

CUMBERLAND, MD. WM. EVANS, Editor and Proprietor. Thursday Morning, Jan. 2, 1862.

OURSELVES.

We have our bills made out up to the 1st of January, and will be happy to place receipts on the same as speedily as possible.

All subscribers in arrears for the "Civilian & Telegraph" over two years, will have their names stricken from our list unless they pay some attention to our bills, or give us the reason why they are not paid.

In future all advertisements for publication must be accompanied with the cash or they will not appear.

THE YEAR 1861.

This has been an eventful year. In coming time the historian will refer to 1861 with feelings like those which we now look back to the dark ages, when the world was staggering under a load of superstition and licentiousness.

"Full many a banner shall be torn, And many a knight to earth be borne."

Let us look the future hopefully in the face. Although the last sunset of 1861 witnessed our land discordant, belligerent, let us hope that when another year shall have been added to the past, we may behold our nation's banner "still full high advanced."

Distressing and Fatal Casualty.

On Sabbath morning last, a little daughter of Mr. Gustavus Rizer, of this city, while playing near a stove, was most severely burned, her clothes having been ignited by a coal that had either fallen or been drawn by her from the stove.

Murder of the Rev. J. L. Holmes.

The sad intelligence has just been received that the Rev. J. L. Holmes, Baptist Missionary to China, formerly of this city, has been murdered by the Chinese Rebels.

Election of State Directors of the Public Works.

The Commissioners of Public Works, at their adjourned meeting in Baltimore, on the 17th ult., elected the following State Directors to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, for the ensuing year:—Wm. R. Beall, of Allegany county; Isaac Nesbitt, Washington county; George R. Dennis, Frederick county; Jas. Tyson, of Carroll county, and Edward Hammond, of Howard county; Chauncey Brooks, Baltimore county; Albert Schumaker, Samuel Hinks, Wm. T. Leese and Judge P. W. Crain, of Baltimore city.

The Board of Public Works have yet to elect three Directors in the Eastern Shore Railroad Company, and the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company. The latter will probably be elected at the meeting of the stockholders of the Canal Company, to be held in Washington on the 30th inst.

General Ord an Alleganlian.

Brigadier General Edward Otho Cresap Ord, who bore an active part in the fight at Drainesville, was born in Allegany county, Md., and entered the academy at West Point in September, 1835. He graduated in July, 1839, when he was appointed from the District of Columbia a second lieutenant of the third artillery. In July, 1841, he was promoted to a first lieutenant, and on the 7th of September, 1850, received his commission as a captain in the third regiment of United States artillery. In 1856 he was distinguished in several severe conflicts with the Indians, near Rogue river, Oregon, and in September, 1858, was engaged in the conflict with the savages on the north of Snake river, Washington Territory.

Coal Shipments by Canal.

The following is the amount of coal shipped by the several mining companies over the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, during the year ending January 1st, 1861:

Table with 2 columns: Month and Tons. March: 30,052.18 Tons; April: 21,993.02; May: 555.05; June: 200.03; September: 22,018.08; October: 30,648.08; November: 3,718.07; December: 9,048.19; Total: 118,225.10 Tons.

Suspension of Specie Payments.

The Banks of New York, Philadelphia and Albany suspended specie payments on the 30th ult. At Pittsburgh the suspension was only partial, four of the seven Banks continuing to pay specie, viz.: the old Bank of Pittsburgh, Mechanics, Citizens and Iron City.

Railroad Connection to Hancock.

The mail train continues its daily trips between this city and Hancock, reaching this point at 11.40 A. M., and departing east at 2 P. M.

Circuit Court for Allegany Co.

Judge Weisel will hold the January Term of the Circuit Court for Allegany County, at the Court House in this city, commencing on Monday next, the 6th of January.

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Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine for December.—This valuable publication is before us. It should be read by every one interested in the relations of the two countries—England and the United States. Its contents are as follows:

Captain Clutterbuck's Champagne.—A West Indian Reminiscence. Augustus Welby Pugin. Chronicles of Carlingford: The Doctor's Family. Wassail: A Christmas Story. A Word from a New Dictionary.—"Flunkoyism."

Communicated.

[For the Civilian.]

To the Commissioners of Allegany County.

Gentlemen—In my last communication, addressed to you through the medium of the "Civilian and Telegraph," I endeavored to point out to you the extravagant expenditure of the people's money by former Boards of our County Commissioners, and I took the liberty to suggest to you wherein much could be saved by you if you would adopt a rigid system of retrenchment and economy.

The County Commissioners are authorized by law to appoint two Assessors, I think, every three years, in each election district. These Assessors are citizens of the district which they are appointed to assess. These Assessors make returns of their assessments to the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners then give public notice that they will meet at some public house in each district, on a day named by them, where the taxable citizens can appear before them and appeal from the assessment of their property made by the Assessors.

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Important News!

THE TRENT AFFAIR!

The Difficulty Settled!

Mason and Slidell to be Given Up!

The Washington National Intelligencer of Saturday gives the correspondence had between the Governments of Great Britain and of the United States in relation to the question of international law raised by the proceeding of Capt. Wilkes in taking from the British steamer Trent Messrs. Mason, Slidell, Macfarland, and Eastis. They also give a copy of the representations made on the same subject by the Government of France, together with the reply of Mr. Seward in answer to these representations.

Earl Russell, her Britannic Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, after due consideration of the circumstances under which he understood the capture of these parties to have been made, proceeds to characterize it as an outrage on the British flag, and, after expressing the hope and belief that it had not been authorized by our Government, asks, as the reparation appropriate to such an aggression, that the four gentlemen designated should be released, and that an apology should be given for what the government of Great Britain deems an affront to her flag.

In responding to this demand, Mr. Seward, the Secretary of State for the United States, after reviewing the circumstances under which the arrest was effected, according to the report of our naval officers, and thus developing the inaccuracies and omissions of the British statement, proceeds to analyze the facts and the principles of public law involved in the case, and arrives at the conclusion that the neglect of Capt. Wilkes, partly voluntary as it was on his part, to bring the Trent in for trial as lawful prize, may be justly held to operate as a forfeiture of the belligerent right of capture accruing under the law of nations, and that the Government of the United States, as well from this consideration as in consistency with its own traditional policy respecting the maritime rights of neutrals, would be in its own wrong if it should refuse a compliance with the British demand so far as relates to the disposition that shall be made of the persons taken into custody by Capt. Wilkes under circumstances believed to be justly open to exception on both the grounds thus indicated.

Most of the rebel craft on the Missouri river, including the ferry boats, have been either destroyed or captured, and a pretty clean sweep has been made of the whole country between the Missouri and Osage rivers. Gen. Price has been cut off from all supplies and recruits from North Missouri, and is in full retreat for Arkansas with his whole army, having passed through Springfield on Monday last.

THE GREAT REBELLION

The Campaign in Missouri.

St. Louis, Dec. 27.—The following is a resume of the recent military operations in Missouri, obtained from a reliable source. Within the last two weeks the Federal army has captured 2500 rebels, including about 70 commissioned officers, 1200 horses and mules, 1100 stand of arms, two tons of powder, 100 wagons, an immense amount of commissary stores, camp equipage, etc.; and the large foundry at Lexington, used by the rebels for casting cannon, shot and shells, has been burned.

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stand, that "the practice of impressing seamen from American vessels cannot hereafter be allowed to take place." Lord Ashburton, in declining to entertain the subject, expressed the "hope that a satisfactory arrangement respecting it might be made, so as to set at rest all apprehensions and anxiety." In view of the position now taken by the British Government, in objecting to the summary proceedings of Capt. Wilkes, we may safely assume that Great Britain will never again uphold her naval commanders in visiting American ships and searching for alleged British subjects, to be seized and impressed into the British service without further ceremony.

Whatever, therefore, may be said by any in the way of exception to the extreme terms of the demand made by the British Government in the case of the Trent, it is at least just to admit that the case has been so adjusted by our Government as to subserve, we would hope, the great cause of neutral rights against the assumptions heretofore asserted by England, but now repudiated by that Power in common with France and the United States. The law of nations, as traditionally interpreted by our Government, has received a new sanction, though at the cost, it may be, of some national sensibilities waked into disproportionate activity by the temporary exacerbations of our civil feuds.

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the Northern Bank of Kentucky, at Glasgow, was taken possession of by the rebels on the 24th inst. Only \$7,000 in Kentucky bills was found in the bank. John G. Davis, a member of the Federal Congress from the 7th District of Indiana, has arrived at Hopkinsville, on his way to Richmond, for what purpose is not stated.

A force of not less than 60,000 men, the advance of Gen. Buell's army, has crossed Green river, and is within five miles of General Hindman's advance. Great preparations have been made for defence at Bowling Green, and show that a terrible conflict is impending.

LATER AND IMPORTANT.

ADVANCE OF FEDERAL STEAMERS TOWARD CHARLESTON.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 28.—A flag of truce brought four passengers from Norfolk this afternoon.

The following is taken from the Richmond papers: Intelligence from Bowling Green states that appearances do not indicate an engagement, although unforeseen circumstances might precipitate a fight within eight or ten days.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 27.—The Courier of this morning states that the Yankee gunboats exchanged a few shots with the Cole Island battery yesterday.

Telegraphic despatches from Charleston state that a Federal fleet of twelve gunboats had passed up to White Point, on the North Edisto, and made demonstrations on Gen. Evans' forces. [This is about 20 miles south of Charleston.] Reinforcements were sent to General Evans, and a battle was expected. Demonstrations have also been made at other points.

The North Carolina batteries disabled a few Federal gunboats on Tuesday last. Five Federal steamers anchored off Cole Island last night (26th) and a battle is expected every hour.

AUGUSTA, 27th.—It is reported here that the steamer Gladiator has entered a Confederate port, with a large quantity of arms, ammunition, etc.

Charles H. Foster, who had been appointed by the President, United States Marshal for North Carolina, arrived here from Baltimore this morning, and will proceed to Hatteras on the first opportunity.

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BANK DIVIDENDS.

CUMBERLAND BANK OF ALLEGANY, Dec. 1, 1861. THIS Bank has declared a dividend of Three Per Cent. for the last six months, payable on or after the 1st of January next.

Frostburg Bank, Frostburg, Md., Dec. 27, 1861. THE President and Directors of this Bank have this day declared a dividend of Five Per Cent. for the last six months, payable on or after the 1st of January next.

Office A. Q. M., Cumberland, Dec. 30. SEALED PROPOSALS will be required at the office of the Assistant Quartermaster U. S. A., at this place, until the 10th day of January, 1862, for the delivery of 500 TONS OR LESS.

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COLLECTOR'S SALE.

THE undersigned, Trustee of John Callan, Collector, will sell at Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, On Thursday, the 16th day of Jan. 1862, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the premises of the Miller Coal Company, near Loonansong, in Allegany County, Maryland, the following property, seized and levied upon for State and County Taxes for the years 1860 and 1861, due from the said Miller Coal Company to said Allegany County, that is to say,

25 MINE CARS, 2 PAIRS OF SCALES, for weighing Coal. Trustee of JOHN CALLAN, Collector.

Notice to the Public.

I HEREBY forewarn all persons from purchasing a note held against me by James McQuade for \$40 bearing date August, 1860, as it has been fully paid.

PRODUCE HOUSE, IN WHEELING, VA.

Pryor & Frost, NOS. 21 AND 23 MAIN STREET, WOULD call the special attention of the Merchants and Dealers of this city to their

LARGE STOCK

FLOUR, BACON, SALT, GREEN AND DRIED APPLES, DRIED PEACHES, KENTUCKY KILN-DRIED HONEY, STAR CANDLES, EXTRA QUALITY LARD, CRACKED CORN, BUTTER, LARD, MAC, KEREAL AND WHITE FISH, ETC., ETC.

Having the exclusive control of three brands of CHOICE FAMILY FLOUR, we can at all times sell our dealers at the lowest prices, by dry or car load. Our warehouse is near the depot of the B. & O. R. Co., we make no charge for draying. We have also a large stock of Clover, Timothy, Kentucky Blue Grass, Orchard & Herd's Grass Seeds, all of this season's growth.

TRUSTEES' SALE.

BY virtue of the powers conferred on the undersigned by a deed of trust made to them by the Swanton Mining Company of Allegany county, dated December 1, 1858, securing payment of three bonds of five thousand dollars each, interest and principal, they will sell at public sale, on the premises of said Swanton Mining Company, adjoining the village of Barton, in Allegany county, on

Thursday, 2d day of January,

1862, for CASH, the following personal property, the sale to commence at 11 o'clock, A. M., and proceed until the whole be disposed of.

50 Mine Cars, 2 Iron Cars, 14 Mine Car Hitchings, 1 Wire Rope, 2 Safety Chains, 2 full sets of Blacksmith tools, 1 Grindstone, 1 Vice, 48 mine shovels, 14 mine Riddles, 13 mine slides, 80 mine picks, 1500 lbs iron, 40 wedges, 1 Monkey Wrench, 1 iron span, 1 cross cut saw, 1 hand saw, 3 iron bars, 1 Surveyor's compass, 1 new plate and die, 8 oil cans, 2 stable forks, 2 brushes, 1 barrel of tar, 1 iron press, 1 table, 2 office tables, 1 iron safe, 2 office desks, 2 stand chairs, 2 stoves, 1 carpet, 12 tons of hay, 50 bundles of straw, 24 iron axes, old iron, mine stretchers, roller-shafts, hitching plates, 2 wheelbarrows, 5000 feet of car timber, 1500 lbs. old castings, 1 sled, 10 car wheels; 1 lounge, nails, spikes, slates, &c.

All persons desiring to refer for ensuaring year's coal trade, will find it greatly to their advantage to attend the sale, as the property will positively be sold to the highest bidder for cash.

Estate of Eliza Willson.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Allegany Co., Letters of Administration on the estate of Eliza Willson, late of said county, dec'd. All persons having claims against said dec'd are hereby warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 15th day of Jan. 1862, otherwise they may be barred from recovery of said estate. All persons indebted are requested to make immediate payment. Given under our hands this 15th day of December, 1861.

GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF QUEENSWARE

A GENERAL assortment of Queensware of all every description, just received at

WM. R. BEALL & CO'S. June 9.