Saint Mary's Beacon.

LEONARDTOWN, MD.

FRIDAY Evening, November 1.

Democratic Ticket.

For Governor of Maryland:
JOHN E. HURST,
of Baltimore City.

For Comptroller:
MARION DEK. SMITH,
of Kent county.

For Attorney General:
CHARLES C. CROTHERS,
of Cecil county.

For House of Delegates:
HENRY WINGATE,
GEORGE W. L. BUCKLER.

For Orphans' Court.
JAMES H. BAILEY.
STANISLAUS CLARKE,
RICHARD M. HEBB.

For State's Attorney.
B. HARRIS CAMALIER.

For Sheriff.
JAMES ABELL WATTS.

For County Commissioner.
THOMAS C. EDWARDS.

DEMOCRATIC MEETINGS.

At ST. INIGO'S, Saturday, Nov. 2nd.

The local candidates and other distinguished speakers will address these meetings.

Let the shout of victory ring out in grand old St. Mary's. The State is triumphantly safe.

BY ORDER CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Read the clipping from the *Kent News* on the oyster questions.

Don't forget to vote Tuesday next and if you want to vote right, vote the Democratic ticket.

An X opposite the emblem of Jackson and the hickory tree means a vote for the entire Democratic ticket. No other mark is necessary.

We beseech every St. Mary's Democrat to come early to the polls Tuesday next, stay late, and give a day's hard work to the success of the party.

Next Tuesday the battle of the ballots will take place. May the best principles win, and may its name be Democracy from top to bottom.

At Wednesday's Democratic meeting, the 8th and 2nd Districts covered themselves with glory. We hope they will do the thing in the same style Tuesday next.

The Democratic politicians in Baltimore are very confident of a grand victory Tuesday next but it will be well, all the same, to fight hard until the polls are closed.

Tuesday's Republican meeting was a large one, but Wednesday's Democratic meeting was larger. We beat them in the meeting, now let us beat them in the election.

Because of a misprint in the official ballot our Mr. King was compelled to go to Baltimore Wednesday night last and he could not return in time to be of much assistance in getting up this week's BEACON.

Don't go hunting birds next Tuesday, but go and hunt your neighbor, then get him to shoot a Democratic ballot in the ballot box which will help to knock the props from under our Republican adversaries.

There seems to be no end to Senator Gorman's wickedness. He stands accused of being thick and thin with Republicans. If this were really true, he could plead that he is merely following the example set by reformers.—*Herald.*

Mr. Hurst's remarks at Leonardtown were received with great applause. At his back during his speech sat Mr. Thomas C. Ward who, on Nov. 25, 1895, will be 102 years old. Mr. Ward had driven 30 miles to hear Mr. Hurst and will go to the polls next Tuesday to vote for him. Let all Democrats follow his example!

Democrats, you have a great duty to perform. Slander, vituperation and misrepresentation cannot and will not prevent you from doing that duty. As much as the Democratic party has accomplished, its mission is not yet performed. That party must be continued in power, not only to hold the vantage which the people have gained from its two years of power, but to continue its reforms—to cut down expenditures, to reduce extravagance in every quarter and to maintain the rights of the American people to self-government, so that this great structure may be handed down to our children unimpaired.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING.

Mr. Hurst Receives an Ovation. Every Section of the County Represented. The 8th and 2nd Districts Turnout by the Hundred.

The Democratic Mass Meeting held in this town on Wednesday last was the largest and most enthusiastic meeting ever held in St. Mary's. Mr. Hurst and the other gentlemen who accompanied him to address the meeting were met at Mechanicsville by Mr. F. O. Morgan, President of the 3rd District Hurst Club, and others who attended their safe conduct to our town. Delegations from the 8th and 2nd Districts, joined by others from every section of the county, formed in front of Moore's Hotel under the leadership of Dr. Henry Richardson, Wm. S. Coppage, John Hilton and others, with the Solomon's Island Band, and proceeded to the outer limits of the village to receive and welcome our distinguished candidate for Governor and the other speakers, with flags and banners flying, in "martial equipage," they were conducted to Moore's Hotel, and received with cheers from the large concourse of people who had assembled.

It was obvious that the seating capacity of the Court room was inadequate for so large a gathering, and an out door meeting was inevitable. The meeting in the afternoon was therefore, held in front of Moore's Hotel, the parlors and the lower end of the porch being crowded with ladies.

Hon. John E. Hurst, candidate for Governor, Messrs. Thomas C. Weeks and James W. Owens, addressed the meeting. Col. J. M. Dent presided.

Mr. Hurst was first introduced, and expressed the hope that the audience would bear with him, as he had been on the road for several weeks and his voice had about left him. Hr. Hurst plainly and forcibly discussed the issues of the campaign. His speech was frequently applauded. He was followed by Mr. Weeks who made a stirring speech amid frequent applause. Mr. Owens followed in strong advocacy of the democratic cause.

At night a meeting was held at the Court House. Mr. W. B. Dorsey presided, and the meeting was addressed by ex-Senator W. B. Peters, of Howard County; Francis Putman Stevens. Messrs. Hurst, Weeks and Owens also made brief addresses. The meetings were marked with enthusiasm throughout, and the expressions from democrats all over the county evidenced that greater interest and zeal have been infused in the democratic anks.

Mr. Lowndes started out by saying that we must have free schools. Haven't we the best public schools in the country? Then they say the finances must be better handled. Has there been a suspicion that the money of the taxpayers is not paid out as it is appropriated? They tried to make capital of the reorganization of the City Commissioners' Department, but was there anything found to be wrong with the finances there?

"Our opponents promise to give us fair elections. Let us see the record of the Republican party in this direction. Here is a resolution of the Democratic party in 1866, in which it is said that the election just over was one of the most corrupt ever held in the city. The Police Commissioners aided the party in every way, and the Governor determined to hear the charges against them. The Republican convention passed a resolution advising the commissioners to resist this action of the Governor, if necessary, by force. But notwithstanding this, the Governor removed them on the ground that they had used the machinery controlled by them for illegal purposes. That was the farewell of the Republican party—its defiance of the Governor—and it has not been in power since, and it is to be hoped that it may never be again.—*Bernard Carter at the Germania Maennerchor Hall, October 31, 1895.*

U. S. Senator Quay allows that Republican Chairman Wellington is an ass and that the Democrats will carry Maryland as usual. There is bad blood between these two of the brethren.

Col. J. M. Dent presided at Wednesday's meeting and made a ringing speech which we trust all who heard it will take to heart. Follow Col. Dent's advice, vote the Democratic ticket and we will win a glorious victory.

OUR COUNTY TICKET.

There appears to be little or no dissatisfaction with the county ticket and that the members of it are so well known as unexceptionable gentlemen, that any praise of them is unnecessary.

It is true that they have reputable gentlemen pitted against them, but the contest is sharply defined between Democracy and Republicanism and, all things being equal, St. Mary's from the present outlook will give the Democratic ticket a safe majority on November the 5th instant.

We have no words of condemnation for our friends, the enemy, but we do not see any reason for not voting for the gentlemen on the Democratic ticket. Has any man suggested that any one of them is in any way unfit for the duties of the position he aspires to?

Is there any intimation that Messrs. Henry Wingate and George W. L. Buckler are not sterling Democrats and well qualified to represent St. Mary's county in the House of Delegates? They are known to be men of energy and sound business habits, and no man would dare assert that they would do otherwise than faithfully represent their constituents.

Could those of our citizens who have business in the Orphans' Court expect to replace Messrs. James H. Bailey, Stanislaus Clarke and Richard M. Hebb by three who understand the business of the office better? Could they be replaced by those of sounder judgment or those in whom the people of the county have more confidence?

Could the friends of law and order expect a more able and faithful officer for State's attorney than the present incumbent, B. Harris Camalier? He has always discharged his duty as it faced him, unpleasant though at times it must have been, and well knowing that it must make him political enemies.

As constable Mr. James Abell Watts was one of the best officers in the county. Could any better man for sheriff be found in St. Mary's. Faithful to duty, yet lenient and accommodating in the utmost bounds consistent with that duty, he will make an ideal sheriff.

The farmers and taxpayers of St. Mary's will feel perfectly safe with Thomas C. Edwards sitting in the County Commissioners' office. He is a plain, practical farmer, who knows the needs of the county, knows its highways and its people, and he can be depended upon to act conscientiously and judiciously.

These are the gentlemen whom the Democratic party in St. Mary's county presents to the voters for their suffrages. It is impossible that any Democrat can find a reason for not voting the whole ticket, from top to bottom.

Communicated.]

Messrs. Editors:—On the eve of an election involving the gravest consequences for the people of Maryland, I beg to discuss the issues that have recently divided the ranks of the democratic party. I should premise my remarks by saying that, from the first, I have condemned without stint the methods used in the last democratic convention, because they are calculated to throttle the voice of the people, which is the only source of legitimate authority in this government. I most earnestly denounce the modern system of "Boss Rule," because it relies on corrupting the morals of the public, it preverts the elective franchise from its lawful end, and it strikes at the very foundation of Free Institutions. For these reasons, I have felt but little inclination to support the Hurst ticket, until a very recent date. I am with the Reformers, heart and hand, so far as correcting the present evils, but I am not with them in applying the remedy they propose. A great mistake is being made. Gormanism is not an issue in this election to such an extent as would justify defeat of the democratic ticket and disruption of the democratic party. Those, who think otherwise, can have very little attachment to the party and very little appreciation of what democratic rule has done for this good old commonwealth in the past 30 years.

A maze has been created by the facile pens of specious and ingenious writers. With myself, as with many other true and conscientious democrats, it has been a perplexing study to discover the line of duty under the circumstances, duty as a good citizen and a loyal democrat. For me, at length, the light has broken and duty points in no uncertain way to the standard of democracy, which I have followed for so many years with strong hope and abiding faith. I would urge every democrat to weigh carefully and prayerfully the issues, before deciding to vote against the Hurst ticket, for it is a democratic ticket, having been determined by the same system of representative conventions as the democrats have approved, instituted and employed as far back as my memory goes. Now, some one may reply: "This convention did not represent the democracy." The objection is not well founded. Who is to blame if the delegates to that convention did not represent the democracy? No one but those democrats, who were so far recreant to the duty of good citizenship as to stay away from the primaries. Had every good democrat gone to the primaries and worked to secure proper representation, neither Mr. Gorman nor Mr. Rasin would have been able to control the decrees of that convention, the will of the democracy would have had as free and resistless course as the waters of the bold Potomac. Do not make your party the victim of your own neglect. Accept the consequences of your own remissness and strive to do better in the future. Stand by your colors now and be men.

Jefferson said "Prudence, indeed, would dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes." We would have said the same, with equal truth, of political parties, and, I tell you, fellow democrats, when you vote against the Hurst ticket, you are changing your party for a light and transient cause.

What reason do you assign for not voting this ticket? "We want to down Mr. Gorman." This is too "light" a cause to justify you, for Mr. Gorman is not a candidate.

"No, but we must defeat the ticket in order to censure Gorman and express our disapproval of the nominating convention." What a flimsy puerile reason!—lacking even the one redeeming element of plausibility. Do you tear down your house, because some part of it is objectionable? Do you turn your destructive wrath against your church, because there are one or two bad men in it?

Do you now propose, as reasonable men, to defeat your party in order to get rid of one or two bad members?

"O Judgment thou art fled to brutish beasts,
And men have lost their reason!"

I would be ashamed to admit the silly proposition that the democratic party is too weak to free itself from Gorman, but needs must purchase relief by base surrender to the enemy.

No, we can not afford to turn over the State to republican rule merely to censure Gormanism—it costs too much.

Republicanism may do well enough in Kansas and some other States, but it is not congenial to the people of Maryland, and it is not favorable to their interests. Lowndes predicts that his party will hold the government of Maryland for a long time to come, should they win this election. To say the least, such a result is most probable. I can not believe, as some democrats too sanguinely represent, that the democratic party would rise Phoenix-like in a few years and "turn the rascals out." This is a delusion and a snare—believe it not, fellow democrats.

Buckle on your armor and go forth under the broad banner of democracy to win the fight. If you have any thing to settle with Mr. Gorman, attend to that at the proper time and keep the fight within the party. But let the democrats now unite "en masse" against the common foe, and after the victory is won, turn their attention to the purification and regeneration of the grand old democratic party, a party which is too broad and too firmly established in vital principles to be sacrificed for any one man or any set of men.

Respectfully,
DEMOCRAT.

Mr. Lowndes has said that if elected I will be bossed by two men. I have been engaged in business in Baltimore for 40 years. I have bossed my own business. If I go to Annapolis as Governor I will boss myself there, and don't you forget it. I believe that a man should listen to advice and I will advise with my Democratic friends. I further believe there is enough good Democrats in Maryland to fill all the offices, and if elected, my appointees will certainly be good Democrats.—*Extract from John E. Hurst's Leonardtown speech.*

How of This, Oystermen?

Here's How the Republicans Would Befriend You.

WOULD LEASE THE OYSTER BEDS.

LEADERS AND NEWSPAPERS IN FAVOR OF THE PLAN.

Hudson, McComas and the American Urge the Scheme—The Party Pledged to It.

The Baltimore American last week criticised Comptroller Smith's speech made in Easton and says he did not give that paper's true position on the question of leasing the oyster grounds. Then it says:

Will Comptroller Smith give the names of all prominent republicans who have favored this thing? And, lastly, will he kindly show us when and where the American has urged the sale and leasing of the oyster beds?

The same statement relative to the republican position on this question has been made before, and here is the answer to it:

At the Packers meeting held in Baltimore Academy of Music on the 18th of March, 1891, Colonel Thomas S. Hodson, the chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, was one of the chief speakers; the private ownership of oyster beds was strongly recommended, and the main sentiment of the speeches was that the control of the oyster grounds should be transferred to private individuals, "that the land under water in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries and the other waters of the State should be made private property in oyster grounds, and that there would be two classes of oyster lots, one large, where large capital would be required to cultivate with steam dredges, the other smaller, and these lots to be sold by the State." Col. Hodson, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, in his speech said: "I am satisfied that a good oyster planting law would increase the revenue from the oyster trade. *I have only endeavored to set the ball in motion.* If these real facts are known and understood by the people I do not fear that *this revolution* (private ownership and planting) will stop short of the grandest possible success."

Ex-Congressman Louis E. McComas, republican leader of Western Maryland, where they have no oyster bars nor oystermen voters, was chosen chairman of the convention and said in so many words that he favors and his party on both sides of the bay is pledged to have laws that will protect the planting of oysters in the water of the same as the planting of grain on land. How? *By selling and leasing the oyster beds to private individuals, corporations and syndicates.*

As to the American.

The Baltimore American in its issue of September 11 same year had a double leaded editorial on the same lines as Col. Hodson, Mr. McComas and others. The American said: "There is but one certain way to preserve the oyster beds of the Chesapeake and its tributaries and make them sufficiently productive to meet the needs of the public, and that is to lease them to private parties wherever practicable. For the people to hold property in common is very attractive to some minds, but it is a glittering delusion; the experiment has been repeatedly made to hold lands in common for the whole community with the unvarying result that in a short time the lands have gone to waste and the community has disbanded. No sound reasons can be urged for making a discrimination in favor of land covered by water, and the experience of those States where the sale and leasing of the oyster grounds and oyster planting has been adopted is so absolutely in favor of leasing the grounds that the opponents are compelled to resort to the demogogic plea of an effort to deprive the oystermen of their livelihood."

The republicans not only say that it, is right to sell the oyster bars, but say that whoever treis to prevent it are demagogues, thus adding insult to injury. The American thus continues: "Nor is the pretense that the culling law will remedy the evil of wasted beds and scarce and inferior oysters of any more value; the law is a dismal failure, as all laws will be so long as the beds are the common property and the prey of an irresponsible public. *The oysters do not belong to the dredgers and tongers solely, but to the people of Maryland, and the interest of those who are not engaged in the oyster business is far more important than the interest of those who are.* By adopting the lease system the interest of all will be conserved. Will any of the local statesmen have the courage to rise to the occasion?"

What about it, Oystermen?

Oystermen, which plan do you favor—the old democratic system of free oyster bars or the republican plan of leasing and selling or disposing of the oyster grounds to private individuals? If you are for the old plan vote the democratic ticket. If you are for the sale of the oyster beds vote the republican ticket. Some "of our local (republican) statesmen may not have the courage to rise to the occasion," but the great majority will, and if the republicans should carry the State the views of the American and Messrs. McComas and Hodson would prevail. But the democrats will win and will continue to protect the men and keep the oyster grounds as the common property of the oystermen.

All of the democratic nominees are openly pledged to do all they can to defeat any plan for selling, leasing or disposing of any portion of the oyster lands to corporations, syndicates or any one else and, they being democrats in a democratic Legislature, will wield a great influence. The democrats are united and determined and will succeed.—*Kent News.*

Throughout the whole of this campaign, although everything has been brought to light that could possibly be brought, the first charge of dishonesty and mismanagement has yet to be proven against the Democratic management of the State.

"It has been said that I was not nominated regularly. I received 86 votes out of the 117, and then it was made unanimous. That was all wrong. But Mr. Lowndes can go to Cambridge and be nominated on the first ballot, and that is all right.—*John E. Hurst.*

RACES.

There will be races at R. J. Readmond's Store, Mattapany, on THURSDAY, Oct 31st, FRIDAY, Nov. 1st, and SATURDAY, Nov 2, 1895 Free for any horse, mare or gelding. First day, one mile and repeat. Purse, $50 Second day, ¾ mile dash for $25 Third day, ½ mile and repeat for bridle and saddle. All parties wishing to enter their horses will apply to

DAVID HAMMETT or
R. J. READMOND.

Oct 25—2t.

Meal and Feed Cheap.

AT GREENWELL'S MILL.

Meal, Flour & Chop on hand at all times.

Meal,	50	cents per bushel.
Corn Chop,	50	" "
Corn and Rye Chop,	50	" "
Corn and Oat "	45	" "

Delivered in Leonardtown in 10 bushels at above figures.

GEO. W. PILLSBURY,
Miller.

Oct. 18—m+

AMONG THE BREAKERS.

The popular serio-comic Drama, "Among the Breakers," will be reproduced at the Town Hall, Chaptico,

THURSDAY Evening, Oct. 31, 1895.

Experienced amateurs from Charles and St. Mary's comprise the title-role. Fine scenery, appropriate costumes, good music all tend to make the rendition of this play a grand success. Dancing after the performance. Admission to all 50 cents.

Doors open at 7. Curtain rises at 8 o'clock.

The proceeds are for a charitable purpose, but we guarantee value received and the assurance of a royal good time.

GIVEN AWAY AT LAWRENCE'S.

500 articles of fine China and GLASSWARE.

To introduce their goods a large Tea and Coffee company have sent us the articles to give away.

Buy one pound of Coffee at 25 cts; or 4 lb. Tea at 15 cts., the regular price, and you are given an article of equal value free.

The same at Factory Store by Mrs. Davis.

Come early to get first choice.

A. A. LAWRENCE.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Until further notice for the purpose of receiving taxes I will be at

Jarboesville, the 1st Monday of each month.

St. Inigo's, the first Tuesday of each month.

Valley Lee, the 1st Saturday of each month.

☞ All who are owing back taxes to me must settle at once. W. W. CECIL, Collector.

Dec 22 92—tf

IMPORTANT TO TAXPAYERS.

I will be, until further notice, for the purpose of receiving taxes at

Mechanicsville, on 1st Monday of each month.

Chaptico, on 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday of each month.

Milestown, on the 1st Wednesday, after 1st Monday of each month.

J. H. PARSONS, Collector.

D. S. BRISCOE,

Attorney and Counsellor-at-Law,
219 St. Paul's Street, Baltimore, Md
1873—tf.

WEEMS STEAMBOAT COMPANY

Potomac River Route.

FALL SCHEDULE.

Beginning, Saturday, October 19, the Steamers *Potomac* and *Sue*, will leave Pier 9, Light Street, Baltimore Saturday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6 P. M. for Washington, Alexandria and River Landings and at 6 P. M. Tuesday for River Landings as far as Stone's Wharf, calling on trips out as follows:

Miller's, Adams', Grasons', Piney Point, Brome's, Abell's, Bacon's, Leonardtown,
Saturday, Tuesday and Friday.

Lewisetta, Kinsale, Coan Lodge Landing, Bundick's, Mundy's Point and Cowart's, Sandy Point,
Saturday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Nomini, Deep Point and Mt. Holly, Beale's Wednesday.
Bushwood and Lancaster's, Saturday.

Howard's and Stone's, Saturday and Tuesday.

Riverside, Liverpool Point and Glymont, Saturday, Wednesday and Friday.

Returning, will leave 7th Street Wharf, Washington, at 4 P. M. Sunday and 9 P. M. Monday and Thursday, calling at all Wharves except on the trip out on Sunday; will not stop at Nomini, Mt Holly, Deep Point and Beale's.

On Mondays trip out will not stop at Bushwood, Lancaster's, Stone's or Howard's.

On Thursdays trip will not stop at Abell's or Leonardtown.

Will leave Leonardtown Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 7 A M for Baltimore. Will leave Kinsale at 12:30 P M., Lewisetta at 4 P. M, and Bacon's at 7 P. M. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Freight received in Baltimore daily.

HENRY WILLIAMS,
Manager, Baltimore.

STEPHENSON & CO., Agents, Washington.
F. A. REED, Agents, Alexandria.

Oct 18—tf

READ. And Don't Pass it by.

Just received a full cargo of *Cypress Shingles* from Pimlico Sound, North Carolina; 150,000 5 grades hearts and saps 6x20 inches. Furnish all kinds of building material at manufacturers' prices.

Shingles from $4.50 to $7.50 per m.

I have also *marked down* to a very small advance above *cost* for *cash* my large and complete assortment of general merchandise, including two of the very best grades of FLOUR on the market.

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS,
DRUGS, OILS, PAINTS,
HARDWARE, TINWARE,
CROCKERY. Dry goods, consisting of
DRESS PATTERNS,
CALICOES, GINGHAMS
and DOMESTICS,
NOTIONS, HATS,

CLOTHING and SHOES, of which I handle none but what will give satisfaction. I intend to clean my shelves for fall stock, and to do this I must begin now.

I do not stand on cost. They must go. Bargains for cash. In addition to selling you cheap goods and good goods at unheard of prices, I will allow 5 PER CENT. DISCOUNT for every dollar's worth you buy and plank cash down for. I can save you money. Come and see.

W. P. POWELL,

P. S. Deliver Coal to all parts along the Potomac River at lowest possible rates.

Jone 6—tf

ESTABLISHED 1822.

JOSIAH H. D. SMOOT & SON,

DEALER IN

Lumber, Shingles, Laths,

NAILS, LIME, CEMENT, CALCINED PLASTER, &c., &c, &c.

MANUFACTURER OF

Flooring, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Frames, Mouldings, Mantels, Brackets, and all kinds of Wood Work.

Office and yard No. 21 North Union St. Factory Nos. 13 and 15 North Lee St.,

ALEXANDRIA, VA

F. N. HOLMES, Agent,
March 18,—v. Leonardtown.

SHOE FACTORY.

I beg to inform the public that I have opened a first class Boot and Shoe Hand Manufactory at the old law office of Col Benj. G. Harris, near the Drug Store, in Leonardtown, and solicit the patronage of the public. *No repairing done* My experience of 30 years in the business will guarantee satisfaction.

First class hand-sewed shoes,	$5 00
" " " nailed shoes,	3 00
Boots,	$7 00 and 9 00

W. R. SPARKS,
Leonardtown, Md.

Jan 10—y‡

NOTICE.—THE SCHOONER MATtie Deane, Capt. Sol. Foxwell, Master, will run regular from Chaptico bay and Wicomico river landings, carrying all kinds of freight and produce at low rates. Quick trips the motto. For further information, address

BENJ. FOXWELL,
May 23—6m‡ Leonardtown, Md.

Hotel Lawrence,

Leonardtown, Md.

Late Union Hotel.

In first class order. Good Table and accommodations.

Meals, 40 cents. $1.50 per day. Special prices by the week or month.

☞ Stables and feed and good care of horses.

A. A. LAWRENCE.

April 4, 95, y