THE
ST MARY'S BEACON
LEONARDTOWN, MD.

THURSDAY MORNING, August 29th, 1878.

Democratic County Convention.

The members of this body, which assembled to select three delegates to represent St. Mary's county in the Congressional Convention which meets in Baltimore on the 4th of September next, met at the Court House, Leonardtown, on Tuesday last, and were called to order by Col. Dent, Chairman of the County Democratic Central Committee. On motion of Col. Jeff. D. Loker, Thomas H. Bond, Esqr., of Patuxent district, was elected Chairman, and, subsequently, on motion of the same gentleman, Jos. H. Hancock, of Charlotte Hall district, and Wm. R. Pembroke, of St. Inigoes' district, were elected Vice-Presidents. T. Edward Loker acted as Secretary. The President, after the organization, stated the object for which the Convention had been convened in a few pertinent remarks, after which, on motion of Col. Loker, a Committee of eight, one from each district, was appointed by the Chair to act as a Committee on Credentials. The following gentlemen composed the Committee:—1st dist., R. F. Taylor; 2nd do, Dr. Thos. A. Lynch; 3rd do, John F. King; 4th do, J. J. Gough; 5th do, Jas. F. Ward; 6th do, P. H. Dorsey; 7th do, D. M. Turner; 8th do, Wm. H. Carroll. The Committee retired and after a short absence reported the following named gentlemen to be entitled to seats in the Convention.

1st district—Robt. F. Taylor, Wm. B. Tennisson, Thos. Brome, James Roach, W. R. Pembroke, Stanislaus Clarke, T. E. Loker, J. Frank Smith, B. B. Smith, George L. Smith.

2nd district—Benj. Hewitt, T. A. Lynch, J. L. Milburn, J. D. Loker, Wesley Sanner, J. S. Guyther, John Shadrick, Wm. Aud, W. S. Coppage, Robert Coad.

3rd district—Thos. L. Harrison, Geo. F. Wathen, J. Simms Fenwick, Jas. F. Abell, James M. Wilkinson, J. Thos. Abell, Wm. F. Greenwell, John F. King, H. M. H. Yates, J. D. Thompson.

4th district—J. J. Gough, J. W. Carpenter, J. E. Mattingly, J. H. Chunn, T. F. C. Herbert, C. J. Russell, Thos. C. Edwards, Wm. A. Kirk, Jerome Hayden, O. G. Hayden.

5th district—D. W. Slye, Jos. H. Hancock, Geo. W. Burroughs, Jas. F. Ward, Isaiah Canter, C. B. Barber, F. D. Adams, W. S. Lyon, F. E. Burch, Wm. Basford.

6th District—Thos. H. Bond, P. H. Dorsey, G. L. Raley, Leo. H. Hayden, Jo Forrest, F. O. Morgan, Jos. F. Knott, Geo. R. Barnes, Geo. W. Morgan, Richard Magill.

7th district.—A. Burch, D. M. Turner, J. B. Russell, B. H. Swann, D. C. Burch, J. F. Mattingly, W. G. Gibson, R. J. Colton, J. R. Alvey, J. H. Bailey.

8th District—J. F. Bohanan, Griffin Hebb, E. Wise, W. H. Carroll, R. M. Bean, J. A. B. Shermantine, J. F. Turner, Wm. Unkle, C. A. Pembroke, C. B. Wise.

The report of the Committee was unanimously udopted.

A question arising at this point as to the proper order of business, and the Chair deciding, if there were any resolutions to be presented, these should take precedence of nominations, Dr. Thos A. Lynch, of the 2nd district, presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote amid aloud applause:

Resolved, That the Democracy of St. Mary's county, in Convention assembled, hereby express unqualified confidence in the patriotism and statesmanship of Hon. BENJAMIN G. HARRIS, and believing that fellow-democrats from our sister counties will with enthusiasm avail themselves of his sterling virtues and national reputation at this time to extend the influence of our district in the next Congress of the United States, do most urgently request our delegates to present his name to the Congressional Convention, which is to assemble in Baltimore on the 4th of September next, and use all proper and honorable means to secure his nomination.

Nominations being announced in order, five gentlemen were placed in nomination, Messrs. Bohanan and Carroll acting as tellers. There were two ballots had, on the first of which, Wm. M. Corcoran and James H. Wilson were declared elected, the former receiving 78 and the latter 45 votes. On the second ballot, Thos. L. Harrison was declared elected, receiving 42 votes, whereupon, Messrs. Corcoran, Wilson and Harrison were declared by the Chair to be elected delegates to represent St. Mary's county in the Congressional Convention for the 5th district which meets in Baltimore city on the 4th of September next.

T. EDWARD LOKER,
Secretary.

☞Gen. James C. Clarke, former President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, and now Vice-President of the Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans Railroad, has donated to the yellow fever stricken town of Grenada, Mississippi, a car-load of flour and to the city of New Orleans $500 in money, and ten carloads of lime, the latter to be used as a disinfectant.

THE LABOR QUESTION.—There is a Committee, now sitting in New York, known as the Hewitt Labor Committee, which is taking testimony on the subject of present labor depressions throughout the United States. "Various as the mind of desultory man, studious of change," are the opinions given for the causes which have created these depressions and still more numerous are the remedies offered as correctives. The nonsense developed upon these two topics up to present writing is simply stupendous, but the Committee appear to have escaped at last or to be escaping the dogmatism and absurd theories of ignorant demagogues and to be interviewing witnesses of thought and ability. Prof. Sumner, Horace White and Charles Francis Adams have been put upon the witness' stand, but we have only space at present for the views of the former. Prof. Sumner argues that "disproportionate production" and not "overproduction" is the proper term to be employed. He thinks that protective legislation, which forces industry into a disproportionate development, is one cause of the trouble. He considers a glut of goods in trade as only a temporary evil, and calls attention to the fact that when the Suez canal was completed it was thought to be a failure, because the immense stock of goods, which was immediately accumulated, caused a glut, this glut a crisis, and then a reaction set in naturally, which checked business through the canal. But as soon as the accumulated goods were worked off, things adjusted themselves and the Suez canal business at once recovered. The increased movement of productions, brought about by the opening of the canal, must result in great improvement and great development of the well being of all classes. The difference between the immediate and the ultimate effects of the introduction of machinery are pointed out. Professor Sumner discovers the local causes of the present depression in the late war. What was then destroyed must be reproduced, and a reaction from the fictitious prosperity of war times is inevitable. Self-denial and hard work must bring us through this period of depression which follows logically and cannot be avoided. Legislation can do little good and may do a great deal of mischief.

[COMMUNICATED.

Messrs. Editors:—There are some wonderful beings in this world of ours and some wonderful discoveries are now and then made. Of the beings, the most wonderful is he who styles himself very appropriately Hot Box: and of the discoveries, the most wonderful is that made by Hot Box. He has discovered that "Democrat is no democrat at all." I will confirm it as being absolutely true if democracy is to be judged from Hot Box's standard. If his political record is that of a true democrat, then, Messrs. Editors, I am no democrat, for I am not one of those whose policy has been to leave the party and assist in disorganizing it, and defeating its regularly nominated candidates when they or their *friends* are to be benefited by it, and then after having accomplished their purpose, rush back and call themselves better democrats for having done so.

There are some democrats so-called in this county, prominent among whom is Hot Box, who are extremely sensitive upon the subject of that portion of their political life beginning in the year 1871 and ending a year or two ago, and anything that has the slightest connection with their course during that time touches them to the quick. It is a standing sore, a thorn that is continually gouging them, of which they are unable to rid themselves. A few of them are more ashamed of it in consequence of having failed to accomplish the object for which they broke loose from the democratic organization. In their efforts to cast off the odium resting upon them, they render themselves ridiculously officious and conspicuous, and sometimes offensive, and instead of being contented to remain for a while in the party on probation, as true penitents should, they attempt to assume the role of leadership, thereby rendering themselves more obnoxious.

I did not cast any "slur," as Hot Box is pleased to term it, upon Col. Harris, nor did I reproach him for having voted as he thought proper, as that is a privilege which belongs to every man. I merely asked him to explain and make consistent with his demands upon the democratic party a few of his political acts which I, as a member of that party, had a perfect right to do, he having placed himself before the party for political preferment. If that constitutes a "slur," then I must acknowledge that I have had, up to this time, a very vague idea of the meaning of the word.

I will end by saying, for the benefit of Hot Box, who has so feebly advocated the cause of the object of his admiration, that he had better keep cool and not become irritated at anything that I have said, for, as his *nom de plume* indicates, the process of combustion and repair is extraordinarily active in his system, and any undue excitement at this time would probably destroy the equilibrium and be productive of serious consequences. After all, Messrs. Editors, I expect that I am a better democrat than Hot Box.

DEMOCRAT.

☞The Hon. Bailie Peyton died at Gallatin, Tennessee, on Monday. He way on the staff of General Taylor during the Mexican war, served in Congress for two sessions, and was Minister to Chili during President Filmore's administration.

A VICTORY FOR A MARYLAND HORSE.—Governor Bowie's four-year old chestnut filly Oriole, by Kingfisher, dam My Maryland, won a brilliant victory at Saratoga on last Thursday week, in the free handicap for a purse of $300. There were seven entries for this event, comprising Powers and Buckle's brown horse Harkaway, by Enquirer, dam by Ruric, five years old, carrying 118 lbs.; J. D. Campbell's chestnut gelding Queenston, by Admiral, dam Fairy Queen, aged, 100 lbs.; Oden Bowie's chestnut filly Oriole, by Kingfisher, dam My Maryland, four years old, 100 lbs.; J. G. Nelson & Co.'s bay mare Lady Salyers, by Longfellow, dam Genuera, four years old, 100 lbs.; Charles Peine's bay gelding Patriot, by Phaeton, dam Sally Farrel, five years old, 98 lbs.; D. J. Crouse's chestnut filly Maumee, by Revolver, dam Emily Peyton, three years old, 92 lbs., and D. D. Withers' filly Bijou, by Australian, dam Geneva, three years old, 90 lbs.

The first five horses sold at par in the pools. The New York *Herald* thus describes the race:

After considerable time had been cut to waste by the breakaways of Harkaway the flag fell to a very fair start, Patriot first, Lady Salyers second, Harkaway third, Maumee fourth, Queenston fifth, Oriole sixth, Bijou seventh. The horses ran rapidly around the upper turn, where Lady Salyers assumed the lead and showed clear of the others at the quarter pole, Patriot second, half a length in front of Maumee, who was half a length in advance of Harkaway, Queenston fifth, Oriole sixth, Bijou seventh. Lady Salyers showed the way down the backstretch by a length, and passed the half-mile pole by that advantage, Maumee second, a head in front of Harkaway and Patriot, Oriole fifth, Queenston sixth, Bijou seventh. Lady Salyers led around the lower turn, and seemed to have something to spare. When the horses swung into the homestretch Lady Salyers was clear of Oriole, who was second, Harkaway third; and just about this time Harkaway fell back, having broken down in his off foreleg. Lady Salyers led up the homestretch until just on the post, when Oriole, on the outside, pushed her head in front and won the race, Lady Salyers second, six lengths in front of Patriot, Bijou fourth, Queenston fifth, Maumee sixth and Harkaway seventh. When the latter came before the judges he seemed to be badly bowed on his foreleg just above the fetlock joint. Time of the mile 1.44¾.

TEN BROECK'S RACING DAYS OVER.—The Lorillards have swept the platter, and will do so as long as they can bring such stables of high bred youngsters and tried aged ones to face the starter. The rivalry and betting between the two brothers is very great; in fact, they say that they appreciate a victory over each other far more than success as against outsiders. For the cups and purse distance races P. Lorillard's Parole heads the list in the east, while the Duke of Magenta, owned by George, is so far superior to any three-year old in the west that it thoroughly solaces his popular owner for Ochiltree's non-appearance. The clever correspondent of the *Spirit of the Times* gives the merits of the two-year olds, and awards the first place to the last of the Lexingtons, Uncas, a full brother to Wanderer, but still Harold has beaten him once, and the honors, so far, are even, but the Lexingtons improve so with age that it is but fair to presume that in his three and four-year old form he will leave Harold far in the rear. P. Lorillard's three, Parole, Spartan and Uncas, and the two of his brother George, Duke of Magenta and Harold, would make a noble stable to send to any country, but could the Derby winner, Day Star and the great Himyar, with Leveller and Solicitor, be added, England would find it a difficult task to wrest a prize from them. of course, Ten Broeck's racing days are over, as he is retired to the stud, sound in wind, limb and body.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

WHAT COL. MOSBY WANTED AND WHAT WAS OFFERED TO HIM.—A special dispatch to the Baltimore *Sun* says: Col. Mosby made application to the President for the position of Assistant Attorney General. He presented numerous letters of recommendation from radical republicans, conservative republicans and democrats. Among those who gave letters of strong commendation were Judge Hugh L. Bond, of Maryland, Alexander H. Stephens, Judge Rives, of Va., ex-Senator Lewis, of Va., Simon Cameron, and several union officers who had been his prisoners during the war. Mr. E. W. Stoughton also gave him a warm letter. The General Stoughton that Mosby captured in bed at fairfax Court House was the nephew of Mr. E. W. Stoughton, and the Stoughton family have always been very friendly towards Mosby, on account of his courteous treatment of his prisoner. The President for satisfactory reasons, concluded to make no change in the Assistant Attorney Generals, of whom there are four, two in the Department of Justice, one assigned to service in the Post Office department, and one the Department of the Interior. It was then determined to offer Col. Mosby an appointment under the Department of State, as has been done.

DANGERS OF MOONLIGHT RAMBLES.—A young couple engaged to be married, while promenading in the twilight along what is known as the "Bridal Path," in Central Park, seated themselves upon one of the rustic benches among the rocks, where they lovingly told anew that old, old story, entirely unconscious of the chill night air surrounding them. Upon reaching home it was found that the young lady had contracted acute Rheumatism, which defied all medical treatment, and apprehensions for her recovery were felt. A friend in Washington recommended Keller's Roman Liniment which was applied with the same astonishing effect that it produced in thousands of other cases where it has proven itself the most miraculous pain extractor and healer on earth.

☞Colonel J. S. Mosby has accepted the Consulship to Canton, China, offered him some time ago.

GEN. HOOKER ON GRANT.—The Boston *Herald* publishes an interview with Gen. Joe Hooker at Martha's Vineyard, in which he is reported to have said relative to the disputed battle of Lookout Mountain: "When Grant affirms that there was no battle on Lookout Mountain, or when he otherwise detracts from the success of my battles, he either must have been deep in the cup, to which he is addicted, or else the desire for a third term must have crazed his brain. In no other way can I account for a commanding general going back on himself and going back on the army which made him. Gen. Grant's opinions in regard to the war are far from being infallible, the same as when he administered the affairs of the national government. My battles were not so bloody as his, hence I suppose he is not able to appreciate them. As to the battle of Lookout Mountain, report me as saying that there are too many witnesses to that battle to have it ignored at this late date, and the friends of the fallen will not be likely to accept Gen. Grant's verdict in regard to the fight. I need say no more."

Mr. Moncure D. Conway, writing to the *Cincinnati Commercial*, says:—"The frank skepticism of ladies moving in high society is one of the many salient social phenomena of English life at present. The most heretical societies in this country of a kind which used to be mainly filled by men now include rather more ladies than men. If there is any difference, and were it proper to mention the names of persons in private life, I might easily give a long list of such as would be recognized as belonging to influential families, and who are known to large circles of friends as holding very positive disbeliefs of things generally deemed 'fundamental.' I will not comment on this, but merely mention it as an unquestionable fact." Mr. Conway might have added that gross immorality is also "a salient social phenomena" of the circles which he speaks.

☞The Roman Catholic church is actively agitating the matter of "homes in the wilderness." It encourages the formation of colonies to settle available lands purchased at low figures. There are several such colonies in Minnesota, all of which are reported as being in a prosperous condition. The colony which was recently planted on 7,000 acres of land in Virginia has made an excellent start and is well managed.

☞Democratic State, Congressional, District, County, City and Town committees that have not already done so are requested to communicate at once with the Democratic Congressional Committee at Washington, D. C., addressing their communications to Hon. Joseph C. S. Blackburn, chairman, or to Duncan S. Walker, secretary. A complete list of each committee, with the postoffice address of each member, is desired.

DIED.

At the residence of its parents in this village on Thursday, the 15th instant, ARCHIBALD, infant child of B. R. and Philomena Abell, aged 3 months and 27 days.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

WHEAT.—Southern—1,500 bu. common to fair red at 97 to 100 cents; 2,272 bu. common do. at 83@80; 5,400 bu. fair red at 100 down to 95; 11,950 bu. good Fultz at 104 to 101; 13,600 bu. good to prime do. at 105@107; 14,425 bu. do. at 106@107; 7,360 bu. choice Fultz at 108@107; 1,300 bu. fancy do. at 108¼; 7,156 bu. prime to choice long-berry at 110@111; 10,000 bu. do. at 108@110; 13,700 bu. do. at 106@108; all afloat; 1,200 bu. Upper Maryland red, on track, at 108¼@106.

CORN.—The offerings of Southern Corn have continued very meagre, not sufficient to induce anything like competition, but prices have ruled steady. For Western the transactions have also been very limited, but at steady prices.

The sales of the week included the following: Southern—100 bu. white at 54 cents; 2,964 bu. do. at 55@56; 750 bu. yellow at 53.

OATS.—Receipts during the week about 65,300 bu. The receipts have continued free, and the market has ruled weak and heavy, with a downward tendency in prices. The sales of the week embraced the follwing: 1,100 bu. Southern at 31 down to 27, chiefly at 28 cents; 350 bu. stained Pennsylvania at 25; 1,600 bu. bright do. at 27@27½

RYE.—Receipts 2,225 bu. Market quiet but steady, with sales of 800 bu. in lots at 53@54 cents for good to prime.

TOBACCO.—Maryland leaf Tobacco continues to come forward freely, but with a brisk demand all the better grades find ready sale at full prices. Low grades, however, continue very dull, as heretofore.

Maryland—inferior and frosted,	2 00a 0 00
" sound common,	2 50a 3 00
" good common,	3 50a 5 00
" middling	6 00a 7 00
" good to fine red,	8 00a10 00
" fancy,	10 00a15 00
" upper country,	4 00a20 00
" ground leaves,	2 00a 8 00

DIVINE SERVICE.

Methodist Episcopal Church, Sabbath, September 1st.
Mount Zion, 11 a. m.
St. Paul's 8 p. m. Sermon subject—*Religious Sentimentalism.*

WM. H. BARNES,
Aug 29, 1878. Pastor.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

THE Co-Partnership heretofore existing between Robert W. Ford and Jos. S. Allstan in the mercantile business at St. Mary's City, Md., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Jeseph S. Allstan will settle up the business of the late firm.

ROBERT W. FORD,
JOS. S. ALLSTAN,
Aug. 29, 1878.
Aug. 29, 1878—3t.

DENTAL NOTICE.

Respectfully inform the citizens of St. Mary's that I am now in Leonardtown ready to receive professional calls from this date until after September Court and no longer.

PAGE EDMUNDS,
Aug. 29, 1878. Dentist.

NOTICE.

THE Public Schools of this county will open on MONDAY NEXT, the 2nd of September. By order,

GEO. THOMAS,
Secretary.
Aug 29th, 1878—1t.

Religious Notice.

THE corner stone of the Cedar Point M. E. church will be laid on **Thursday, the 5th of September,** at 11 o'clock, a. m. Rev. B. Peyton Brown, Presiding Elder of the Washington District, the Rev. Wm. H. Barnes and other gentlemen will conduct or participate in the ceremonies of the occasion. The location is at the Three Gates, Cedar Point.

GEO. M. BERRY,
Aug 29, 1878, Pastor.

VICTOR FERTILIZER

A Great Wheat Manure.

THE same formula, prepared by the same manufacturers, used with entire satisfaction and with great success on the Eastern Shore and Western Maryland on wheat the past season, making more wheat than any other fertilizers used side by side.

PRICE $45.

For honesty and fair dealing we refer to:
Hon. Geo. Brent, Court of Appeals of Md.
Hon. Barnes Compton, State Treasurer of Md.
Hon. F. Stone, Port Tobacco, Md.
R. H. Edelen, " " "
Col. Saml. Cox, Cox's Station, Md., and all others who know us personally.

THOMAS C. PRICE & Co.
112 South Charles St., Baltimore.

Address, Cross Roads P. O., Charles county, Maryland. Aug. 29, 1878—2m.

TO FARMERS.

WHEAT SEEDING.

OFFICE OF R. C. DAVIDGE,
Manufacturer of Fertilizers,
36 W. Lombard St.,
Baltimore, Aug. 27, 1878.

Dear Sir:—Our Agent, Mr. ——— is about to call upon you. He will offer our different grades of Fertilizers at prices fixed with a view to ruling rates for produce. Whilst we offer for Wheat Seeding, two articles at a material difference in cost, we would state that the more costly differs from the other almost entirely in its stimulating constituent—Ammonia—in other and more lasting properties, such as Available Phosphoric Acid, it is substantially the same.

Yours truly,
R. C. DAVIDGE.

☞Raw and Dissolved Bones. Dissolved South Carolina Bone Phosphate. Peruvian Guano, and all Fertilizing ingredients for home manufacture.
Aug 29, 1878.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

E. Key Buchanan,
Edward Pannell Brooke,
Admrs. Nannie Buchanan,
use Dorothy Turner
vs.
Henry Sothoron.

In the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county, sitting as a Court of Equity.
No. 140 N. E.

ORDERED this 26th day of Aug. 1878, that the sale made and reported by Geo. Blakistone and Robert C. Combs, Trustees in this cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 4th Monday of Sept., 1878; provided a copy of this order be published in the St. Mary's BEACON, once a week for three successive weeks prior to the said 4th Monday of September.

The report states the land sold for $4,750.

J. FRANK FORD,
Clerk.

True copy, Test:—
J. FRANK FORD,
Clerk.
Aug 29, 1878—3w.

Mortgagees' Sale
OF
REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from J. J. Readmond and wife, and dated the 9th day of August, 1876, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale at MECHANICSVILLE, in the 5th election district of St. Mary's county on

Saturday, the 14th of September, 1878,

between the hours of 12 o'clock, m. and 3 o'clock, p. m., all that tract of land, called and known as

LUDGATE,

containing

100 acres, more or less.

This land is located near the Patuxent river in the 5th election district of St. Mary's county, is improved by a comfortable DWELLING, has a fine large BARN, 32x64 feet, and three other OUT-HOUSES. The soil is in a highly improved condition and is particularly adapted to the growth of tobacco of fine texture and large size.

TERMS OF SALE, CASH.

JAMES H. WILSON,
JOHN W. TIPPETT,
Mortgagees.
Aug 22, 1878—ts.

Commissioners' Notice.

OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
Leonardtown, Aug. 20, 1878.

PARTIES holding certificates issued by Supervisors of the Roads must file them in the office of County Commissioners before they will be paid. No collector will be allowed for the same unless an order has been obtained.

Certificates issued for the building of bridges will not be paid for out of present levy, but in the levy of 1879. Supervisors will report such work separate from their general road reports.

All collectors of county taxes are notified, that unless settlement of their accounts be made with the Board on or before the SECOND TUESDAY of SEPTEMBER, legal proceedings will be executed against their bonds.

By order,
JO. F. MORGAN, Clerk.
Aug 22, 1878—2t.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE,
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND.

JAS. M. GARNETT, LL. D., Presidents
Opening of Session and Examination of Candidates for Admission, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 16th and 17th. A number of free scholarship. for tuition vacant. For catalogues containing full particulars, address PROF. W. H. HOPKINS, Annapolis, Md. Aug 15, 1878—6t.

FOR CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Messrs. Editors.—Please announce Dr. L. J. SUTTON as the Republican candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county at the election in 1879 and say that he will receive the warm support of his party and friends in

April 20, 1876n. Leptico District

FOR CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Messrs. Editors:—Please announce Captain JOHN N. GRAVES as a suitable candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county at the election in 1879, and say that he will be cordially supported by the people of the county.

Nov 30, 1877. Sixth District.

LOCAL DOTTINGS.

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The Excursion on Thursday.

At an early hour in the evening pleasure seekers, from far and near, in quite goodly numbers, arrived in Town to take the delightful excursion to Piney Point. The fame of the last one for pleasure had been heralded far and wide and the people had their hearts set on this. The steamer Thompson arrived punctually at 7 o'clock, sharp, and great was the bustle to embark. This was soon done and the whistle announced departure. The evening was delightful and filled with moonlight, and soon the trim little steamer was breasting the waves of the Potomac. Music was the order of the evening, and Messrs. Moore, Galatti and Dyer, in addition to their admirable plans as the Committee, furnished sweet music to those who wished to dance with the waves, and occasionally a song cheered the programme. We arrived at the Point about 9 o'clock, and were expected. The ball-room was thrown open and merriment took possession. Some strolled along the beach, while some sat down alone, like the Irishman, with his sweetheart with him. The beaux of the Town were in full force and did their level best to entertain. General Bailey was on hand and delivered himself of his famous speech on woman, but later in the evening wound up by losing another piece of his coat tail. All had enjoyed themselves sufficiently by twelve, and at that hour the aforesaid gentlemen sung "Home, Sweet Home," and after thanking Mr. Moore in the name of the excursionists, we boarded the steamer for home. After a pleasant run up the river, we arrived at the Leonardtown wharf about 2 o'clock, much pleased with the whole affair and thankful to Captain Wood and the whole Committee. We have been informed that the Committee realized a considerable profit from the undertaking. EXCURSIONIST.

As our correspondent was discovered late on Thursday night seemingly asleep on Leonardtown wharf, where he had gone in expectation of joining the excursion party which had been announced in the BEACON to take the Thompson for Piney Point, it is to be presumed that he had excursion heavy on the brain, took refuge in "tired nature's sweet restorer," and while in this condition, dreamt the dream he has given expression to above. This as it may, it is certain, if our correspondent excursioned at all on the night in question, he went it alone, there being over a hundred wide-awake people in our town at the time who had met to join the excursion and would have joined it if it had been a fact instead of a myth. The truth is, the Thompson didn't arrive at 7 o'clock, sharp, as stated by our correspondent, but much later in the night, probably about 10 o'clock, was in no condition to make the excursion when she did arrive, and greatly disappointed a large number of persons, in fact, everybody but our correspondent, by her failure to carry out her engagements. We think an explanation from Capt. Wood is in order.

Champion Tournament.

From a private letter received by a gentleman of our county, which we have been permitted to see, we notice that a grand Champion Tournament has been set down for the 11th of September next at Woodstock, Howard county, Md., for the purpose of building a School House and Church, and that a special invitation is extended to St. Mary's Knights to contest for the honors of the tilt. Knights fee, $3 and the knights are required to appear in costume. Besides the honor of crowning the Queen, the victorious knight will be the recipient of a Gold Medal, with name engraved thereon, worth $25. The 2nd honor will entitle the winner to a Gold Seal Ring, worth $20.—The 3rd, to a Double Rein Bridle, worth $12, and the 4th to Whip and Spurs, worth $10.

Republican Primaries.

The Republican primaries met on Saturday last in the several districts of the county, according to the call of the Republican Central Committee, and selected, we learn, five delegates in each district to meet in Convention at Leonardtown on Saturday next, which body will elect three delegates to represent the county in the Republican Convention which meets at Annapolis Junction on the 4th of September next to nominate a candidate for Congress. We don't profess to be posted on the subject, but we venture the prediction, nevertheless, that the Convention on Saturday next will select a delegation favorable to the nomination of Col. Crane.

New Enterprise.

Our indefatigable and enterprizing fellow-citizen, Capt. Lawrence, has started a brick-making enterprize near our village, and hands to carry it out have already arrived and will be at work at an early day. The Captain has also, we learn, consummated the purchase from Mr. Key of ten or fifteen acres of land, west, and immediately in the rear of our village and extending from the Sheep-Pen Woods to the Chaptico road, which he proposes to divide and lay off into lots for building purposes to meet the demands of our increasing trade and population. We wish success to both enterprizes and see no reason why both should not succeed.

Death of Henry W. Thomas.

The intelligence reaches us as we go to press of the death of Henry William Thomas, son of the late Ex-Governor James Thomas, at Southampton, the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr. Waring, in Chaptico district. Mr. Thomas was about sixty years of age, and was known as a gentleman of high culture, kind nature, refined and courteous manners, and as a general favorite in the social circle. He was a lawyer by profession but had not engaged in practice since early life.

Re-Opening of Public Schools.

The primary schools of our county will re-open on Monday next, in view of which fact we think it pertinent to suggest to pupils, that they had better be getting their books, slates, etc., together and finding out where they left off their studies and about where they may be required to commence. It is hinted there will be hot work if everything is not found in order by teachers on the re-opening of the schools and we have felt it our duty to let the girls and boys know of it in advance.

Aid for the Yellow Fever Sufferers.

At an informal meeting in our office yesterday, it was suggested that a Committee be named to solicit aid for the Yellow Fever Sufferers in the South. The proposition was warmly seconded, and after consultation, Dr. A. J. Spalding, J. T. M. Raley and J. F. King were requested to act as a Committee to receive contributions for the relief of the suffering people of the infected Southern cities. We suggest that collections be taken up in the different churches of the county on Sunday next in aid of the same object.

Meat Market.

We recal attention to the Meat Market of Mr. I. Gross, of our Town, to make mention that his business is in successful progress and is still extending. Persons from a distance who may visit our Town are reminded, if they wish to carry home with them a choice cut of beef for dinner or supper, as the case may be, they can be accommodated at reasonable rates by calling at Mr. Gross's place of business in the basement of Moore's Hotel.

Dental Notice.

The attention of our readers is directed to the professional notice of Dr. Edmunds, elsewhere published, from which it will be seen that the Dr. is in the county and expects to remain until after September Court.

☞The Westminster Review, for July, has been republished by the Leonard Scott Publishing Co., 41 Barclay St., New York. The following is a short account of the contents:

1. "The House of Lords." Argues the necessity of reform, particularly the establishment of a life peerage, the object being to make the House more representative, by importing into its councils a number of distinguished men.

2. "Mythology and Religious Worship of the Ancient Japanese." A very interesting account of the ancient rituals of the chief annual festivals celebrated at the court of the Japanese monarchs. They are a native product, and not an imitation of the doctrines and myths imported from China.

3. "The Saracens in Italy." Briefly tells the story of Italy's escape from the threatened ruin of permanent Mussulman dominion.

4. "The Late Yakoob Beg of Kashgar." An article which will make clearer the events now occurring in Eastern Turkestan.

5. "George Eliot as a Novelist." On a careful analysis the reviewer declares that George Eliot's recent works have failed to sustain the reputation gained by her earlier productions.

6. "The Peasants of our Indian Empire."—Sums up the result of the Commission appointed to investigate the causes of the disturbances in the Deccan, in the spring and summer of 1875.

7. "Russia Abroad and at Home." Contends that it is the interest of Europe to sustain the Turk, and check Russia's further aggrandisement.

"Contemporary Literature."
"India and our Colonial Empire."

Blackwood's Magazine.

The August number of Blackwood's Magazine, republished by the Leonard Scott Publishing Co., 41 Barclay Street, N. Y., contains several biographical articles. The first of these shows the amiable, pleasant side of Bismarck's character, illustrated by incidents of his home life.—There is also a friendly but short reminiscence of Miss Cushman, by one who appears to have been intimate with her.

The new books reviewed are: "Life of George Moore," the philanthropist, who was the first to carry to starving Paris, after the siege of 1871, by S. Smiles; and "Modern Frenchmen," by Hamerton, which includes sketches of Francois Rude and Jean Jacques Ampere.

"Summer in the Hills" tells where to spend the vacation, describing the shooting in the Highlands, and trips to Pyrenees, Alps, and other cloud lands.

The serials "John Caldigate" and "Gordon Baldwin" are continued.

The poems are "Half Way to Arcady" and "Sheathing the Sword;" and the "Treaties of Peace" takes the place of the political article.

No one can hope to faithfully act his part in life, if constantly suffering with that scourge Dyspepsia. Keller's Vegetable Life Drops have been proven to be the most reliable remedy ever known for this distressing disorder.

Dobbins' Electric Soap.

Having obtained the agency of this celebrated soap for Hollywood and vicinity, I append the opinion of some our best people as to its merits:

I have used "Dobbins' Electric Soap," made by I. L. Cragin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., and pronounce it the best soap I have ever used. The rapidity and ease with which it enables one to do one's washing is really surprising. Boiling the clothes is entirely unnecessary and no rubbing is needed. I would not be without it.

MRS. U. GOODWING.

I have no hesitation in saying that no housekeeper should be without Dobbins' Electric Soap. I can heartily recommend it. It is a charm in the wash-tub. MRS. J. R. THOMPSON.

As a time, labor and money-saving article, I take pleasure in recommending Dobbins' Soap to my neighbors. It promises wonders, but does all it promises. A. A. WOOD.

I desire all my friends and customers to give this soap one trial, so they may know just how good the best soap in the U. S. is. S. C. THOMPSON, Sole Agent, Hollywood, Md. J6-16t.

F. W. Trimble.

We take pleasure in referring to the card of Mr. F. W. Trimble, in another part of this paper, who has succeeded Trimble & Co., Nos. 78 and 80, W. Pratt St., dealer in sash, doors, blinds and factory work, &c. The readers of the BEACON will do well to give them a call when buying, as they will find him both obliging and accommodating. Having a factory of his own, he is ready to furnish at lowest cash prices everything in his line and of the best.

Wanamaker.

This old and reliable ready made Clothing House is now offering for sale the best quality of Goods, made in the latest style. Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods and Piece Goods for Order Work, always on hand, of every variety and of the best material. But one price, and that the lowest. If you wish to be satisfied call at WANAMAKER'S No. 166 W. Baltimore street, Baltimore.

A Reliable House.

Those of our readers who visit Baltimore this spring to make purchases of clothing for men and boys, cannot be better suited in choice, style or quality than at the reliable house of Chas. N. Oehm & Son 230 W. Pratt St. near Hanover. See advertisement in another column.

Clothing Store.

We call attention to the advertisement in today's paper of the old, reliable and well-known house of Noah Walker & Co. This establishment, with branches in Washington and elsewhere, is one of the largest and most complete in the country. If we are not mistaken, this is the first house which made the business of selling ready-made clothing respectable and reliable. To-day the Messrs. Walker are patronized by the most respectable and fastidious in the country.

☞You can buy anything in the Sewing Machine line at the established and reliable ORMOND MFG. CO., 41 N. GAY STREET, BALTIMORE, lower than anywhere else in the country. Among other inducements, they *guarantee* all Machines 5 *years*, and furnish all attachments free.

☞Send for their new illustrated catalogue. Mailed free to any address. They sell first-class machines from $10 to $20. Their reputation for fair dealing is well known to many of your best citizens.

NOTICE.

GREAT MILLS, MD., June 1, 1878

HAVING a very great desire to accommodate the traveling public, coupled with a heavy debt of gratitude I owe to the whole of mankind, I have determined to convert my very large, thoroughly ventilated and elaborately furnished dwelling into a Hotel, and in announcing the same to state that it will always be my very great pleasure to receive old patrons, and shall feel most sensibly any neglect on their part. I hope that my terms will suit the means of *all*.

Board, per day,	$10.00
For each meal,	2.50
Lodging,	2.50
Horses at livery,	3.00

Payable always in advance.

Trusting that I may receive in the future the very liberal patronage extended me in the past,

Very respectfully,
JOS. S. ALLSTAN.
June 13, 1878—6m.