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The Easton Star.

DEVOTED TO POLITICS, LITERATURE, AGRICULTURE, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

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To Travelers.

MARYLAND ST AMBOAT CO.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Saturday, January 1st, 1870 Steamers will leave Pier 8, Light Street Wharf, as follows:

For Annapolis and West River daily, Sundays excepted, at 7.30 A. M.; and returning leave Annapolis at 3 P. M.

For Cambridge, Sherman's, Oxford, Easton, and intermediate landings, Wednesdays and Saturdays, at 7 A. M., and returning leave Easton Mondays and Thursdays at 7 A M.

For St. Michaels and Miles River Ferry, Easton, Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 A. M., leaving Miles River Ferry, on the return, at 11.30 A. M. same days. dec28

Maryland & Delaware

RAILROAD.

ON and after MONDAY, January 17th, 1870, trains will run as follows:

PASSENGER TRAIN.

GOING NORTH.

Leave Easton	6 00	A. M.
" Woodland	6 15	"
" Cordova	6 25	"
" Hillsborough	6 40	"
" Ridgely	6 55	"
" Greensborough	7 05	"
" Goldsborough	7 15	"
" Henderson	7 25	"
" Marydell	7 35	"
" Slaughter's	7 45	"
" Kenton	8 00	"
Arrive Clayton	8 10	"
" Wilmington	10 15	"
" Philadelphia	11 45	"
" Baltimore	1 15	P. M.
" New York	4 00	"

GOING SOUTH.

Leave New York	8 40	A. M.
" Baltimore	2 40	P. M.
" Philadelphia	5 00	"
" Wilmington	6 25	"
" Clayton	8 40	"
" Kenton	8 55	"
" Slaughter's	9 10	"
" Marydell	9 20	"
" Henderson	9 30	"
" Goldsborough	9 40	"
" Greensborough	10 00	"
" Ridgely	10 10	"
" Hillsborough	10 20	"
" Cordova	10 35	"
" Woodland	10 45	"
Arrive Easton	11 00	"

FREIGHT TRAIN
WITH PASSENGER CAR ATTACHED.

GOING NORTH.

Leave Easton	10 30	A. M.
" Woodland	10 50	"
" Cordova	11 05	"
" Hillsborough	11 25	"
" Ridgely	11 40	"
" Greensborough	12 05	P. M.
" Goldsborough	12 25	"
" Henderson	12 35	"
" Marydell	1 00	"
" Slaughter's	1 15	"
" Kenton	1 35	"
Arrive Clayton	1 55	"
" Wilmington	4 10	"
" Philadelphia	5 40	"
" Baltimore	8 10	"
" New York	10 30	"

GOING SOUTH.

Leave New York	12 30	A. M.
" Baltimore	7 25	"
" Philadelphia	3 30	"
" Wilmington	10 10	"
" Clayton	12 15	P. M.
" Kenton	12 25	"
" Slaughter's	12 45	"
" Marydell	1 00	"
" Henderson	1 15	"
" Goldsborough	1 25	"
" Greensborough	1 50	"
" Ridgely	2 00	"
" Hillsborough	2 10	"
" Cordova	2 25	"
" Woodland	2 40	"
Arrive Easton	2 05	"

By the above arrangement, close connections will be made both ways, and passengers will arrive early both in New York and Baltimore, and will be able to visit Philadelphia or Baltimore, returning same day.

All Freights must be at the various stations at least thirty minutes before starting of trains, otherwise they will lay over twenty four hours

J. L. CALDWELL,
jan15 Superintendent.

Easton Livery Stables.

FRANKLIN G. WRIGHT, PROPRIETOR.

Office next door to The Easton Star Office,

TRAVELERS will deposit their whips, robes, blankets, &c., at the office. Stable accommodations for 100 horses. Horses received on livery by the day, week, month or year. Horses and carriages for hire at all times. Travelers promptly sent to any part of the county or adjoining counties. Hacks run regularly to the steamboat landings, to convey passengers with dispatch.

The highest market price paid for corn, hay, oats, blades and straw.

A NEW STAGE LINE TO THE RAILROAD was started on the 1st of July, 1868. The stage leaves Easton at 7 A. M. every day, Sundays excepted, connects with the morning train of cars at Hillsboro'—leaves the latter place on the arrival of the afternoon train, and reaches Easton at 5 P. M. Good horses and carriages and passengers made comfortable. Fare $2.00. Passengers leaving Easton in the morning arrive at Baltimore and Philadelphia in time for dinner.

In hiring horses, 12 hours is considered a day; 6 hours a half day. For extra hours an extra charge will be made.

Easton, Md., sep22

ACCOMMODATION LINE OF STAGES.

CARRYING THE U. S. MAIL DAILY BETWEEN ST. MICHAELS AND EASTON, and THREE TIMES A WEEK TO BAY HUNDRED.

Smith & Ford, Proprietors.

THE above line is now in operation, and is provided with excellent teams, commodious stage, safe drivers, and every other requisite for carrying passengers with dispatch. Travelers by this line can rely upon being conveyed comfortably and rapidly. By arrangements with the Steamer Urbana, passengers from Baltimore can purchase through tickets for Easton via St. Michaels, and return to St. Michaels, for $2.25, giving 2 hours in St. Michaels in the morning, 2½ hours in Easton, and 3 hours in St. Michaels in the afternoon, in time to return to Baltimore same day, or can remain in Easton and take the Night Boat from Easton Point. Passengers by the Highland Light to Easton Point can have 7 hours in Easton, be conveyed by this Line to St. Michaels, have 3 hours there, and return to Baltimore by the Night Boat from the latter place.

Packages will be carried to any point on the route at charges depending upon size of package and trouble of delivery.

FARE—From St. Michaels to Royal Oak $ 50
" " " " Easton 1.00

Round trip the same

From Easton to Bay Hundred Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays $1.50

Fare must always be pre-paid.

N. B. Horses and Carriages for hire, and passengers conveyed to any part of the county, or to the neatest reduced fares. jy14

CHEAP

PORTABLE GAS,

FOR COUNTRY HOUSES, CHURCHES, &c.

THE subscriber having obtained the right of for the sale of the PEERLESS GAS MACHINE, in this State, is prepared to contract for getting in Machines, placing them on reasonable terms. The above Machine is undoubtedly the cheapest, and most perfect in use, and has given great satisfaction wherever used.

Persons utilizing machines may secure them, free of cost, if they do not [illegible]

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FURNITURE, FURNITURE.

JUST received from Philadelphia a large lot of NEW FURNITURE,

COTTAGE SETS,
WALNUT, ROSEWOOD,
LOUNGES, SETTEES,
MATTRASSES, TABLES,
STANDS, CRIBS,
TOWEL RACKS,
ROCKING-CHAIRS, Cane-Seat and Plain CHAIRS,
Children's CHAIRS, &c., &c.,

which will be sold at city prices for cash. The public are invited to call.

S. B. HOPKINS'
General Agency and Commission House,
Dover st, Easton, Md.

Carriages, Carriages.

HARNESS, HARNESS.

TWENTY new and second-hand CARRIAGES, and several new and second-hand sets of HARNESS, single and double. Also, new and second-hand POLES, on hand and for sale at reduced prices, by

S. B. HOPKINS'
General Agency and Commission House,
Dover st, Easton, Md.

"HOPKINS' ANTALGIC LINIMENT"

FOR the cure of Rheumatism, Neuralgia in all its forms, Gout, Headache, Facenche, Toothache, Lumbago, Sciatica, Bronchitis, Sore Throat Chilblains, Sprains, Bruises, &c., &c. Call and see certificates of wonderful cures from the most respectable citizens of the State. Price 75 cents per bottle. For sale by

S B HOPKINS,
Proprietor and Manufacturer,
Dover st, Easton, Md

AGENT FOR THE CELEBRATED

"FLORENCE SEWING MACHINE,"

the best machine now in use. Instructions given free. Call and examine the article and specimens of work.

S. B. HOPKINS,
Dover st, Easton, Md.

CONSIGNMENTS respectfully solicited. Storage free

S B. HOPKINS'
General Agency and Commission House,
dec21 ly Dover street, Easton, Md

The Trappe Drug Store

ROBERT H. KEMP informs his friends and the public, that he has received a new and general supply of

DRUGS;

including

PAINTS, OILS,
PATENT MEDICINES,
FANCY GOODS,
BRUSHES and COMBS,
CIGARS,
COAL OIL, LAMPS, &c., &c.

He invites a call from all in want of such goods, feeling confident that he can sell as cheap as any house on the Eastern Shore.

Trappe, oct22-1y

New Drug Store IN EASTON.

THE subscribers would respectfully announce to the public that they have just opened their new DRUG STORE, with a full assortment of

Fresh and Pure Drugs.

ALSO,

PATENT MEDICINES,
PAINTS, OILS & GLASS,
BRUSHES and COMBS,
of every description,
PERFUMERY & FANCY ARTICLES,
STATIONARY, CONFECTIONARY, &c.

Particular attention paid to compounding prescriptions with neatness and accuracy.

By strict attention to business we hope to merit a share of public patronage.

jan12 BATEMAN & TRIPPE.

STOVES MADE AND REAIRED;

STOVES SOLD AT CITY PRICES;
Tin Plate and Sheet Iron Work made to order;
Tin Roofing and Spouting done in the best manner;
Gun-Smithing promptly executed.

Cooking Stoves, Parlor Stoves, Heaters, Ranges, Fire Place Stoves, Furnaces, all of the most approved patterns, furnished as cheap as the cheapest.

Thankful for past favors, a share of the public patronage is solicited.

GEO. W. BECK.

Easton, my28

Plastic Slate Roofing.

THE attention of Carpenters, and those contemplating building new houses, or putting new roofs on old ones, is particularly called to the Plastic Slate Roofing, the greatest ROOFING MATERIAL of the age.—For flat roofs, there is nothing to equal it. It is *cheap, light,* and *flexible;* non-expanding, non-contracting, FIRE-PROOF, WEATHER-PROOF, and EXPERT ARTISAN Roofing.

The subscribers are now prepared to put on these roofs at short notice, *cheap for* CASH Orders addressed to us through the Easton Post Office promptly attended to. For further information respecting the Plastic Roofing, addr ss

WILLIAM H. DUNCAN,
GEORGE W DUNCAN.

Easton, Feb. 1-t, 1870 11m

BOOK AGENTS WANTED for STRUGGLES AND TRIUMPHS of

P. T. Barnum.

WRITTEN BY HIMSELF. In One Large Octavo Volume—Nearly 800 Pa es—Printed in English and German—33 Elegant Full Page Engravings:

It embraces Forty Years Recollections of his Busy Life, as a Merchant, Manager, Banker, Lecturer and Showman, and gives accounts of his Imprisonment, his Failure, his Successful European Tours, and important Historical and Personal Reminiscences, replete with Humor, Anecdotes and Entertaining Narrative. No book published so acceptable to all classes. Every one wants it. Agents are selling from 50 to 100 a week. We offer extra terms. Our Illustrated Catalogue and Terms to Agents sent free.

J. B. BURR & CO.,
feb5-3t Publishers, Hartford, Conn.

Carpenters and Builders.

JONES & HUTCHINSON having formed a co-partnership, most respectfully inform the public that they have opened a shop near the Market House, next door to Dodd's harness shop. They are prepared to do all kinds of work in their line either by the day or contract. Having had long experience, they feel themselves competent to give satisfaction. A share will always be found at the shop door, for the use of persons wishing to see them on business.

feb5 JONES & HUTCHINSON.

BAKERY and CONFECTIONERY.

Charles H. Harden,
(SUCCESSOR TO CHARLES SCHWARZE), Easton,

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public that he has just opened the above business [illegible] CAKES of all kinds, FRESH BREAD and ROLLS every morning, [illegible] with the SWEETEST CANDIES, by the [illegible]

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DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between FURNESS & HULL, is this day (Jan. 1st, 1870) dissolved by mutual consent. Persons having claims against the firm will present them, and all persons indebted to it will please make immediate payment.

The undersigned will still continue to carry on the

House Painting & Paper Hanging

business at the old stand, the shop formerly occupied by S B. Hopkins, where he may always be found. All orders add essed to him through the Easton Postoffice, will receive prompt attention. He is prepared to furnish materials, or to do work by day or contract, and will keep none but skillful workmen in his employ. His aim shall be to please all. Thankful for past favors, he hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

jan4-3m E. H. FURNESS.

A LECTURE To Young Men

Just published in a sealed envelope Price six cts

A LECTURE ON THE NATURE, TREATMENT and Radical cure of Spermatorrhœa, or Seminal Weakness, Involuntary Emissions, Sexual Debility and Impediments to Marriage generally. Nervousness, Consumption, Epilepsy and Fits, Mental and Physical Incapacity, resulting from Self-Abuse, &c. By ROBERT J CULVERWELL, M. D., Author of the "Green Book," &c.

The world-renowned author, in this admirable Lecture, clearly proves from his own experience that the awful consequences of Self Abuse may be effectually removed without medicine, and without dangerous surgical operations, bougies, instruments, rings or cordials, pointing out a mode of cure at once certain and effectual, by which every sufferer, no matter what his condition may be, may cure himself, cheaply, privately and radically. THIS LECTURE WILL PROVE A BOON TO THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS.

Sent, under seal, in a plain envelope, to any address, postpaid, on receipt of six cents, or two post stamps. Also Dr. Culverwell's "Marriage Guide," price 25 cents. Address the publishers,

CHAS. J. C. KLINE & CO.,
127 Bowery, New York, Post Office Box 4,586
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New Goods.

CHEAP GOODS

AT THE

TRAPPE CASH STORE.

THE subscriber announces to the people of Trappe District that he has just returned from the city, with a new and complete STOCK OF GOODS, consisting of

Dry Goods, Groceries,
Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps,
Notions, Queensware,
Crockery, and Glass;
Bacon, Sides,
Shoulders, Hams,
Butter, Lard,
Cheese, and Harness for both Carriages and carts.

Particular attention is directed to a beautiful lot of Ladies and Misses' fashionable BOOTS and GAITERS, of *Baltimore manufacture.*

FLOUR by the barrel and at retail.

These goods have all been bought at the *lowest cash prices,* and will be sold at a small advance exclusively for CASH or country produce.

The public are invited to call and examine my stock, at Trappe.

mh1 ly JOHN W. DAWSON.

AGENTS WANTED!—To Distribute Packages of Dr. Stonecrod's GALVANIC OIL and CATHARTIC SYRUP!

We have purchased the right and title of Manufacturing and Vending of the above named Preparations, which have had a very extensive local reputation, and now intend to introduce them to the public on a more extensive scale, by a somewhat new but very popular plan, viz: PACKAGE SYSTEM.

We want Agents to canvass every city, town, village and county in this State and deposit one package of the above remedies with every family and collect the same when used.

Goods sold only to and by Canvassing Agents.
Agents furnished with any amount of goods.
No capital required.
No pay required for goods until sold.

Also, AGENTS WANTED to sell the CREAM OF LILIES—the most popular of all toilet articles for Beautifying the Complexion, removing Freckles, Sunburn Pimples, &c. It is handsomely put up, and is well adapted to be sold by Lady Canvassers. Every young lady will have it.—Sold only by Canvassing Agents.

Persons out of, or wishing light and profitable employment, Male or Female, should address STONECROAD & CO., 44 Liberty st, Pittsburgh, Pa., for particulars and private Circular with instructions to Agents. mh1-6m

FIRST OPENING OF THE SEASON!

NEW GOODS,

New Styles, and Cheap

NOW open, a new assortment of goods Spring styles

CALICOES and DELAINES,
CASSIMERES and TWEEDS,
BLEACHED MUSLINS and IRISH LINENS

J. W CREEZUM & Co.

LACING TWINE, Seine Twine, Seine Rope, for sale by

J. W. CREEZUM & Co.

SOMETHING NEW—Wilmington City Parlor Matches, for sal by

mh8 J. W. C REEZUM & CO.

VICK'S

FLORAL GUIDE FOR 1870.

THE First Edition of One Hundred and Twenty Thousand copies of VICK'S ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE OF SEEDS AND FLORAL GUIDE, is published and ready to send out It is elegantly printed on fine tinted paper with about 200 fine wood Engravings of Flowers and Vegetables, and a beautiful Colore Plate—consisting of seven varieties of Phlox Drummondi, making a fine

BOUQUET OF PHLOXES.

It is the most beautiful, as well as the most instructive Floral Guide published, giving plain and thorough directions for the

CULTURE OF FLOWERS & VAGETABLES.

The Floral Guide is published for the benefit of my customers, to whom it is sent free without application, but will be forwarded to all who apply by mail. for THE CENTS, which is not half the cost. Address,

JAMES VICK,
feb1 Rochester, N. Y.

J. L. STEINEM,

DEALER IN
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
FURNISHING GOODS,
AND HATS AND TRUNKS,
NEXT DOOR TO NATIONAL HOTEL,
Easton, Md.

CLOTHING MANUFACTURED TO ORDER.

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LOCUST POSTS.—For sale at Broad Point, a cargo of Heart Yellow Locust Fencing Posts, imported from Virginia.

R B DIXON.

WILL be received in a few days, a large lot of WHITE PINE FLOORING PLANK, FRAMING timber, and building materials, which will be sold at lowest market rates.

R B DIXON.

INSURE YOUR LIFE. Insure Against Fire.

THE subscriber has the agency for the following first-class and reliable Insurance Companies, and is prepared to take risks at the most reasonable rates:

PENN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., Pa., Surplus $3,000 000.

MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., of Montgomery County, Md. Surplus $600,000.

MARYLAND FIRE INSURANCE CO., of Baltimore, Md. Capital $500,000.

FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., of York, Pa. Surplus $600,000.

THE WASHINGTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BALTIMORE, Capital $600,000.

During the past year, a number of our citizens who have secured policies through my agency, have met with losses, and they are referred to as to the promptness with which they have been paid, without the delay and expense incident to going to the city for settlement. It is therefore to the interest of all our citizens intending to insure their lives or property, to secure their policies through a home agency.

Policies issued, or risks made binding, without delay, on application to the undersigned, at his Coal, Lumber, and Insurance Office, on Dover street, Easton.

feb15 R. B. DIXON.

HOUSE FURNISHING STORE IN EASTON.

SAMUEL PATCHETT, under the Odd Fellows' Hall, next door to his old stand respectfully announces that he has just opened a HOUSE FURNISHING STORE, and offers CHEAP for CASH, a great variety of articles in the housekeeping line. Particular attention is directed to his large variety of city made FURNITURE, such as

BUREAUX,
SIDEBOARDS,
WARDROBES,
STANDS,
TABLES,
CHAIRS,
WOODENWARE,
BUCKETS,
LOOKING GLASSES, BEDSTEADS,
MATTRASSES, CARPETING,

and a undred other articles too tedious to mention.

He invites his old friends and the public to give him a call, satisfied that he can sell them goods as cheaply as they can be bought in the city for cash. feb15

JOHN MASON, Cabinet Maker AND UNDERTAKER.

I WOULD inform the public that I am still carrying on the above business. I have in my ware rooms the largest lot of FURNITURE ever offered for sale in Easton, both of my own and city make, comprising everything in the Furniture line, which will be sold at a very small advance, and as cheap as can be bought in the city. Call and see my prices, and you will be convinced of what I say.

Furniture made to order.

Repairing done neatly and at short notice.

UNDERTAKING

Attended to promptly at all times, when called on I have two good Hearses and a pair of gentle horses, and will attend funerals at all times in person, either in town or country. My prices for undertaking will be as moderate as the price of materials and the times will admit

I return my thanks to the public for their patronage for the last twenty-three years, and from my long experience in the business, and a determination to attend strictly to the same in the future, I hope to merit a continuance of the same generous patronage.

All orders left at my warerooms, or residence, next to M. E. Church, will be attended to night or day.

IN store and for sale one fine Walnut Bed Chamber suite, very cheap.

JOHN MASON.

IN store and for sale several Cottage Chamber suites, very cheap.

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Hard Times.

KEEP YOUR MONEY AT HOME,

By buying your PLOUGHS, CASTINGS & AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS of home manufacturers.

Tuthill & Avery,
AT THE
EASTON FOUNDRY,

Have now on hand the largest, cheapest and best stock of PLOUGHS, CASTINGS, and other Agricultural Implements on the Eastern Shore, which they will guarantee in every respect, and sell on the most liberal terms, consisting of the

PATUXENT,
HECKENBORN,
CHENOWITH,
MINOR & HORTON,
DELAWARE CONCAVE,
and NEW YORK PLOUGHS,

Stationary & Expanding CULTIVATORS, HARROWS, CORN-SHELLERS, GRAIN FANS, DRILLS, REAPERS, &c., &c.

Also, Plough Bolts, Oven Castings and Irons, and a general line of Castings in store or made to order at bottom prices.

Implements of all descriptions repaired at the shortest notice.

CASH PAID FOR OLD IRON.

A very liberal deduction for cash.

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Philadelphia Dry Goods Trade.

S. H. ALDRIDGE,

WITH

MORGAN, BUSH & CO.,

Wholesale Importers & Dealers in

FOREIGN & DOMESTIC

DRY GOODS,

Nos. 637 and 639, Chestnut street,
(Between 6th and 7th)
PHILADELPHIA.

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BEAT the wheat straw, take NICOLS, the Hardware Pioneer in this market, [illegible] with the [illegible] OFFERS, [illegible] Easton.

Select Poetry.

"OF NO USE IN THE WORLD."

"Of no use in the world!" Who dares say this
[illegible] poverty or there
Who make and love a life? One grain of sand,
Lone lying on the shore, may stay the flow
Aggressive of the deep, until itself,
Unchanged in plan, shall yet be miles away
From ocean's raw and lying them between,
Fair fields and slopes are smiling in the sun!

"Of no use in the world!" The meanest flower
That blooms on a grave, or scantly finds
M'd rocky crevices a place to grow,
Hath its fit use, though some may see it not.
Behold! it clingeth to the barren rock
And clotheth it with beauty. Blooming there
Is as a type of hope to weary eyes
As make the sterile rock a home for them
Will he not care for us? We have his word,
And every bud and blossom bear their part
As witnesses. Had they no other use,
This sun were all-sufficient; but their growth
Oft overrath o'er some shapes that were most foul,
Till the desert doth blossom like the rose;
Till the wilderness doth break orth and sing,
Sitting no more forlorn and solitary!
We give, as our last offering to the dead,
Pale, snow-white blooms, and therewith crown
the bride.
Our love makes eloquent the fragrant buds
We give to our beloved; and evermore
Their freshness and their glory bring to us
Sweet thoughts as of the Paradise of God;
They shadow forth our immortality!

"Of no use in the world!" As some poor hearts
Are alway saying, for they cannot stir,
Chained down by sickness to a couch of pain,
A couch they leave not till some lowest foot
Shall bear them through the door into that rest
Which lies beyond all pain. They lie and wait,
Counting the weary hours that come and go,
Yet bring to them no change. *They* think, no
work!
Their feeble hands lie idle all day long;
Their wistful, longing eyes do follow us,
With such vain yearning, for the daily use
Wherein we pass our own. The full, full heart,
That would be up and stirring, must be still;
Content to hear its own throb beating out
The passing of the time that hath work
To crown its ending; and the eager soul
Would fain put off its garments of the flesh,
And break the chains that bear it down so low.
All this shall have its day and pass away,
As doth a fitful fever; and the soul
Shall put on patience as a royal robe,
And in the wearing shall find kingdom, crown,
And life's most perfect work!
Unto this couch
Shall come the little children, seeking there
The love, the sympathy, they never fear
Will be found wanting. All their little joys
Do seem to have an echo in the heart
That never knew what joy of childhood was;
And their light griefs do find an antidote
In the sweet smiles and gentle lovingness
Of One who knew not—she grew old with pain—
What simple sorrow little children have.
With such soft spells, with such a quiet charm,
She won the little ones to come to her;
And all who sought her presence found a peace
Whose hidden meaning they could not define,
Yet felt and rested on.

We would not say
This life was wasted; yet she called herself
"Of no use in the world!"
The fairest words
Were ever spoken by poor human lips!
Yet they err often. As if God would make
The veriest shadow that could serve no end
Amid this wide creation! As if He,
Who keepeth reckoning of our very hairs,
And counteth up the dust whereto we turn
That nothing may be wanting in that day
When "He shall come with clouds!"—as if our God
Made anything for naught! The shapes that
throng
One drop of water (so minutely small
That but for science they were yet unknown),
May be the all that makes the coming spring
No Lake of Sodom, but a healthful stream.

"Of no use in the world!" Some lives there are
That seem onto our eyes as wasted all,
So purposeless they are, so idle, vain!
And yet these have their use, if they but be
As warnings to ourselves; but, otherwise,
In ways we know not of, these same poor lives
Have had a thousand uses, calling forth
By very show of bleakness—deortness—
Some secret love, some hidden sympathy
That else had lacked employment So no life
May we dare count as wasted In God's time
Its service shall be shown. More full, perchance,
Of that which worketh out God's thoughts, God's
ways,
Than lives we think are always serving Him.
Our eyes pierce not, with keen, incisive glance,
The unfathomed deeps of ocean, so to see
The thousand shapes that wander to and fro
Amid its world of waters; yet we know
How full of life—how full of what we like—
Its secret chambers and its wide wastes be!

ELIZA CAROSS.

Political.

[From the Baltimore Gazette.]

ON THE POLITICAL CONDITION AND PROSPECT OF THE COUNTRY.

Our Washington correspondent, X writes us as follows: I send you a letter by the author of the remarkable essays headed "Python" in De Bow's *Review*. It is necessary to say that it was written to and intended for publication in the Montgomery (Alabama) *Advertiser*, and thence transferred to D. Bow's *Review* in which it will shortly appear. But the author, having concluded from several letters contributed by me to the *Gazette*, that the idea was gaining ground that little hope was entertained of a solution of our difficulties by the ballot, and properly estimating the advantage presented by the general circulation of the *Gazette* in quarters particularly desirable to be reached, in this connection, desired me to become the medium of communicating it to you, with a particular request that it might appear contemporaneously with this explanatory letter:

WASHINGTON, March 24, 1870.

Gentlemen—I have read, with no little interest, the recent editorials which you did me the honor to forward to me from the columns of the *Advertiser* in respect to the revolution in the Government, and the condition and character of our present political status. I, moreover, greatly admire the faith and hope you evidently entertain, and strenuous exertions you are making for the re-establishment of justice, peace and harmony, through the successful exertion of the ballot and the restoration of the Democratic party to power, in some shape or form. Nevertheless, although I agree, in the main, with the analysis of the times, and am partial to the policy indicated, as I could scarcely fail to be, yet I must be permitted to say that my views are much more decided than your own appear to be, and I have far less faith and hope in the future than you express. I regard imperialism as inevitable by the ballot, and the next great issue must be that between Cromwell and the parliament, Napoleon and the Five Hundred, Cæsar and the Senate. The ballot is no longer free, and the state of parties is as they were when Monroe was re-elected without opposition, but with positions reversed and immeasurably intensified in the direction of the dominant party. Then, the State Rights Republican doctrines, in regard to the Government & Constitution, had triumphed over Federalism, with its monarchical tendencies and centralizing power—national and Federal—to stand as a fixed, silent, and abeyant body, after having been the representation of some dissatisfaction, or, perhaps, order, and a conciliatory compromise. Now, Radical Republicans are [illegible] the Federal Government, [illegible] and, by obliterating all distinctions as to race and reducing the people to a mongrel herd, thereby prostituting citizenship and suffrage, utterly annihilating the States, has laid the foundations broad and deep for the superstructural form of imperialism to be [illegible] the same [illegible] "equality and fraternity."

The State Rights Republican party was the exponent of the Governmental ideas of Virginia and the South. The Radical Republican party stands as distinctively the exponent of the Governmental ideas of Massachusetts and the North. The first sought to secure the public liberties and the freedom of the citizen under the ægis of the States and the independency of local administration, while exerting but confining the powers of the Union in commercial and foreign affairs, or in regard to matters purely general in their nature, and chiefly exterior in their relations.—The second, in destroying the only securities of liberty and freedom, by striking down their local guardians, the States, as the necessity of robbery first and rule afterwards, has expurgated from our institutions the principle of independence in which they had their birth; and through the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution, and the Supervisory Suffrage and Election bill now being enacted, has subjected our local, domestic and interior relations to the same fundamental conditions with our commercial, foreign and exterior relations, and, at the same time, prostrated the people as an abject and servile mass of office-seeking devotees, purchasable with place in shoddyite scorn of honest industry, though wallowing in vulgarity and sensualism before the juggernaut of centralization and unregulated powers

This supreme and undefined power of the nation, thus centralized, must soon come to assume definite form, and shape itself into a system of its own, apart from all present ideas of party, and in view of the fact, I see nothing any longer in the Democratic party to encourage hope. By joining in the hue and cry against the South during the war, without regard to the Constitution, under the pretence of sustaining the "*Union*" and reverencing the "*Flag*," but really because of its cowardice, it parted alike with its principles and its prestige. All, and the best that can be said concerning it, is that, as the Federal party was in respect to the State-Rights Republican party from the year 1800 to 1820, so the Democratic party will have been, "*Mutatis mutandis*," to the Radical Republican party from the year of the inception of the latter, after the compromis s of 1850, until 1872, when it seems to me, it will have become as exhausted of vital force as was the Federal party in 1820, and for the same reason having ceased to be a representative party, in the presence of achieved and absorbing results, wrought out by its adversary, stripping it of issues before the public. Under these circumstances, the questions which immediately address themselves to the inquiring and analytic mind are these:—What will follow? What form and shape will power assume? What will be the character of the new Government? And where should well-meaning men array themselves?

It is to me quite apparent that new party combinations must take place in 1872-'76, after 1870, as in 1824-'28, after 1820, under the new Constitution, as under the old Constitution, but with a vast difference as to object and end. Such combinations can only be whatever their names may be, or their disguises may be, to resist imperialism in the Executive, by advocating oligarchy in the Congress, or to resist oligarchy in the Congress by advocating imperialism in Executive. I speak sincerely when I say that I discover nothing whatever in the fut re, with more absolute certainty, as matters now stand and are likely to progress under existing premises, than ultimate collision between the Executive and Legislative powers of the new concern erected by the oligarchs of Radicalism, to be accompanied, whenever this collision occurs, as it will occur, and that speedily, in despite of every effort to prevent it, with still more terrific usurpations and bloody factions than those we have unhappily witnessed with so much sorrow and indignation. To this alarming and fatal issue we are inevitably approaching, under the humanitarian of New England, as the fatuitous and silly instrument of Old England, in view of the East Indian policy and commercial interests of the latter, and through the sway of visionary and experimental theorists in control of the public councils and wielding the military arm and talents of the nation.—There is really no basis for other party divisions to rest upon. Those hopes and wishes that aspire to other political movements will prove the deceptive fathers to the thought. Small means and slight differences will, of course, arise but here alone will be the general and all absorbing contest. Even a Presidential victory of the present so-called opposition, or Democratic and Conservative popular elements, in 1872, still having a majority against them in both Houses of Congress, would not alter, but might hasten the ultimate result. With me this has ceased to be surmise; I no longer question the fact; and, for one, I do not hesitate to confess that I shall, at any and at all times, prefer a single tyrant to "*thirty*," if for no other reason, at least for this. The first is less a hydra-headed monster that the last, and the stability assured by the first, which is never attendant upon the last, is one this by necessary to the material prosperity and advancement of the country, constituting all that is left to be promoted in the place of 'liberty and independence' on the part of States and as citizens as guaranteed in the framework of the old Constitution, and to attain which, with its promise of fabulous wealth and national splendor, the people have tamely submitted to the overthrow of all the bulworks of freedom, save those which equally protect, in common, negroes and Indians, Irish and Germans, and have quietly yielded to the revolution in the Government now so vaunt ingly boasted by their leaders. It is noteworthy that the world was probably never so prosperous materially as during the reign of the Emperor Nero, inhuman as he was.

But I have additional and very decided reasons, both public and private, which will control my preference as above expressed, and which, I take it, will so have control the action of every high-minded and true-hearted Southern man when the time comes for action, as it assuredly will come, in favor of executive imperialism rather than a Venetian secret-conclave oligarchy, with its lion's jaw and veiled scimitar.

Looking to the question purely, the Executive of the century repose now happily in the succession of military leaders, highly educated, of honorable character, and conservative for order, decency and the proprieties of life; and who, notwithstanding their affiliation in the war against the South, terminating in the subversion of the Constitution and the revolution in the Government [illegible] nor for the formation of those atrocious political issues which called into play the performance of duties for which they had been specially trained, and to which they had been devoted by the United States from their early youth. They can only be fairly viewed as conscientious instruments of duty, not as the authors of atrocity and crime; and far less can they be associated with those lyers-by-system among the oligarchs, and charged with deceiving the people and betraying the public confidence for purposes of property-robbery and plunder, and to achieve for themselves the exercise of unlicensed and unlimited authority. The civil leaders and would be masters of the country are, however, thus responsible, and with the prostration of the Supreme Court, and the executive authority reduced submissive to their purposes, which they are endeavoring assiduously to accomplish in both particulars, they would be still more detestable in their tyranny. I can consistently and honorably, without abandoning self-respect, sustain the former, but never the latter. Who does not know that the bonds which the oligarchs carry in their purse-proud pockets is the price of the negro slaves of the South, dollar for dollar, as estimated in 1860, now declared freemen and suffragans, and superior to Irish, German and Southern-born white citizens, because of the value of this money and of their votes to their new owners as a new-banded class of aristocrats? With what effrontery, then, could one of them, whether professing to be Republican or Democrat, ask the countenance and support of any true Southern man, or of any true Irishman or German, with this money jingling in his wallet, to say nothing of the lands he has acquired at nominal sales, or of the valuable shares he may have voted to himself through men of straw in corporate bills, all equally derived through deception and lies, fraud force and oppression? I repeat, as painful as it may be, and as unwilling as I am to make the acknowledgment, that there is no room remaining for the display of past principles in public affairs No! nothing but evil remains, and a choose between evils is all that the unlucky stars allow to be contended for and upheld Not only must every Irishman, German and Southern white man see the matter in this light, but every member of every Presidential family now existing must shortly see it in the same light. Even Mr. Adams, the garrison and great-garrison of Presidents, before the Constitutional Club of Boston," has thus spoken. He says:

"The old constitutional edifice of the fathers was built of the *white* marble of the *States*, which they brought together *voluntarily*, as a work of *love*, and piled up there, one by one, each, in its pride and delight, adding stone after stone to the beautiful and symmetrical edifice under which we all lived. But what is this thing which we now see there in Washington? Is that built of those stones supplied by the States? Is that put together by any such bands as those which cemented the old capitol? No! it is built of volcanic lava, hot yet from the results of the outpouring of the mount, and it is clamped together by great bands of *black*, rusted, iron fetters. It is no such edifice as the fathers erected. I mean to say it, and I say it with a sense of responsibility, that to-day there is nothing of the old constitution of our fathers left to us except what was always understood and believed by them to be a mere incident of constitutional power—and that is this war power"—*so monstrously perverted*, he might have added, and evidently meant to have added.

You also, in the editorials before me, not only assert all that Mr. Adams declares in his speech, but, moreover, say that "the hour will surely arrive when the people of the North will come to ascertain, yet too late for recovery and the application of a peaceful remedy, that the oligarchs in Congress meant from the first by Southern reconstruction, and their false cries of '*freedom and loyalty*,' the subversion of constitutional liberty."

I, too, as an exile torn from my birthright, impoverished, and often suffering from want, standing alone, scorning to crouch or fawn, though starvation should tear at my vitals, but only pitying or contemning the shallow knaves and miserable tools around me, and looking afar off upon the wild play of the moral, social and political elements of the advancing storm of feeling and passion to which I have adverted, and contemplating the historical relations of that cause I advocated and made plain at so early a day, through the Python Essays in De Bow's *Review*, where all is told of past and approaching calamity under the advent and dark auspices of