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[From the Great Intelligencer.]  
**MOST LAMENTABLE CATASTROPHE!**  
Instantaneous Death, by the bursting of one of the Large Guns on board of the U. States Ship Princeton, of Secretary Upshur, Secretary Gilmer, Commodore Kennon, and Virgil Maxcy, Esq.

In the whole course of our lives it has never fallen to our lot to announce to our readers a more shocking calamity—shocking in all its circumstances and concomitants—than that which occurred on board the U. States Ship Princeton, yesterday afternoon, whilst under way, in the river Potomac, 14 or 15 miles below this city.

Wednesday was a day appointed, by the courtesy and hospitality of Capt. Stockton, Commander of the Princeton, for receiving as visitors a great number of guests, with their families, liberally and numerously invited to spend the day on board. The day was most favorable, and the company was large and brilliant, of both sexes; not less probably in number than four hundred, among whom were the President of the United States, the Heads of the several Departments, and their families. At a proper hour, the vessel got under way and proceeded down the river, to some distance below Fort Washington. During the passage down, one of the large guns on board (carrying a ball of 225 pounds) was fired more than once, exhibiting the great power and capacity of that formidable weapon of war.

The Ladies had partaken of a sumptuous repast; the gentlemen had succeeded them at the table, and some of them had left it; the vessel was on her return up the river, opposite to the fort, when Captain Stockton consented to fire another shot from the same gun, around and near which, gathered, though by no means so many as on similar discharges in the morning, the ladies who then thronged the deck being on this fatal occasion almost all between decks, and out of reach of harm.

The gun was fired. The explosion was followed, before the smoke cleared away so as to observe its effects, by shrieks of woe which announced a dire calamity. The gun had burst, at a point three or four feet from the breech, and scattered death and desolation around.—Mr. Upshur, Secretary of State, Mr. Gilmer, so recently placed at the head of the Navy, Commodore Kennon, one of its gallant officers, Virgil Maxcy, lately returned from a diplomatic residence at the Hague, Mr. Gardner, of New York (formerly a member of the Senate, and now in State), were among the slain. Besides these, seventeen seamen were wounded, several of them badly and probably mortally.—Among those stunned by the concussion, we learn not all seriously injured, were Captain Stockton himself, Colonel Benton, the Senator, Lieut. Hunt, of Princeton; W. D. Robinson, of Georgetown. Other persons also, who perhaps are not less injured, of whom, in the horror and confusion of the moment, no certain account could be obtained. The above are believed, however, to comprise the whole of the persons known to the public who were killed or dangerously or seriously hurt.

The scene upon the deck may more easily be imagined than described. No man could imagine a picture to itself the half of its horrors.—Wives, widowed in an instant by the murderous ball! Daughters smitten with the heart-rending sight of their father's lifeless corpse! The wailings of agonized females! The piteous grief of the unhurt but heart-stricken spectators! The wailing women borne down below! The silent tears and quivering lips of their brave and honest comrades, who tried in vain to subdue or to conceal their feelings!—What words can adequately depict a scene like this?

The following additional particulars are from the letter of the correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger, the writer being on board at the time.

The lower part of the gun from the trunnions to the breech was blown off, and burst. It took two sailors to remove it. He was badly cut over the eye and in his legs—his clothes were literally torn from his body—he expired in about three minutes. Gov. Gilmer of Virginia was found equally badly injured. He had evidently been struck by the section of the gun before it had reached Mr. Upshur. Mr. Sykes, the member from New Jersey, endeavored to raise him from the ground, but was unable. A mattress was thrown, and he was placed on it; before any medical assistance could be procured, he was no longer among the living.

Mr. Maxcy had his arms and one of his legs cut off, the pieces of flesh hanging to the mutilated limbs, cold and bloodless, in a manner truly frightful. He died instantly.

Mr. Gardner, of New York, and Commodore Kennon lingered about half an hour; but they did not seem for a single moment to be conscious of their fate, and expired almost without a groan. The flags, bodies as their winding-sheets.

Behind the gun, the scene, though at first equally distressing, was less alarming. Captain Stockton, who was knocked down, almost instantly rose to his feet, and jumped on the wooden carriage to survey the whole effect of the calamity. All the hair of his head and face was burnt off, and he stood calm and undismayed, but silent over the wreck. In addition to the deaths already mentioned, about a dozen sailors were badly wounded; one was dead, and

behind him Col. Benton, Judge Phelps, and Mr. Strickland, as if dead, extended on the deck. On that side, by a singular co-occurrence of circumstances, Mr. Tyson, of Philadelphia, who was the only person who stood his ground, though a piece of the gun weighing about two pounds, had passed through his hat, about two inches from the skull, and fallen down by the side of him. The lady who had Col. Benton's arm was actually thrown into the rigging, but not hurt.

Judge Phelps, of Vermont, had his hat blown or knocked off, and the buttons of his espartaco; but he was not otherwise injured.

Mr. Strickland, of Philadelphia, was not at all injured, and instantly recovered his position.

Miss Woodbury and Miss Cooper, who, in company of Captain Reed, of the army, and Mr. Welles, of Philadelphia, had been taken on a leeward gun, were not hurt; but Miss Woodbury, (the beautiful and accomplished daughter of the Senator from New Hampshire,) had her whole face sprinkled with blood, which, however, I am glad to say, was not her own.

Such was the force of the explosion, that the starboard and larboard bulwarks were nearly shattered, and the part of the gun I described was blown into twenty or thirty pieces besides the two principal sections.

Judge Wilkins, was only saved by a witicism of his. He had taken his stand by the side of Gov. Gilmer, but some remarks falling from the lips of the latter, and in great excitement, "Through Secretary of War, I don't like this firing, and believe that I shall run." So saying he retreated, leaving the action to the word and was saved.

**An Examination as to the cause of the An Explosion.**—At the request of Capt. Stockton, the committee which had been appointed by the President to make arrangements for the funeral, proceeded to examine witnesses, as to the causes of the explosion, and accordingly called upon the officers whose duty was most immediately connected with the loading of the gun, for such information as they had to give.

Lieut. Hunt, ordnance officer in charge of the great guns, represents that he loaded the gun with but twenty five pounds of powder. Over the powder was placed a single shot, with the usual charge of wads. That the persons nearest the gun at the time of the explosion were Capt. Stockton, Mr. King, the gunner of the ship, and himself.

Lieutenant Hunt also states, that this gun has been repeatedly fired with a charge of thirty-five pounds of powder, and once in New York with a charge of forty-two pounds.

In the statements of Lieutenant Hunt and Mr. King, the gunner of the ship, concerning the explosion, there is no mention of any opinion that the gun was inadvertently fired, or that the powder was inferior quality.

The testimony, as well from the foregoing observation and examination before and after the accident, has no hesitation in expressing our opinion that the explosion was caused by the gunner, and not by any other person.

We, the undersigned, are acquainted with Mr. J. W. Woodruff, and can assure you that he does not know him; that this statement is entitled to full credit. Where he is known his word need not our endorsement.

**J. P. for the county of Essex, N. J.**  
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Sold in Easton only by E. M. Dawson & Brother.

**BALTIMORE MARKET.**  
[Prices of Grain—Corrected weekly.]

**GRAIN.**—The receipts of wheat are still limited, and principally by wagoons. The sales of white wheat for family flour at 105 cents; good to prime Md. red at 95a100 cents; and inferior qualities at 65a85 cents. Maryland white wheat is sold at 75a90c. and yellow at 41a42. Oats have declined, and now sell at 25a27c. We are not advised of any sales of Rye.

Considerable sales of Clover Seed have been made at \$5.25a5.50, and to-day it has an upward tendency, holders refusing to take less than \$5.50. Timothy \$2a2.25.

**Marriages.**  
MARRIED—On Thursday last, by the Rev. M. D. Kurtz, Mr. Edward Harrison, to Miss Martha Ann Leonard, both of this county.

On the same day, by the same, Mr. Samuel Barns, to Mrs. Eleanor Matthews, both of this county.

**DEATHS.**  
DIED—On the 25th inst. Capt. David Mc Mahan, of this county, after a very short illness—a man highly esteemed in his neighborhood, and whose death is lamented by all those who were acquainted with him.

In Centreville on Saturday the 24th Feb. Andrew Johnson, Esq., Sheriff of Queen Anne's county, aged 40 years.

**NOTICE.**  
**TRUSTEES OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS** are hereby notified to submit to the Board of County Commissioners, at the earliest possible period, the Teachers' contracts for the current year. The Board is desirous of seeing upon the contracts without delay, and it is particularly respectful of Trustees to hand them in for ratification, or such other action as may be deemed advisable.

By order of the Board,  
GEO. W. SHERWOOD, Clk.  
February 27, 1844. Sw

**EASTON ACADEMY.**  
AN EXAMINATION of the pupils of this Institution will take place on Friday the 8th of March, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. The exercises will continue on the next day (Saturday) at 3 o'clock P. M. Parents and guardians and the citizens generally are respectfully invited to attend on both days at the Academy at Easton.

By order,  
J. BOZMAN KERR, Secretary.

**Valuable Real Estate**  
**37 TRUSTEES' SALE.**  
UNDER a decree of the High Court of Chancery, the subscriber will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in Denton, on Tuesday the 2nd day of April next; all that late of the late William Orrell, at the time of his death situated in Caroline County, and consisting of several tracts and parts of tracts of land, lying contiguous to each other, and particularly described in a Deed from Thomas Culbreth Trustee, to Wm. Orrell bearing date the 28th day of December 1830, and recorded in "Liber J. R. No. Q. folio 492;" one of the Land Record books of Caroline County—and containing

**500 ACRES OF LAND,**  
more or less. This farm is slightly situated about three miles from Denton, and half a mile from a good landing on the Choptank River.

The situation is agreeable and healthy, and the soil good, and a fair proportion of woodland. The improvements consist of a commodious frame dwelling, with good barn, and other out buildings, all in excellent repair. The farm is now occupied by Messrs. Robert J. H. Baynard, and will be offered to any one wishing to buy. The subscriber will also sell on the same day a House and Lot situated in Denton at the corner of Market and Third Street now occupied by Edward Pritchett, Cabinet Maker.

The terms of sale prescribed by the Decree are that the purchase money shall be paid in equal instalments of six, twelve and eighteen months, from the day of sale; the payment thereof, to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser or purchasers, with a surety or sureties, to be approved by the Trustee.

The whole of the above named property will be sold subject to the widow's right of dower which the Trustee is instructed to say, can be purchased for an advantageous term. Sale to commence at 2 o'clock P. M.

J. L. BARTOL, Trustee.

N. B.—The creditors of William Orrell dec'd., are hereby notified to file their claims with the vouchers thereon, in the Chancery Office at Annapolis, within four months after the day of sale.

J. L. BARTOL, Trustee.  
March 5th, 1844.—tds.

**FARMERS' AND CITIZENS' RETREAT.**  
THE SUBSCRIBER has been most respectfully informed by his old friends and the public generally, to whom he feels grateful for the patronage he has heretofore received, that he has taken the above named Tavern stand, situated at the corner of Washington and Cabinet Streets in the town of Easton, lately purchased by him. This establishment is a comfortable three story brick building, with attached stables, carriage house, &c. &c. attached to the premises, suitable for the purposes required. He is fully prepared to administer to the comfort and happiness of both Citizens and Travellers, who may think his TABLE shall be furnished with the best of the market can afford (which market cannot be surpassed by any on this shore).

THE STABLES shall continually be furnished with good grass and provender, and his BAR well stored with the best liquors, purchased in the city by a good and careful judgment. And he determined that no order for good liquors shall be refused, and that he will be ready to administer to the comfort and happiness of all. From his experience in the business, and his constant determination and disposition to please all who may favor him with a call, he confidently hopes to receive a share of public patronage.

Boarders will be taken by the day, week, month or year, on moderate terms. Horses and Carriages to hire. Every thing in the line of business will be strictly attended to. Call and see for yourself. The public's obedient servant,  
SAML. S. SATTERFIELD,  
Easton, Feb. 27, 1844.

**Easton and Baltimore Packet.**  
**THE SCHOONER TALBOT.**  
WILL commence her regular trips on the 25th of February, leaving Easton Point every Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, and returning will leave Baltimore at 9 o'clock every Saturday morning, and continue sailing throughout the season on those days (weather permitting).

The subscriber still continues in his employ, Capt. Nathaniel C. Jones, in whom the public can rely as a good sailor, and a man of sober and industrious habits. He will be entrusted with all business in the absence of the subscriber, and will receive at the Drug Store of Messrs. E. M. Dawson & Brother, in Easton, and at his office at Easton Point until 9 o'clock, the hour of sailing. Passage, including fare, \$2.00. Freight the same as last year.

Intending to give his personal attention to the business entirely, and thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, he hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

The public's obedient servant,  
SAMUEL H. BENNY.  
Feb. 27, 1844.—if

**STEAM MILL AT EASTON POINT.**  
THE subscriber most respectfully informs his friends and fellow citizens generally that he has again located himself at Easton Point for the purpose of attending to the

**MILLING BUSINESS.**  
and hopes from his long experience in the business, and his constant determination and disposition to please all who may think proper to entrust their grain to his care, to merit a share of public patronage.

His days of grinding will be TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS in each week, and old customers will be notified. He solicits the civility of his friends, and a generous community to give him a call, and he pledges himself to give his best endeavors to give satisfaction.

The public's ob't. servant,  
ABRAM H. ROLLES.  
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**FOR SALE.**  
A WINDMILL, in good order, belonging to the Estate of Rigby Hopkins, deceased. For particulars apply to  
SOL. S. HOPKINS, Adm'r of R. Hopkins, dec'd.

**PROPOSALS.**  
WILL be received by John R. McQuay Trustee in Primary School District No. 5, E. D. No. 1, until the 14th day of March next, for furnishing materials and building a School House in said District. The House in the city; the site, posts, braces and lower joists to be of good white oak; the studding and rafters and upper joists to be of any suitable timber; the flooring to be of good juniper shingles; one or two leather doors of good white pine, with brass hinges; the House to have four-twelve light (8 by 10) windows, with batten shutters and good bolts below, and one window above; the lower room to be plastered with one or two coats, and to be furnished with a desk and benches, each six feet long; the House to have an upper chimney of sufficient size to receive a stove pipe, and to be underpinned with fourteen pillars, each eighteen inches by two feet six inches deep. It is desired that persons offering proposals will furnish the materials separately or together, and also the different kinds of work separately or together, and the amount for doing all the work. By order of Trustees,  
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**WHEAT MACHINES.**  
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They would also call the attention of the public to their extensive assortment of

**PLOUGHS, PLOUGH CASTINGS, MILL CASTINGS, &c.**  
Their assortment of Ploughs embraces a great variety, viz:  
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**CASTINGS AND WROUGHT WORK**  
of every description at the shortest notice, and at City prices. We respectfully solicit the patronage of the public and invite them to an examination of our stock.

N. B.—Persons having machines to repair will please bring them in as early in the spring as possible, so as to give full time to do the work in a proper manner. H. S. H. Easton, February 13, 1844. (Gly)

**Sheriff's Sale.**  
BY virtue of three writs of vendition executed in and to me directed, one at the suit of Susan Edmondson & Richard C. Hollyday, adm'rs of John Edmondson, dec'd., against Robert Leonard and Wm. B. Wheeler, one at the suit of Philip H. Fiddeman against Robert Leonard, and one at the suit of James J. Corner and Thomas Corner against Robert Leonard, I have seized and taken in execution, and will expose at public sale for cash on

**Tuesday the 5th of March,**  
at the front door of the Court House in the town of Easton, between the hours of 10 and 4 o'clock of said day, the following property to wit—one brown mare, one Gig and harness, and all the right, interest and estate of said Leonard, of, in and to one

**HOUSE AND LOT**  
situated in the town of Easton, in the County of Queen Anne's, and also all the right and interest of said Leonard, of, in and to that Farm or Plantation lying between the property of the Neck in Talbot county, and being in Hopkinton, in the County of Queen Anne's, the name of "MAXWELLMORE," being the number of acres what they may; and also the undivided fifth part of the real estate of Joshua E. Leonard, late of Talbot county, deceased, by whatever name or names it may be called, and be the quantity of acres what they may, all seized and sold to satisfy the above mentioned writs of vendition executed, and the costs due to and become due thereon. Attendancy by WM. B. WILLIS, Sheriff.  
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**SPLENDID FARM**  
Near Easton—For Sale.

THE subscriber having determined to contract his Farming operations, offers for sale that highly improved and well known Farm within two miles of Easton, called and known by the name of "the Glebe." This farm is situated on the head waters of a branch of Miles River, and contains the quantity of

**427 Acres of Land.**  
This land is laid off in 6 fields, all under good plank fencing and enclosures. The land is well adapted to the growth of wheat & corn. The proximity of this farm to the town of Easton, from which it is only a few miles distant, and the most agreeable manure can be formed from the most accommodating terms, is a nearness to navigable water, by which means it can be procured, render it very desirable to purchasers. It may be laid off in two farms or more. There is an ample supply of TIMBER to this farm.

**TERMS.**—One third of the purchase money in cash, balance in one and two years, secured by bond and good security. For further particulars apply to the subscriber or to Saml. Hambleton, Jr., his agent.

**ENNALLS MARTIN.**  
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