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" 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 30	P. M.
" FEDERALSBURG	2 09	"
" EAST NEW MARKET	2 15	"
" LINKWOOD	3 07	"
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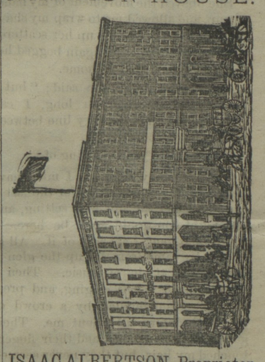

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The Cambridge Era.

SATURDAY MORNING : : : : AUGUST 17

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The following gentlemen are authorized to 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:

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JAS. E. GRAHAM.....CHURCH CREEK
WM. P. FRAZIER.....NECK DISTRICT
JOSEPH D. BELL.....GALESTOWN
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WESLEY CEPHAS.....BUCKTOWN
H. C. MURPHEY .....CROTCHER'S FERRY
W. F. HARPER.....GOLDEN HILL

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

—Advertise in a live paper.

—The lightning rod man is here. He arrived this morning. Forewarned, forearmed!

—In several sections of Dorchester the horses are having the blind staggers.

—Salt-water taylors have made their appearance in our market.

—Howard S. Hodson, Esq., has located in Crisfield, where he intends to practice his profession—the law. May success attend him.

—Owing to the failure of the fruit crops not a single canning house will be in operation in Cambridge this summer.

—Sad. Two sisters named Jardine, aged respectively 104 and 111, have died within two years in Scotland.

—The Blackwater and E. New Market colored camps closed on Friday. They resulted in bring many sinners to grace.

—Soluble Sea Island Guano and pure Dissolved Bone, for sale by Daniel Lloyd, (office adjoining Central Hotel,) Cambridge, Md.

—Master Wm. R. McDaniel, of Talbot, has won a free scholarship in the Western Maryland College.

—Maj. Wm. E. Stewart, of Easton, will be the orator of the day at the tournament which is to take place at Queenstown on the 22d inst.

—Frank McCoy alias Big Frank, the well known character, particularly on the Peninsula, was arrested in New York, on Monday, charged with burglary.

—Jas. H. Dilworth, the telegraph operator at Ocean City, was recently knocked down and robbed of eight dollars while on his way to Berlin.

—Maj. N. H. Hutten, Engineer of the harbor board of Baltimore, has been appointed superintendant of the proposed Maryland and Delaware Ship Canal.

—Three Laurel stores were robbed last week. From one $50 was taken, the burglar writing on their memoranda slate: "We have got all we wanted. Yours, Delaware."

—The excesses of our youth are draughts upon our old age, payable with interest about thirty years after date. The pay is slow, but sure.

—Byron L. Shenton, a ten year old son of Capt. Wm. R. Shenton of Lake's District, while wrestling with another boy, on Saturday afternoon, fell and broke his arm.

—"Modoc," a favorite trotter of our agricultural fairs for several years past, the property of Mr. Noble Pennington, died at Kennedyville, Kent county, on Friday of last week.

—The Baltimore Republicans have now two Executive Committees. We snouldn't be surprised if they didn't improvise a half dozen more ere the campaign is o'er.

—August is a month when you watch for falling stars and meteors. And if you want, you can sit up all night and watch for them, for aught we care.

—The Directors of the Rehoboth Beach Camp Meeting Association have abandoned the attempt to institute legal proceedings to prevent dancing, card-play, &c., on the ground of the association.

—Judge Stewart has had his face operated upon by Dr. George Fernandez, of Baltimore city, and is now in a fair way to recover from the disagreeable and dangerous tumor that has troubled him for some years past.

—The road supervisors have been instructed to proceed at once with and complete the work on the public roads by the first of September, as required by section 162, chapter 477, laws passed at January session 1878.

—Capt. Geo. Mills who, a few weeks ago, fell from the top-step of Capt. Jabez Tyler's wind-mill, near Fishing Creek, and was thought to be dangerously injured, is, we are glad to learn, rapidly recovering.

—Wesley Carroll, Esq., has been appointed trustee of the almshouse in place of Mr. Webster, resigned. At their last meeting the Board the trustees appointed the following permanent officers: John W. Mace, President; M. J. Perkins, Treasurer.

—Richard S. Edwards, eight year old son of J. McPherson Edwards, formerly of Cambridge, was shot on Tuesday afternoon last in the right arm by Otto Velte a fifteen year old boy. The shooting was supposed to be accidental, and occurred in Baltimore.

—Oh, there are two things we do so long for—a rest about that festival at Church Creek and that Sunday school excursion on the Georgeanna. May all parties concerned, if they do not give us that rest, speedily land on the 'tother side of Jordan.

—The cemetery has had a thorough cleaning up by its very worthy keeper, Robert Kerr. The palings have been whitewashed, the walks cleaned and the grass cut. It presents a neat, tasteful appearance, and is much frequented by the fair sex on Sunday afternoons.

—Young boys, between the ages of 6 and 10 years, seem to take great delight in rowing about the creek on Sunday afternoons. If the parents of these children do not put a stop to it we very much fear we will have to record a death by drowning soon.

—Spencer Johnson, the negro man who assaulted Mrs. Thos. Pumphrey, Anne Arundel county, was formerly of this county, and was convicted for stealing a vessel, and sent to the Maryland Penitentiary in 1872, when he served a term of four years.

—What do the old folks objections amount to when the young folks have resolved to journey through life together? Nothing. At least such was the case with Mr. B. F. Johnson and Miss Laura V. Hurlock. Rev. J. D. Hank sealed the bond on Thursday of last week. May happiness attend them.

—We like the way the Directors of the Delaware State Fair are moving things. Their Awarding Committees are from all parts of the Peninsula. This ensures fair awards to all sections. We predict that the Eastern Shore will be well represented both in exhibits and people present.

—We have never seen a man—no matter how much a drinker he was himself—who ever wanted his children to drink, or see him drink, or who would not do all in his power to keep his sons from drinking, and to keep his daughters from marrying drinkers.—*Woodberry News.* Innocence sublimated! Never was in a lager beer garden in all your born days? Eh? Don't even know where there is one? No? Umph!

—From the Centreville *Record* we learn that the "English Cling" is a very old, natural health, originating in the Linthicum family, near Church Creek, this county, over 100 years ago. It is very large and late, and commands the highest price in Baltimore annually. This fruit is being extensively budded in Queen Anne's.

Settled.

The County Commissioners, on Tuesday, settled the much-mooted road question. They decided upon the road reported on by Mr. Saml. Hopkins. They also determined to furnish the lumber for the necessary repairs on the bridge, the railroad company to have the work done. Now, let us have peace.

Lightning.

During the storm of last Saturday evening lightning struck the cornhouse of Dep. Sheriff McAllister in Vienna District, tore off gable end and roof, and stunned one of his horses unto deafness. The schooner Mary Ellen, belonging to Mr. Spry Sherman, while lying at the Vienna wharf, had one of her masts considerably damaged by lightning.

Democratic Primaries.

The Democrats of the county hold their primaries on Saturday, August 24th, to elect delegates to the County Convention which is to assemble in Cambridge on the following Tuesday. Said convention will elect delegates to the Congressional Convention which assembles at Easton September 4th, to nominate a candidate for Congress. Hon. Daniel M. Henry will of course be renominated.

The Grangers and Fertilizers.

At a regular meeting of Choptank District Grange No. 3, held at Preston, on the 7th inst., it was resolved, "that we recommend to the members of the order of Patrons of Husbandry, throughout the jurisdiction of Choptank District Grange, to buy no fertilizers, unless it be at a material reduction on the prices of 1877." A like resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Agricultural Society of the Eastern Shore held on the 8th instant.

Camps.

Two camp-meetings—one at Lakes, in the grove near Staplefort's store, and the other at Beckwith's—commenced on Friday. To-morrow both, we presume, will be largely attended. Beckwith's, as usual, will draw largely from Cambridge. It has always been a favorite with our people. The steamer Pentz will make her usual annual trip to the camp to-morrow, bringing with her her usual crowd of orderly and respectable Baltimoreans.

Push.

This is the motto of the great fruit emporium at East Cambridge. The proprietors, S. M. Robinson & Co., don't wait for business to come to them, they push business. They have their agents, in the persons of smart, worthy youngsters, who Arab their fruit and vegetables from door to door. By this course there are three good results: Good for the boys, who thereby make many a penny that they would otherwise not make; good for Robinson & Co., because their sales have increased an hundred fold since they commenced it; good for the public generally, because it is a great convenience to them. Stick to your motto, "Push." Stick to your work, boys. When such as you get to be men, we *know* Cambridge will have a Bank.

Important to Vessel Owners.

We are informed, says the Crisfield *Leader*, that the Secretary of the Treasury has instructed Mr. T. S. Hodson, Collector of Customs at this Port, that the undecked canoes, commonly called "Brogans," belonging in this District are required to present themselves at his office for admeasurement; and if found to be over five tons burthen must be provided with a license, whether trading out of the District or not, and even though employed in the oyster business within the District exclusively. Unless the law is complied with it will be the duty of the Collector to present the name of the owner to the United States District Attorney for the enforcement of the penalty.

Remedy for Feverishness.

When persons are feverish and thirsty beyond what is natural, indicated in some cases by a metallic taste in the mouth, one of the best "coolers" is to take a lemon, cut off the top, sprinkle over it some loaf sugar, working it down into the lemon with a spoon, and then suck it slowly. Invalids with feverishness may take two or three lemons a day in this manner, with most marked benefit, manifested by a sense of coolness, comfort and invigoration. A lemon or two thus taken at "tea time" is, for some, an entire substitute for the ordinary supper of summer, and would give many a man a comfortable night's sleep and an appetite for breakfast to which they are strangers who will have their cup of tea, or supper of "relish" and cake and berries and cream.

Sunday School Workers.

The Maryland Sunday School Union invites Teachers and Superintendents from all parts of this State to visit their reading rooms, No. 53 Lexington street, Baltimore, fitted up expressly for their use, where may be found a library of reference books, Bible dictionaries, commentaries, standard works on sacred history and geography, expositions of the international lessons, all the best treatise on the methods of teaching, illustrating, &c. Besides the library, nearly all the periodicals and religious papers of the day are on file and ready for reference; also maps, charts, and diagrams for use in lesson preparation. The State Superintendent, Wm. A. Baker, and County Missionaries, Revs. E. English and C. H. Coon, are engaged in organizing Sunday schools in districts where none exists and in re-organizing and assisting feeble ones, and rendering any other services needed in such cases. It is to be hoped and requested that when they visit this county the citizens will give them all the support and encouragement possible in their efforts.

Ephraim and Æsop.

THE CORPSE.—The Republican State Convention was held in Baltimore, at Raine's Hall on last Thursday. The gathering of representative men was small. There were only 18 or 20 persons there. The *Baltimore Gazette* quaintly says it looked like "a huckleberry in a wagon." But they had a "fine wake" and indulged in some choice expressions of grief and regrets over the contemplated corpse of the party in the state. * * * We do not think that our people are determined to hug this festering corpse lighter as it festers and rots the more. It is a very strange procedure if they do cling to it instead of tucking it away in the ground like they would the rotting carcass of any other old black crow.—*The True Marylander.*

A Lion, worn out with old age, lay fetching his last gasp, and agonizing in the convulsive struggles of death. Upon which occasion, several of the beasts who had formerly been sufferers by him, came and revenged themselves upon him. The boar with his mighty tusks, drove at him in a stroke that glanced like lightning. And the bull gored him with his violent horns. Which when the Ass saw they might do without any danger, he too came up, and threw his heels into the Lion's face. Upon which, the poor old expiring tyrant uttered these words with his last dying groan: Alas! how grievous it is to suffer insults, even from the brave and the valiant! but to be spurned by so base a creature as this is, who is the disgrace of nature, is worse than dying ten thousand deaths.—*Æsop.*

Lunar Eclipse.

On the evening of the 12th inst., at about 7 o'clock, and continuing until about 20 minutes past eight, a partial obscuration of the moon occurred. Not quite half her disc was darkened. A lunar eclipse is caused by the shadow of the earth falling upon her face, and can occur only when she is in opposition to the sun, that is, when their longitudinal difference is 180° and when a straight line from the moon to the sun would pass through the earth. This is called the "Line of Syzygies." A good view of the eclipse could not be obtained from this place, owing to a slight darkening of the eastern sky by clouds. Such occurrences (eclipses) which, a few centuries ago filled the world with dread and consternation, now excite little attention except among scientific men. Shortly after our beautiful satellite had emerged from the shadow which blackened half her silvery face, the skies cleared, and she again shone in full robed splendor upon us.

Registration.

The Registers will be at the following-named places, for the purpose of correcting the registered list of voters, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the 2nd, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th days of September, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 6 p. m.:

First Election District, at Crotcher's Ferry.
Second Election District, at E. New Market.
Third Election District, at Vienna.
Fourth Election District, at Tobaccostick.
Fifth Election District, at Lakesville.
Sixth Election District, at Hooper's Island, at Wm. T. Ruark's store on the 2d, 3d and 4th, and at Wm. H. Meekin's store on the 5th and 6th.
Seventh Election District, at Cambridge, (court-house.)
Eighth Election District, (Neck) at Cook's store.
Ninth Election District, at Milton, (S. W. Woolford's store.)
Tenth Election District, Robinson's Neck, (Todd's store.)
Eleventh Election District, at Drawbridge.
Twelfth Election District, at Williamsburg.
Thirteenth Election District, at Bucktown.

The New Steamer.

The iron steamer now being constructed at Malster's ship-yard, in Baltimore, for the Maryland Steamboat Company is being rapidly completed, and it is thought will be ready for launching by the latter part of the present week. The hull is of iron, 155 feet long, 29 feet wide, depth of hold 10 feet and all over 49 feet deep. The cylinder is 32 inches in diameter, paddle-wheel 25 feet in diameter by 7 feet wide, stroke of piston, 9 feet. There is a commodious saloon in the forward part of the vessel, and one aft expressly for colored people. The main saloon, however, is on the promenade deck, and has twelve handsome state rooms on each side, one fitted up in regal style as a bridal chamber. The exterior of the saloons and state rooms are finished in tasteful designs; the frescoing, gilding and fine painting being executed with much skill. The upholstering, furniture, etc., are of the latest and most fashionable styles. When completed her cost will be about $100,000. She will not run to Cambridge, as many supposed, but from Baltimore to Norfolk.

Base Ball--Star vs. Salisbury.

A game of *bawl* was played on the grounds of the latter club last Saturday. It was witnessed by from three to four hundred spectators. The playing of the Star was not up to their usual standard, as the boys were out of "kelter." The Salisbury boys batted pretty well, and their out-fielding could not be surpassed. On the fourth inning the Star got under a cloud, and it was only now and then that a scintillation would shoot through; but finally it was totally obscured, and the Star went out.

Every preparation had been made to give the Cambridge boys a warm reception in every respect. The grounds were in first-rate order, the arrangements at the Peninsular House all that could be desired, and the boys got away with—not the players—but four square meals. The hospitable manner in which the Cambridge boys were entertained will not soon be forgotten.

The Star must practice with the bat, and when they meet the Salisbury club at Vienna, no doubt they will shine again in all their original splendor, and we will never more behold a disconsolate constellation. The following is the score:

SALISBURY.	R.	O.	STAR.	R.	O.
Smyth, 1stb	2	2	Shepherd, 2db	1	3
Graham, 3db	0	2	Goldsborough, ss	1	3
Gordy, 2db	0	4	Grace, c	2	1
Todd, ss	1	5	Steele, p	0	4
Jordan, c	1	3	Reese, 1f	0	4
Hearn, r f	1	4	Barber 3db	1	2
Farlowe, c f	3	2	Parks, r f	0	4
Thoro'good 1 f	2	2	Moore, 1stb	1	3
Dulfey, p	0	2	Davidson, c f	0	3
Total	10	27	Total	6	27

Umpire—L. W. Gumby.
Scorers—Stewart, E. A. Toadvine.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Church Creek.

Editors Era: The gentle showers that have fallen upon us within the last ten days have done much to brighten our prospects, as well as our spirits. The corn and everything in Nature seems to rejoice and give thanks to "Him who sends the rain alike upon the just and the unjust." Should we have a continuation of these blessings for a few weeks we shall again realize the kindness of the earth in reaping a bountiful autumn harvest.

The members and friends of the colored M. E. Church, in this place, held a festival last week, which proved to be a success. They sold all their goods and made quite a snug little sum to help them out in their church matters. I attended the festival and found some attending their appointed duties, others enjoying the good things, while most of the congregation were marching around the grounds singing praises to Him who held the first church festival over eighteen hundred years ago. My mind was carried back to an occasion, and I thought if all the church festivals were conducted in the same spirit, and attended with the same results, they would serve a good purpose, and there would be no occasion for such a contest as has been going on in the papers for the last six or eight weeks over the one held here by the white people.

I find, both in the ERA and the *News* of last week, a reply to my letter of July 23d by Member No. 2. I am sorry to find, as numbers run up, matter and manner runs down. This hot weather and my letters have caused Member to be afflicted with softening of the brain; and if Prof. Cook had not made his examination as soon as he did, he would not have been able to have reached any conclusion about it, for it has now gone into a liquid state, and his friends are fearful that it will all run out from the end of his pen. It is passing strange that this wonderful skull, that merely happened to be stuck on the upper end of so faithful a churchman, should, as soon as it becomes a little over-heated, generate nothing but foul gas and infamous falsehoods. I intend to consult our Doctor about this freak of nature, and find out what treatment he expects to use to work his brain back to its original dough state. I may be called upon to publish the Doctor's prescription for the benefit of this great "line of members" that may hereafter be afflicted with the same dreadful malady.

After quoting what I said about the class-leader and local preacher, he says: "There is not a word of truth in the above. As to the class-leader, Sprigs seems animated by a spirit of injury. This brother, who he styles a local preacher, in the exasperation growing out of an insult to his wife, did let his temper get the better of him."

Member No. 2 is so much in the habit of lieing that he forgets when he tells one; neither can he see it when he writes it on paper. His eyesight may be a little bad, and that may account for it. He makes himself out a liar by contradicting what I said in one sentence, and admitting it in the next. Neither of these gentlemen wish this foul-mouth hypocrite to lie for them. They are men of good standing in this community—men whose lives in any point of view stand head and shoulders above Member No. 2, notwithstanding the truthful charges I made against them. It is a degradation and an insult to every respectable member of this church for a little, insignificant scalawag, like Member No. 2, to say anything in their defence. The older and better portion of the church are getting very tired of this thing, and some of the oldest and best have said that he ought to be kicked out of the church, for they know, as well as I do, that the more he writes the worse it will be—the higher the monkey climbs, the plainer he shows his tail.

"He paid the girl all he owed her. Would Mr. Sprigs have done this? From our business acquaintance with him we fear he would have neither paid the girl nor the fine."

Perhaps his business acquaintance is as limited as his business knowledge. If I owe Member No. 2, or any other member of his church, one cent, it is more than I know, and I would like for them to present their bills. If he wishes to speculate a little, I will give him a dollar for each and every cent he can buy from them against me. This offer will stand good until January 1, 1879.

"He may be that man who, for a very slight offence, got on his horse and overtook a colored girl two miles from the village and thrashed her outrageously. He may be one of the men that bought the bread-tent at our last camp for $80.25, and at the close refused to pay but $40.25."

Member says the preacher whipped the girl for insulting his wife. The insult was a refusal to answer a question. I whipped a colored girl for insulting my wife. The insult was for pushing my wife from the sidewalk into the snow and abusing her afterward. My fight came off fifteen years ago, in the winter of 1863, when negroes had but few rights that white men were bound to respect. The preacher's fight came off in the summer of 1878, when negroes have as many rights as white men. Member No. 2 supposes you mark that little difference. The preacher had grace to help him; Sprigs had none. Member mark that little difference. If the preacher, with his grace, whipped a girl, and Sprigs, without grace, whipped a girl, will Member No. 2 be kind enough to tell me what the difference is? The above is a true statement of the offences. Will Member No. 2 be honest enough to tell us which is the slightest? *I did thrash the girl, and I did it well.* I rode three miles, instead of two, to find her, and I would ride ten to cowhide Member No. 2 for the same "slight offence." My case was taken before the grand jury, and the butt-end of a black gum was a part of the testimony. The jury concluded that I served her about right, and dropped the case, so it cost me nothing. The preacher's case (with a part of the cost not charged) cost him a dollar and sixty cents; so there was at least that much difference between the transactions.

The charge in regard to the bread-tent is an infamous lie. I never bought any tent at our last, or any other camp. The tent was sold to Mr. George W. Deitz, then living in Cambridge. After he bought the tent I made an agreement with him to bear one-half of the expenses and share one-half of the profits, but was not a party to any part of the original contract, and was not known as such with the managers. Mr. Deitz bought the tent at $80.35, with the understanding that the camp would commence on Friday and continue until the next Friday. And it was so published to commence in the county papers. The camp did not commence until Sunday, and no effort was made to commence it any sooner. Mr. Deitz was there on Friday, with his goods, ready for business, at an expense of over $1½ per day for his privilege. He was called on for the money on Monday, and paid $40. The managers and tent-holders wanted to continue the camp until the next Sunday, in order to carry out their contract with Mr. Deitz. The preacher in charge was opposed to it, on the ground that Mr. Deitz had disobeyed his (the preacher's) orders in selling cigars on Sunday, when the managers had given him the right to do so. The managers were informed of the fact, that if they did suffer the meeting to close on Friday he should refuse to pay the balance of $40.25. So when they called on him for the money he let them know that his almanac had seven days to the week, and that if they had but five they might collect it by law. I was never called on for a cent, as I had nothing to do with their bargain, and only a silent partner with Mr. Deitz. I justified him then; I justify him now in standing up for his rights, and believe him to be a high-minded, honorable gentleman.

Now, if Member No. 2 is anxious that the public should know who Sprigs is, I will publish my name if he will publish his. Should he fail to do this, I shall brand him as a coward and a sneak.

I think Member No. 2 will serve himself as well, and his church better, by letting this matter rest. I shall not go into business matters against him or his brethren in this letter. Should another be called for, I shall let him and the public know what I know about business. Look-out, Member No. 2, you may be very closely connected with some of these business matters. SAY SPRIGS.

Church Creek, Aug. 14.

"Modesty" Answered.

Messrs. Editors: I notice in your last issue an article relating to my recent appointment to the Western Maryland College, asserting that it is both unlawful and unjust. Knowing the facts to be entirely at variance with this statement, I hope you will allow me space in your columns to defend myself from the false assertions hurled at me by the pen of "Modesty."

He claims that I am not a resident of Dorchester county, but of Laurel, Del., at which place I have resided from my infancy. Had Mr. "Modesty" made inquiry of some member of the Cambridge Bar, or had he reflected for a moment, which I suppose he rarely, if ever, does, he could easily have ascertained that the legal residence of a minor is the same as that of the parent or parents who exercises control or direction over him. Neither have I lived all my days in Delaware, not leaving Maryland until I was nearly ten years of age.

The examination was competitive, and the School Commissioners awarded the scholarship to me. What grievous wrong did I commit in accepting? If, then, as I have shown, I complied with all the requirements of the statute and rules provided in said case, wherein consists the illegality? Again, why is it unjust that my father should seek to avail himself of a privilege accorded alike to all citizens of Dorchester? Had I have failed in my examination there would have been said not a word concerning it; but as I was so fortunate to obtain the appointment, I suppose I am to encounter the maledictions of every growler and grumbler in the county.

As seen from this distance, it really appears as if your Federalsburg correspondent, in this appointment, had an axe to grind which would not brighten, and seeks to relieve his chagrin and sorrow by modestly "throwing mud" at me. To him I will say, in adieu, stick to your nom de plume, and keep your mouth closed, for fear of exposing yourself to the community. LYNN R. MEEKINS.

Laurel, Del., August 8th.

Lecture on Temperance.

Editors Era: On the 8th inst. the people of Church Creek and vicinity were highly favored by listening to a lecture delivered by Rev. William W. Green, the noted Virginia temperance lecturer. Mr. Green depicted the horrors of intemperance with burning eloquence, and his lecture was interspersed with many laughable anecdotes, which added greatly to the interest of his remarks. I once had the pleasure of hearing the world-renowned lecturer, John B. Gough, and I think him not superior to Mr. Green, who comes forth and can stand by his side as an equal. He came among us a stranger, and as a minister, which position he fills with all the dignity of the ministerial calling, but when he agreed, by the earnest solicitation of the people, to speak upon this great and important subject, then it was that his eloquence and zeal burst upon the minds of his audience with the brightness of a star of the first magnitude, whose brilliancy could not be hid, but sends forth light in all its grandeur and splendor.

After his lecture was ended a Council was formed with little difficulty, the people seeming to be fully awake to the importance of the temperance cause, and he has our heartfelt wishes for the advancement of this noble and glorious work, which he has begun with so much success in our midst. May the people of old Dorset live to see the time that they will have cause to bless the day that such a worker was sent within her borders.

Church Creek, Aug. 10. MOSES.

Temperance Meeting.

Eds. Era: Never having attended any of the numerous meetings which have been held in Cambridge by the Temperance Alliance, and curious to observe for myself both the numbers and spirit of the attendants, I dropped into the Southern M. E. Church on Monday evening to hear the lecture of Rev. J. D. Hank, who has been doing such excellent work in behalf of the temperance cause. I found the church, which I judge will seat two hundred persons, about half filled, among whom were a number of ladies. I listened with great pleasure to the remarks of the reverend gentleman. Without any attempt at oratorical display, he went directly to the point, and gave his hearers a plain, practical temperance speech, of which I do not propose to give even an epitome, excepting as to his comments upon the local option law. The law was not exactly to his liking, but it was better than no law at all. The clause providing for the sale of liquor as a medicine by druggists met with his hearty approbation. When one is really sick, and his physician prescribed whiskey or brandy, there should be some place where if could be procured, just the same as quinine, or any other medicine. If our physicians were not qualified to judge of our physical needs, who, in the name of common sense, were. The clause which he would have preferred to have been omitted was the one allowing fruit-growers to dispose of their distilled spirits in quantities of not less than a gallon. That should never have been engrafted in the law. But the law, taken as a whole, was infinitely preferable to the license system, which would again fill our beautiful town with liquor-saloons. In his closing remarks he forcibly depicted the evils of intemperance, fervently appealed to his hearers to be active and vigilant in advancing the good cause, and to lose no time in effecting a thorough organization for the coming struggle of right against wrong, feeling assured that success would crown their efforts.

I was pleased to note that the address was listened to attentively and with apparent appreciation. His happy hits were keenly relished, and his auditors seemed to be infused with his own fervor when he recounted the deleterious effects that would inevitably follow if the demon alcohol was again let loose in our midst. One, no matter how superficial an observer, can always tell when an audience is really interested, and certainly no one could say otherwise of the audience on Monday evening.

I hope, however, Messrs. Editors, at the next meeting the audience will be composed of a larger proportion of drinking men. Even if they should take no interest the subject discussed, and the words of the orator prove to them uninteresting, they would feel the better for going. The delightful music, both instrumental and vocal, with which they would be entertained, would turn their thoughts, for the time being at least, to purer and pleasanter things than whiskey-straights and consequent morning headaches. Let a combined effort be made to have a goodly sprinkling of them on hand next time, and reserve seats for them in the gallery where the can have the full benefit of the music. COX.

Cambridge, Aug. 13.

Sign the Pledge and Keep it.

Eds. Era: I would earnestly urge every one, high or low, rich or poor, temperate and intemperate to sign the pledge, and not only sign it, but rigidly keep it. It will make one free. "Free from what?" Why, free from the folly, sins and penalties of drunkenness; free from the headaches and heart-aches produced by intoxicating drinks; free from the duns of creditors, the domestic miseries, the pinching poverty, the spirit-crushing contempt, the ragged reputation, the terrible diseases, the reproaching conscience, the awful death, the dreadful hereafter, and the thousand nameless woes to which the love and use of strong drink exposes it victims.

"But I never was in bondage to the bad practice."

So much the better. Therefore, sign the pledge, and thus nail your resolution to the mast; what you will never be its slave.

If you would be healthy, contented, virtuous, useful, respected, the pride of your friends, the prop of your family, a good neighbor, an honest, worthy man; if you would live comfortably, and die in peace—live beloved and die regretted—live and die as a man, a Christian ought to die—then sign the pledge and keep it. MORE ANON.

Near Cambridge, August 15th.

A Departed Wife-Beater.

Dennis Cornish, colored, formerly of Cambridge, but for many years a resident of Baltimore, went the long voyage on Saturday evening last. A rather unusual thing, he was sent there by his wife. It happened in this wise: He came home drunk, as he had often done before, and commenced abusing his wife Anna without cause. He struck her and choked her and threw her on the floor. As she arose to her feet and saw him still advancing towards her, she picked up a small glass pitcher and threw it at him It struck him in the forehead, severing an artery, but did not prevent his chasing her up stairs. The blood flowed so freely that he went back and a doctor was sent for. But his beloved Anna had done the job too effectually for any physician to undo it, and on the following evening, precisely at 10 o'clock, the spirit of Dennis took its flight to that land where wife-beating is not tolerated. Dennis, we believe, was formerly a slave of Mr. Jas. Eccleston, of this county. Anna was committed to Jail by the Coroner.

—Special Agent, W. T. Henderson, of the postal service, on Tuesday morning, arrested Fred. A. Smith on a charge of robbing the post-office at Salisbury, stealing a letter containing valuables and destroying the envelope. He was taken before Commissioner Rogers, and gave bail for appearance at Court.

—Capt. Thos. Burns of the schr. Emma, while in his yawl-boat, off Narrows Cove, last Saturday, encountered a severe gale, which capsized his boat, and he narrowly escaped being drowned.

—The Maryland Steamboat Company's new iron steamer, the Enoch Pratt, was launched on Wednesday.

MARRIED.

JOHNSON—HURLOCK.—On the 8th inst., in Cambridge, by Rev. J. D. Hank, Mr. Benjamin F. Johnson and Miss Laura V. Hurlock, both of Dorchester.

GUY—SCHLEIGH.—On the 27th of July, in Baltimore, by Rev. G. W. Cooper, Mr. W. T. Guy and Miss Josephine Schleigh, third daughter of Mr. Geo. H. Schleigh, of this town.

GILLIS—BENNETT.—On the 7th inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Thos. E. Terry, Mr. C. M. Gillis, of Worcester co, Md., to Miss Mary M. Bennett, of Dorchester co.

SPEDDEN—FRAZIER.—On the 8th inst., at Beckwith's M. E. Church, by Rev. Thos. E. Terry, Mr. Wm. Spedden to Miss Fannie Frazier, all of Dorchester.

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Wheat, red	100@1 03
Corn, white	54@ 55
Oats	28@ 30

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