

Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 1, 1884.

A CABLEGRAM received by the Secretary of State Wednesday morning from St. Petersburg, announcing the death of United States Minister Hunt, says Mr. Hunt died from dropsy, superinduced by chronic inflammation of the liver.

The House committee on railways and canals on Wednesday authorized Mr. Holtzcliff to report favorably the Maryland and Delaware ship canal bill. The bill authorizes an appropriation of \$1,000,000 as preliminary to the undertaking.

Henry D. Miller, registrar of wills for Cecil county, died early Saturday morning of brain fever at his residence, three miles from Elkton. Mr. Miller had been ill about ten days. He was 42 years of age, and was elected registrar of wills in 1870. His father, the Hon. Henry D. Miller, filled the same office for over 25 years.

CITY COUNCILMAN JOHN P. FOX and City Solicitor I. Parker Yeazey, of Baltimore, tendered their resignations on Monday to Mayor Larobe, which were accepted, and afterwards James L. McLane, the newly-appointed city counselor, and Bernard Carter, the newly appointed city solicitor, took the required oath of office, and are now the law officers of the city.

MR. JAMES R. PARTISONS, of Baltimore, has committed suicide at Alicante, Spain, where he was residing on account of his health. He was in the United States diplomatic service for many years as Consul and other South American countries, his last post being at Lima. Mr. Partisone was Secretary of State under Gov. Hicks. He was educated at Harvard, where he studied law. He was also a student in the law office with Mr. S. Tackie Wallis.

MARYLAND FARMERS.—A convention of the farmers of the central counties of Maryland was held on Friday last week at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall, North Charles street, Baltimore. About 200 representative farmers were in attendance. Several topics of general interest to farmers were discussed. The convention adjourned to meet Monday, February 23, 1885, when farmers are to be invited from all the counties of the State.

In reply to an interrogatory of the Baltimore Sun's Washington correspondent as to the probability of the completion of the Maryland delegation at the Chicago convention, Representative Holton is reported to have said on Wednesday: "As far as he could judge, President Arthur appears to have the strongest following at present. The committee has an aggressive look. Mr. Blaine has his friends and supporters. He was in favor of sending an unopposed republican delegation to Chicago."

AT CHICAGO JULY 8.—The Democratic national committee met in Washington February 23d and selected Chicago as the place and July 8 as the time for holding the convention which is to nominate the party's candidate for the presidency in 1884. As the republican convention will have met in the same city on July 8, the action of the Democratic committee has an aggressive look. The republican, says the Baltimore Sun, is to be heard in his den and all his work done. For many years the States of the Northwest have relied upon large republican majorities.

TO PREPARE THE NATIONAL BANKS.—The McPherson bill passed.—By a vote of 43 yeas to 16 nays, the bill for the issue of circulating notes by national banks, was passed in the Senate, without any of the amendments sought to be fastened upon it in the long debate which it occasioned, except one offered by Senator Merrill. The department of the Treasury has organized a bureau for the issue of circulating notes by national banks, and the law at present in force permits the national banks to issue their notes to the extent of 90 per cent. of the face value of the bonds which they have deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury as security for the payment of their obligations. The McPherson bill authorizes the banks to increase their issue of circulating notes up to the full face value of their bonds. The amount of increased circulation on the present act is estimated at about \$100,000,000. The issue of this legislation is, of course, to prevent an apprehended sudden contraction of the currency consequent upon the surrender by the banks of their circulation in the 3 per cent. upon which they are now allowed to be issued, as called in by the treasury and paid. The increased profit to be derived from the issue of circulation under the McPherson measure will, it is hoped, induce the banks to replace their 3 per cent. high-grade 4 per cent. notes which have just twenty-three years to run before maturity. It is a noteworthy fact in this connection that this bill to preserve the national currency was framed by a democrat and received sanction from democratic Senators.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.—The bill to amend the Local Option law in Kent—adding more stringent provisions—has passed both houses. Senator Allen has not yet fully considered the Senate of the merits of his bill though he has expended several hours in argument before that body this week. The bill comes up again next week.

IN THE SENATE on Wednesday Mr. Burdick introduced a bill to empower the Kent county commissioners to build a new jail; also to provide for the inspection of boilers and engines in Kent county.

IN THE SENATE on Tuesday the bill of Mr. Lane, providing for the taxation of mortgages, was taken up on its second reading, and on motion of Mr. Brice the enacting clause was struck out by a vote of 11 yeas to 10 nays. Ayes: Messrs. Allen, Allison, Brice, Brewer, Bowles, Burchell, Getty, Lancaster, Magrader, Meigs, and Rank. Nays: Messrs. Lloyd, Bishop, Hodson, Ireland, Lane, Moore, Stricker, Shingler, Turpin and Wolford. Subsequently a motion by Mr. Lancaster to reconsider the vote was adopted, and the bill made the order of the day for Thursday.

THE bill introduced by Senator Bowen to change the basis of dividing the State school to the several counties and the city of Baltimore, was killed by an unfavorable vote. If permitted to become a law it would have increased the State fund representation of seven counties of the State and five of the cities would have been by the proposed distribution. Kent would have lost upwards of \$2,000.

Senator Brice's bill allowing colored men to practice law in this State has passed the Senate by a vote of 18 yeas to 10 nays. A petition was presented for the Legislature to memorialize Congress to prohibit the issuing of United States liquor licenses in local-option counties.

IN THE HOUSE on Tuesday the bill to abolish the local inheritance tax was defeated by the adoption of an unfavorable vote. Bills were introduced to amend the testamentary law regulating the fees of executors, to abolish the action of distress for rent, and to establish summary judgment in cases of debt.

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Opposition to the Division of the Fourth District.

We understand that opposition to the division of the fourth district into voting precincts is being made by some of the republicans. It is intimated that this is a move by the democrats to gain partisan advantage. What the advantage is we are not told, nor can we imagine. Carbone just above the ankle. He was placed in a doorman and taken home. Drs. Perkins, Heck and Hines set the limb, and the patient is doing well. He is free of pain, cheerful and amenable to medicine as philosophically as possible under the circumstances. The accident will necessitate his confinement to the house for several weeks, and at a period too when his presence in the court is desired. The sympathy of hosts of friends in the calamity that has overtaken him.

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NOTICE.—All persons are forewarned not to associate a PROMISSORY NOTE for the purpose of its being paid in Full, or to give or receive any such note, until the same has been duly recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Kent County, Md., at the office of the County Clerk, at the City of Baltimore, Md., on or before the 1st day of March, 1884. JOHN CLELAND, Notary Public, Kent County, Md., Feb. 22, 1884.

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