

**Saint Wary's Beacon,**  
LEONARDTOWN, MD.

THURSDAY MORNING, Dec. 20th, 1883.

**CURRENT NOTES.**—From eight to nine hundred new bills have been introduced in Congress since the commencement of the present session, and the session is not yet three weeks old. Many of these will never be heard of hereafter, and very likely it was never intended they should be, outside of the home market for which they were intended. The Speaker's Committee, which will be made up and announced within a few days, will indicate much more accurately than anything that has yet transpired the character and the fate thereof of the legislation of national import which may be looked for from the present Congress.

It is tolerably certain that no faction in the democratic party will succeed in capturing and controlling the new Governor. He is a man of sense as well as discretion, and, withal, of undoubted loyalty to his party, and probably has no higher ambition than to unite the democracy of the State preparatory to the presidential battle. It is everywhere believed that there will be no conflict, such as Hamilton provoked, between him and the Legislature or between him and the majority sentiment of the democratic party. We confidently look forward to harmonious action and peace within our lines.

O'Donnell, who shot Carey, the informer, was hanged in London on Monday morning last. He met his death with firmness.

Col. Wm. M. Murrell, the colored democrat of Baltimore, who desires the position of the House restaurant, has seventy-five members of the House and a large number of influential citizens of the State endorsing him for the position.

The Legislature of this State will assemble at Annapolis on Wednesday, January 2nd, 1884.

**THE MARYLAND STATE GRANGE.**—The Maryland State Grange, in session in Baltimore, re-elected Henry O. Devries master, and nearly all the old officers. The gross business of the Grange agency in the past year was about \$500,000. It sold 4,000 tons of fertilizers to members of the order as one item of the business. The gross profits of the agency were \$20,000, of which one-third goes to defray running expenses and the other two-thirds is divided among the Grange patrons. There are sixty subordinate Granges in Maryland, and about 2,500 members.

The New York Herald of December 11 says editorially: Under the Republican rule the taxes are needlessly high; they are levied in a cumbersome and oppressive manner; they are made year after year to produce an enormous surplus revenue, over which lobbyists and jobbers wrangle. Under the species of "protection to home industry," the tariff laws have been so arranged that by their effect the rich are made richer and the poor poorer. General industry has been crushed and production paralyzed by regulations which steadily close foreign markets against our manufacturers; but the "protected" capitalists, made secure against competition in the home market by the iniquitous tariff, impudently and openly combined to stop production, and at frequent intervals throw their workmen out of employment in order to create an artificial scarcity and thus compel the public to pay the high prices they choose to demand for their goods.

In the appointment of the Senate committees the Maryland Senators were not given very high places nor placed on very important committees. This was probably due to the fact that they are Democrats and belong to the junior class. Senator Gorman is on Indian Affairs, District of Columbia, Printing and Potomac River, and Senator Groome is on Postoffice, Education, Civil Service and Nicaragua Claims.

The Baltimore *Indicator*, the organ of the black men of the State, claims for the race the appointment of deputy sheriff under Arey, the Republican sheriff elected in Baltimore in November last, and says before the election Mr. Arey said that appointment was due the colored voters who pulled 10,000 votes for him. Since the election Mr. Arey declines to make the appointment, as requested, on the ground of policy.

Mr. W. M. Marine is engaged in writing the life of Gov. Thomas Holliday Hicks, of Maryland, and the request of the family of the late Governor. Mr. S. W. Bradford is also arranging and classifying the papers left by the late ex-Gov. Augustus W. Bradford, and will soon begin the preparation of a biography of his father.

John W. Garrett has been elected President of the B. & O. R. R. for 24 consecutive years. During this period the revenues of the company have increased from a little over four millions to near twenty millions, and the length of the road from 514 to 1,999 miles.

A few days since Gov-elect McLane was in Annapolis, when he was asked by Adjutant General Watkins whether he desired any escort of military. His reply was that he desired to be inaugurated in the simplest manner and without the presence of military. Some of the militia officers had thought of attending in their uniforms, but the Governor-elect said he did not even desire that. He deserves credit for the expression of these views.

The National Republican Committee met in Washington Wednesday of last week, and selected Wednesday as the place, and June 3d as the time for holding the next National Convention for the purpose of nominating Republican candidates for President and Vice President. Each State is allowed four representatives, two for each Congressman at large, and each Congressional district two representatives.

It is painful to notice the severity of the silence of the Republican papers over the fact that in the Democratic caucus of Representatives at Washington, on motion of Gen. Slocum, of New York, seconded by Gen. Rosecrans, of California, it was unanimously resolved that the fourteen crippled and disabled soldiers now borne on the soldiers' roll under the doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, shall be retained.

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Let every man be jolly;  
Each room in Ivy leaves is chrest,  
And every post with holly.  
Though at our mirth, some churlis repine,  
We'll root out their gairlands twine,  
Drown sorrow in a cup of wine,  
And every one be merry.  
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WOMAN'S ARMY OF EMERGENCY.  
Messrs. Editors—I herewith send you a  
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of the Police Sloop Katie Hines, and Constable  
J. L. Milburn. For weeks past the dredgers  
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Thompson; Sloop Gen. Hancock, Capt. G. W. Chesner; Bog-Boys Cora Virginia, Capt. Frank Twilley; Bog-Eye, Capt. Dick, Capt. J. W. Henderson, all of St. George's Island, and the sloop Steam Galley of Alexandria, Va., Capt. Oberer. The Justice after examining a large number of witnesses, found each of the parties guilty as charged and imposed a fine of \$50 and costs, which they cheerfully paid and went on their way rejoicing. The above arrests were made near the mouth of the St. George's River, whist, at anchor. Capt. Chas. is the right man in the right place and seems determined to arrest all violators of the law. St. Georges's.

**MARRIED.**  
On the 17th inst. by the Rev. Father Lancaster, EUGENE LONG to SARAH DINGY.  
On the same day, by the Rev. Father Jenkins, FRED H. GUY to Miss CATHARINE A. LATHAM.  
On the same day, by the same, JOHN A. JOHNSON to Miss MARY A. JOHNSON.  
On the 18th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Gantt, WILLIAM ELIAS to Miss JENNIE DEAN.  
On the same day, by the Rev. Father Lancaster, THOMAS LAWRENCE to Miss MARY JANE HILL.

**FOR RENT.**—The room in front of the Beacon Printing Office is for rent for the year 1884. Price, \$20 per annum. Suitable for an office or shop. Possession given the 1st of January. Dec 20, 1883—J. JOHN F. KING.

**BIG BROWN STORE.**  
Filled with CLOTHING, BOOTS and SHOES, HATS and all other articles useful and ornamental, suitable for Christmas. Do call in and see T. N. CAMALIER.

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Don't be afraid! Your liver is torpid, perhaps, and you may be said to be bilious. The way to help you out of the difficulty is to take *Brown's Iron Bitters*, which sets disordered livers at work in good style.  
Don't be cross and angry! Your digestion is bad, and that upsets your disposition. If you will try *Brown's Iron Bitters*, you will find the digestive difficulties driven away in short order.  
Don't be despondent! You are weak because your blood is thin, and you cannot face trouble, or think you cannot. *Brown's Iron Bitters* will put iron into your circulation, enriching the blood, making it a royal red color, and giving you the strength you need.  
The troubled, the weary, the despondent, the nervous, the debilitated and the bilious find rest, repose, refreshment, and reconstruction in the use of that prince of Tonics, *Brown's Iron Bitters*. The druggist charges a dollar a bottle for it. 13

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**Trustee's Sale**  
OF DESIRABLE  
**REAL ESTATE.**  
By virtue of a decree of the Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County, passed in 2 cases in which Wm. W. Kirby and Edna C. Kirby, his wife, are plaintiffs, and Eda C. Kirby and others are defendants, and bearing date the 4th day of December, 1883, the undersigned, Trustee, will offer at public sale, at the Court House door in Leonardtown, on Saturday, the 20th day of December, 1883.

Between the hours of 12 o'clock, m. and 3 o'clock, p. m., the following described real estate, to wit: One tract or parcel of land, called and known as

**Fresh Pond Neck,**  
or the "BAY FARM," containing  
**100 acres, more or less.**

The above named Farm is located on the Chesapeake Bay, in the First Election District of St. Mary's County, and comprises the real estate of which the late George F. Sabol died seised and owner at 1883, and will be sold CLEAR OF THE WIDOW'S DOWER.

The soil is of excellent quality and the FISH and OYSTER privileges are ample. The improvement consists of a comfortable DWELLING and the necessary OUT-BUILDINGS.

TERMS OF SALE:  
One-third of the purchase money cash, and the balance in equal installments at one and two years credit, the credit payments to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, endorsed to the satisfaction of the Trustee, or all cash on the day of sale, or the ratification thereof by the Court, at the option of the purchaser.  
DANIEL C. HAMMETT,  
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County, Set: ORDERED by the Court, That Edward B. Harrison, administrator of THOMAS L. HARRISON, late of St. Mary's County, Md., deceased, give the notice required by law to the deceased's creditors to exhibit their claims and that the same be published once a week for six successive weeks in the St. Mary's Beacon, a newspaper published by the Court, at the option of the purchaser.  
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**NOTICE.**  
In pursuance of the above order, I hereby give notice that I have obtained from the Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County, Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Thos. L. Harrison, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby notified to exhibit the same with the proper vouchers attached thereto to the subscriber, on or before the 6th day of June, 1884, they will otherwise by law be excluded from the benefits of the said estate. All persons indebted to the deceased are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.  
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**FITTS' EPILEPTIC FITS.**  
A London Physician establishes a new method for the cure of Epilepsy, which has been tried and found to be successful in many cases. The cure is simple and does not require the use of any dangerous or violent medicine. It is a permanent cure, and the patient is enabled to resume his usual avocations. The cure is given by the use of a small quantity of a powerful medicine, which is administered in a simple and easy manner. The cure is given by the use of a small quantity of a powerful medicine, which is administered in a simple and easy manner. The cure is given by the use of a small quantity of a powerful medicine, which is administered in a simple and easy manner.

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