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The Kent News.

SATURDAY.....SEPT. 3, 1881.

Democratic State Ticket.

For Comptroller of the Treasury:

THOMAS J. KEATING, of Queen Anne's.

County Ticket.

FOR THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:
SAMUEL CACY,
THOMAS A. HULME.

FOR SHERIFF:
ROBERT W. CALDER.,

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
First Dist.—CHARLES P. LOPER,
Second " —TILGHMAN SHAFER,
Third " —RICHARD C. SMYTH,
Fourth " —V. HENDRICKSON,
Fifth " —T. ROMIE STRONG.

FOR SURVEYOR:
H. H. GRESHAM.

BETTER NEWS.—We have better news this week than last for our readers as to the President's condition. On Wednesday the patient had less fever than any day since he was wounded, and the physicians again discussed the advisability of removing him to some other locality. He wants to go to his old home at Mentor, but so long a journey could not be attempted. From the continued favorable dispatches it would really seem that the President had passed the crisis on the sixtieth day, as some physicians predicted.

GOVERNOR HAMILTON has laid down the rule that persons in being transferred must appear before the registration officer IN PERSON.

THE cable brings the news of a terrible disaster on the west coast of South Africa—a steamship wrecked and a hundred and seventy lives lost.

THE Baltimore Oriole, Mardi-Gras and Carnival will be held Oct. 10, 11 and 12—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

ACCOUNTS of the long-protracted drouth come from all sections of the country. Crops of all kinds have suffered.

GOVERNOR HAMILTON filed his decision at Annapolis on Thursday declining to remove the Baltimore city registers charged with official misconduct.

GEN. GRANT has announced to the world that he has had but one interview with Vice-President Arthur since the President was shot. So much more creditable to Arthur.

EX-SENATOR WHYTE thinks that Senator David Davis, the independent, should be elected President of the Senate in case of Garfield's death, and that the republicans and democrats should divide the minor offices between them.

THE last Legislature of New York passed an act requiring employers to provide seats for shop girls. The law is a reasonable one, and its enactment and enforcement in other States would be in the interest of both health and humanity.

A DUEL was fought near Warrenton, Va., last Monday, between James C. Scott and Robert R. Campbell, young lawyers of that place, in which the former received a wound in the hand. The meeting grew out of a political dispute. Campbell is the son-in-law of Col. John S. Mosby, and Scott is a son of Maj. John Scott, Commonwealth's attorney of Fauquier county.

A VERY UNPROFITABLE DISCUSSION is going on between Hon. Clement Sullvane, State Senator and editor of the Cambridge Chronicle, and Geo. J. Meekins, Esq., treasurer of Dorchester county. Mr. S. wants the "Treasury Bill" repealed, and Mr. M. thinks this is because of personal objection to himself, and so arises the wordy fight. These two gentlemen are both influential democratic leaders and ought to set a better example to the "rank and file" of the party in Old Dorset.

"Governor Hamilton, after incurring the enmity of the ring faction in the Democratic party, has at length succeeded in arousing against him the indignation of the anti-ring element. * * He has ignored the demands of his friends for the removal of the delinquent officials."—*American.*

Well, that's cool! Didn't do what was required of him, eh? To please a few O. L. D.'s and the republicans, he was to turn out the Baltimore city registers. Guilty or not, their heads must come off. Tho' the charges against these registers had been fraudulently procured, were proven to be untrue, and, in fact, had been formally withdrawn by the prosecution, the Governor must listen only to the rabble cry and declare them guilty! But he has not done so, and the American tells us that his friends are displeased. Doubtless they are, and *for cause.* But the anger of this "element" is the greatest good fortune—the highest compliment—the Governor could receive. That "anti-ring element" is disappointed in not securing these two or three offices. They are denied the opportunity to "manipulate" things in their own interest—for, that they are competent for this is evidenced in their disposition so readily to charge misconduct upon the innocent. But the Democracy are not displeased. There was no other course open to the Governor, and we agree with our cotemporary of the Gazette that a full exoneration of the accused registers should be made. To the people at large it is more than a few "loaves and fishes." The credit of the State is involved. The charges, if true, would injure the State in all its political and social, even in its business relations. The Governor of Maryland has so far extended his official functions as to sit as a court to try the truth of these charges—charges involving the credit and dignity of the great Commonwealth over which he presides. He has found these charges to be grossly untrue; he has found that they are the same charges which have been repeatedly tried before Republican courts and judges, with always the same result—their falsity shown and the accused released; he has found that the charges were fraudulently procured by signatures obtained upon false representations in bar-rooms and other low resorts. Gov. Hamilton will therefore, no doubt, in his own good time, give expression to his views upon the subject. He has so far properly discharged the duty incumbent upon him in giving the charges a fair hearing at much personal inconvenience to himself. He has patiently listened to all the testimony, and has arrived at a conclusion which has justified him in ignoring them. His manly and straightforward conduct, as well as his known fairness and high conception of official responsibility, warrents the confidence and expectation that he will fully justify his judgment in favor of the registers. There will, we hope and believe, be an explicit statement, over his official signature, that the charges are false and slanderous; that they are partisan calumnies, repeated afresh after every refutation of them, and that the only fraud proven before him was the fraud of the procurement of the signatures to the charges.

A FEARFUL CYCLONE struck Savannah and Charleston on Saturday and strewed the whole coast from Savannah to Beaufort with wrecks of vessels, or with vessels driven ashore with more or less damage. In the city of Savannah itself the damage done both by wind and water was very great; roofs were blown off, walls blown down, and many warehouses and large buildings badly damaged. The rice plantations were flooded, the houses and buildings on them swept away, and with them fifty negroes, whose bodies have since been found. On Tybee Island the handsome residence of Mr. Wolff was blown down and then took fire, and three of the family perished in the flames. Many persons abandoned their homes and took refuge in the woods. On Cockspur Island the inhabitants took refuge in Fort Pulaski, all the houses being swept away, while the vessels anchored near by were driven ashore. The loss of crops is estimated at nearly a million of dollars. Nearly a hundred vessels, including lighters, are also reported to be stranded and disabled on the rivers and along the coast.

THE DROUTH.—Up to this writing (Friday noon) the drouth continues. We have had no rain whatever in this section since the 7th of August, and but two good rains since the first of June. The dust in our streets is terrible, and to travellers on the public roads very annoying, while vehicles run as roughly as if upon frozen ground. Clouds gathered overhead Thursday evening and for a little while promised rain, but before 9 o'clock the sky was clear again; and so on Friday morning the sun refused to shine for some hours, but the clouds all disappeared without a drop of the anxiously looked for rain.

Farmers will save but little fodder; and the clover is literally burnt up, causing great apprehension for the welfare of stock. The corn crop in the county will be short fully one-half, as it is too late now for the rains, if they come, to materially advantage it. Fallow plowing has been almost discontinued for some time, and unless copious showers soon come there will be a very short fallow seeding.

The heat has also continued this week, our office thermometer marking as follows: Monday, at 2 P. M., 92°; Tuesday, 93; Wednesday, 91; Thursday, 90; Friday 87.

OUR FAIR—*Special Attraction—The Celebrated Miss Phœbe Couzins to be Present.*—The managers of the Kent County Fair have succeeded in making an engagement with Miss Phœbe Couzins, one of the most gifted lady orators in the country, to be present at the approaching Fair. Miss Couzins is recognized as one of the leading representative women of the century; her addresses on agricultural subjects have been received with the greatest degree of favor, even surpassing such celebrities as Henry Ward Beecher, Mrs. Livermore and others, and her presence at the Kent Fair ought to prove a great attraction.

The plowing match, which will commence at noon on the first day of the Fair, will be an exceedingly interesting feature of the exhibition. It is expected that there will be at least ten to a dozen contestants, and some splendid specimens of work in this important branch of agricultural industry will be executed.

The privileges of the Fair have been awarded as follows: Eating and ice-cream tables, Wm. Perkins; tobacco and simple drinks, Walter Sutton; peanut stand, Mr. Rice, of Middletown.

A FAMILY EXCURSION.—On Wednesday next, will be the last opportunity our people will have this season to enjoy one of those delightful Cape May excursions so popular with everybody who know anything about them. It may prove the best as well as the last. It is known as the Lessee's excursion, and Colonel Gerker promises to leave nothing undone to make it one of surpassing enjoyment, especially for families. Good coaches and plenty of them will be provided, and there will be no crowd on the steamer this time. So remember the day and hour, and be sure that you go and take your family. The fare from Chestertown and Worton has been reduced to $1.50.

A STREET-SPRINKLER would be a welcome institution in Chestertown.

AN unknown man was drowned at Tolchester Beach last Thursday while in swimming.

HOME AGAIN.—Messrs. R. Hynson, C. T. Westcott and J. A. Pearce returned home Wednesday.

RECOVERING.—Captain John S. Clayton, of Turner's creek, and J. W. Ivens, of Worton, who have both been seriously ill, are now convalescent.

DISORDER.—Esquire Wheatley had before him last week nine cases for fighting, swearing and disorderly conduct in Chestertown. The parties were all colored.

COMMITTED.—A colored man named Emory Turner was committed to jail by Esquire Miller, of Galena, last Sunday, charged with cutting another colored man, John Jeffers, with a razor, on the right arm.

NEXT MONDAY the officers of registration will begin their duties in the several election districts of the county, and will sit on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All persons entitled to vote at the next election, whose names are not already on the books, should appear before the register of their district en one of the days named and get registered.

DORCHESTER NOMINATIONS.—The Democratic County Convention for Dorchester county on Tuesday last nominated the following ticket:

State Senate—Henry Lloyd; Legislature—Wm. T. Staplefort, Joseph H. Johnson and Wm. T. Sherman; Sheriff—Jno. W. Fletcher; County Commissioners—C. H. Seward, C. E. Fallen, Uriah Hurley, J. Frank Wheately and John W. Jones; Surveyor—James M. Robinson.

The convention passed resolutions favoring the repeal of the Treasurer's bill, and commending Mr. Geo. J. Meekins for his efficiency as county treasurer. Wise counsels apparently prevailed, and harmony and victory will as surely follow.

GUITEAU wants a wife! He remarked to the Assistant District Attorney the other day that he would like to pay his addresses to some good Christian lady of wealth and first-class family. An exchange suggests that the amiable Western lady, who murdered her two children recently, would make a nice, cheerful companion for the monster.

THE rains throughout England have greatly injured the wheat crop, and the press has declared that the loss to the country can be reckoned by millions, and that the wheat would soon cease to be worth gathering. The rains have now continued for two weeks, and the grain is everywhere mildewed or sprouting. Amid this irretrievable ruin of the late hopeful prospect prayers are being offered in all the churches for more favorable weather, and England realizes that instead of gathering in a crop approaching the average she must be content with half a crop, or even less.

*DR. HAMILTON'S DISCOVERY—*Did the New York Surgeon Save the President's Life?*—A special dispatch from Washington says: On last Saturday morning the President was at his worst and nearly all hope of his recovery had gone. Dr. Hamilton lingered after the morning dressing of the wound, and made the discovery that the yolks of eggs which had formed part of the enemata administered to the President for several days previously had not been assimulating thoroughly, if at all, and were poisoning the system. Without waiting to make known his discovery or to consult with any of his associates, he seized his hat and rushed out to a drug store, whete he purchased a supply of powdered charcoal. He returned quickly and immediately administered an enema containing a large proportion of the charcoal. The effect was apparent almost immediately, and the incident marked the turning point in the President's condition. There is scarcely any doubt that the presence of this undigested mass was the cause of the glandular affection, which came so near terminating the life of the President.

J. M. FOND, of Dover, has sold his trotting horse "Tom Bayard" to L. Reynolds, of Balto.

PRIVATE SALE OF A FARM.—Mr. Peter Scott has sold his farm, known as the Pardee farm, situated near Sudlersville, to Mr. George H. Sparks, for $3,500.

WM. H. THOMPSON, of Smyrna, made wager last week with E. R. Cochran, of Middletown, of a new hat, that before June next wheat will sell at $2 and corn at $1 per bushel in the Philadelphia market.

THE Centreville Record says that several farmers in Queen Anne's county have been offered seventy-five cents per bushel for new corn delivered in November and eighty cents delivered in December.

MR. W. J. C. DULANY, the Baltimore book dealer and publisher, met with an accident last Monday, by falling and dislocating his knee-cap, which will confine him to his house for some time. Mr. D. is now the acting foreman of the grand jury of the Criminal Court, and we regret to learn of his mishap.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last as Mrs. Joseph Guest, of Church Hill, was ascending to the back porch of her residence she fell backward from near the top step to the pavement below, producing concussion of the brain. She has since been unconscious with but a meagre chance of recovery.—*Centreville Observer.*

MISS LOTTIE POOL of Princess Anne, hearing a commotion among the chickens a few nights since took her gun and shot into their roosting place in a large tree. The shot was quickly followed by a man's leaping from the tree and over a neighboring fence out of barm's way.

CANOE RACE.—A number of our young "river sportsmen" recently arranged a boat race to come off at this place, and the notice brought quite a number of boats from other places to Chestertown last Tuesday morning. Money prizes were offered as follows: $12 for the winner in the first class, $10 for the second, and $7 for the third. The boats to start from Chester river bridge and run down opposite Captain Emory's, a distance of about two miles, and return; the course to be run twice, making a total run of eight miles.

The entries in the first class were the "Ida May," of Kent Island, Capt. Larrimore; "May Queen," Grey's Inn Creek, Capt. Wm. Crouch. Won by the Ida May in one hour and thirty-nine minutes. The May Queen's time 1.43.

In the second class the entries were: "Ivanhoe," Grey's Inn Creek, Capt. Edw. Beck; "Eureka," Chestertown, Capt. Robert Jones; "Republic," Chestertown, Capt. Edw. Emory; "Beatrice T. Clark," Jackson's creek, Captain Wm. Collyer; "Maid of the Mist," Quaker Neck, Capt. Hadaway. Won by "Beatrice T. Clark" in 1.27, the Maid of the Mist coming in second, Eureka third and Republic fourth.

In the third class there was but one boat, the "Eureka," Capt. Jones. Time 1.34

The judges were Major T. B. Hynson, John R. Gray, Capt. T. S. Bordley and W. H. Beck.

Considerable interest was manifested and numbers of people watched the race from the wharves. The wind was light and from the South.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS of this county opened on Thursday last, with but few changes in the teachers. Miss Henrietta Jones, a graduate of the Normal School, takes the school at Chesterville, in place of Miss Nowland, resigned. Miss Nannie E. Miller, a graduate of the Galena high school, goes to Lambson's station, in place of Mr. Kennedy. Miss May Mier, the late assistant at Locust Grove, takes the Hibernia school, vice Mr. Pearson, resigned. Miss Mary Howard has the school near Mr. H. J. Jump's, in place of Miss Osborne, resigned. Mr. W. F. Taylor takes the Kennedyville school in place of Mr. Jarman, resigned, and Mr. Taylor's place near Millington is filled by Mr. Oscar A. Turner, a graduate of the Wicomico High School. Miss Sarah M. Shaw will be assistant at Piney Neck in place of Miss H. V. Ringgold, resigned.

The houses generally have been painted or whitewashed and cleaned up preparatory to the opening, and the outlook promises well for a year of solid progress in school work.

THE GUARDS TO GO.—Adjutant General Watkins, accompanied by Major General Herbert, visited Chestertown last Tuesday, and in the evening inspected the "Kent Guards." The Guards mustered 44 men, and were drilled by General Herbert, after which the arms and accoutrements were inspected, and the company complimented by the General for its proficiency and fine condition. The company decided to make the trip to Yorktown. The Adjutant General promised to furnish belts, epaulettes, blankets, tents, cooking utensils and transportation. The members of the company will have to bear their own expenses for rations, which will be 40c. per day, or $2.80 for the trip. The company will leave Chestertown Saturday, Oct. 15, in the steamer "Law," and take the steamer "Mason L. Weems" in Baltimore, at 5 P. M., same day, reaching Yorktown Sunday about noon. They expect to number fifty men.

THAT Smyrna Band gave our colored population an overdose of music. Or, it may be, gave it *prematurely.* An excursion, in the interest of the Smyrna colored church, was to leave here on Saturday morning; in order to awaken an interest, the band was sent down Friday evening, and it went to work at once—marched and countermarched, tooted and pounded, until late in the night, keeping everything in a lively stir. But next morning, when the whistle sounded, the excursion goers were all wrapt in slumber, making up for the time spent in the carousal of the previous evening. Only *two* were on hand of the hundreds that we might have thought were going from the amount of noise made. The excursion, however, was abundantly successful, nearly five hundred taking passage from points up the road, and the steamer "Artisan" conveyed them safely to Cape May and back. And now a word about bands is in place. They are a good thing, of course. But don't send any *foreigners* here while we have the *home institution,* and don't "commence to run too far from the jump," or you give out before you get there!

CHESTERVILLE'S POSTAL.—Rev. Mr. Kibler, of the Church South, is still absent. The church is now being painted.—Miss Etta Jones, of Millington, has been appointed teacher of the Chesterville public school.—Rev. J. E. Bryan, now of Newport, Del., paid a flying visit to the county last week.—Miss Julia Brayshaw, late teacher of our public school, is also visiting Mrs. Capt. Brinsfield, accompanied by her mother. It was the latter lady's first trip to our beautiful county. She did not find it the hucklberry swamp that so many strangers imagine it is.—S. W. Aldridge is now at Atlantic City.—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Layman have returned from Ocean Grove.—A great many of our citizens have been to Cape May this summer.—F. M. Gooding and family, who have been summering in Pennsylvania and Kent, have returned to their home in Easton, Md.—Everybody and everything is crying for rain.—A phosphate factory has been started at Crumpton by Messrs. Harrison, Spry and Quimby.

THE Eighth Annual Exhibition of the Peninsular Agricultural and Pomological Association will be held at Middletown, Del., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 20th, 21st and 22d. Every fair this association has held has been a success, and there is every reason to believe that this year will, in the way of attractions, surpass any that has yet been held at Middletown. Premiums aggregating $7,000 are offered for exhibits, and no entry fee is charged.

PROF. WM. H. ZIMMERMAN, of Washington College, we regret to learn, has been very ill at his home in Baltimore county, with malarial fever, ever since the college vacation. He is at present doing very well, considering the character of his disease, but must exercise much care in diet. We hope soon to hear of his entire recovery.

FESTIVAL.—The ladies of Lynch's M. P. chapel advertise to begin a festival in a large tent on the grounds adjoining the chapel, on Wednesday, the 7th Sept., and continue it four days, with good suppers at 25 cents each evening. Make your arrangements to attend and you will be sure of a good time.

TAX PAYERS will find it to their interest to read and carefully consider the notices of the collectors of taxes in several of the election districts. Make it convenient to pay your taxes early—save the discount—pay no interest—have no dunning—and be happy!

BE SURE to attend the Festival at Wesley Chapel on Wednesday and Thursday next, afternoons and evenings. You can rely upon getting a first-class supper—have a good time—and assist a worthy cause.

CHAPMAN & LAMBERT have received an order for several dozen of their celebrated Corn Hoes from Delaware within the last four days, which indicates their popularity.

THE colored people of Queen Anne's county, says the Record, have determined to call a county convention and nominate a ticket composed entirely of their own race and color.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1881.—Present, Judges Nicholson and Shallcross.

Shadrach W. Watkins, late guardian to Chas. L. Watkins, filed his release from said ward.

Richard C. Smyth, surviving executor of Richard Smyth, deceased, returned his 6th administration account and distribution.

Helen A. M. Miller, guardian to Merritt T., Walter H., and Lillian Miller, returned her guardian accounts for said wards.

MISS SALLIE JUMP, of Denton, very narrowly escaped a horrible death, on Friday of last week. Her clothing took fire from a spark from the kitchen range, and as most persons do in similar cases, as soon as she discovered that she was on fire ran out into the open air crying for help. Her sister came to her rescue, tearing the burning garments from her person and burning her hands quite severely in doing so.—*Caroline Democrat.*

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS.—A walk through any section of our town demonstrates the fact that we have not lost the spirit of improvement. The number of new houses erected and old ones repaired will probably equal that of any previous year, and beside, the modern character of these improvements keeps pace with the advanced ideas of the day. In the lower section of the town, the most marked improvement is on Front or Water street and on Bridge street. Mr. H. M. Stuart, one of our builders, has done wonders for the square bounded by Bridge and Queen sts. He has erected several handsome dwellings, improved the streets, and changed the whole appearance of things in that neighborhood. Two of the dwellings are occupied by himself and Mr. T. L. Hines; they are of beautiful architectural design, the rooms and halls commodious and admirably arranged for convenience, and ornamented with large bay windows—and are, altogether, among the most desirable in town. Adjoining these Mr. Stuart has another lot, more desirable than either of the others, and which he proposes to improve at an early day.

Near by, and adjoining the recently erected new dwelling of Mrs. A. W. Sparks, Mr. John N. Dodd has just completed for Mr. John W. Hines a comfortable and commodious frame dwelling; it is two stories, with gable and bay window and porch in front, something different from any other in town; it has five large, airy bed-rooms, all private, and bath room, besides parlor, dining room, kitchen and pantry. The whole house is white-coated throughout.

The property on the northwest corner of Front and Bridge streets, recently purchased by Mr. Wm. J. Vannort, is also being greatly improved, Mr. John N. Dodd being the contractor. A back building, 34x16, is being added, to contain dining-room, kitchen, stairway and pantry on lower floor, and three bed rooms and office on second floor. The front building is to be entirely remodeled, with new doors and windows, a Gothic roof, two bay windows, verandas, and other modern improvements. The old house was built thirty-two years ago by Mr. J. T. Dodd, father of the present contractor, for Mrs. Dr. George W. Thomas, during the California gold fever; the contractor was paid off in gold, the house was painted a gold color, and ever afterwards was called the "California house." The location is very beautiful, and when the improvements are completed Mr. Vannort will have one of the most desirable residences in town.

The improvements on Front street, recently completed by Mr. B. F. Fleming, are also very marked. On the vacant lot he has had erected a two-story double brick house, with modern improvements throughout and porches back and front. The old brick adjoining has been completely transformed. An addition back, new roof, new windows, doors, stairways and halls throughout, together with porches back and front, and the outside white-coated and penciled, gives it the appearance of a modern marble structure. It is now an ornament to the street and town, and a desirable residence, with all the advantages of a water situation. R. K. Pippin, contractor.

In the upper part of the town the most important improvement is the new dwelling of Mr. T. R. Hubbard, adjoining Mrs. Dodd's residence, which is now approaching completion. This building is a three-story frame, the front 40x26 feet, with ionic or gable roofs in front and ends, and a back building 30x18 feet. A wide hall runs through the centre, giving parlor 15x26 feet on one side, and a sitting-room 15x26 feet on the other side, with bay window. There are seven chambers, and the two first stories are 11½ and 10½ feet pitch. A fine large porch adorns the front, and smaller porches are at the rear and side. Under the dining room and kitchen is a good cellar, and the roofs are all covered with slate. The desirable location of Mr. Hubbard's lot and the character of his improvements, assist materially in beautifying that portion of the town. Mr. George F. Sacrey, of Washington, D. C., was the contractor.

Besides the above, may be mentioned the repair of the old brick building in Church Alley, owned by Mr. A. Ming. In front of the old building Mr. M. is having erected a good-sized two-story frame, which, when completed, will give him a commodious and eligibly located residence.

SAFE ROBBED.—On the afternoon of Aug. 11 the safe of Mr. Thomas H. Horsey, in Galena, was robbed of forty dollars—one twenty and two ten dollar notes. During the day Mr. H. related his loss in Mr. Joseph P. Ireland's store, when the latter remembered that a negro boy, 10 or 12 years old, named Perry Fowler, had applied to him that morning to change a twenty dollar note, saying Mrs. Kendall had sent him. Mr. Horsey apprehended the boy, who denied stoutly at first, but soon acknowledged having the money, saying that another colored boy, of about the same age, named Jim Powell, committed the theft. But Fowler had the twenty and one of the ten dollar notes in his pocket. He had purchased a suit of clothes for $8 from Mr. Wm. A. Whittaker's store, telling Mr. W. that he had made the money harvesting. The two dollars change remaining after buying the clothes he got a boy to purchase a pistol with at Mr. Horsey's store. Jim Powell, the boy he accused of committing the theft, denied all knowledge of it. Justice Miller committed both boys to jail.

A FIRE FOR FUN.—On Sunday morning, Aug. 14, about 10 o'clock, a negro boy named George Benson, 14 or 15 years of age, in the employ of Mrs. Adelaide Boyer, near Sassafras, set fire to the straw rick on the Wm. Griffith farm. Mrs. Boyer's dwelling was but a few yards distant from the straw, and nothing saved it from destruction but the direction of the wind, which fortunately carried the flames and burning fragments of straw away from the house. The neighbors hastened to the scene and removed Mrs. Boyer's furniture and effects from the house. The boy Benson denied at first all knowledge of it, but on further questioning, said that he set fire to the straw to see a fire. He is now in jail.

THE BALTIMORE COUNTY FAIR, which will be held from Tuesday to Friday, Sept. 6—9, at Timonium, about eleven miles north of Baltimore, promises to be one of the largest displays of improved live stock, farm, garden and orchard products, agricultural machinery, &c., ever held in the county. Among horses, the newly imported Percherons of Mr. Wm. T. Walters will be specially attractive. Hon. Samuel J. Randall, late Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives, will deliver the annual address on Thursday.

IT is estimated that it will take fifty bushels of peanuts to occupy the attention of the people between the races at the Middletown fair.

DIED:

AT Rock Hall, July 20th, 1881, ROBBIE M. WHALAND, aged 5 years, 1 months & 3 weeks, son of Lawrence L. and Sarah A. Whaland.

Peacefully lay him down to rest,
Place the turf kindly on his breast;
Sweet be thy slumber beneath the sod,
While the pure soul is resting with God.

MOTHER.

Departed this life, of cholera infantum, Aug. 21, BESSIE BOYER, daughter of C. S. and A. Hurlock, age 6 months.

None but parents can ever know,
Or feel the pangs severe;
Of little babes thus turn away
From hearts and friends so dear.
Dear little Bessie, we give thee up,
Consign thee to the tomb;
Though awfully bitter is the cup,
Thy absence—what a gloom.

GRANDMA.

TO FARMERS.—We are handling *CULTIVATOR TEETH,* and can furnish them to the farmers of Kent and Queen Anne's as low as the lowest. THOS. L. HINES & Co.

JELLY GLASSES!
JELLY GLASSES!
55c. per dozen, at SPARKS'.

THE Largest and Best GROCERY STORE in town is kept by
aug20. WM. J. MCFEELY.

TIN CANS!
TIN CANS!
Only 50 Cents Per Dozen, at
aug6. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

A LINE of FINE TOBACCOS, for sale by T. W. ELIASON, JR.

FESTIVAL.
The Ladies of WESLEY CHAPEL Meth. Prot. Church will hold a FESTIVAL on Wednesday and Thursday next, Sept. 7th and 8th. Soft Crabs, Fish, Oysters, &c., in abundance. SUPPER each day. Also, Ice-Cream and Refreshments. 1t*

WANTED—By a middle-aged Lady, a position as Housekeeper or Nursery Governess, and willing to assist in any light employment. Wages not so much an object as a comfortable home desired. Best of references given and required. Address MRS. H. H.,
sep4-3t. Chestertown Post Office.

MISS LOTTIE SPENCER purposes to *OPEN A SCHOOL in CHESTERTOWN* September 15th, provided a sufficient number of scholars can be obtained. Terms made known upon application. aug27-3t.

TO FRUIT SHIPPERS.
Fruit by STEAMER L. G. CANNON will be landed at Pier 9½ Light st.
aug27-3t. J. W. THOMPSON, CAPT.

FOR SALE—CHEAP:
Or will exchange for a Cow,
A Second-Hand WHEAT DRILL,
in good order. Would guarantee it to give satisfaction. Apply to L. S. HEPBRON,
aug27-3t*. Lynch's Station.

FOR RENT for 1882:
DWELLING in Chestertown, corner High and Front streets.
DWELLING AND STORE, High street, opposite the Bank.
DWELLING on High street, adjoining Pierce's shoe store.
FARM, ON CHESTER RIVER, between Chestertown and Morgan's Creek, now occupied by Edward Plummer. Terms for farm $350, money rent.
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
sep3-tf. ATTORNEY.

FOR RENT,
For 1882, in the village of Still Pond, a comfortable DWELLING, with STORE ROOM attached; a good stand for a Fancy and Millinery store. There is a large Garden and all necessary Out-Buildings, with a Pump of excellent water at the door.
Apply to L. S. HEPBRON,
aug27-3t*. Lynch's Station, Kent co., Md.

FOR RENT.
A DWELLING HOUSE
on Cross st., in Chestertown, for the balance of the present year.
Apply to H. W. VICKERS, ATT'Y.
Aug. 20, 1881—tf.

FOR RENT, for 1882,
A DWELLING HOUSE
at Pomona. Apply to J. H. BAKER,
aug20-3t. POMONA.

FOR RENT,
For the balance of the present year, "THE ROCKWELL HOUSE,"
Chestertown, Md. For terms, &c., apply to
mh19-tf. C. H. BAKER, Att'y.

For Sale—2 Very Desirable Farms
IN KENT COUNTY.
One on the water and one near the Railroad.
Apply to C. H. BAKER, ATT'Y,
sep3-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FROM LYNCH'S STATION!
LYNCH'S, MD., Sept. 1, 1881.
Our old friend Capt. J. W. Torch was at our Chapel last Sunday.
The weather continues hot and dry, and we have had to bring out our street sprinkler, an invention of "Uncle Moses."
Our Farmers all want a WHEAT DRILL that they can depend on. They can secure this by buying the
EMPIRE FORCE FEED
We guarantee satisfaction. After you have seeded 100 acres it has paid for itself.
Our Mr. JOEL PUSEY will be at the County Fair and explain the Empire to all.
Come to headquarters or call on F. PLATT, Chestertown, or J. A. HENRY, Pomona.
WM. HEPBRON, Agent
1t. for 3d, 4th & 5th Dist's.

FESTIVAL AND SUPPER.
THE Ladies of Lynch's M. P. Chapel will hold a Festival in a large Tent adjoining the Chapel, on the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th of September, for benefit of said Chapel. SUPPER each evening, including the substantials and delicacies of the season, at 25c. Ice-Cream and Refreshments in abundance.
Arrangements have been made so that persons from Chestertown and vicinity can take the train on Thursday, at 2 P. M., and return in the evening. Fare for the round trip 30c.
Come and help us!
aug27-2t. F. T. LITTLE, Pastor.

FOR SALE:
Expecting to move out of the county, the undersigned will sell at private sale a Large BAY HORSE, 7 years old, and an excellent worker; two first-class MILCH COWS, one with Calf by her side, and both giving milk; and an excellent Fall-Top BUGGY. These things will be sold very reasonable. S. S. HEPBRON,
aug27-3t. Pastor of St. Paul's Church.

FARMERS!
Cut your Corn Off
WITH
CHAPMAN & LAMBERT'S
CAST STEEL CORN HOES
They have NO EQUAL in the market.
They are our own invention, and have stood the test of twelve years past.
They are better than knives, as they cut short stubble.
They are light, with nice turned handles.
ALL GUARANTEED, and sold at REDUCED PRICE. *TRY THEM.*
CHAPMAN & LAMBERT,
sep3. Chestertown.

LESSEE'S
Family Excursion
To CAPE MAY!

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 7, 1881
This excursion to the above named popular watering place will be the last of the season, and will be conducted by the Lessee with a view specially to accommodate families.
It will be via. the Kent Co. & Del. Bay R. R. to Woodland Beach, and thence by the
SPLENDID BAY STEAMER
THOS. CLYDE
TO CAPE MAY!
TIME TABLE AND PRICE OF TICKETS:

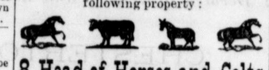
Leave Chestertown	6.30	Adult ticket	$1.50
" Worton	6.45	" "	1.50
" Lynch's	6.50	" "	1.50
" Still Pond	6.55	" "	1.50
" Kennedyville	7.00	" "	1.50
Children, under 14 years, from above points			75c.
" Black's	7.10	Adult ticket	1.25
" Lambson's	7.20	" "	1.25
Leave Massey's	7.30	" "	1.25
" Delaney's	7.40	" "	1.25
" Bingham's	7.45	" "	1.25
" Clayton	7.55	" "	1.00
" Smyrna	8.05	" "	1.00
" Woodland B.	8.30	" "	1.00
Children under 14 years,			60c.
Tickets for Woodland Beach (round trip)			75c.

GIVING about 5 HOURS at CAPE MAY!
Music, Meals and Refreshments on the boat.
Sept. 1, 1881. F. GERKER, Lessee.

TOILET SOAPS and Perfumeries—a large stock, Combs, Brushes, Razors, Purses, &c., &c., at lowest prices,
aug6. at SPARKS'.

FLOUR by the Barrel or Sack, for sale by WM. J. MCFEELY.

CASH paid for LARD, by WM. J. MCFEELY.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
VALUABLE FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, &c.
THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at PUBLIC SALE, on
MONDAY, the 19th September, inst.,
at his residence in Still Pond Neck, the following property:

8 Head of Horses and Colts
Among them some Fine Drivers;
ONE PAIR GOOD WORK MULES;
1 Yoke of Excellent Young Steers,
Well broken, well matched, and fine size, five years old.
FIVE MILCH COWS,
all young and good milkers, and a fine lot of YEARLING CATTLE, STEERS and HEIFERS.
23 Head of FINE SHEEP
some of them in good butchering order, and lot of killing HOGS and very fine SHOATS, together with a lot of PIGS.
ALSO, ENTIRE STOCK OF
Farming Implements,
3 REAPERS—one single-wheel Champion, good as new; 1 EMPIRE DRILL, 11 tubes, in perfect order; Corn Sheller, Fan, 2 Wagons and Harness, Ox-Cart, 2 Wheat Rakes, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Shovels, Hoes, Scythes, Roller, Plow Gears, &c., &c. Also, lot of Clover Hay and Corn Blades, in good order.
TERMS OF SALE:—A credit of 12 months on sums of $10 and over, on note with approved security, payable at Kent National Bank.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
JAMES C. ROSEBERRY.
Sept. 3—ts.

THE
PENINSULAR FAIR.
EIGHTH GRAND
Agricultural and Horticultural
EXHIBITION
OF THE
PENINSULAR A. & P. ASSOCIATION,
TO BE HELD AT
Middletown, Del.,
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Sept. 20th, 21st and 22d.
Premiums - $7,000.
Exhibits solicited from all parts of the Peninsula or elsewhere.
NO ENTRY FEE FOR EXHIBITS.
THREE TRIALS OF SPEED EACH DAY, UNDER THE RULES OF THE NATIONAL TROTTING ASSOCIATION.
Premiums for Speed Trials $1,950.
Ample space for all Exhibits.
A platform has been constructed within a few steps of the entrance gates, at which all passenger trains will stop during the Fair.
EXCURSION TRAINS WILL BE RUN
And tickets sold at HALF RATES.
Special and very low rates of Freight will be given exhibitors on application to Agents of the Delaware railroad and its branches.
Ample accommodations for all kinds of stock. Hay and straw free for stock on exhibition. Entry Books for exhibits open after Sept. 12th. Write to the Secretary for premium list.
Entries in Trials of Speed close September 8th, at 11 o'clock P. M. Entries in Trials of Speed, ten per cent. of purse.
For further information, address
W. SCOTT WAY, Secretary,
sep3-3t. Middletown, Del.

TO PARENTS and TEACHERS!
SCHOOL BOOKS, &c.
WE have just received a Large Stock of SCHOOL BOOKS and
School Supplies,
which we are offering at the LOWEST PRICES. Call and compare the prices.
M. A. TOULSON, Druggist,
aug27. BORDLEY'S CORNER.

TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
SECOND DISTRICT.
FOR the convenience of tax-payers of the Second Election District, I will be at STILL POND the 1st and 3d Saturday of each month; LOCUST GROVE, the 2d Saturday of each month; CHESTERVILLE, the 4th Saturday of each month; and at all other times in Kennedyville.
Every intelligent tax-payer fully understands the advantages of prompt settlement. The collector has no option in the matter, but is required by law to collect and pay over the amount of the whole tax levied for his district within a very limited period. Tax-payers are, therefore, most respectfully urged to pay their taxes at an early day. By so doing they will greatly oblige. D. U. DEWEES,
aug27-tf. Coll. 2d Dist.

Notice to Tax-Payers
OF THE
FIFTH DISTRICT.
FOR the accommodation of tax-payers of the Fifth Election District, I shall be in Chestertown every Tuesday and receipt for taxes due. At other times I shall be at my store, Edesville, and hope those interested will give the matter prompt attention. The sooner you pay the better it is for you, as you assure yourself against forced payment at an inconvenient time and relieve yourself of any concern attending such indebtedness, as at the best they must be paid within a short period. The law compels me to collect and settle claims upon me by a given period, and in order to do so I must collect all the taxes levied in my district. Respectfully,
aug27-tf. B. B. ADKINSON.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
OF THE
THIRD ELECTION DISTRICT.
The Tax Books for the Third District are now in my hands, and for the convenience of tax-payers I may be found in Chestertown on Tuesdays, and Saturday afternoons at M