards,	18 a 20
Yel. pine boards, 5-4 (E. S.)	17½ a 20
Wt. pine boards, pannel,	20 a 22
" common,	16 a 17
Shingles, (N. C.) bundled	3¾ a 4½
Staves, W. O. pipe, (yard prices)	50
" hhd.	30
" bbl.	15
" R. O. bbl.	8 a 10
" hhd.	16

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued by James Houston, esq. and to me directed at the suit of Nehemiah Wheeler, against Thomas W. Wheeler, and Thomas Wheeler, sen. will be sold on FRIDAY the 5th of May next, all the right of the said Thomas W. Wheeler,

In and to a Tract of Land,
called "PINY POINT,"

being and lying in Barren Neck, formerly the property of Levin Wheeler, dec. also, one yoke of steers, the property of Thomas Wheeler, sen.—to be sold for cash on the premises, to satisfy said claim and cost, between the hours of 10 and 4 o'clock.

WM. G. LECOMPTE,
april 15 3w Dept. Sheriff.

NEW GIGS.

SEVERAL new Gigs, made by Daniel Newnam, are offered for sale—Persons wishing to purchase will please call on *JAS. W. STEWART.*
april 15 3w

INSOLVENT NOTICE.

THE creditors of Nevills Neal, of Dorchester county, are requested to take notice that the first Tuesday after the fourth Monday in October next, is appointed for him to appear in Dorchester county court, to receive the benefit of the Insolvent laws; the same time is appointed for his creditors to attend.
april 15 3w*

Notice:

PERSONS indebted to the estate of Mr. John William, deceased, will please to make early payment—It is necessary the estate should be settled.
WILLIAM B. MARTIN.
april 15 w

POSTPONED SALE.

THE sale of Mr. John Lecompte's property, advertised to have taken place on Friday last, is postponed until Monday next the 17th of April, between the hours of 12 and 4 o'clock, at Samuel Lucas' tavern.

WM. C. RIDGAWAY,
april 15 1w Constable.

HICKORY III.

IS a good Bay, 6 years old next June, and rising 15 hands high; elegantly formed, of great bone and sinew. His dam, (the sorrel Hornet) formerly belonged to Mr. Bartholomew Manlove. She was got by Mr. Robert Faulkner's celebrated Diomede, who was got by the old imported Diomede. He was got by young Hickory, who was got by the noted running horse Old Hickory; who was got by the imported horse Whip, his dam, Dido, by the imported horse Dare Devil, his grand dam by Wildair, who was got by the imported horse Fearnaught, out of the imported mare Kitty Fisher, his great grand dam by the imported horse Clockfast; great grand dam was the dam of the celebrated horse Bucephalas, and Lady Teaset. Whip was bred by Mr. Durand, and was got by Saltrum, his dam by Herod, his grand dam by Match'em, out of Gimcrack's dam.

Hickory the 3d's grand dam was the noted running mare Lavinia, who was got by the imported horse Diomede; her dam the imported mare Lady Bolingbroke, by Pantaloon; her dam, Cade, by Mr. Wormley's King Herod, a son of Fearnaught, out of Mr. Burton's Kitty Fisher; the dam of Cade was Primrose, by Dove, a son of Cade, by Old Cade, by the Godolphin Arabian; the dam of Primrose was Stilla, by Othello, a son of Crab; Stilla's dam was Salma, by the Godolphin Arabian.

N. B. The grand sire of Hickory the 3d, was sold for $2500; Lavinia, the grand dam of Hickory the 3d, was sold for 3500 dollars by Col. Miles Seldon, to Gen. Ridgely. Hickory the 3d's colts when a few days old are valued at from 20 to 30 dollars in his own neighborhood.

TERMS.—Single leap $2 50, if paid on or before the 20th of June 2 dollars will be taken—Springs chance 3 dollars, if paid on or before the 20th June 4 dollars will be taken—10 dollars to insure, which may be discharged by paying nine dollars by April following.

SOLOMON DAVIS.
april 15 6w*

A CHALLENGE;

SWEEP-STAKES.

THE subscriber will run his horse HICKORY 3d, against any spring horse belonging to Talbot, Caroline, or Somerset county, Md. or Sussex county, Del. one mile and repeat—the owners of the different horses to stake 50 or 100 dollars each. To be run in September or October next.

SOLOMON DAVIS.
april 15 6w*

NOTICE.

BY order of the Commissioners of Insolvent Debtors for the city and county of Baltimore, notice is hereby given to the creditors of John K. Lewis, an Insolvent debtor., that a personal discharge hath been granted to the said debtor, and that the 1st Saturday in next September term of Baltimore county court hath been fixed for the final hearing in his case before the said Court.

The said creditors are required to attend at the office of the said Commissioners in the Court house, in the city of Baltimore, on the 8th day of May next, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and nominate a trustee or trustees, to be appointed for their benefit; and to give all the information in their possession to the said Commissioners, to enable them to report to the said court.

Dated the 21st day of March, in the year 1826. april 15 3w

Maryland:

Dorchester County Orphans' Court, April 6, 1826.

On application of *James Cropper*, Adm'r. of *Joseph Dean*, late of Dorchester county, deceased.—it is ordered that he give the notice required by law, for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of *three successive weeks*, in the newspaper printed in the town of Cambridge.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of Dorchester county Orphans' court, I have hereunto set my Hand and the Seal of my Office affixed, this 11th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1826.

SEAL

WM. W. ECCLESTON,
Reg'r. of Wills for Dorch'r. co.

IN obedience to the law and the order of the Honourable Orphans' court of Dorchester county, this is to give notice, that the subscriber, of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the Orphans' court of said county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Joseph Dean*, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 11th day of Oct. 1826, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, A. D. 1826.

JAMES CROPPER, Admr.
april 15 3w of Joseph Dean, dec.

††† All persons indebted to the estate of the deceased, are requested to come forward and make immediate payment.

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