msa_sc2901_scm2356-0317 copyright Maryland State Archives

The Kent News.

A Family Newspaper: Devoted to Literature, Agriculture, Politics, General News, and Advertising.

VOL. 26.—No. 50. CHESTERTOWN, SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1866. WHOLE No. 1340.

The Kent News:
PUBLISHED WEEKLY, AT
CHESTERTOWN, KENT COUNTY, MD.
Office, Masonic Hall, Court House Green.

Jas. H. Plummer & Wm. B. Usilton,
EDITORS AND PROPRIETORS.

Terms of Subscription:

TWO DOLLARS per annum, *payable in advance.* if not paid within six months from the time of subscribing, TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS will be *invariably charged.* No subscriptions received for less than six months.

Rates of Advertising:

Advertisements not exeeeding eight lines will be published three times for One Dollar, and twenty-five cents for each subsequent insertion. Longer ones in the same proportion.

Advertisements inserted for three months, six months, or one year, at moderate rates.

OBITUARY NOTICES will be inserted at the rate of fifty cents for eight lines.

Job-Printing.—HAND-BILLS, BLANKS, CIRCULARS, &c.—We have an extensive assortment of new and beautiful JOB TYPE, and are prepared to execute every description of Job Printing, at short notice on very reasonable terms.

TOBACCO, SEGARS, &c.

B. F. PARLETT & CO.
92 *Lombard st. near South st.*, BALTIMORE,
Wholesale Dealers in
Manufactured and Leaf Tobacco,
Imported HAVANA and GERMAN CIGARS, and manufacturers of fine Havana, Principe and other Cigars. n17y

S. GRAUER,
MANUFACTURER OF CIGARS,
DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF
CHEWING & SMOKING
TOBACCO,
170 *W. Pratt Street, Baltimore, Md.*
apr15—1y.

JOSEPH SHROEDER,
JOBBER AND WHOLESALE DEALER IN
Leaf, Manufactured
TOBACCO AND SEGARS,
81 Exchange Place,
Third Door East of South Street,
ap8y. BALTIMORE, MD.

TAYLOR BROTHERS,
Manufacturers of Fine Cigars,
AND DEALERS IN
FINE CUT, SMOKING AND
CHEWING TOBACCO,
PIPES, &c., &c.
NO. 136 WEST PRATT STREET,
OPPOSITE BOWLY'S WHARF,
ap15y. BALTIMORE.

BECKER & BROS.,
DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF
LEAF & FINE CUT TOBACCO
—AND—
MANUFACTURERS OF CIGARS,
No. 94 W. Lombard Street, near Light,
BALTIMORE, MD.
Always on hand a large assortment of the best Cigars. Orders promptly attended to.
Dealers when visiting the city are invited to give us a call. ap8-y.

SAMUEL A. HOUSE,
Importer and Dealer in
WHISKEYS, BRANDIES, WINES,
GINS, CIGARS, &c.
No. 94 LIGHT STREET WHARF,
ap1—y. BALTIMORE.

R. SCHUMACHER & SONS,
Candy Manufacturers,
And Dealers in all kinds of
CONFECTIONERY,
FOREIGN FRUITS, NUTS,
Segars, &c.
No. 179 WEST PRATT STREET,
ap1—y. *BALTIMORE.*

DEAL DIRECT WITH THE MANUFACTURERS.
WM. A. MEGRAW & CO.,
Brush Manufacturers
No. 210 Pratt St., near Charles,
BALTIMORE, MD.
A full assortment always on hand.
Our Motto:—"OUR GOODS OUR BEST REFERENCE."

OREM & ALBAUGH,
MANUFACTURERS OF
All Kinds of Brushes,
AND DEALERS IN
Combs, Soap, Perfumery, &c.
No. 278 W. Pratt Street,
Between Sharp and Howard,
ap15y. BALTIMORE.

JAMES F. CARLIN. D. C. FULTON.
CARLIN & FULTON,
(Successors to Jessop & Fulton,)
IMPORTERS OF
HARDWARE,
No. 4 Hanover street, Baltimore.
Particular attention paid to ORDERS from the Country. apl-y.

Maltby House,
PRATT STREET,
BETWEEN LIGHT AND CHARLES STS
BALTIMORE, MD.
ap25y. L. U. MALTBY, Pro.

JUST RECEIVED!
A LARGE LOT of 1st., 2d., and 3d., quality CYPRESS SHINGLES, which will be sold Cheap by WM. VANNORT.
March 17, 1866—3t

DATES—fresh supply, just received, by
March 10. JOHN H. REDUE.

WM. KNABE & CO'S
UNRIVALED OVERSTRUNG
GRAND, SQUARE and UPRIGHT
Piano-Fortes.

The undersigned would respectfully call the attention of the public, and especially of those in want of a really first-class instrument, to their fine assorted stock, comprising now the
LARGEST
AND
BEST ASSORTMENT
OF PIANOS
Ever offered in the city.
Every instrument warranted for five years.
A call is respectfully solicited.
Terms liberal.
WM. KNABE & CO.,
No. 350 W. Baltimore st., near Eutaw,
ap1-y. Baltimore, Md.

CHICKERING & SON'S
Grand, Square & Upright or Cottage
Piano-Fortes.
MESSRS. C. & SONS have been awarded Forty Prize Medals over all competitors, for the superiority of their manufacture, exhibited by them at the different Fairs in this country and in Europe, during the last thirty nine years; also, the most flattering testimonials from the leading Artists in the profession. We warrant these instruments to wear better and keep in tune longer than the Pianos of any other make. Also,
S. D. & H. W. SMITH'S
AMERICAN ORGANS,
For Churches, Sabbath Schools, Lecture Rooms or the Parlor. The most perfect and beautiful musical instrument in the world. It makes home attractive and refines and elevates the minds of all. Beautiful in its appearance and effects, they have received the first premium wherever exhibited.
Finished in Rosewood, Walnut and Oak, varying in price from $100 to $450.
All the above instruments are warranted for five years or longer.
JOS. R. BEACHAM & BRO., Sole Agents,
No. 184 Baltimore st., 2d floor,
apl-y. opposite Light, Baltimore, Md.

Plows, Castings, &c.
THE subscriber takes this method of notifying his friends and customers, that he has sold out his interest in the Store No. 145 Pratt St., and now has his OFFICE at his FACTORY,
Corner Plowman and Front Streets,
(near Baltimore Street,) where he would be pleased to meet his friends and customers, and continue to supply them with
PLOWS, CASTINGS,
OR ANY OTHER
Agricultural and Horticultural
IMPLEMENTS,
SEEDS, FERTILIZERS, &c.
ALSO, ROPE, BAGGING, &c.
Orders by Mail promptly attended to and forwarded by first opportunity.
JOHN MAYHER, Agt.
Baltimore, dec9-y.

OLIVER WOOD,
General Agent,
WILL attend to all kinds of business intrusted to his care, such as Government and State Claims, either in Maryland or Washington. Army and Navy Claims attended to with despatch. Country and City Property sold on Commission, House and Ground Rents promptly collected.
Persons in the country will please address me at NO. 61 SECOND STREET,
BALTIMORE.
N. B.—FARM LABOUR supplied at short notice for a small commission.
REFERENCES:—Col. Edw. Wilkins, Jesse K. Hines, Geo. B. Westcott, Comegys Cosden, and D C. Blackiston, Esqs. [my13.]

MAYNARD, ELY & ROSE,
No. 46 South Calvert street, Baltimore,
TANNERS & CURRIERS,
and Dealers in
Oak and Hemlock Sole Leather,
AMERICAN, FRENCH & GERMAN
CALF and KIP SKINS,
Morocco, Kid, Lastings, Galloons, Linings, Bindings and Findings.
Hides, Hides,
Purchase all kinds of GREEN HIDES and SKINS at the highest cash prices. [a22

CO-PARTNERSHIP.
BALTIMORE, March 1, 1865.
THOMAS NORRIS, for ten years past engaged in the sale of Agricultural Implements and Machines, Field and Garden Seeds, etc., respectfully informs his friends and customers that he has this day associated with him Mr. JOEL PUSEY, of Havre de Grace, very favorably known to many of the farmers of Maryland. The business will be continued under the name and style of
NORRIS & PUSEY,
at the old stand, No. 141 PRATT STREET, (near Light.) The senior partner tenders his grateful acknowledgments to his many friends who have so liberally patronized him, and solicits for the new firm a continuation of their favors. In addition to the old business, the subscribers will be prepared to transact, in an extensive way, the
Lime, Plaster and Cement Business.
Yielding to the solicitations of many friends in the country, they beg to offer their services as
General Commission Merchants
for the sale of GRAIN and all kinds of Country Produce.
By a faithful attention to business, they expect to merit a good share of public favor, and ask a continuation of the patronage of old customers, and a fair trial by new ones.
They assure their customers that they are prepared to furnish any article in their line on as good terms as they can be supplied by any house in Baltimore.
Circulars, Catalogues, etc., giving descriptions, prices, &c., will be furnished on application. Respectfully,
NORRIS & PUSEY,
141 Pratt Street, near Light,
March 11, 1865. Baltimore.

J. P. HARTMAN. W. H. HARTMAN.
J. P. HARTMAN & SON,
GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,
197 Baltimore Street,
BALTIMORE, MD.
LATEST PARIS and LONDON STYLES.
Ph. Courvoisier's — Paris Kid Gloves.
SHIRTS AND DRAWERS.
SILK, COTTON AND MERINO UNDERWEAR.
LINEN, STEEL AND PAPER COLLARS.
HOSIERY, GLOVES, SCARFS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS.
MILITARY GAUNTLETS.
TRAVELING SHAWLS.
HAND TRUNKS, BAGS and Satchels.
BRUSHES, COMBS, and SOAPS. ap8y.

BOLTON BROTHERS,
82 & 84
WEST PRATT STREET, BALTIMORE,
DEALERS IN
Glass, Oils, Paints and Lamps.

WHITE LEAD,	COAL OIL,
WHITE ZINC,	LINSEED OIL,
CHROME GREEN,	BOILED OIL,
" YELLOW,	WHALE OIL,
PATENT DRYER,	SPERM OIL,
WINDOW GLASS,	MACHINE OIL,
PUTTY & BRUSHES,	NEAT'S FOOT OIL,
COPAL VARNISH,	SIGNAL OIL,
JAPAN do.	SPTS TURPENTINE,
BLACK do.	BENZINE,
VERDIGRIS,	LAMP CHIMNEYS,

CONCENTRA'D LYE, SIGNAL LIGHTS, TAR, OAKUM, PITCH and ROSIN, together with a general assortment of Goods in our line, which we offer to the trade or others in want, at lowest prices. ap8y.

ARTHUR EMORY & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
English, German and American
HARDWARE,
Cutlery, &c.,
23 South Calvert Street, Baltimore.
COUNTRY MERCHANTS will find it to their advantage to examine our stock.
Parties not fully acquainted with the value of Goods can buy from us with perfect confidence. dec2-y

TO FARMERS.
LODI COMPANY'S POUDRETTE. Over 9,000 barrels sold last season.
COE'S SUPER PHOSPHATE OF LIME, at greatly reduced prices.
GROUND BONES, from Indianapolis, Ind., warranted pure, and superior to any other in market.
GUANO—consisting of Meat & Bone ground together, from Indianapolis, warranted to contain no other ingredient. The demand for this article could not be supplied last year.
100,000 bushels SHELL LIME, slacked or unslacked.
BOWEN & MERCER,
No. 3 Exchange Place, Baltimore.
Feb. 17, 1866—2m.

THE FERTILIZER
For Maryland Lands.
Baugh's Raw-Bone Phosphate,
Containing 53 per cent. of Phosphate of Lime, and 4.05 " " Ammonia.
It should be borne in mind that the Phosphate of Lime in this article, being obtained exclusively from *Raw Bones* and a *true Bird Guano*, there is *no portion* of it *inoperative*, as in the case of *Super Phosphates* made from *Mineral Guanos*, but being entirely *Soluble* in the *Soil*, continues to *impart* its *fertilizing qualities* to the *crops for years.*
The *remarkable success* which has attended its use in *Maryland* and parts of *Virginia*, is a sufficient *guaranty* to induce those who have not tried it to do so.
The *Grain Crop* in the State where this fertilizer has been applied is supposed to have been *increased* from 25 to 50 per cent. by its use. While for *Tobacco* and *Grass Lands* its success has been *equally decided.*
The price in Baltimore is uniform with the Manufacturer's Factory price.
GEORGE DUGDALE,
Manufacturer's Agent,
105 Smith's Wharf, Baltimore, Md.
For sale at Manufacturer's price, cost of transportation added, by
T. W. ELIASON & SON,
jan27-3m. Chestertown, Md.

MORO PHILLIPS'
Genuine Improved
SUPER-PHOSPHATE
OF
LIME.
Standard Guaranteed.
For Sale at Manufacturer's Depots,
27 *North Front St., Philadelphia, Pa.*
14 *Bowly's Wharf, Baltimore, Md.,*
And by Dealers in general throughout the Country.
The Material of which
MORO PHILLIPS' PHOSPHATE
is manufactured contains fifty per cent. more Bone Phosphate than Raw Bone, therefore it is more durable. The ammonia present gives it great additional fertilizing value.
Five years' experience has proved to the Farmer that it makes a heavier grain than even stable manure, and is not only active but lasting. MORO PHILLIPS,
Sole Proprietor and Manufacturer.
Jan. 13, 1866—tf.

G. H. REESE & BROTHERS,
TEA DEALERS
AND
Jobbers in Groceries,
205, 207 and 209 Pratt street,
BALTIMORE.
Country Merchants and Wholesale Dealers are invited to an inspection of our stock of GREEN and BLACK TEAS and GROCERIES generally, which we are prepared at all times to furnish at the lowest market rates.
Orders for FAMILY SUPPLIES for either City or Country executed at short notice and with care and despatch. apl-y.

FRESH GARDEN SEED, in great variety, for sale by VANNORT.

Laws of Maryland.

PASSED SPECIAL SESSION, 1866.

OFFICIAL.

C. HARWOOD,
Secretary of the Senate.
WILLIAM R. COLE,
Chief Clerk of the House Delegates.

CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT further to regulate the relation of Creditor and Debtor between the State of Maryland and the Susquehanna and Tide Water Canal Companies.

WHEREAS, The Susquehanna and Tide Water Canal Companies, by reason of the calamitous freshet which occurred in the Susquehanna about the time of the passage of the act of the last session in' relation to the said companies, have been unable to comply with the terms and conditions of the said act; and whereas, it is manifestly the interest of the people of this State to continue and increase, in every possible way, the efficiency of said works, which can only be done by the fostering encouragement of the State; therefore

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Governor, Comptroller, and Treasurer of the State, conjointly, or any two of them, be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to relinquish the arrearages of interest and exchange due from the said Companies, to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and to settle with the said Companies upon the terms of said Act of Assembly of last session, except as to the said arrearages, provided that in case of any default in the payment of the said interest on the renewed bonds in accordance with the said Act of Assembly of the last session, the said arrearages shall be revived and again become due and payable as fully and completely as if this act had never been passed.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter on all merchandise passing to or from Columbia through the outlet lock at Bell's Ferry, and loaded or to be discharged at Port Deposit, the tolls shall be one-twelfth less than the tolls charged on articles of the same class from Columbia to Havre de Grace; and at all future elections for managers, six of the number shall be residents of and chosen from Maryland, and the principal office of the said companies shall be located in the city of Baltimore as heretofore.

Section 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said companies shall, on completion of the enlargement of the canals with which they are in connection, make their canal of a corresponding depth.

Section 4. *And be it enacted*, That so much of the provisions of the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter one hundred and ninety-six, page three hundred and seventy-three, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 12.

AN ACT to secure the completion of the Eastern Shore Railroad.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the lien held by the State of Maryland on the property of the Eastern Shore Railroad Company to secure the payment of six per centum interest out of the profits of the work on the shares of the capital stock of the said Company held by the State, shall not be construed to give a preference to the said State over the bond holders of the said Company, and the said lien is hereby expressly waved, postponed and deferred in favor of the holders of bonds of the said Company, which may be issued for the construction and equipment of the said Railroad to an amount not exceeding in the whole five hundred thousand dollars.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said Company has full power to issue its bonds or other securities on the pledge of its property, estate and franchises, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, redeemable at any time within twenty years, and not exceeding in amount the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, in addition to its bonds already issued, and dispose of the same for the objects aforesaid; and no bonds of the said company, issued in good faith for the construction, completion or equipment of the said Railroad, shall be annuled or abated, because the same may have been disposed of by the said Company at less than its par value.

Section 3. *And be it enacted*, That in the election of Directors on the part of the private stockholders, the stock of the State shall not be voted; nor shall the same be counted in ascertaining the presence of a quorum necessary for such election.

Section 4. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect and operate from the day of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT supplementary to the Act of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter 203, making an additional appropriation te the Antietam National Cemetery.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the sum of eight thousand dollars in addition to that appropriated by the Act of which this is a supplement, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of removing the dead to, and of enclosing, laying off, ornamenting and completing the work already began, and in progress on the Antietam National Cemetery, in Washington county.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That the sum hereby appropriated shall be subject to the same order and be paid out of the Treasury in the same manner, and upon the same limitations, that are prescribed in the thirteenth section of the Act of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter 203, to which this is a supplement.

Section 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 21.

AN ACT to amend the thirty-first section of Article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, entitled "Corporations."

Section 1. *Be it enacted by thn General Assembly of Maryland*, That the thirty-first section of the twenty sixth Article of the Public General Laws of this State be amended, and re-enacted as follows:

Before any such association shall become a corporation, they shall lodge with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County in which such corporation is designed to act, and if designed to act in the city of Baltimore, with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, a copy of the article of association of such corporation, signed by at least seven members, and certified by the Secretary thereof, to be recorded in the office of such Clerk, and any addition, alteration or amendment of the article of association of any such corporation, shall be signed, certified and recorded in the same manner; but any such association which has lodged a copy of its articles of association with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county, or the Superior Court of the city of Baltimore, since April 13th, 1852, in which the names of at least seven members are printed or written, either before or after said articles of association, shall be, and is hereby declared a corporation, with all the privileges herein granted from the date of filing said article of association as aforesaid.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 25.

AN ACT to repeal the sixteenth and twenty-ninth sections of the seventy-fourth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Pilots, and to substitute in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That sections sixteen and twenty-nine of article seventy-four of the Code of Public Genral Laws, relating to Pilots, be and they are hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor.

Section 16. All masters of foreign vessels and vessels from a foreign port, and all vessels sailing under register, bound to and from Baltimore city, except vessels engaged exclusively in the coasting trade, shall take a licensed pilot, or in case of refusal to take such pilot, shall himself, owners, or consigners, pay the said pilotage as if one had been employed; and such pilotage shall be paid to the pilot first speaking or offering his services as pilot to such vessel, before Cape Henry bears south if inward bound.

Section 29. The pilots shall be required under the direction of the board, to keep as many as three pilot boats at sea, one of said boats to be stationed fifteen miles to the north of Cape Henry—one in the latitude of and ten miles from Cape Henry, and one fifteen miles south of Cape Henry, and the board shall have full power to make rules and regulations for their cruising, and may designate and appoint five pilots and grant them authority to enforce such rules and regulations as they may adopt, and to inspect the boats in service from time to time, and generally do all things which may be necessary for the efficiency of the pilots and the boats used in the service.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 26.

An Act to repeal Section 13 of Article 29, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Inspection of Records and to re-enact the same with amendments:

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section 13 of Article 29, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Inspection of Records, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows.

It shall be the duty of the judges of the several courts of law and equity, at every term to inspect the records and papers of the offices attached to their respective courts, relating to lands, tenements, or other real estate; and examine the condition thereof, and see whether the clerk of such court has performed the duties required of him by law, relating to the recording of judgments, decrees, executions, and proceedings, and whether he has entered and transcribed the docket entries as required by law.

And if it should appear on such examination that any of the records have become so dilapidated and worn as to require them to be transcribed, he shall order and direct the clerk to transcribe the same into new record books, which the clerk shall procure for that purpose, and such new records when so transcribed shall be carefully examined and certified by said clerk, and when so examined and certified shall be substituted for, and become the records of said court in lieu of the worn out records, and the Mayor and City Council of the city of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of the several counties respectively, shall levy such sum of money as they shall deem a fair compensation for the labor of the clerk in making such new records.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

CHAPTER 27.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Act of January Session, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, for the relief of certain parties indebted to the State, by extending the time for payment therein mentioned.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the time limited for the payment of certain claims due the State as prescribed in the Act of January session, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, be and the same is hereby extended until the first day of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and the provisions of the said act of 1865, chapter 126, and of this act, are hereby extended and made to apply to the said persons therein named who were indebted to the State for sums due prior to the first day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty one.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That in every case where a surety or sureties shall have paid or may hereafter pay any such judgment, the Compiroller shall direct such judgment to be entered for the use of such surety or sureties by the Clerk of the Court where such judgment was recovered, and such surety or sureties shall be entitled to the benefit of the lien of such judgment, and to have execution for the satisfaction thereof, and all other remedies to which the State is entitled.

Section 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 7, 1866—1w.

HOW A HOG SWEATS.—Not like a horse or a man, but through his forelegs. There is a spot on each leg, just below the knee, in the form of a sieve. Through this the sweat passes off. And it is necessary that this is kept open. If it gets closed, as is sometimes the case, the hog will get sick; he will appear stiff and cramped—and unless he gets relief it will go hard with him. To cure him, simply open the pores. This is done by rubbing the spot with a corncob, and washing with warm water.

A STRANGE REVELATION.

A man named Sterling King, now under arrest at Louisville, has confessed that he was the murderer of President Lincoln. He says that he entered the theatre as any other person, purchasing a ticket and paying for it, and at the appointed time he entered the private box where Mr. Lincoln was, and shot him with a single-barrel pistol. J. Wilkes Booth, he says, was in the rear of the theatre, awaiting with horsis. From the theatre, he states he went to the residence of Secretary Seward, and after forcing an entrance, he made an attack upon the Secretary himself, cutting him in the throat with a bowie knife. He states that after young Seward was knocked down, the old man begged not to be murdered, and that he struck the blow to silence him. His only regret seems to be that he did not kill the Secretary. He says that there was another person in the affair who has not yet been apprehended, who was to have killed Stanton, but he failed to fulfil his pledge.

He says that the man killed in the barn was not Booth, but a prisoner who escaped from the Ohio prison; that Booth escaped with him to Canada, and from thence to Cuba. He states that his object in returning to the United States was for the purpose of releasing Jeff. Davis. He says that Mrs. Surratt knew nothing of the conspiracy, tho' it was planned at her house.

King is a man who, during the war, figured in both armies, being convicted by a military commission in each, and is indicted in Cincinnati on two charges of horse stealing, and it is reported that several other charges are ready to be brought against him.

MR. HENRY WARD BEECHER is in a fair way of being classed as a "copperhead" by his Radical brethren, if he continues to indulge in such expressions of opinion as the following, reported by a friend who met and talked with him on a recent railroad journey:

In conversation with us he avowed himself an uncompromising peace man. Blood enough, he thought, had now been spilt, and he was for mercy, forgiveness, and forbearance. He admitted that his violent views had become modified, and he now cordially endorses the Union policy of the President. He alluded to the case of Mr. Davis, and expressed the hope that he would be tried, if at all, by a civil tribunal, and if convicted pardoned. He contended that the power of Mr. Davis for mischief was forever gone, and that no good could result from his execution.

THE Boston Pilot, in a well written and candid review of the President's position, concludes thus: "Amid all these combined attacks, the President has stood firm, unflinching and undaunted. He has appealed from party to the people; from leaders to the masses; and he stands, to-day, the standard-bearer of the Union, the defender of the Constitution, the one man on the watch-tower of his high office to defend both from assaults and to sound the notes of danger to both."

SELECTING SEED POTATOES.—The best time to select seed potatoes is when they are dug. As soon as they are brought to the surface, and lie spread on the ground the best can be selected with less difficulty than any other time. Those that are perfectly matured, and of good shape, having the mark characteristics of the variety and good average size, should be selected for seed in preference to those of any other qualities. They should then be placed in boxes or barrels, and kept where they will not be injured by freezing or by warmth. If seed potatoes are saved in this manner for a few years in succession, we have do doubt a decided improvement will be observed in the yield per acre as well as in the quality of the crops. We think this practice will also be found an effectual security against small potatoes and a good defence against the ravages of the rot. When potatoes first come from the ground the skins have a clearness which they soon lose.

THE POTATO ROT.—Investigations into the nature of the potato rot have brought to light the fact that it is created by insects imperceptible to the eye, but innumerable in quantity, which lay their eggs in the stem and send the virus down to the root. A little black speck the size of a pin head, under the microscope turns out to be full two hundred ferocious animals of the beetle form and shape. A remedy is said to have been discovered.

DISTANCE APART FOR STRAWBERRIES.—I invariably plant in *rows* and *never* in *beds*. I hold that the objection to planting in *beds* are so great and so palpable, that it will admit of no discussion whatever. My standard rule is to plant in rows three feet apart, and plants two feet in the row.—*Hort.*

CORNED BEEF.—The *Scientific American* informs the ladies that if they would have corn beef juicy after it is cold, and not dry as a chip, they should put it into boiling water when they put it on to cook, and they should not take it out of the pot when done, until it has become cold.

FOR SCRATCHES IN HORSES.—The remedy is to wash the part with soap and water, and apply the following:—Take one ounce of chloride of lime and add one quart of soft water. Wash the part, and apply white lead ground in oil. The horse must be got in good condition, and the blood well purified.