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KENT NEWS.

CHESTER TOWN, Md

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1851.

The President's Message.

The great length of this important and interesting document, and the late day at which it came to hand prevent, our publishing it in full. We propose however, to give a general synopsis of the matters treated of by the President.

Its tone is eminently manly, conservative and national—its spirit that of the devoted patriot and enlightened statesman, ready to maintain the honor of the country, and no less desirous to perpetuate that moderate and dignified policy first prescribed by the founders of the Republic, and since approved by the enlightened Statesmen who have, from time to time, moulded the national character.

The unfortunate expedition to Cuba and subsequent events, no less melancholy, are discussed at length; and while the President defines and vindicates the course of his Administration, in reference to this movement, he exhibits the deepest sympathy for the unfortunate victims, and gives assurance that the power of the Government shall be exerted to effect the release of those who were sent to Spain.

The independence and security of our maratime rights, will be maintained—the odious doctrine of right of search is properly denounced, and the President asserts the bold doctrine sanctioned alike by reason and an enlightened construction of inter-national law, that the national flag alike covers and protects the person and property on board the American vessel.

The policy of non intervention in the affairs of other nations, as clearly recommended by Genl Washington, in his farewell address and under which the United States have attained so [illegible] dignity, is reiterated in the message. Yet the President holds out to the oppressed of all other nations, the sincere sympathy and encouragement of a free and manly people.

The release and expected arrival of Kossuth are alluded to and the President recommends to Congress to take into consideration the manner of his reception, which will doubtless be worthy of his distinguished merits, and his great sacrifices in behalf of Republican Constitutional Liberty.

The financial affairs of the country are exhibited in a most favorable light. The total revenue for the last fiscal year, being $52,31[illegible],979, and in this connection the President recommends to Congress to adopt proper measures for the gradual extinguishment of the Public Debt.

Modifications of the Tariff, so strongly demanded by the industrial interests of the country, are decidedly recommended.

Want of space forbids, at present, such an analysis of the Message as we could wish to prepare, suffice it to say that it abounds in suggestions and recommendations to Congress, conceived in a truly national strain, and calculated to promote the permanent peace and prosperity of the country.

The great measures of compromise are discussed at the close, and in keeping with the President's moderate and patriotic policy heretofore. He invokes Congress to regard them as the paramount law of the land, as designed not only to ensure its peace, but to maintain its very existence. The fugitive slave law, the observance of which must henceforth be regarded as the chief bond of the Federal Union, is particularly alluded to, and its inviolability emphatically urged.

Such are some of the main topics discussed in the Message. Its whole spirit is such as to give to the country renewed assurance of the wisdom, sincerity and patriotism of the Administration generally, and to inspire a just confidence in the sagacity and national devotion of President Fillmore.

SNOW.—We had a slight fall of Snow in this place last Thursday.

Appointment.

We learn from the Baltimore papers that Nathaniel F. Williams, Esq. of Baltimore city, has received the appointment of Appraiser of Merchandize.—Mr. Williams, is one of the Defenders of the Monumental city against the attack of the British in 1814—is one of the oldest citizens and merchants—has been in the executive council of Maryland—collector of the Port of Baltimore under the lamented Harrison, and is admirably qualified for the station to which he has been appointed. Mr. W. is a gentleman highly esteemed in every part of the State, enjoys the confidence of the community in an eminent degree, and is one of Maryland's best and meritorious citizens. We congratulate the Administration in the selection, and can insure a faithful discharge of all the duties.

Bible Society.

The Rev. J. W. Pennel, the Agent employed by the Kent county Bible Society, we learn, has completed his labors and made a satisfactory report to the Board of Managers. Mr. P. has explored the whole county and by his faithful and agreeable discharge of all his duties, has secured the commendation of the society, and the thanks of the community. The number of families visited, was 990. 315 in the Lower—350 in the Middle, and 325 in the Upper District. In the Lower 24 families were without the Bible; in the Middle 12; in the Upper 33—making 69—of this number 43 families could read, and 26 could not. The number of Bibles sold was 63—Testaments, 37. Bibles given 36—Testaments, 21. The disposition of books and voluntary subscriptions, have been sufficient to discharge all the obligations of the society.

A remarkable case, is reported, of a man 64 years of age, who never owned a Bible. Had not not used Spirituous liquors for 17 years, and had not used profane language. His family could read, and one son was religious. His circumstances were very fair.

Removal,

The Office of the Kent News has been removed to the Masonic Hall.—Having purchased a large quantity of type, &c., we have now the largest and best office on the Shore, and are prepared to do all kinds of printing with despatch.

COURT OF APPEALS.—The new Court of Appeals was organized on Monday, the Judges taking the oath of office. Judge Legrand is Chief Justice: Judges Eccleston, Tuck, and Mason, Associate Judges. Richard W. Gill was appointed Clerk, and gave bond and took the oath of office.

BALTIMORE PATRIOT.—This reliable old Whig Journal made its appearance last Monday in an entire new dress. We are pleased to see this excellent paper look so well.

☞ We are authorised to state, that the Rev'd John Poisol, of the Baltimore Conference, will be present at the dedication of the Church in Quaker Neck, on Sunday the 14th day of December next.

FIRE.—The Store House of Mr. John B. Timmons, (about four miles from Snow Hill,) together with its contents, were totally destroyed by fire on last Friday night, about midnight.

☞ The Cecil Whig of Saturday, thus notices the conviction of Edward Ginn, for murder:

"Here is a fearful lesson. We know Ginn well. Before he drank so much and became entangled with those degraded women he was rather a good sort of fellow. Whiskey and debauchery have destroyed him. It seems a pity he should be hung, for he was without doubt, partially a maniac, and we think those who have influence in the matter should make an attempt to have his sentence commuted to imprisonment in the penitentiary. In our opinion his fate would not have been so hard had his trial been here—but there's no telling."

SENTENCED TO BE HUNG.—In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, at New York, on Saturday morning, Otis Crunzig, for the murder of his wife, and Antonio Lopez, for the murder of Policeman Foster, were sentenced to be hung on the 23d of January.

PARDONED.—Jessee D. E. Quantrill, who has been confined in Allegany county jail for three years for misdemeanor, has been pardoned by Gov. Lowe, on condition that he leaves the State, never to return. Two years of his sentence are yet unexpired.

Md. Legislature--1852, '53.

COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL RETURNS.

SENATE.

Anne Arundel,	John S. Sellman.
Allegany,	William Weller.
Baltimore county,	Hugh Ely.
Baltimore city,	Chas. M. Keyser.
Carroll county,	J. R. Longwell.
Cecil county,	John M. Miller.
Caroline county,	Arthur J. Willis.
Charles county,	John Mathews.
Dorchester county,	Benjamin G. Keene.
Frederick county,	Jacob M. Kunkle.
Howard county,	Wm. W. Watkins.
Harford county,	Henry D. Farnandis.
Kent county,	John E. Cacy.
Montgomery, co.,	Wm. L. Gaither.
P. George's co.,	John D. Bowling.
Queen Ann's co.,	William Grason.
Somerset county,	John H. Doane.
St. Mary's county,	John H. Sothoron.
Talbot county,	Edward Lloyd.
Worcester county,	James M. Holland.
Washington co.,	(a tie.)

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Anne Arundel,	Mareen M. Duvall, Robert Franklin, Gabriel H Duvall.
Allegany,	John Everett, Richard Fairall, Jefferson M. Price, John Frantz, of J.
Balto. county	John M. Wyse, Levi A. Slade, John T. Ford, Philip Poultney, John Bosley, Chas A. Buchanan,
Baltimore city,	Elias Ware jr. Bolivar D. Daniels, Joseph Weathers, John W. Davis, John Morris, Wm. George Baker William A Stewart, Martin J. Kerney, A. D. Miller, C. D. Barnitz.
Carroll,	Daniel Shull, John E. H. Liggett Elijah F. Crout.
Cecil,	John W. Morgan, Cornelius Smith, George Ricketts.
Caroline,	Henry M. Godwin, Edgar Plummer,
Charles,	John W. Jenkins, James D. Carpinter,
Calvert,	John Parker, Charles S. Parran,
Dorchester,	Thomas J. Dale, William Frazier, Reuben Tall.
Frederick,	Davis Richardson, James M. Coale, John Lee, Wm. P. Anderson. James M. Geyer, (a tie.)
Howard,	William Hughes, Charles G. Hanson.
Harford,	Wm. B. Stevenson, Alfred W Bateman, Thomas Hope.
Kent,	Thomas Baker, William F. Smyth.
Montgomery,	Robert T. Dade, Alexander Kilgour.
Prince George's,	William M. Duvall, John B. Brooke, Thomas I. Marshall.
Queen Anne's	Lemuel Roberts, Joel Thomas.
Somerset,	John Curtis, John Fleming, Wm. S Waters, Benjamin Lankford
St. Mary's	William H. Thomas
Talbot,	John F Dent, William B. Willis, Oliver P. Sparks.
Washington,	John Wolf, George Cushwa, Edward M. Mealey, George Strause,
Worcester,	W. D. McCardell, L J M P. Broadwater, J. L. Hearn, George W. Landing

THE OLD BANK OF THE UNITED STATES—For the information of such of our citizens as are interested in the final settlement of the affairs of the old United States Bank, we insert the following from the Philadelphia Inquirer:

The shareholders of the Bank of the United States, chartered in 1791, or their legal representatives, who desire to participate in the final dividend of the Stockholders' Trust, expected to be made under a decree of the courts of the United States, finally to close the affairs of that institution, are notified and requested to make known that desire to the cashier, by letters, post paid addressed to him, at the office of the Trust in the Girard Bank, Philadelphia, on or before the 23d of December, 1851, at 4 P. M., when the final meeting before the Master will be held, that their participation in the final dividend of said assets may be secured.

THE VOTE FOR SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTIVES, when Mr. Boyd was chosen on Monday, stood as follows: Linn Boyd of Kentucky, 118; Edward Stanley, of North Carolina, 21; Jos. R. Chandler, of Pennsylvania, 20; Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania, 16; Thomas H. Bayly, of Virginia, 8; John L. Taylor, of Ohio, 6; Alexander Evans, of Maryland, 4; Thomas S. Bocock of Va., 4. Scattering 15.

DEATH OF A PHILANTHROPIST.—Mr. Augustus Graham; a well known philanthropist of New York, died in that city on Friday. He was the founder of the Brooklyn Institute, of the City Hospital, and of the Graham Institute for the relief of indigent females.

THE ATTACK OF THE PROMETHEUS.

Our telegraphic dispatch on yesterday, announced a difficulty between the authorities of Greytown and the captain of the Prometheus. We insert the captain's letter to the editor's of the N. Y. Tribune, giving a statement of the affair:

Steamship Prometheus.
San Juan, Friday, Nov. 21, '51.

To the Editors of the New York Tribune: Gentlemen:—In order to correct any misstatement that may be made of the circumstance of the English brig-of-war Express firing into the Prometheus, I beg of you to give the following statement an insertion in your paper:

At 2 P. M. I proceeded to get my ship under weigh to proceed to sea, having but just received the last of our passengers from the Pacific steamers, numbering in all about 700. At this moment the city authorities of Greytown, constituted, as they stated by the authority of the Mu-queito King, came on board the ship with a police force, and served a process of attachment on the ship and myself, for the amount of $123, claimed by the authorities for present and arrearage port dues charged the ship, which we supposed to be illegally demanded, and had consequently refused to pay them, as I did in the present instance.

The port dues are made up from the weight of anchorage in the harbor, Captain of the Port's fees and pilotage.

I hove up my anchor and dropped down the harbor with the current having alongside one of the river steamers, receiving from her the baggage of the passengers. The English brig of-war laying a short distance from us, immediately got under way, made sail for us, and when within a quarter of a mile of us, fired a round shot over our forecastle, not clearing the wheel-house over 10 feet. In a few moments another Shot was fired, which passed over the stern so near that the force of the ball was distinctly felt by several passengers. I sent a boat on board the brig to enquire the cause of the firing into us.

The captain stated it was to protect the authorities of Greytown in their demands; and if did not immediately anchor he would fire a bomb-shell into us, and ordered his guns loaded with grape and cannister shot; at the same time, our small steamer left us, and I proceeded under steam back to our anchorage. The brig stood up the harbor and anchored very near us; sent a boat on board of us, with orders that our fires should be put out, and that an officer would be sent to see that the fires were extinguished. The shore authorities then came on board, and, under the circumstances of the case, the amount demanded was paid under protest, and we were permitted to proceed to sea, by the captain of the brig.

Respectfully your ob't serv't,
HENRY CHURCHILL,
Capt. Steamship Prometheus.

THE TRAGEDY ON BOARD THE SHIP CHALLENGE.

The following is all that we can find in our California exchanges in reference to the reported tragedy on board the ship Challenge. It is taken from a San Francisco paper:

Great Excitement—Attempted Lynching of Capt. Waterman and his Mate.—Since the arrival of the Challenge, a large number of reports have been in circulation, relative to the conduct of Capt. Waterman and his mate toward the crew during the passage. We have made particular inquiries respecting some of them and will state that, however true a certain portion of the reports may be, there are many that are absolutely false, and it would be well for the public to reserve their opinion, at least until it can be known which of the stories can be relied upon. Yesterday afternoon the Challenge warped in to her wharf. Considerable feeling has been excited by the above mentioned reports, among the boatmen and sailors on shore against Captain Waterman and his mate, and they collected in large numbers in the boats and on Pacific wharf to catch them and lynch them.

Capt. W. had, however, gone on shore yesterday morning, to transact business with the custom house, and been concealed in a secure place ever since. Not so with the mate. The boatmen collected upon all sides of the vessel to prevent his escape. The crowd meantime increased to hundreds. As the ship neared the wharf, the boatmen, deeming that there was no possibility of the mate's escape, rowed up towards Sansome street to secure their boats and walk down the wharf to join and lead the crowd. The side of the vessel furthest from the wharf was thus left unwatched by them, and after they had reached the landing he sprung over the side, into a boat of a friend, and the two rowed toward the city for the purpose of landing. It was not a minute before they were observed, and seeing the boatmen making after them, they rowed toward Commercial wharf and after passing it, reached Rincon Point, where the mate was landed.

Meanwhile quite a number of boatmen had got under headway after him. They landed at Rincon Point also in considerable numbers, and there was much excitement among them. To all appearances, had they caught the mate, they certainly would have hung him.—They commenced the search for him, and the last that had been seen of him he had run into the bushes. A little after dusk they had not caught him, and up to a late hour last night we were able to learn nothing of his whereabouts. There were many rumors afloat respecting the above mentioned affair last evening, but the above will be found substantially correct. One of the rumors was that Capt. Waterman had cleared his decks by pointing a swivel at them. We are informed, on good authority, that Capt. Waterman was not on board the vessel after morning.

Subsequently, a reward of five hundred dollars was offered by the U. States Marshal for the arrest of Capt. Waterman, who is charged with causing the death of nine of his crew, and George Douglass, first mate, and a rumor was afloat when the Tennessee left, that Capt. Waterman had surrendered himself to the civil authorities the evening before the steamer sailed.

The Flying Cloud, sailed for China and her captain, Cressy, died two or three days out from San Francisco.

The San Francisco Post, in describing the scene, says:

"The ship and wharf was completely swarmed by the excited crowd, swearing vengence upon Capt. Waterman and the mate, if they could be found; and there can be but little doubt if they had been found that they would have been put to death. The ship was then searched from cabin to hold, for what purpose no one knows. The forecastle was crowded, where six or eight of the crew lay disabled, bruised and wounded in the most brutal manner. One had a severe wound or fracture on the head, another a dangerous one in the abdomen, and others were disabled in the legs, arms and body. This sight only excited the crowd still more, and many went in search of the Mate and Captain while others left, and reported the occurrences throughout the city. The ship was visited by hundreds during the latter part of the afternoon and evening, for the purpose of seeing the men."

LOUISIANA ELECTION.—The N. Orleans papers confirm the report of the election to Congress of John Moore, Whig, from the fourth district of Louisiana, heretofor represented by Isaac E. Morse, Democrat. The only officer chosen by a vote of the State at large was the Auditor, and Mr. Bordelon the whig candidate, is elected. The whigs have a majority in the State Legislature.

Price of Grain.

BY SLOOP GEN: WASHINGTON- CAPT. BROWNE.

Baltimore, Dec. 5, '51.

Wheat, white	85 to 90
" red	80 to 81
Corn, yellow	51 to 56
" white	51 to 53
Rye	65 to 70
Oats	34 to 36

Married.

On the 28th ult, by Rev. W. J. Dale Mr John V. Comberford, of St. George's, Delaware, to Miss Charlotte A. Simms, of Kent county, Maryland.

WANTED

TO HIRE for the ensuing year, a good kitchen woman;—to a good Cook and washer, liberal wages will be given. Apply to the EDITOR.
Dec. 6, 1851.

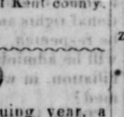
Wanted

TO purchase for cash, at fair price, a negro woman with or without children. She must be of good character and health, suitable for a family servant. To such, a good home and kind treatment will be offered. Apply to the Editor.
Dec. 6, 1851—tf

NOTICE TO GUNNERS.

THE subscriber takes this method of informing Gunners, that he can accommodate them with Board, &c. at his residence on Eastern Neck Island.
MICHAEL GLENN.
Dec. 6, '51—3w

NOTICE.



I WILL sell or rent to any good Tenant, the House and Store Room, now occupied by Mrs Baker on main street. Also for sale or rent, the house and lot, occupied at present, by Thomas Wilson, f. n. For terms apply to
THOS. WALKER, or
JAMES W PHILLIPS.
Chestertown, Dec. 6, 1851—1m*

MACOMBER'S SUPERIOR PATENT Straw Cutter.

FOR Sale at $12 by T. W. Eliason who has the Patent for Kent County.

This Cutter is on an entirely new principle, it has but one knife, which never moves, and seldom needs grinding, it feeds itself, and makes sixteen cuts at every revolution of the crank.—It will cut a bushel per minute and is said to be the strongest Cutter ever made.
Dec. 6, 1851.

ESTATE OF JOHN HUMPHREYS
DIVIDEND NOTICE.

BY order of the Orphan's Court of Kent county, the creditors of John Humphreys, late of Kent county, deceased, are hereby notified, to file their claims against the said John Humphreys dec'd with the Register of Wills of Kent county, on or before Tuesday the 9th day of December next, and to attend before the Orphan's Court of said county, on Tuesday the 16th day of December, 1851, when a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made and paid according to Law.
MERRITT MILLER,
Adm'r. John Humphreys, dec'd.
Nov. 29, 1851.

ESTATE OF WM. EDWARDS.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.

BY order of the Orphan's Court of Kent county, the creditors of William Edwards, late of Kent county, deceased, are hereby notified, to file their claims against the said William Edwards, with the Register of Wills, of Kent county, on or before Tuesday the 9th day of December next, and to attend before the Orphan's Court, of said county, on Tuesday the 16th day of December, 1851, when a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made, and paid according to Law.
JOSEPH EDWARDS,
Adm'r. Wm. Edwards, dec'd.
Nov. 29, 1851.

SHAWLS, SHAWLS.—The subscriber has just opened a large lot of Long and Square Shawls, for sale, very cheap. T. W. ELIASON.

BLANKETS, BLANKETS.—Just opened a large lot of Blankets, for sale very low. T. W ELIASON.

CASSINETTS.—Just opened, a large stock of Cassinetts, and selling at unusual low prices, at
T. W ELIASON'S.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—A heavy supply of Boots and Shoes, of a superior quality, and selling cheap, at
T. W. ELIASON'S
Nov. 29, 1851.

NOTICE.

THERE will be an examination of the Scholars attached to Mr Bassford's SEMINARY for young Ladies, on Friday December 19th. The exercises will commence at 9 o'clock, A. M. and will be continued during the day. They will be varied by the introduction of specimens of Declamation and Instrumental Music.

In the evening, commencing at early candle light, the exercises will consist entirely of Speeches, Concerts, vocal and instrumental Music.

The public are invited to attend.
Nov. 29, 1851—tdn

Dissolution.

THE Co-partnership heretofore existing between Joseph Middleton and Samuel S. Usilton was this day dissolved by mutual consent.
JOSEPH MIDDLETON,
SAMUEL S. USILTON
Chester Town,
Nov. 14, 1851.
☞ Joseph Middleton is fully authorized to settle the Books of the firm.
S. S. USILTON
Nov. 29, 1851.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the Office of the KENT NEWS, will oblige us by coming in and settling their accounts—we are in great need of money at this season of the year, and hope our friends will enable us to supply our wants.
Nov. 15 1851.

Wood

TAKEN at this office, for Newspaper accounts.
Nov. 15 1851.

WANTED

TO hire for the next year a colored boy, about 14 years of age. Apply to ALBERT E. BASSFORD.
Nov 29 1851.

WICKES & CRUIKSHANK
DEALERS IN
DRUGS, MEDICINES, PAINTS OILS, VARNISHES, DYE STUFFS, PATENT MEDICINES, PERFUMERY, &c., &c.

HAVE just received, and has on hand a larger stock than has ever been kept in this place, which they will sell very low for cash or to punctual 12 month customers.
March 8, 1851.

The Housewife's Help and Husband's Friend
THE GERMAN WASHING FLUID.

DOES away entirely with that laborious task of rubbing the clothes upon the washboard. It contains no ingredients whatever, injurious to the finest fabric or the flesh. The proprietors wish every one to give it a trial, and if it does not prove to be as recommended, the money in every such case, will be refunded. Full directions accompany each bottle. Retail price 12 1-2 Cents per Bottle, sufficient to do two ordinary washings, and saving the Cloths more by not rubbing them, than the cost of six bottles—besides removing stains fruit &c.—If there be any, and the time and labor.
Prepared only by I. P. HOYT & Co.
Philadelphia.
George Heritage, Smyrna, Agent for the State of Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.
All orders received by him wholesale or retail, will be promptly attended to.
Aug 2, 1851.—3m.