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A Rousing Mass Meeting.

The Citizens' and Merchants' Reform party held a rousing mass meeting at Monument Square on Friday night last. It was a general out-pouring of the citizens of the monumental city—numbering as stated by the newspapers *fifteen thousand* people. Hon. J. Morrison Harris, the Reform candidate for Governor, who was the principal speaker, stated that it was the largest political assemblage convened in Baltimore since 1840. When the great popular heart is thus exercised and the public pulse beats quick and fast there must be something to arouse the fears of the multitude, and vital questions of momentous importance claim the serious consideration of grave and sober statesmen. But in this instance we have the merchant, the mechanic, the capitalist and the honest sons of toil, all commingling together, having in view one common object, the dethronement of political tyrants and party zealots, who with high hand have seized hold of the reigns of party and seek to foist upon the people incompetent nominations, and to fill the most important offices in the State with unworthy and dishonest officials. The people are yet supreme and the numbers and spirit of the Reform demonstration on Friday night means something which it would be well for the two great political parties of the country to consider. It means that the people are capable of self-government and that whenever partizan spirit exceeds the bounds of reason and common sense, they will step in, correct evils and reform abuses. The leaders of the Democratic party are now passing under the rod of correction, and if no other good is effected at this time they may be taught the lessons of truth and decency and to respect the opinions and sentiments of others. The spirit of political intolerance may now be broken up and freemen allowed to express and maintain their opinions without being persecuted and prescribed by the birelings of party. We hope that right may prevail, and that our people may be so guided by infinite wisdom that good may result to the whole people of the State. This, no doubt is the dawning of the day of deliverance from political proscription and intolerance, and we welcome it gladly. Party virulence and bitterness is a curse to our State and Nation and is a cause of much irritation and strife between friends and neighbors.

The People Want Light.

Comptroller Woolford has called upon Gov. Groome to appoint a committee, composed of gentlemen of well-known intelligence, high personal character and business capacity to investigate the Comptroller's accounts, to see if there has been a misappropriation of the public funds to other than legitimate objects. A committee has been appointed by the Governor and we hope this will not prove a "white washing committee," but that the investigation will be searching and thorough. We have no doubt the committee will return all right as the Comptroller will have his authority for the payment of all moneys by special acts of the Legislature, such as the Maryland Militia, the Oyster Navy and other measures of legislation to support which the tax-payers of the State have been made to pay liberally of their means. Will the committee tell the people what has become with the half million or more of dollars invested in the Maryland Militia organization?

We hope this committee will also give to the people a full, clear and detailed statement of the amount of money paid by the Comptroller to Democratic newspapers in Maryland for publishing the laws of each session. The people want to know to what newspaper publisher moneys have been paid, the amount paid to each and the amount of labor performed. It has been stated that some of them have charged as high as *sixteen hundred dollars* and have performed as good as no labor at all. Such corruption and venality ought to be exposed, and if this committee do their whole duty, they will probe this rottenness and corruption to the bottom. The people want light. Then, give us the whole truth, which if withheld now, we will have in the near future.

An Enterprising Newspaper.

We have repeatedly noticed the spirit of enterprise presented by the proprietors of the Baltimore *American*, but have at no time seen the amount of labor performed in a short a space of time as was done at the recent mass meeting of the Citizens and Merchants favoring Reform, held in Monument Square on Friday night last.—The meeting did not close until about midnight, yet the *American* contains over ten full columns of the proceedings of that meeting, the meeting of the Ring Democrats at the Maryland Institute and an account of the political ruffianism attempted by the roughs of the Ring. A more full and reliable report of both meetings is presented in the columns of the *American* than in any other city daily, and the task performed by the reportorial corpse and the other attachees of the office was a laborious and arduous one. This spirit of pluck and enterprise infused into the newspaper business has made the *American* the leading and most reliable journal of the State.

A Catholic Priest's Life Threatened.

Capt. Albert H. League, of the tug boat *Delaney*, was arrested in Baltimore city on Sunday afternoon for presenting a pistol and threatening the life of Rev. John T. Gaitley, a Catholic priest. Capt. League's daughter, a young girl of eighteen had been spirited away to a Catholic convent in Indiana, and the father charged Gaitley with stealing his child. Hence the cause of the attack and subsequent arrest of Captain League.

Town Elections in Connecticut.

On Monday the people of Connecticut elected their town officers and voted upon two proposed amendments to their State Constitution. One of these amendments is important, as it provides that the time for holding the annual elections shall be changed from April to November, thus coinciding with the time of the election of Congressmen, after November, 1876; that the State officers and members of the State Senate shall hold office for two years, and that the Legislature shall meet in January, instead of in May. It also provides that in the election of State Senators those representing the even-numbered districts shall be chosen one year and those in the odd districts the next year. The second amendment empowers the Legislature to restore, by a two-third vote, the franchise to men who have forfeited it by a conviction for crime. The returns indicate the adoption of all the amendments. Nearly all the large towns voted for liquor license, and the small towns against. Republicans have been chosen for Town Clerk and first Selectman at Hartford.

The Knife and Pistol.

The knife and pistol have again been brought into use in Baltimore city. Last week disgraceful scenes were enacted in various sections of that city, and the most prominent element of disorder was found with the rowdy Ring Roughs who are paid to do the dirty work of the party. On Saturday night Mr. J. Frank Morrison, a reporter of the Baltimore *Gazette*, and formerly night manager of the Western Union Telegraph, was stabbed by a man named Bond, and is now lying in a precarious condition. The affair occurred in Pugh's saloon on Fayette street, near North. Bond made an assault on Mr. Morrison, and was knocked down. He got up and renewed the fight, and was knocked down again.—A third assault was made, and Bond was floored, but while lying on his back he cut Morrison in the abdomen, in the left lung and in the wrist. He is now in jail.—Hopes are entertained that Mr. Morrison will recover.

Three Cogent Reasons.

Hon. John Lee Carroll, in his harrangues to the people of Western Maryland, presents the following cogent reasons why he should be elected Governor of the State:

1st. His grandfather signed the Declaration of Independence.

2d. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

3d. If he should be defeated somebody else will be elected.

Ring Frauds.

This is about the easiest conducted campaign we ever remember to have been engaged in. All that is necessary is to pick up the Democrat papers and clip out the evidence they have gathered up of the corruptions and stealing which has been carried on for the last seven or eight years by the party in power in Maryland. During the contest between the friends of Hamilton and the Ring, for the Gubernatorial nomination, the Hagerstown *Mail* published the following array of facts against the Carroll party:

"The expenditures of the last Legislature and the one proceeding, were most extravagant and devoted to objects of the most objectionable character. The balances, as shown to exist, by Comptroller Woolford's last report, are illusory; indeed, it is nothing but a sham; and if the people move on much longer under such reports, they will wake up to actual bankruptcy. The State tax, which should be diminished to 15 cents—even so low as 12 cents—has been raised from 19 cents to a fraction over 20 cents, and yet, with all this, for the last fiscal year ending Sept. 30th, 1874, there was an actual deficit in the Treasury,—that is the real receipts did not meet the real expenditures. By the report of that year the receipts from all sources amounted to $2,357,202.12, and the expenditures was $2,276,906.37, leaving apparently a balance of $80,295.75 in receipts over expenditures for the last year; but this is a downright imposition upon the people who do not look for themselves.

Among the items put down as a receipt in the above statement, is the sum of 268,697.50, when in fact it is derived from a loan—bonds put upon the market and sold, and to that extent increasing the public indebtedness. It is not a real receipt from the revenue of the State.

Striking out this as a resource or a receipt, we find the alarming fact that our receipts for the past year did not near reach our expenditures:

Expenditures	$2,276,906.35
Receipts	2,088,504.62
	$188,401.73

Leaving a deficit this large sum of money! Is not this enough to move our people to action?"

In order to meet this deficiency last year, the *Mail* says the Comptroller, (a Democrat and under the immediate eye of the Governor, who is also a Democrat,) took $188,391.73 out of what is known as the "Defence Loan"—an authorized loan of five or six million dollars, made soon after the war for special purposes, and which has been nearly exhausted since the Democrats came into power, in this way. Of course, when this is exhausted, the same party will authorize another loan and that loan will be put down on the Comptroller's report as a *receipt* into the Treasury. The *Mail* further says:

"That the people may be posted, we call their attention to items of expenditure: The Legislature cost last year the sum of $191,152.67. This enormous charge stands, in the Comptroller's report, naked and alone—no detail of items, whatever, and in this gigantic sum is hid the 'small and great villainies,' now the accompaniments of legislative bodies. In this, we presume, is included the swarm of officials that are employed in the House and Senate, in number almost equal to the members.

Again, in the whole report of the Comptroller, there is not an item about *public printing*, and which has been the bone of contention at Annapolis; which has produced more fraud and wrong, more corruption and villainy than any other subject; and which is costing the people its thousands upon thousands of dollars."

HEAVY DAMAGE FOR SEDUCTION.—At Reading, Pa., on Wednesday, the jury rendered a verdict in the case of Elizabeth Mishler vs. Jos. McManus, for seduction of the plaintiff's daughter, Mary Mishler.—The verdict was in favor of the plaintiff, and the damages were assessed at $10,000. This is the heaviest verdict ever rendered in Berks county in an action of this kind.

A Texan four years ago bought a sow and four pigs for $5, branded them, and turned them loose, and now enjoys the distinction of being the "hog king of Texas.'

News and Other Items.

In Wyoming Territory is a bar-room to every 180 inhabitants.

One of Bringham Young's sons is studying medicine and polygamy in Paris.

The Baltimore and Ohio road have discharged 500 hands from their shops in Baltimore.

A sweet potato plantation of 700 acres near Atlanta, Ga., is expected to yield 40,000 bushels of the favorite edible.

John Morrissey has sold out his famous "club" house in New York city and is going to be a reformed gambler.

The total disbursements of the Treasury for the month of September amounted to $16,737,060.93, exclusive of principle or interest on the public debt.

The Baltimore County Union says a new assessment of property in that county would add $15,000,000 to the basis of taxation.

A Maine woman dreamed that her sister was run over by a railroad train, and the next morning learned that she had twins.

The commissioner of internal revenue decides that under the act of July 14, 1870, railroads and corporations are liable to a tax of five instead of two and a-half per cent.

Egypt has appointed a commission to the Philadelphia centennial, and has appropriated $65,000 for the representation of that country.

The total acreage under all crops in Ireland this year was 5,331,655 acres, compared with 5,269,004 acres in 1874, showing an increase to the extent under crops in 1875 of 62,651 acres.

Republican rule in Pennsylvania for fourteen years has reduced the debt of the Commonwealth just fourteen millions of dollars—a million a year.

A. T. Stuart, will, says a Chicago special, shortly establish a branch house of mammoth size in that city. His partner will be Potter Palmer, who formerly conducted his Western business before it was sold to Messrs. Field and Leiter.

It looks like a reflection on the Texan judiciary that a member of the constitutional convention has proposed a clause forbidding judges, prosecuting attorneys and jurors from officiating while intoxicated.

A dispatch from Columbus, Kansas, says that Mr. O. C. Cheney, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., was killed Friday night by a man supposed to be James T. McCormick.

The mother of little Mabel Young, who was killed in the belfry of the Warren Avenue Baptist Church, in Boston, has lost her reason, and is the inmate of a private insane asylum.

An Indiana girl wanted to see if her lover really loved her, and she got a boy to yell "mad dog!" as they were walking out.—The lover flew over a fence and left her to be chewed up, and she went right away and married a store clerk.

The reunion of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee Des Moins closed with a banquet on Thursday evening, at which speeches were delivered by President Grant, Generals Bayne, Jeff. C. Davis and Sherman.

Fifty policy-holders of the St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Company, living in Tennessee, having filed suits to recover back their annual premiums, amounting to $40,000, on the ground that the company has failed to comply with its contracts.

Twenty-eight mills are now running at Fall River, and all show a large increase in the number of help, many coming from towns in Connecticut, Maine and New Hampshire. The difficulty is now virtually ended, although the police and military still remain on duty.

It is said that the amount due by the United States Government under the treaty of Washington, on account of the Canadian fisheries, will amount to seven million dollars per annum.

United States Treasury New has sent to a relative in Indianapolis what will some day be a curious relic of "soft money." It consists of a cinder about the size of an apple, and was formed from the chemicals in $2,000,000 of Treasury notes which were burned some time ago.

The increase of the cost of the mail service during the month of September, by the establishment of new routes, was $49,283.40. The appropriation for the service available on the 1st of July, 1875, was $18,000,000, and there still remains $2,226,888.46 of the appropriation to be applied to the establishing of new routes.

Last year 1,846 wives and 5,492 children of British soldiers were compelled to petition the State for bread.

Mohammond once said: 'When a man dies, men inquire what he has left behind him; angels inquire what he has sent before him.'

A woman in St. Louis killed her husband because he pulled her hair. It is sometimes difficult for a husband to tell whose hair he is pulling when he clutches that of his wife's head.

General Washington's family Bible is advertised for sale. It is in three large quarto volumes, and the public are informed that it was presented to Gen. Washington by the author.

Two immense water spouts passed over the town of Las Cruses, New Mexico, on the 11th and 13th of September, demolishing seventy-nine houses and causing damage to the extent of $150,000. Fortunately no lives were lost.

A Few Questions.

Mr. Carroll, the Ring candidate for Governor, is constantly thrown up to the Reformers as proof of the unexceptionable character of the candidates. Yet let us look at the circumstances of his nomination. Do not all know that personally Mr. Carroll could not have got twenty votes in the Convention?

Was not Mr. Carroll taken up by the Baltimore Ring and Senator Whyte as their man—as a respectable Centennial figurehead?

Was not Gov. Groome run on the Eastern Shore because he was an Eastern Shoreman, when if Carroll had been run there, the whole Shore would have gone for Hamilton?

And when the Convention met, did not Mr. Carroll keep open-house at Barnum's? Free whiskey and free cigars for all—bummers, ballot-box stuffers, ward packers and all the scum, as well as delegates?

Was not the money of Mr. Carroll's father-in-law, and of the Ring, circulating around the parlors and passages with the whiskey?

Was it not necessary to buy a good many delegates?

Do not Hamilton's friends say that Eastern Shore members were bought and Western Maryland members attempted to be bought?

Has not a friend of Mr. Hamilton been heard to say that he saw the money passed at Barnum's which bought the Wicomico delegation?

These are facts well known to thousands. Is it wonderful that Mr. Carroll's name won't save the ticket?

The next time Mr. Carroll talks about his family and his fortune let him remember the famous couplet:

"Honor and shame from no condition rise,
Act well your part, there all the honor lies."

Balt. Sunday Herald.

Down in the World.

IS THIS GENERAL WILLIAM H. WHEELER?

Last evening a tall, haggard and ragged-looking individual found his way into the Cumminsville Station House, and into a cell for safekeeping. He had all the marks of dissipation about him—bloodshot eyes, inflamed skin and bruised face. He had what was still worse and still more convincing—a violent attack of that terrible man-killer disease, delirium tremens. He claimed to be homeless, friendless and moneyless, and to have walked all the way from Indianapolis. He said he was Major General Wm. H. Wheeler, of the late Confederate army, on his way to his old home and birthplace in Culpeper Court House, Va., where he wanted to die.

General Wheeler will be remembered as a dashing officer, who figured so brilliantly during the war in the cavalry service. The story of this poor tramp, claiming to be this famous General, is a sad one, if true, and an interesting one, any way. He says he is sixty-two years old, that he graduated at West Point in the class of 32; that while commanding at the battle of Shiloh his son was shot and killed; that in less than two weeks after intelligence came of the death of his wife, then the escape of all his slaves—numbering nearly twenty—and lastly his Virginia farms that he had signed over to his brother to escape confiscation, had been seized or sold by that brother's creditors, leaving him a pauper. At the close of the war he alleges he drifted from one place to another, finally bringing up in Mississippi, where, until a few weeks since, he has lived. He journeyed up the river to Evansville two weeks ago, landed there and went to Terre Haute, where he expected to find a couple of nephews; was disappointed; went to Indianapolis, and from there tramped to this city.

He claims that his mother was a sister of Governor Trimble's wife; that his only sister is Mrs. Colonel Martin, of Hamilton, Ohio, and that his only surviving child is a married lady living in Baltimore. His whole story is very straightforward, and in his conversation he betrays an intelligence and familiarity with public men and things which one would scarcely look for in an ordinary tramp. Whiskey seems at last to have wrecked him, and it will probably be his fate to spend his last days in the Cincinnati Hospital.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

Mixed Politics.

Things are getting pretty badly mixed. Here are the Democrats in Massachusetts putting up a Republican for Lieutenant-Governor, a soldier who fought heroically for the Union throughout the civil war, and on the very same day the Republicans in Maryland nominated for the second place of their ticket, a "copperhead," whom the government thought necessary to incarcerate as a treasonable disunionist while the Massachusetts Democratic candidate was in the field. In New York we see the Democratic ticket headed by an old Republican, one of Mr. Lincoln's Ministers, and the two original Republican organs, the *Post* and *Tribune*, urging his election, while the leading Republican candidates were both officers under Johnson, and one of them is not known even to have voted for Grant, while the other left Grant's administration on account of incompatibility. In Pennsylvania the Republicans nominate candidates who were Democrats not many years ago, and the Democrats give their highest honors to a man who was elected to his present office in opposition to the straight Democratic candidate. And all intermingling and turning upside is quite independent of the tangle on the currency question, which has become so intricate as to defy description. With the Democrats in half the States denouncing the Republican policy of paper money, and in other States demanding to have more of it; with an old hard-money Democrat as the candidates of the inflationists in Ohio, and Morton, the boldest of paper-money men, opposing him; with Schruz, who most vehemently denounced the Sherman bill of last winter, uniting with Sherman now defend it, and Thurman, who supported Schruz, who most vehemently denounced the Sherman bill of last winter, uniting with Sherman now to defend it, and Thurman, who supported Schruz then, speaking now on the opposite side; with all this confusion, and more than we can describe, a modest student of politics may well hesitate to wrestle with the financial policy of either party. There is trouble enough to straighten them out, and tell which is which, without going west of the Alleghanies, and whether we ever get Judge Kelley's inconvertable bonds or not, we seem to be rapidly getting our parties into an interconvertible shape.—*Phila. Times.*

The Recent Democratic Address

The Cumberland *Times*, a Democratic newspaper, and the official organ of Allegany county, pronounces the "Democratic Address to the People of Maryland," as a fraud. Speaking of it that paper remarks:

"A paper addressed to the "People of Maryland" appears in the Baltimore *Sun* and *Gazette*, signed by Joshua Vansant, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, which deserves particular attention. This address is a well written paper, but is simply a defense of the Treasury Department and the Canal management. Why this was necessary does not clearly appear. The conduct of what is called the State ring in corrupting legislation and levying blackmail upon appropriations constitute the sins which have brought the Democratic party into discredit with the people. * * * The lengthy statement of the business of the canal which the 'Address' contains, does not touch the issue in a vital part at all. The men who are controlling the canal are the leading spirits of a combination of men who made the last Legislature of Maryland a stench in the nostrils of all honest men; they bought and sold legislation; they stole sums of money from every appropriation, and yet the 'Address' answers not one of these accusations! So much for this paper, which the *Gazette* calls 'an exhibit as is an exhibit.' Now a word as to its legitimacy, and its right to the endorsement of the State Central Committee. We are credibly informed that this 'Address' was submitted to that body and *voted down*. Our information is obtained from a member who was present and voted against it. A few members of the Central Committee—themselves members of the ring—met in Baltimore and adopted the 'Address' in the name of the *State Central Committee*. This act makes the 'Address' itself a fraud, and as such only do we recognize it."

SCENE AROUND A BROKEN BANK.—The scenes Friday around the Third-avenue Savings Bank in New York, which suspended that day, were striking. Not less than forty women, all of them evidently poor, were crying and sobbing in the street at one time over the loss of their hard earned money. One of them, a colored woman, with a sick child, who had forty dollars in the bank, became so excited that the policemen threatened to lock her up. Another gained entrance to the bank through the private door, and made a rush at the receiving teller. She called him a thief, and tried to climb over the desk to reach him. A young German, who seemed to be the least agitated of any in the crowd, said that his mother had $4,000 in the bank, all her wealth, accumulated by years of toil and anxious saving.

The Guardian of the Treasury.

We propounded to Mr. Woolford last week the following conumdrum:

Will Comptroller Woolford tell the people of the State what he knows about pensions?

Having heard nothing from the Colonel, we shall try and throw light on the subject ourselves.

One day, in the Senate of Maryland, Mr. Earle of Queen Anne's, said he did not regard the Comptroller as fit company for honest men. This made a great stir. The Senator was assailed on all hands after adjournment, for this language. On a succeeding day he rose again in the Senate for an explanation. He apologized to the Senate for his words as unparliamentary, but said that in justification, he would give the facts which caused him to use the language. Mr. Earle then said, that at a former session, a bill was before his committee to *grant a pension* to a person in Somerset county, *as a soldier of the war of* 1812. The bill was much pressed by Woolford. It was about to be reported on, when he (Mr. Earle) asked whether the proofs were all right of the man's service in the army? Mr. Woolford looked embarrassed, and had to admit reluctantly that the man was not a soldier of the war of 1812. Being asked for an explanation, he replied that the man was poor, and an active Democrat, and he had thought this the only way to make a small provision for him.

At the close of this statement, Mr. Earle said: 'If I have misstated anything, there are gentlemen here who were present and heard the conversation—one of them the Hon. John Lee Carroll, the President of the Senate; I call on him to say if I have misstated anything."

There was a dead silence in the chamber—an awful pause—the reporters were talked to—the thing was hushed up. From truthful sources we bring it to light. Mr. Woolford is a candidate for a fourth term, and the President of the Senate is on the same ticket. How irreproachable are the Ring nominees?—*Baltimore Herald.*

A Remarkable Disaster.

A TOWN DESTROYED BY WATER SPOUTS.

A correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat at Las Cruces, New Mexico, says a tremendous water spout suddenly appeared in the hills about one mile back of the town at 5.30 P. M., on the 11th of September, and before the citizens had time to comprehend the impending calamity it was upon them. The tall dark column, composed of water and dust, approached with such velocity that in less than ten minutes from the time of its observance and before ten dollars' worth of personal property could be saved by any one, sixty-three houses had been hurled to the ground. The streets were soon covered to the depth of four or five feet with water, and the current was of such great strength that boulders of a large size and corresponding weight were carried away. Two hours later the rain fell in torrents and continued several hours. In all the wreck and ruin of fallen houses and rushing waters, strange to say, not a single life was lost. On Sunday, the 12th, the entire population were out repairing the damage as much as possible in order that the homeless might be housed and cared for. The work was kept up Monday, and everybody began to look cheerful, when at four o'clock another water spout made its appearance from the exact spot where its predecessor was first noticed, and came on with equal celerity. Sixteen houses fortunate enough to escape the previous visitation were tumbled down and their contents destroyed. This flood lasted three hours. The damage done by these storms will figure up $150,000 at the least.

Exhibition of the Keeley Motor.

There was a private exhibition of the Keeley motor at the inventor's residence in Philadelphia, on Saturday evening, in the presence of a number of prominent gentlemen, including Vice-Admiral Wellesley and Captain Gore Jones, of the Royal navy. The Times says:

"Mr. Keeley showed to the satisfaction of all that he had the power of producing in a few moments, and out of the simplest elements, a very considerable elastic force; so great, indeed, that being applied to a large lever heavily weighted the unprecedented pressure of 1,850 pounds to the square inch was indicated by the guage.—But as this force was not continuous in its action, as was shown by the fact of the guage declining from 1,750 pounds to 500 pounds in half an hour, the suggestion was made by one of the British naval officers that possibly this force could not be made constant, and therefore would not be calculated to do actual work. The English officers declined to express any opinon, for the reason, as they declared, that they knew nothing about it; they simply saw certain results, but were utterly unable to account for their mode of production.—Mr. Keeley declares that as soon as he gets his new machine, the last piece of which is promised within a week, he will be able to renew the mysterous power developed at the exhibition, and indeed, increase it forty-fold, if necessary.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE ALABAMA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.—The Alabama constitutional convention, which assembled on the 6th of September, adjourned on Saturday, having completed its labors, and the constitution goes to the people for their ratification. The main changes are: First, that the State cannot be made a party in any suit; second, no debt against the State can be credited by authority of the General Assembly, other than for necessary government expenses; third, holding of State and general elections to be upon different times; fourth, taxation limited to three-fourth of one per cent.; fifth, biennial sessions of General Assembly are not to last over fifty days; sixth, reduction in the number of circuit judges and chancellors; seventh, cutting down of school fund; eight, reducing salaries of State officers 25 per cent., and economy in every branch of the government.

FIGHTING JOE HOOKER.—An invitation having been extended to General Joe Hooker to participate in a reunion of Federal and Confederate soldiers, to take place at Elizabeth, New Jersey, on the 19th of October, he has written a letter regretting his inability to be present, and adds:

"I sincerely trust that your efforts to restore harmony and good feeling between our countrymen, North and South, may be crowned with unbounded success. It seems to me that our people should have learned long since that prosperity cannot return to us so long as the bad feeling and dissension created by the war of the rebellion continue to divide us. I firmly believe that the true and honest soldiers of the republic have never lent their influence to the encouragement and continuance of the bad blood engendered by the war and they never will."

Now Comptroller Woolford wants an investigation of his accounts, and Gov. Groome has appointed three of our most eminent citizens to make the examination. Why, Boss Tweed made the same request, and a committee, composed of some of the best and shrewdest men of New York city, with Mr. A. T. Stewart at their head, were deceived, and reported everything correct. But after Mr. Charles O'Conor examined the books, Tweed came to grief.

Work for Woolford's Committee.

The Hagerstown *Mail*, a Democratic newspaper, states the following facts, which are specially presented to the consideration of Mr. Woolford's committee:

"Since the year 1870, the sum of $2,700 annually has been appropriated by the Legislature of this State to pay expenses of Mr. Woolford in "protecting the revenues of the State." In addition to that he has enjoyed a salary of $2,000 a year.

Here is $13,500 in Mr. Woolford's hands over his constitutional salary. It was on Mr. Woolford's own application that these successive extra appropriations have been made. What has he done with this $13,500? A member of the House, Mr. Bruce, of Allegany, two years ago offered an order to inquire into this matter. Woolford was opposed to it, and had it beaten. *The money still remains unaccounted for.*"

More Democratic Thunder.

The Williamsport *Pilot*, considered good Democratic authority, thus thunders away at the Ring Democracy of Maryland:

"At no time in the history of this State was there ever so much need of reform, both in State and municipal government. The State has been *ring*-ridden until almost driven into bankruptcy, by the most damning set of political demagogues that ever graced the earth, and no part of the State has felt the iron grip of these political parasites like the proud old county of Washington. We have one word to say to voters in this county before closing: If you have the interest of your county and State at heart vote for no man that is in the least way, or where the least suspicion rests, of his being in the Ring"

DEATH OF CONTOIT, THE MILLIONAIRE CONFECTIONER.—John H. Contoit, a French confectioner, and for many years proprietor of Contoit's Garden in New York, died in that city on Saturday, aged 88 years, leaving an estate valued $3,000,000, which he had amassed in his business, to an only son. Mr. Contoit was exceedingly economical in his own spendings, yet he was far from being a miser. He arose daily at 4 o'clock and made his own fire. His food was of the simplest kind. He never kept a coach, but preferred the democratic omnibus. He said the jolting was good exercise. He never traveled fifty miles from New York city, and for the last ten years of his life did not cross either of the rivers. He had a peculiarity of always having about fifty thousand dollars as a balance in the Pacific bank.

HON. JOHN RITCHIE, late the Democratic member of Congress from the Frederick district, in a speech to the Democracy of Fredrick city a few evenings since said that the "motives of S. Teackle Wallis cannot be questioned; he had never sought a place in his life, and under only some great public emergency had he ever consented to the use of his name—and now he has consented to serve on the Reform ticket, whatever may be his error it can only be attributed to an error of judgement, and not from any selfish motives. Gentlemen must not close their eyes to the fact that Mr. Wallis is honest in what he believes to be a remedy of the evils which we all know exist in the Democratic ranks."

"THAT a corrupt Ring deliberately forms and nominates a ticket, intrigues for it, forces its nomination and presses its election, without expecting to make something by its success, is too absurd to think of—unless, indeed, the people are pastoral enough to believe that the Ring has abdicated its sceptre in a fit of virtue, and lain down to sinless dreams."

S. Teakle Wallis' Letter of Acceptance.

A WIFE'S FATAL ERROR.—Matthew Walpole, a prominent citizen of Cropton, N. J., was fatally poisoned by his wife on Thursday, who through mistake administered a dose of oxalic acid instead of a dose of salts. His intestines and stomach were literally eaten up, the dose administered being sufficient in quantity to kill a hundred men.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.

FLOUR—	
City Mills,	$6.25@650
Patapsco Family,	$8.75@00.00
Chesapeake Extra,	$8.00@00.00
GRAIN—	
Wheat—white,	145@150
" red,	140@145
Corn—white,	70@73
" yellow,	72@73
Rye,	68@70
Oats,	50@52

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

INDEPENDENT REFORM TICKET

STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,

HON. J. MORRISON HARRIS,

of Baltimore County.

FOR COMPTROLLER,

COL. EDWARD WILKINS,

of Kent County.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL,

S. TEAKLE WALLIS, ESQ.,

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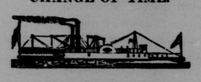
Maryland Steamboat Co.

CHANGE OF TIME.



ON AND AFTER SATURDAY, September 25th Steamers will leave Pier 3, Light Street, as follows:—The Steamer

Highland Light,

every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY at 9 o'clock, P. M., for Easton, Oxford, Cambridge and intermediate landings to Medford's. On SATURDAYS extending her trip to Denton. Returning MONDAY morning, leaving Denton at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The steamer CHAMPION daily, at 7, A. M. (except Sunday) for Anapolis, extending her trips on MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS to West and Rhode rivers, TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS to St. Michael's and Miles River, (Easton,) THURSDAYS to South River, and SATURDAYS to West River.

The steamer MASSACHUSETTS every TUESDAY and FRIDAY, at 6 P. M., for the Great Wicomico, Dividing and Dymer's creeks, and Plankatank river.

☞ Freight taken at low rates.

For further information apply at the office No. 98 Light Street, Baltimore. [10-7-tf.

Teacher Wanted.

THE TRUSTEES of the colored school at Denton desire to procure the services of a male teacher for the ensuing year. Application to be made to

JOHN LOOCKERMAN,
JAS. W. WHEELER,
JAS. TRUXEN,
9-23-3w. Trustees.

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And those who have already bought, are now sending in their friends. The way we keep business lively is not known by competitors, but can be answered by our customers. Give us a call and join the large number that are being benefitted by purchasing all classes of DRY GOODS from

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NOTICE OF ELECTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE Judges of Election and to the Voters of Caroline county, that an Election will be held in the several Election districts of Caroline county, at the usual places of holding the Elections, on

Tuesday after the First Monday, being the 2d day of November, 1875,

for the purpose of electing one person to be Governor of the State of Maryland; one person to be Comptroller of the Treasury of the State of Maryland, and one person to be Attorney General of the State of Maryland.

Also, two person to represent Caroline county in the House of Delegates of Maryland to serve for two years.

Also, one person to be State's Attorney for Caroline county, to serve for four years.

Also, three persons to be Judges of the Orphans' Court of Caroline county, to serve for four years.

Also, one person to be Sheriff of Caroline county, to serve for two years.

Also, one person to be Surveyor of Caroline county, to serve for two years.

Also, three persons to be County Commissioners for Caroline county, to serve for two years.

The voters are also to express their opinion on the Constitutional Amendment, by adding the words "For Constitutional Amendment," or "Against Constitutional Amendment," to their ballots.

The polls for said Election will be opened in each and every Election district of said county, at the usual places of holding the polls, at nine o'clock A. M., and will close at six o'clock P. M., when the ballots shall be opened and publicly counted.

JAS. E JOHNSON,
9-30-tde. Sheriff of Caroline County.

J. T. COMEGYS,

Wheelright & Blacksmith

DENTON, MARYLAND.

HAS RENTED the new shop in the town of Denton, lately occupied by Richard Potter, where he has commenced business.—A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited. [9-23-tf.