The Cambridge Era.

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The County Treasurer bill has been for the past week the all-absorbing question with our people. It has excited, and is still exciting, intense interest in all sections of the county. Various opinions have been presented and discussed by legal gentlemen relative to the validity of the law; but it is not essential that a brief of their views should be given at this time.

Mr. Meekins, the Treasurer under Carroll's commission, has presented his bond to the Commissioners for their approval, the amount being fifty thousand dollars—the lowest penalty provided by the new law—and also conditioned that he should discharge the duties of both Treasurer and Clerk. Heretofore the Treasurer, who was custodian of the county funds alone, had to give a bond of ninety thousand dollars for each year. But Mr. Meekins, with that sublime modesty so characteristic of him, purposed having both the entire State and county funds placed in his keeping under a bond of $50,000 for two years, or $25,000 a year. Owing to the smallness of the bond, together with other material reasons, the Commissioners wisely refused to approve it. As a consequence a mandamus will be sued out, and the validity of the law, in all its aspects, fully tested.

Meanwhile we would say to lovers of fair play throughout the county be not discouraged. The cause of right will yet triumph over might. Fortunate indeed for the honor and interests of old Dorset, we have two men in the Commissioners' Office who can neither be subsidized nor bulldozed. That sturdy old yeoman of Spartan virtue and lion-nerve, Thos. I. Jones, sustained by the quiet, undemonstrative, but no less firm and immovable, Firmer B. Clifton, will not, we are assured, shirk the duty which has been forced upon them by the enemies "of a government by the people and for the people." If defeated in the Circuit Court, they will immediately take the case to the Court of Appeals, at the same time taking especial care that the county is represented by the best legal talent in the State. They mean business, and will be heartily sustained by every fair-minded, liberty-cherishing voter in the county, irrespective of party.

[Since the above was put in type the petition for a mandamus has been filed in the Circuit Court, and the Commissioners are given until next Wednesday in which to answer the same through their counsel.]

Capt. Lucius Travers, of Virginia, was a cultivated and wealthy gentleman who had witnessed the frosts of seventy winters. Instead of thinking about joining the angels in the other world, he concluded he would hitch on to one here, as many an old goose before him has done, and will do again. So about eight months ago he married a beautiful and dashing lady of twenty-two summers. Last week one of her old beaux—a perfect swell from Baltimore—visited her. The old gentleman of course became fearfully jealous, and a downright quarrel ensued, which continued long after they had retired for the night. When he finally fell asleep, she quietly got up, proceeded to the dining-room, procured a carving-knife, and carved his throat from ear to ear. She is now in jail, and he is in the spirit land. Men of seventy, let this be a warning to you when you gaze lovingly and longingly upon women of twenty-two.

Under Buchanan's Administration the Indian agents, as a matter of course, were all Democrats. An old Indian, whose first impressions of the white man was gleaned through them, remarked, with a grunt, that when he first heard that the pale-faces had killed their Saviour he was perfectly astounded, but, now that he had become acquainted with them, he was equally astounded that they didn't steal his clothes. We don't know whether his opinion of his white brethren has been enhanced under subsequent Administrations, but it is hardly probable that it has been lowered.

The Cumberland Valley, that prolific hive which sends out a swarm of farmer emigrants to the Western States every year, has done rather better than usual this spring. General Boyd, Superintendent of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, reports that from the 1st of February to the 19th of April 661 tickets were sold to emigrants from stations in Cumberland county, and 337 from stations in Franklin county, making 998 in all.

Bayard Taylor, our newly appointed Minister to Germany, has prudently determened, since his arrival in Europe, to reduce the number of his beers per day. His merschaum now is twenty-five instead of forty.

An exchange says "an-out-and-out Republican stands no chance of recognition by Hayes." Wonder what it calls Packard, who has just been appointed Consul at Liverpool?

Hon Robt. M. McLane has long been an aspirant for Congressional honors. He prefers the Senate; but there being no chance there, he is anxious to be the Representative of the Fourth Congressional District. A nomination of course is equivalent to an election. It is well known that the Ring had slated him as their candidate. The only obstacle in the way was the present incumbent, Hon. Thomas Swann. Whether they anticipated that he would be burnt out from hard drinking ere the assembling of the nominating convention, or some other cause, they had left him off the slate. But he soon put a flea in each of their ears. "He was not going to be turned down for anybody," says the *Baltimore American*, "and he wanted to know if the Ring dared to rule him out. The Ring, which is as intelligent as it is unscrupulous, immediately owned up that Mr. Swann must not be affronted, and that some other means of placating Mr. McLane must be found. The puzzle was solved by the discovery that there is nothing in the Constitution to prevent Mr. McLane from representing the Third Congressional District in the House, although his present domicile is in the Fourth District.

"We hesitate whether to approve or condemn this brilliant plan. There are two plain facts to be taken into consideration. One is that Mr Swann ought not to be retired, he being the only Maryland Represestative that has any influence at Washington; and the other is that Mr. McLane would be a vast improvement upon the present member from the Third district, to say nothing of his immediate predecessor. His nomination, however, would be a confession that the nine lower wards of Baltimore cannot furnish a worthy candidate for Congress."

Rev. W. L. Hughes, a Baptist minister, of Brownsville, Pa., is in trouble. For some time it had been suspected by the Brownsvillites that he visited Pittsburg too often, and it began to be remarked that his associations while in the city were not strictly in accord with the code of Christian morals. Woe be to a village clergyman when the villagers suspect him of being guilty of any indiscretion. In his last trip to Pittsburg he was shadowed by three Brownsvillites, who tracked him to a house of ill-fame. As soon as he saw the party the reverend gentleman gave one wild, despairing look, and darted out of the house, and they plunged after him to give *eclat* to his departure. On, on, he went, all the while howling vigorously for the police, and they after him, until he reached the station-house. When questioned as to his motive in visiting such places he said he was ignorant of its character, which occasioned a derisive laugh by the bystanders. He afterwards said he merely went there to "see life in all its varied phases." But that was too thin. We judge his Brownsville congregation have ere this shook him, and are now looking for some preacher who "had seen life in all its various phases" before he entered the pulpit. We don't know how he smoothed the matter over with his wife, but we presume he succeeded in convincing her that he was as innocent of the charge as the little lamb Mary had.

Just think of a woman being married in her night dress. Such, however, was true of Miss. Halliday, in Hyde Park, Mass. Her papa, being bitterly opposed to her marriage, had hidden her clothing on her going to bed, but she climbed down the ladder to her lover, who escorted her home and dressed her from his sisters wardrobe. Then they sought a clergyman, who fixed them for life. When a fellow has a girl's heart safely in his own keeping, she will invarably invent some plan by which he can have her, too, a furious old papa to the contrary notwithstanding.

Jonathan Walker, the wellknown Aboletionest of Whittier's celebrated poem entitled "The Man with the Branded Hand," died in Michigan last week. For attempting to free slaves he was captured in Florida, imprisoned, pilloried, branded on the right hand with the letters S. S., or Slave Stealer. He was born in 1799, and was long noted as one of the most vehement of abolition and anti-slavery lecturers.

Insured or not insured, remember that the Supreme Court has decided where a party insured is instructed to pay premiums to local agents, and the agent with whom he has been instructed to deal ceases to be such, and no other is designated by the company, and in consequence the premium is not paid at maturity because the insured does not know to whom to tender it, the policy is not forfeited by a failure to pay the premium.

The circulation of the N. Y. Sun is 113,000, being larger than that of any other paper in the world.

"Of late," says the Baltimore *American*, "Maryland has not contributed many great men to the lower house of Congress. Mr. Swann has easily maintained his place at the head of the delegation, and the main argument in favor of his renomination from term to term has been the assertion that if it were not for him the State would be a nonentity in the House of Representatives. A fertile field for speculation would be an examination into the causes which convert our latter-day Maryland politicians into figure-heads as soon as they become Congressmen. Our Wilsons, Henrys, O'Briens, Roberts, Henkles and Walshes were sufficiently clever men at home; but when they entered Congress it seemed as if an extinguisher had been put upon them and their light was seen no more. If the world ever knows anything of them, the information will only come through the pages of the *Congressional Record*, that mausoleum of oratory in which they may occasionally appear." If it were possible to crowd their combined talents into the brain of one man, he might answer foa a shadow of the great Davis or Pinckney, but no more.

The Baltimore *American*, which has been investigating the strength of the Socialist organization in that city, states that, although their numbers are not large, yet they are thoroughly organized, and in full sympathy with the principles enunciated in those organs published throughout the country, professedly in the interests of the working-men. Although the reports as to the doings of the order in large cities may be exaggerated, yet the fact that it numbers over sixty thousand in the United States, and that its influence was largely felt in the labor troubles of last year, is sufficient to cause apprehension and distrust. They are generally atheists, who seek the abolition of worship; the substitution of a science for faith; of human nature for divine justice; the abolition of marriage; and, above all, the abolition of the right of inheritance, and that capital shall be at the disposition only of workers. With these views, if they should ever be formidable enough to be a controlling power in this country, Gabriel might as well immediately commence the blowing of his horn.

A few days ago Ryan Van Mater, a farmer living near Tinton Falls, N. Y., came in from work at the usual dinner hour; and, finding that it was not ready, calmly, for fully a minute, surveyed the table, then leisurely strode to the barn and deliberately hanged himself. If he belonged to that class of husbands who sharply demand of their wives, "What did you do with the last fifty cents I gave you?" when asked for the wherewith to purchase family necessaries, he didn't get out of this world any too soon. Hanging was too good for him. Those kind of married men ought to flicker out by slow torture. Of course we have none of that breed in this vicinity.

An estimable young lady of Cresgo, Iowa, who had married against her parents' will, requested, when dying, that they be summoned to her bedside, that she might bid them a last farewell. But they not only refused to grant her request, but also to attend her funeral. The aforesaid parents, as soon as convenient after their exit from this world, would confer a great favor upon us by returning for a moment and informing us of the exact location and temperature of the place that some people call hell. If they don't find it, there is none, sure.

The District of Columbia is in a fair way of having another governmental experiment tried upon it. The House of Representatives has passed the bill which was reported from the District Committee, and the Senate, it is said, will probably concur. The government is to consist of three Commissioners—one to be appointed by the President, one to be elected by the House and one by the Senate—and a Council chosen by the people. The tax rate is fixed at $1.50 per hundred, and the Federal Goverment is to pay half the District expenses.

John Ericsson, the famous inventor and father of modern iron-clads, has come to the front again with a marvellous torpedo-boat that will carry an irresistible explosive to the side of an enemy's ship with invariable accuracy. The craft is 130 feet long, and when started on its mission shows but a foot above the water line. It is to be heavily armed and propelled by engines of 1,000 horse power, built upon an improved plan of his own. The design is to run this steam torpedo conductor very swiftly within a very short distance of an iron-clad and discharge the torpedo by means of compressed air, the vessel retiring at leisure after its work is done. The plan is wonderful, but Ericsson has been successful with almost everything he has attempted, and it is not improbable that he may produce the model torpedo-boat of the day. He now has it about half finished, and is hard at work pressing it to completion at a ship-yard on the Hudson river.

The Eastern Shore Fruit Crop.

A correspondent of the New York *Times*, writing from Bridgeville, Del., says: I have been through Sussex county of this State, and the lower counties of Maryland into Accomac county, Va., and at every point I found that wherever there was an orchard there was to be found upon the trees a very fair quantity of young peaches, although the quantity does not warrant the belief that the crops will be large. Of the strawberry crop, on the line of the Eastern Shore Railroad, or the Delaware Extension, it can safely be predicted that the yield will be much greater than will be picked, but as the season is ten days ahead of last year, the growers entertain a hope that they will be able to send most of their crop to market. The character of the soil of Wicomico and Somerset counties seem to be specially adapted to the cultivation of strawberries, and many large "patches" are to be found in them, especially in the neighborhood of Princess Anne and Salisbury, and not unfrequently during the season the railroad company gathers up as many as forty or fifty carloads in a day from these two counties. Should the market warrant the shipment of the berries grown there, these counties will send out 250,000 quarts. The prices realized from strawberries have been so low that, excepting in the most favored sections, the cultivation of that fruit has been almost entirely abandoned, and this fact leads many growers who have continued to cultivate them to the hope that they may realize better prices than last year. * * * To sum up my observations and inquiries regarding the fruit crop: In Worcester, Somerset, Wicomico and Dorchester counties, Md., and Sussex county, Del., there is a prospect of one third of a full crop of peaches and full crops of strawberries and blackberries.

A Case of Leprosy.

There is a patient at the City Hospital Baltimore, who, according to the medical faculty, is undoubtedly suffering from *elephantiasis græcorum*, or true leprosy. His name is Abraham Brown, and he is a native of New York city, forty-five years of age, and a bricklayer by trade. He is a widower, with four children, and after the death of his wife went to Cuba and South America, in either of which countries it is supposed he contracted the disease. About two years ago, while in this city, the disease first showed itself, the symptoms being a numbness of the muscles of the face and numerous tibercles appearing over the body. On the 4th of March last he went into the City Hospital, and the physicians after examination, decided it a case of genuine leprosy. The condition of the man is really pitiable. The disease has attacked the neck and hands and feet, and these portions of the body are scaly and shriveled, having the appearance of a yellow and faded parchment. Since his admission to the hospital his tongue has become lacerated. It is difficult for him to swallow food, and the tubercles on his body have become hard, while the flesh on the affected parts is gradually sloughing off. The attending physicians say there is no hope of saving his life, but they are divided in opinion as to whether or not the disease is contagious or infectious.

Don't be Ashamed of It.

Judging by the pins taken by a certain class of people to hide from friends the fact that they are poor, one might suppose that to be short of funds was worse than a crime. Now this trying to keep up appearances, and do as others do, whether i can be afforded or not, has become the bane of society, and, like what is called mimicry among insects, produces a nondescript race very difficult to define or assign to its proper place in the order to which it evidently belongs. Of course we are not advocating the exposure of a man's business affairs to everybody with whom he comes into business or friendly relations; but we do hold that he has no right to be any better off in world goods than he is in fact; for to do so is deception, which is another name for dishonesty. To be sure, it is hard to deny one's self the luxuries of life and resolutely turn from all expensive pleasures. But it must be done if wealth is to be regained. There is a pleasure in self-denial that a majority of our people never experienced, and it comes in most gloriously and extremely satisfactory to the one practicing it, when he can say, "I owe no man," and at the same time have a hundred dollars in his pocket, but, wanting some article costing two he refuses to purchase until through self-denial the other hundred is obtained. It requires some courage to adopt such a system of living and dealing, but it has this as a recommendation—it is perfectly safe and honorable.

The Rev. Dr. John Hall has a temperance article in the *Ledger*, in which he gives this description of German beer drinkers to be seen on the east side: "They look like small barrels with limbs attached, dull, phlegmatic, fat, stolid, to whom even a laugh is an unwelcome exertion, whose nerves, if they ever had any, are burried in many inches of unhealthy adipose matter. These are not the men to be hurried into wild spasms of mad excitement. They are not often drunk; but they are not often sober in the true sense of the word. They are like woollen goods to the fire." Then he goes on to say: "But take a man from Kerry or Galway—impulsive, all alive, his nerves on the outside, his blood retaining the heat brought long ago from the far East—and ply him with the stimulant he chooses. It is the fire in a timber yard among piles of Virginia pine. The flames leap and roar and crackle. There is rapid ruin, in self-destruction or in the destruction of others." Dr. Hall advises Germans, Irishmen, and everybody else not to play with the fire of alcohol.

A Persecuted Individual.

Ransom Bramble resides in Straits District, and likewise does Miss Georgeanna Pritchett. They are neighbors, and at one time were neighborly. The former is a tall, spare gentlemen of about 40, and the latter is an angular-featured spinster of apparently 35. A quarrel ensued between them about a cow, and Georgeanna went for Ransom and told him exactly what she thought of him. She not only accused him of stealing her cow, but the way she plied him with cuss-words it would be shocking to relate. Possibly Ransom might have borne the accusation about the cow with reasonable philosophy, but the cuss words were too much for him. So he determined to sue her for slander, laying his damages at $2,000. The case came up this court. During his examination as a witness, other truths cropped out that the world never knew before. It seems that he was early the victim of man's hate. Persecution marked him for its own. Though it is impossible to perceive what connection his politics had with the cuss-words and damaging accusations of the fair Georgeanna, without it was to play upon the prejudices of the jury, he blurted out somewhat as follows: "To tell the real truth I have been badly treated because I have always been a Democrat. [An admission entirely unnecessary, as no Republican would sue a *woman* for slander.] I was rocked in the cradle of Democracy. And because I am a Democrat, and was rocked in the cradle of Democracy, and never was anything but a wool-dyed Democrat, I have been hounded by Black Republicans—negro-loving Black Republicans, sir. Yes; and they once threatened to ride me on a rail, and I don't know how many times they threatened to tar and feather me. All because I am a Democrat, and nothing else." Here one of the judge's notified him that he must confine his evidence to the case and Ransom became partially self composed, and detailed the many naughty things the fair Georgeanna had said of him.

The case, which commenced on Friday afternoon of last week, was submitted to the jury the following Monday evening. Failing to agree, they were discharged Tuesday evening. They stood 7 for Georgeanna and 5 for Ransom. Had we been on the jury, they would have been 8 to 4. We are the friend of Georgeanna, or any other woman, when a man cruelly endeavors to control the wagging of her tongue.

A Few Plain Questions.

HON. JOS. H. JOHNSON—*Dear Sir:* You owe it to the people of Dorchester to answer the following questions:

Were you not at first opposed to the Commissioner-Treasurer bill?

Did you not declare that you intended to denounce it on the floor of the House?

What induced you to change your mind so speedily?

Was it not the letters you received from seven prominent Democrats at home, each insisting that you support the bill?

Had you adhered to your first purpose of opposing the bill, could you not have easily defeated it?

These are plain questions and require plain answers. IN EARNEST.

Dry Goods and Notions.

There is one rule that holds good with all classes and colors of people, and that is they *will* deal where they can buy the cheapest. This, it is claimed, is the real secret of the rush being daily made in and out of the Dry Goods and Notion Establishment of H. & L. Mayer, corner of High and Poplar streets. They have the reputation of underselling any house in the county, and consequently their sales are steadily increasing. Besides there is neatness and taste in the mode in which they display their goods that renders their store exceptionally attractive. Appearances, in business as in everything else have much to do with one's success in life. Give them a call, and judge for yourselves of their goods and prices.

A Coincidence.

In 1775, the Dorchester delegation to the General Assembly at Annapolis was composed of Captain Henry Travers, Col. Henry Hooper, and James Sulivane, Esq. Of these, the first was the great grandfather of Capt. Sam. M. Travers, and the last named the great-great-grandfather of Mr. Clement Sulivane, of the present Dorchester delegation. The descendants of these gentleman now sit side by side as *they* did 103 years ago in the sunrise of the Revolution.—*Chronicle.*

"Bill T. Flynn."

Eds. Era: I have no stomach to digest in dignities, and really I consider it a downright indignity for a writer of the "Bill T. Flynn" stripe to expect me to notice anything emanating from him. If his master, many of his masters' peers, desire a pen tilt, I shall endeavor to oblige them; but I have neither the time or inclination to bother with their whelps. "ONE OF THE QUIET OLD WOMEN."

Country Board.

Those having residences on or near the Choptank River, who desire a few City Boarders during the Summer Season, will please address the undersigned giving a full description of their places, its convenience to Baltimore, and lowest terms of Board for Adults and Children. C. E. NEEDLES & Co., 26½ Second St., Baltimore, Md. 1m

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Trustees of the Alms-House.

The County Commissioners on Thursday last appointed the following gentlemen as Trustees of the Alms House:

A. J. Mobray, Charles B. Frazier, Wm. M. Price, Maset. Perkins, John W. Mace, Ira R. Cockran, John Webster.

—A Sunday school convention will be held at Rehoboth during the session of the camp meeting. It also proposed to hold a peninsula temperance convention at Rehoboth during the coming summer, in which all the different church organizations on this penisula are expected to be represented.

—The Princess Anne *Herald* says speculators, on Monday, offered $12 per crate—60 quarts—for strawberries, but growers refused to sell, thinking they would get more by shipping them.

—The body of Horner, said to have been shot by the crew of the State sloop Carrie Franklin, has been found, but there was not the slightest mark of a shot on it.

—Thos. C. Eaton, our enterprising up-town merchant, is progressing rapidly with the repairs to his store house and dwelling.

—The Circuit Court for Dorchester county adjourned late yesterday evening.

New Advertisements.

REMOVAL.

DURING the time in which my Drug Store is undergoing repairs, I have removed my stock to the store formerly occupied by Marshall & Howard and next door to William H. Jordan's, where I will be glad to see my customers and the public in general.
WILLIAM THOMAS,
May 4—3t Druggist.

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT COMP'Y.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ON and after SATURDAY, May 4th the
Steamer Kent
Will leave Denton at 2 p. m. Saturday, (instead of on Sunday, as heretofore,) stopping at her usual landings, and arriving at
CAMBRIDGE AT 6 P. M.,
and will lay over at Cambridge until 7 o'clock Sunday evening,
At which time she will leave for Baltimore, stopping at Wallack's, Clora's Point, Oxford, Double Mills, Goldsborough's and Easton.
Leaving Oxford at 8,30 and Easton at 10 p. m., arriving in Baltimore at 5 o'clock Monday morning. may 4

ISAAC C. MURPHEY,
Retail Dealer of all Kinds of Liquors,
CROTCHER'S FERRY,
Dorchester Co., Md.
April 27—1y

25 of the finest mixed VISITING-CARDS you ever saw for 15 cents, currency or postage-stamps.
E. L. HOOPER,
Cambridge, Md.

STRAUGHN BROS.
CHEAP CASH STORE.

Flirtation and Fun-Cards.
24 Different designs Send for a pack. Only 25 cents, currency or postage-stamps.
E. L. HOOPER,
Cambridge, Md.

WM. J. EDGER,
HOUSE PAINTER,
CAMBRIDGE, MD.
Graining, Glazing, and Paper Hanging executed in first class style.
March 30—1y

REMOVAL.

WILLIAM H. LOWE,
Boot and Shoemaker,
Has removed his shop to the corner of High and Gay streets where he will be pleased to wait on his old friends and the public generally. All work done in the best style. Repairing a specialty. WM. H. LOWE.
March 30—3m

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

THE undersigned begs leave to inform those contemplating building, and who may need any work done in the way of Plastering and Bricklaying, that he is ready to receive proposals, and will guarantee his work to give satisfaction.
Apply at the Cambridge Hotel.
March 23—3m T. HOLLIDAY MOORE.

TO THE PUBLIC.

CHAS. H. KERR respectfully informs his customers, and the public generally, that his
BARBER SHOP
is the room adjoining the Cambridge Hotel, where he can always be found.
Hair-cutting and Shaving neatly attended to. Give him a call.
March 23—1y CHAS. H. KERR.

"ALTA,"
FOR OATS, CORN, EARLY POTATOES AND OTHER SPRING CROPS.

WE can confidently recommend the above fertilizer for the spring crops as one of the best, most reliable and certainly the cheapest in market. Those of our farmers who used it on their wheat last fall speaks of it in the most favorable manner. We can supply it at short notice to any wishing to purchase for spring uses. Price $30 cash; $32 on time.
GOLDSBOROUGH & HOOD.
March 30—tf Cambridge.

J. C. PLUMMER,
REAL ESTATE BROKER.
CAMBRIDGE, MD.
Dorchester County Farms and Farming Lands, Cambridge Town Property for sale.
Office on Gay street, near Race.
March 23—1y

NEW COZINE HOUSE,
(LATE SHERWOOD HOUSE,)
ON THE
EUROPEAN PLAN,
Corner Fayette and Harrison Sts.,
BALTIMORE.
This House being located in the business portion of the city, and near the principal places of amusement, offers superior accommodations to the traveling public. Terms by the Day, Week, or Month at reasonable rates.
JAMES W. COZINE,
April 13—1y Proprietor.

NOTICE,
FOR THE CHOPTANK RIVER.

ON and after TUESDAY, April 2, 1878, the steamer
GEO. TAYLOR,
Will leave Pier 11, Light St. wharf, every *Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday,* at 4 o'clock p. m., for Easton, Oxford, Cambridge, Chancellor's Point, Sherman's Jamaica Point, Cabin Creek, Medford's Wharf, Lloyd's Landing, Hog Island, to Dover Bridge.
Returning will leave Dover Bridge at 1 p. m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday by the same route. Connections will be made with the Maryland & Delaware, and Dorchester & Delaware Railroad.
Freight received daily until 6 o'clock p. m. For freight and passage, apply to
GEO. MATTINGLY, Sup't.,
March 30 Office, Pier 11, Light St.

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AT
THE CAMBRIDGE ERA OFFICE
AND
Examine
Porter's
Patent
Hoe
And
Rake
Combined.
It consists of a Hoe-handle, four Blades and a Rake.
The most complete farming implement extant.
Every farmer ought to see it
March 30—1m

MARYLAND STEAMBOAT CO.
SPRING ARRANGEMENT.
Daily Line for Choptank River.

ON and after SATURDAY, March 30th, the steamers
HIGHLAND LIGHT AND KENT
Will leave Baltimore, from Pier 3, Light St., as follows:
The steamer Highland Light at 9 p. m. every *Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday* for Easton, Double Mills, Oxford, Clora's Point, Wallack's Cambridge, Chancellor's Point, Jamaica Point Cabin Creek, (Yates on the Choptank), and Medford's Wharf.
The steamer Kent at same hour, (9 p. m.) every *Monday, Wednesday and Friday* for all the above landings, extending her trips to Denton, stopping at Hog Island, Dover Bridge, Kingston, Gilpin's Point, and Tower's Wharf.
On the return trips, the steamer Highland Light will leave Medford's Wharf every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2, Cambridge at 5, and Easton at 9 p. m.
Freights taken at low rates and carefully handled. The patronage of the public respectfully solicited.
HOWARD B. ENSIGN, Prest.,
March 30 Office, 98 Light Street.

L. J. WARREN,
AGENT FOR
Lee's Prepared Agricultural Lime,
FOR
WHEAT, CLOVER, AND OTHER GRASSES.
"IT PREVENTS SMUT."
The more it is tried the more popular it becomes. On the last crop it proved equal to, and in many cases much better than, high-priced Fertilizers. All who use it acknowledge its superiority as a
PERMANENT IMPROVER OF THE SOIL.
Send for pamphlets and testimonials.
Price Only $15 Per Ton.
Put up in Bags and delivered to Depots and Vessels in the City.
Building lime packed in barrels, half barrels or in bulk; Hair, Bricks, Cement, Plaster and Laths at the lowest prices.
18 E. FALLS AVENUE,
April 13—1y Baltimore.

JAS. W. WADDELL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
CAMBRIDGE, MD.
Prompt and special attention paid to the collection of claims.
March 23—1y

HAIR-CUTTING, SHAVING AND SHAMPOOING.

PROF. JAMES W. DERRY respectfully announces to his old customers and the public generally that he is prepared, at his old-established shop on Poplar street, between high and Race streets, to
SHAVE, CUT HAIR AND SHAMPOO
all who may favor him with a call.
Hair, Whiskers and Moustaches dyed to perfection.
Children's hair trimmed scientifically. The public's obedient servant,
March 23—tf JAS. W. DERRY.

JOHN G. ROBINSON,
—WITH—
SANDERS & STAYMAN,
NO. 15 N. CHARLES ST., BALTIMORE,
Agents for the
ESTEY ORGAN,
WEBER, BRADBURY AND HAINES BRO.
PIANOS.
Organs and Pianos tuned.
March 23—1y

V. C. DRAIN. WM. A. HUTCHINSON.
DRAIN & HUTCHINSON,
ARCHITECTS,
CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS,
CAMBRIDGE, MD.
VERNON C. DRAIN and WM. A. HUTCHINSON have formed a co-partnership for contracting and building all classes of Dwellings, Stores, and all other buildings, and for carrying on the carpenter's business in all its branches, and they solicit all persons desirous of having any work done to consult them.
Thankful for past patronage, they intend by strict attention to business and by good work to merit a continuance of the same.
DRAIN & HUTCHINSON.
March 23—1y

CAMBRIDGE HOTEL,
WM. J. THOMAS, PROPRIETOR.
The Largest Hotel in Cambridge,
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FREE HACKS FROM STEAMBOATS AND CARS.
Terms as low as any Hotel here. Table supplied with all delicacies of the season.
JOSEPH C. LECOMPTE, Clerk.
March 23—1y

To the Farmers of Dorchester Co.
I take this method of notifying you that I am agent for the celebrated
CHAMPION REAPER AND MOWER.
I believe it unnecessary to expatiate upon their superior qualities over other machines, as they are so well-known in this county, but simply to state that they will be sold at a greatly reduced rate over last year, and the machine of 1878 has many improvements over any former year's production. Sample machines will be displayed on the court-house green. Give me your orders early, so that you can become thoroughly acquainted with the working of the machines before harvest, and so I can give you any attention before the rush comes on. Don't forget that last season some of our farmers put off giving me their orders until just before harvest, and it was impossible to furnish the machines on account of all being been previously disposed of. These machines will be offered on easy terms. Good security required, and a liberal discount allowed if paid on or before August 1st. For further particulars call at my Hardware and Agricultural Implement establishment on High street, Cambridge.
March 23—tf. JENNINGS HOOD.

DORCHESTER & DELAWARE RAILROAD.

TIME TABLE.

PASSENGER TRAINS, WITH FREIGHT CARS attached, will, until further notice, run as follows, Sundays excepted:

Leave CAMBRIDGE	9 30	A. M.
" THOMPSON'S	9 40	"
" AIREY'S	9 53	"
" LINKWOOD	10 08	"
" EAST NEW MARKET	10 28	"
" HURLOCK'S	10 43	"
" WILLIAMSBURG	10 58	"
" FEDERALSBURG	11 18	"
" OAK GROVE	11 33	"
" FLOWERTON	11 40	"
Arrive at SEAFORD	12 00	"
Leave SEAFORD	1 20	P. M.
" FEDERALSBURG	2 09	"
" EAST NEW MARKET	2 15	"
" LINKWOOD	3 07	"
Arrive at CAMBRIDGE	3 45	"

Connections with Delaware Railroad line, with steamers on Choptank river, to and from Baltimore, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
JAS. M. MURPHEY,
Superintendent.
N. B.—All freight must be on the platform, and properly marked, half hour before the schedule time for the trains's leaving.
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Also dealers in
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Thanking the public for past patronage we earnestly request a continuance of the same.
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J. S. MANNERS, President.
G. A. RANDALL, Superintendent.
J. V. M. BLACKWELL, Sec. and Treas.
March

The Cambridge Era

SATURDAY MORNING : : : : : : MAY

AGENTS FOR THE ERA.

The following gentlemen are authorized act as agents for THE ERA, and receipt for subscriptions and advertisements. Agents at other places will be designated as soon as arrangements can be made:

F. A. NEWTON.....EAST NEW MARKET
J. H. WILLIAMS.....WILLIAMSBURG
FRANK WEBB.....VIENNA
M. J. PERKINS.....AIREY'S
JAS. E. GRAHAM.....CHURCH CREEK
WM. P. FRAZIER.....NECK DISTRICT
JOSEPH D. BELL.....GALESTOWN
WM. A. LANKFORD.....DRAWBRIDGE
WESLEY CEPHAS.....BUCKTOWN
I. C. MURPHEY.....CROTCHER'S FERRY
W. F. HARPER.....GOLDEN HILL

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

—"Oh!" sighed Jenks, "for a straw with sherry cobbler at one end of it."

—Bishop Scott is building a cottage on Rehobeth camp ground.

—Babies have been defined as the coupons attached to matrimony.

—Norris' new hotel at Oxford has the promise of being crowded during the season.

—An exchange, edited by a hen-pecked husband, says, "The phonograph will be called 'she,' because it repeats everything."

—The famous Rock Hall mansion, in Kent county, was destroyed by fire on the 20th inst. It was built more than 250 years ago.

—Hon. B. T. Biggs was recently elected President of the Queen Anne's & Kent Railroad.

—Dr. T. H. Helmboid, of Buchu Extract notoriety, is again insane. He has been taking his own medicine.

—The wife of Capt. C. R. Leonard, of Easton, died very suddenly of heart disease on Wednesday morning of last week.

—"When will this steamboat war come to a close?" asks the *Chronicle*. Not, we judge, until one of them goes up or blows up.

—There would not be the least trouble in having five hundred pleasure-seekers in Cambridge during the entire season if we had suitable hotel accommodations.

—There has been considerable inquiry as to the exact location of the floating bar, above Cambridge, that the *Chronicle* makes mention of.

There is a "Rose-bud" in Jail. The Judge says she shall remain there six months, by which time, it is supposed, she will be in full bloom.

—It is feared that Capt. Hainey Bradshaw, of Smith's Island, who has been suffering for months with a sore foot, will be compelled to have it amputated to save his life.

—The trotting mare, Sadie Bell, which created so much excitement in sporting circles last summer, has been carried to Philadelphia, where she has several engagements.

—"Take something," said Nox to Cox. "Oh, yes; I never take a shingle off a man's house." And down went Nox's last quarter, and his wife had to wait until Saturday night for the spool of cotton he had promised her.

—Another countryman has been taken in and secured for. His name, Stephen W. Leonard; residence, Easton; place where taken in, Baltimore; amount, $350; by whom done, city sharp.

—The wonderful familiarity of the average toper with all the passages in the Bible which can possibly be tortured into a defence of drink is only equalled by his unfamiliarity with all other passages.

—J. C. Plummer, Real Estate Broker, has sold Capt. E. C. Johnson's farm containing 150 acres, situated at the head of Fishing Creek, for $3,600, to Mr. George Jackson, of Wisconsin.

—If all bachelors were to commit suicide for the same reason that actuated Henry Leobald, of Brooklyn, their number would be considerably decreased. He took the fatal leap "because in society inexperienced young men are worsted."

—Wm. S. Kinney, of Seaford, Del., while in Wilmington, one day last week, was relieved of his pocket-book containing a five-dollar bill and a check for $103.13. When *will* city sharpers learn to do unto their rural brethren as they would wish to be done by?

—"The sun do move," is the subject of a lecture being delivered, wherever he can find an audience, by a prodigious bore by the name of Jasper. We should like to see a half dozen packs of fire-crackers fired off under his coat-tail just to see if "he *do* move."

—An East New Market benedict, finding it fruitless, has ceased tieing a string around his wife's finger whenever there was anything he wished to be particularly reminded of. He now writes it on a slip of paper and pastes it on the looking-glass. Result—perfect contentment.

—Fish Commissioner Ferguson commenced shad operations on the Susquehanna on the 1st. We hope he will take it leisurely, and not imitate his former deputy, Phil. Downes, whose hatching operations in Tuckahoe Creek alone were enough to break down a half dozen ordinary men.

The Brig Alexis.

Messrs. Joseph Henry and J. M. McAllister, the well known fruit and provision merchants, 158 Pratt street, have purchased the brig Alexis, and intend putting her in the Rio trade. She is a fine brig of 196 tons, and she brought only $3,200. Remarkably cheap, we should say. This firm are now the heaviest importers in Baltimore in West India fruit, particularly oranges, pine-apples and bananas. Our confectioners should make a note of this fact, if they wish to purchase of first hands.

The Road Law.

Changes in the road law are that the Commissioners are given general supervision over the roads. If overseers refuse they cannot be fined over $25. In the past the penalty was $50. All able-bodied men under the old law were compelled, if required, to work on the road ten days. Now they can, if they own teams; if not, but two days. They can hire substitutes, or pay the $1.75 cents per day. The overseer is required to give laborers two day's notice. Section 158 gives the overseer, to be expended on roads, all fines and moneys paid in lieu thereof. Section 159 requires the drainings of roads and the dirt to be thrown in the road and the middle of the roads to be kept off from the sides. Section 162 requires the supervisors to put these roads in complete order before the 1st day of September, and allows them one dollar a day for their services. Section 163 requires owners of timber-carts or heavily laden wagons to repair all bridges they break down, and makes them responsible for damages if they do not immediately repair them. Section 164 provides for the opening of new courses. Section 165 provides for fining road supervisors who do not keep their roads in good order, and who have not used proper efforts to do so; but, instead of being indicted by the grand jury, as under the old law, the case is immediately tried before a magistrate, and the fine is not less than $5 nor more than $10. In the old law it was not less than $5 nor more than $25.

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