Maryland Free Press.

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☞ Before this paper will have reached our readers the people of Maryland will have voted upon the most important question that has been for years presented to their suffrages. They will have decided by their ballots whether they deserve the name of freemen, by carrying by an overwhelming majority the election in favor of a Constitutional Convention, or they will have demonstrated their pitiful and contemptible cowardice, and total unfitness for anything but slavery, by defeating that measure. Some of our friends seem to fear that the Convention bill will be defeated, but we cannot permit ourselves to doubt its triumphant success. Any democrat or conservative who casts his vote against the Convention, being intimidated by the frantic howlings and desparing threats of the sleek, office fed gentry who have kicked, cuffed, and ground him to the earth for the last four or five years, had better henceforth and forever, hand over his breeches and his manly prerogatives generally, to his wife or daughters, and confine himself for the future to attending to the family sewing, washing, mending &c. and other such *safe* and useful domestic employments

If the men of Maryland who were able yesterday by a majority of at least 30 000 to hurl from their limbs fetters with which they have been bound, and to consign to a *perpetual* retirement from public life, and to an infamy of public contempt, the wretches who have forged their chains; shall have neglected to do so through cowardice or corruption, they are not fit to be free, they deserve not the name of men. We should be strongly tempted in that event to go for "womanhood suffrage!" in the hope that as our *men* had turned *women*, our *women* might be disposed to feel and act a little like *men*.

As to the trembling herd of placemen and office holders, who have been in one breath threatening their neighbors with violence and bloodshed, and in the next whining like beaten curs as they are, at the feet of a fanatical and totally degraded and unprincipal Congress, and sending up the most piteous appeals and heart rending cries for their assistance and protection, their threats and their appeals are alike disregarded and despised by all who are worthy of the name of *men*.

Can their allies in the North to whom they send up from their corrupt and dastardly hearts the piteous cry, O Baal help us! O Baal help us! seem disposed to turn a deaf ear to all their groans and lamentations. A late number of the Boston Advertiser tells these Maryland "patriots," very contemptuously that it is their own fault that political power in the State has slipped from their grasp, because they did not allow the right of suffrage to the negro when they had the power to do so, and tells them that they richly merit their downfall. In speaking of their petitions to Congress, to interfere in the internal affairs of Maryland, the Advertiser says,—"Reconstruct Maryland! if we permit this we shall have Congress reconstructing the Northern States next "We commend this dose of wormwood to the lips of these "intense patriots," and wish them much satisfaction in draining the cup to the dregs!

Barnum the Showman.

P. T. Barnum, who has gained a world-wide reputation as the prince of humbugs and famous exhibitor of the woolly horse, Joyce Heth, the mermaid, fat babies, bearded women, sagacious mice, &c., &c., and who lately ran as a radical candidate for Congress from Connecticut, has been defeated by his competitor W. H. Barnum. We are rather sorry for P. T. and particularly so for Congress. There are some most remarkable beasts in that heterogeneous assemblage, and the great showman would have had a glorious opportunity in trying his abilities, as a tamer and trainer, among the queer animals by whom he would have been surrounded in the great Washington Menagerie. There are Butler *the* Beast (par excellence,) Schenck; or Skunk, the fragant odor of whose valiant career in keeping under control the treasonable ladies of Baltimore, is yet redolent in our nostrils, Stevens the hyena, Sumner, the gorilla, and a large and varied assortment of other interesting and unique specimens, who would have afforded Barnum a grand sphere in which to make himself useful, and perhaps also to put money in his purse, by taking the animals around the Country on a professional tour, during the the recess of Congress. Van Amburgh would then have had need to look to his laurels!

☞ We see it stated that Senator Thomas, who was charged by the Bank of Commerce with having removed government deposits from that Bank in order that they might be placed where they could fall into the hands of the Southern revolutionists in the beginning of the year 1861, has gone to New York to demand from the Bank a retraction of its allegations against him, and in case of a refusal to do so, he intends to bring suit against the Bank.

Messrs Johns Hopkins, Alexander Rogers and others who recently filed a slanderous, so and malicious libel against the Maryland Legislature, in the shape of a bill enjoining the Sheriff of Baltimore City, against holding an election for a Constitutional Convention, and which bill was summarily and ignominiously kicked out of Court by Judge Martin, are also about to be prosecuted for a libel.

This is the way to go to work! Let these reckless and unprincipled maligners of their fellow citizens be made to feel that the law will still afford redress to those whom they have wantonly and falsely defamed and injured. Reason and principle they seem to have lost all sight of; hearts they have none, or if they have they are brimming over with malice, wickedness and all uncharitableness! Let us endeavour to touch their *pockets!* their vulnerable point, which may succeed if any thing will, in bringing them to reason and repentance!

Recent Elections.

☞ During the last week or so a number of elections have occurred in various portions of the United States of greater or less importance, but which in most cases, seem to present something like a gleam of hope that the northern people are beginning to awake from the apathy in which they have lain for six or seven years past, and to realize the rapidity with which radical fanaticism has been hurrying the country to ruin.

We give below a condensed statement of the result of the elections in various parts of the country.

RHODE ISLAND.—In this State the radicals as usual were completely successful, bu the State is a mere appendage to Massachusetts and we never expect nor hardly desire her to vote otherwise.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. The democrats have gained very largely in the recent elections held in this State, the radicals having lost several counties, several Senators, and largely also in the House of Representatives.

CONNECTICUT.—This State as we noticed in our last has been gloriously redeemed. The full returns for Governor are as follows:

English, Democrat	45. 787
Hawley, Republican	44. 808
Democrat Majority	979

A Democratic gain of 1. 526 since last year.

The Senate stands 11 republicans and 10 democrats, and have also elected three out of four members of congress.

WISCONSIN—Various charter elections were held throughout this State on the 2nd of April. The radicals were successful in Kenosha, and the democrats in Madison and Milwaukee, electing their municipal ticket in the latter city by 1500 majority.

MISSOURI.—The radical candidate for mayor of St. Louis was elected by about 1500 majority. Mr. Davis, conservative was elected mayor of St. Josephs. In this State it will be remembered that large numbers of the citizens are still disfranchised, by the operation of laws similar to those that recently prevailed in Maryland.

MINNESTA.—The democratic city ticket in St. Paul was elected on April 2nd by about 1000 majority. Several small towns in the State gave republican majorities.

OHIO.—At the charter election in Cleaveland, held April 2nd the democrats elected their candidate for mayor, Stephen Bahrer, *by five hundred majority*, and gained two members of the city council from wards heretofore overwhelmingly republican. The democratic gain over the vote of last fall is about thirteen hundred. This is the first election of a democratic mayor in six years. The result of this election in Cleaveland, a city in the centre of a heretofore intensely radical population; is the most surprising and gratifying indication that we have seen yet of a change in public sentiment. It shows that the people of the great State of Ohio and of the west generally are beginning to awaken to the fact that they have been cheated and led by the nose long enough by the puritanical fanatics of Massachusetts, and that they are beginning to think and act for themselves and their own interests.

NEW YORK.—The charter election held at Rome, April 2nd resulted in the election of the entire democratic ticket, with a gain of two hundred over last year. James Bevans, the democratic candidate for president has five hundred majority. The democrats elect six out of nine trustees. Another encouraging sign from New York. Straws show which way the wind blows!

Registration of Voters.

☞ The Registry lists were closed on Saturday evening last, and we trust that few of our citizens have neglected to enrol their names theron, so that they may be in a condition to cast their votes for the deliverance of the State from radical misrule and oppression on Wednesday the 10th. We are opposed to the requiring of any oath whatever, from voters, but as long as the present constitution exists the taking of an oath of allegiance is necessary. The oath however, that is required to be taken by a late act of the Legislature need not be objected to by any one, and we trust very few in the county will be found to have deprived themselves of the power to assist in overturning the present instrument of our degradation and framing a new organic law for the State, merely to gratify a whim or pantoffle of the fancy

In this district we understand that 66 names have been added to the list of qualified voters.

Radical Lying.

☞ The radical papers throughout the State, including that veracious journal the Herald and Torch of this place, have been raising a great clamor against the extravagance of the last Maryland Legislature.

Let us see if the facts bear out and support the charges of these *honest* and *truth-telling* patriots. The total amount of general and pecial appropriations for 1867 is $1, 622, 300.

The disbursements for 1866, as per comptrollers report, (omitting $1, 624, 529, paid on account of bounties,) were $1, 766, 087.

Showing that the last legislature has appropriated $143,787 *less*, than disbursed by the previous one. By reference to the journal of the last House of Delegates it appears that the whole amount of disbursements made by the chairman of the committee on claims was nearly $37,000 less than made by the same committee in 1865!

And yet honest, truthful Pete, professes to be horror stricken at the reckless, expenditures of the last legislature!

"O wad some power the gift give us,
To see ourselves as others see us!"

☞ We learn that several enterprising and public spirited gentlemen of this neighborhood, are about purchasing the Funkstown Mills, with the intention of converting them into an extensive woolen factory. The advantages of the location, for this purpose are very great, and we hope the enterprise will be both a speedy and successful one, though as to its success we have very little doubt.

Beauties of Russian Civilization.

☞ From a recent official return published in the governmental organ of St Petersburg we find that since 1863, 18,682 inhabitants of the Polish provinces of Russia, including 164 *women*, have been banished to Siberia, 33.780 to the steppes of the Ural, and 12,556, including 218 *women*, to the interior of Russia. Besides these, 2,416 Poles have been sent to the penal regiments, and 1,468 hanged and shot for political offences.

What a fine field for Butler, Schenck and other woman quelling heroes, in which to display their manhood and valour! and what a charming model of a mild, paternal and enlightened government for Americans to fawn upon and flatter!

Local Matters.

REMOVAL. We notice that Mr. James Kridler has removed his tailoring establishment to the West side of North Potomac street, four doors from the public square. All ye who want handsome clothes and elegant fits, at ridiculously low prices for the times, give him a call and see for yourselves.

☞ The circus is coming! seemed to be the universal cry on Tuesday last, as we strolled around town: but the near approach of this interesting event did not excite us near as much as it might otherwise have done, had we not just made the discovery that A. D. Bennett *had come*, with the finest and cheapest assortment of spring goods for gentleman's wear of every quality and description, that has been ever exhibited in this or any other country market.

SOUTHERN RELIEF CONCERT.—The Concert for the benefit of the destitute poor in the Southern States came off on Wednesday evening March 27th in the Lyceum Hall. A large and appreciative audience were assembled, and every thing passed off pleasantly and successfully.

The character of the musical entertainment was of a high order, and it would be useless to specify individual excellencies, where all acquitted themselves so well.

We understand that about one hundred and fifty dollars were realized as the proceeds of the Concert.

TO THE FARMERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.—Having proposed to test the qualities of the "Washington County Self-Cleaning Plough." The invention of Geo. A. Beard of your county, on Tuesday the 9th inst., and being so unfortunate as to break the beam of our plough at the commencement of the trial; we purpose to renew the trial on Tuesday the 16th inst., if fair, on the premises of James H. Grove, Esq., and extend the same invitation as heretofore to all those having improved ploughs. Of the result we have no fear before a discerning public.

Yours truly, GEO. A. BEARD,
April 11. Patentee.

☞ We call attention to the card of Robert Wason of this town, which will be found in another column. Mr. Wason has entered the mercantile establishment of Messrs. Wheeden, Johnson & Co Jobbers of Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods, in Baltimore, and we cordially recommend our merchants in this town to give him a call.

Mr. Wason is a young gentleman, of the strictest integrity and honor, polite and pleasing in his manners and deportment, industrious and attentive to any business which he undertakes.

We feel sure of his success in the career upon which he has entered, for we know he deserves it.

☞ Read the advertisement of Richard Ragan, Esq., in another column. He offers a beautiful assortment of all kinds of ornamental plants and shrubbery, and from the well known and cultivated taste of Mr. Ragan himself in all that pertains to Floriculture, we are confident that any one who wishes to beautify his residence by gems of nature, which after all far excel those of art, cannot do better than to call upon our friend Mr. Ragan for a few selections from his extensive stock. His stock is not confined however to the *aesthetical* alone; his new varieties of Cauliflower, Dwarf Celery, Egg Plants, &c., &c., appeal powerfully to the notice of those who prefer the useful to the ornamental, and who would be willing to exclaim with old Sam Johnson "Of all the flowers in the field, give me the Cauliflower!"

EXCITEMENT AHEAD.—We did think, and expressed the opinion in our last issue, that a good deal of business and pleasure seemed to be in store for the citizens of Hagerstown during the present month, and mentioned the session of Court, two Elections, a Concert, the ladies' Festival, the Circus and a coming Theatrical Troupe as harbingers of what was in store for us. But all the turmoil and bustle which these various events produced or will produce in our midst, are as nothing compared with the prodigious excitement which will pervade the bosoms of young and old in our midst at the opening of the most splendid assortment of Dry Goods ever brought to this market, which grand event will occur about the 20th of the present month, at the establishment of Messrs. H. & A. Yingling in the public square. The junior partner of the firm, Mr. Allen Yingling, is now in the city laying in his supplies, and when he returns, he will astonish the natives at his stock.

FACTS VS. THEORIES.—"Give me a place to rest my levers on," says Archimedes, "and I will move the world." "Give me pure and unadulterated drugs," says Medicus, of the olden times, "and I will cure diseases."

In one sense, both of these learned pundits were the veriest charlatans. They know there was no place to rest their levers on, either to move the world or cure diseases. Mechanism was in a backward state, and the medical profession was but another name for sorcery and all the adjuncts of magic filters and charms of the "evil eye," &c.

But these latter days have born unto us something more than even superstition and its crew ever dream of in their maddest philosophy.—In these days of practical science, what was theory of yesterday is fact to-day, and all the old time notions become as bubbles in the sun, and burst and break with every breath we draw.

Let Archimedes shoulder his lever and we will find a resting place to move the world. Let mine ancient Medicus pant and toil no more for the drugs he so sorely needs, for we have them at our hand, ever ready to serve them at his beck.

Refined in the laboratory of Dr. Maggiel, the finest materials known in the medical profession are obtainable by any one. His Billious, Dyspeptic, and Diarrhœa Pills, stand unrivalled, and his Salve operates with magical effect upon burns, scalds, and all sores and ulcers of the skin.

In fact, we think Maggiel's Pills and Salve are the wonders of this century, and we are happy in the thought that many others of our brethren of the craft agree with us. We would earnestly counsel that all families provide themselves with Dr. Maggil's Preparations at once, and keep them ready at hand, so as to use them at the most opportune time and as occasion serves.—*Valley Sentinel.*

'A CHANCE.—The United States Hotel, a well known, and popular public house in Boonsboro' has passed into the hands and under the management of Mr. Elie Wade by whom the business of the house will be hereafter carried on. The new proprietor has our best wishes for his prosperity and success, and we congratulate Boonsboro' on having secured amongst her institutions as capital a specimen of a model landlord. Good luck to you friend Elie! we promise ourselves the pleasure of dropping in upon you ere long, and tell you in advance: "we take sugar in ours!"

NOTICE.—The members of the Antietam Base Ball Club are requested to meet in the County Hall, on Saturday, April 13th, at 3 o'clock, P. M. when a re-organization will take place, and business preparatory to the coming season will then be taken up.

Court Proceedings.

Wednesday, April 3d, the following cases on the appeal docket were decided.

John Thompson Mason *vs.* John W. Leiter and Edward Leiter. Submitted to the court and judgment for appellees for $30,00, each party to pay his own costs: Hamilton for appellees.

B. F. Cronise *vs.* Brooks, Fahnestock & Co Judgment reversed by consent of Counsel: Syester for appellant, Darby for appellees.

Robert Cushen and others *vs.* John Slifer. Submitted to the Court and judgment reversed Hamilton for appellants.

Joseph Bitner *vs.* John H. Claggett, Agent. Submitted to the court and judgment for appellee for 36 posts and for appellant for 39 posts: Small and Syester for appellant, Hamilton for appellee.

Samuel Lefevre vs. William E. Metcalf. Judgment reversed. Zeller for appellant.

Jacob Miller vs. John W. Bowers, use of Abraham Crone. Appeal from the judgment of Justice Pennal. Jury trial and verdict affirming the judgment to aggellee for $22; Wiles add Alvey for appellant. Syester for appellee.

Thursday, April 4th. William M. Blackford vs. M: and A. R: Miller: Submitted to the Court and judgment reversed upon trial: Syester for appellant, Wiles for appellee:

George W: Foreman vs: Elizabeth George:—There being no appearance for the appellant, his appeal was dismissed: Kellhofer for appellee;

David Spessard, use of George W. Albaugh vs: Lewis Frude and Joseph Fiery: Appeal from the judgment of Justice Tice: Jury trial and verdict for appellee affirming judgment below:

Samuel Lefever *vs.* William E. Medcalf. Trial and verdict for appellee affirming the judgment below.

John H. Young *vs.* Harriet Jackson. Syester for appellee. There being no appearance for appellant the appeal was dismissed.

James Colbert *vs.* L. A. Miller. Merrick and Syester for appellant dismissed the appeal.

Rev. J. A. Adams *vs.* Joseph Shirley. Submitted to the Court, who after trial reversed the judgment without preludice: Grove and Keppler for appellant, Syester for appellee.

Friday April 5th, Joseph P. Chaney *vs.* William Rutledge. George Schley, Esq. being special Judge. Submitted to the Court, who after trial affirmed the judgment.

In this case the Judge decided that any species of Internal revenue stamps might be used indiscriminately on any kind of written instrument, except propriatary stamps, and also that the non-cancellation of stamps did not invalidate or render inadmissible in evidence, the instrument to which they may have been affixed, but merely rendered the party using them without cancellation, liable to the penalty imposed by the act of Congress.

Motter for appellant, Syester for appellee.

William T. Peterman *vs.* Samuel Ray. Appeal from the judgment of Justice Holly. Jury trial and verdict for appellant reversing the judgment: Syester and Alvey for appellant, Hamilton for appellee.

Robert Curtis *vs.* S. T. Seighman and John E. Brewer. Appeal dismissed by appellant. Darby for appellant, Syester for appellee.

A. J. Weise *vs.* Henry D. Wolf. Submitted and judgment reversed: Matthews for appellant.

Samuel E. Schindel and H. H. Long *vs.* Solomon Myers. Submitted to the Court and judgment reversed after trial: Smith Jr. for appellants, Syester for appellee.

Saturday April, 6th, Yesterday the appeal docket was concluded, and this morning the first case taken up was on the docket of Insolvents. In the matter of the petition of Franklin T. Hines for his discharge under the 48th, Article of the Code, for the relief of insolvent debtors; Adam Hutzel filed allegation objecting to the discharge of the petitioner, and charging fraud &c. on his part. The petitioner filed an affidavit for a continuance on account of the absence of a material witness, and the case after arguing the motion was continued. Keedy for allegator, wiles for petitioner.

The trial docket was then taken up as follows:

State of Maryland at the instance and for the use of Isaac Nesbitt *vs.* Daniel South (former Sheriff) and others, (four cases).

These were actions instituted in 1856 by Isaac Nesbitt for fees that had been placed in the hands of Daniel South as Sheriff, for collection more than five years previous to the time of instituting the suits, which were brought against Daniel South and the securities on his different bonds as Sheriff. To the declarations that were filed the statue of Limitations had been pleaded. In these suits F. M. Darby Esq., was special Judge, Judge French being disqualified on account of his having been originally counsel for the plaintiff.

The plaintiff's counsel moved to strike out the plea of limitations, and in the argument of the motion the following interesting point arose.—The writ issued in the case was returnable on the 1st Monday or 2d day of March 1857, and the declaration was filed on the 4th of March. At the time of filing the declaration the rule day for pleading was on the first Monday of May ensuing. On the 2nd of May this rule of Court was altered, and the first Monday of June fixed as the rule day for filing pleas. The plea of limitations in the present case was filed May 26th, and the question was whether this plea was filed in time. The point was ably argued, in favor of the motion to strike out, by the plaintiff's counsel A. K. Syester, Esq., and in opposition by Messrs. Hamilton and Alvey. The Court overruled the motion to strike out the plea.

Monday April 8th. The criminal docket was taken up this morning and the following cases disposed of.

State of Maryland *vs.* Sarah O'Rourke. Presentment for selling liquor in quantities less than a pint without a license. The traverser not being present was called at the door, her bond forfeited and a *stet* entered in the case. Darby for State.

State of Maryland *vs.* Benjamin Myers. Presentment for an assault and battery on Amanda Warner. *Stet* entered. Darby for State.

State of Maryland *vs.* Josiah Myers. Four presentments for felony. The traverser not having been taken, *stets* were entered in these cases.—Darby for State.

State of Maryland *vs.* Frisby Mongan. Presentment for an assault and battery on John Davis. Plea not guilty. Jury trial and verdict guilty. Judgment that he pay a fine of $1,00 and costs' Darby for State, Hamilton for traverser.

State of Maryland *vs.* Jacob Lait. Presentment for an assault and battery committed on Daniel Dechert on the day of the corporation election last year. Submitted to the Court.—Judgment guilty and that he pay a fine of $15,00 and costs. Darby for State, Matthews for traverser.

State of Maryland *vs.* Christian Easterday.—Presentment for an assault and battery on George N. Snyder. Submitted to Court under a plea of guilty Judgment that the traverser pay a fine of $2,00 and costs. Darby for State, Hamilton for traverser.

Isaac Newman (white) and Benjamin Jackson and John Bevans (colored) who are now in jail were severally arraigned on charges of felony, and pleaded "not guilty," after which they were remanded to jail.

State of Maryland *vs.* Jacob C. Grove. The traverser was presented for selling watermelons on Sunday, but the evidence showed that the watermelons which were on a boat belonging to the traverser, were sold against his will and contrary to his express directions. Submitted to the Court. Plea not guilty. Judgment not Darby for State, Grove for traverser.

State of Maryland *vs.* William Bell. Two presentments for assaults committed on Mary Fenix and James Sewell. *Setts* entered. Darby for State, Keedy for traverser.

State of Maryland *vs.* Francis McCormick.—Presentment for selling liquor without a license. Called at the door and recognizance forfeited.—Darby for State. The forfeiture was afterwards stricken out. Mr. Syester appearing for traverser.

During the day a number of criminal cases were continued, and there being no other State cases ready the Trial Docket was resumed.

In the case of Isaac Nesbitt *vs.* Daniel South and others, a verdict was taken for the defendants, A. K. Syester Esq. Counsel for the plaintiff reserving an exception to the decision of the Court (F. M. Darby Esq., Special Judge) given on Saturday last overruling the motion to strike out the plea of limitations.

Tuesday April 9th. The first business taken up this morning, was the petition of Peter Stouffer for the writ of *certiorari*, to remove into the circuit court, the proceedings instituted for the purpose of dispossessing him of the farm he now occupies as the tenant of Dr. William Ragan, and which were then pending before two justices of the peace. The issuing of the writ was resisted by the plaintiff in the proceedings below, and the court after hearing the argument of the counsel, granted the prayer of the petitioner, and the writ of *certiorari* accordingly issued. Merrick for petitioner, Motter for plaintiff.

The criminal docket was then resumed and the following case disposed of:

State of Maryland *vs.* Thomas D. Grim and Josiah S. Grim. Presentment for an assault on John J. Norman. Plea not guilty, jury trial and verdict guilty. Darby for State, Hamilton for Traverser.

Shortly after 12 oclock the court adjourned until Thursday morning, to-morrow being the day for the election of delegates to a State convention.

Mutual Insurance Company.

☞ We took occasion last week briefly to allude to the unwarrantable assault made upon the Mutual Insurance Company by the Herald and Torch. The editor of that paper again indulging his vituperative propensity, this week sends forth another article full of misrepresentations of facts and figures. We shall not follow his misrepresentations in detail. We shall content ourself with saying, and that upon authority, that it is not true that the surplus earnings of the company, in reserve amounts to $30,000. Under the charter of the company, until the late amendment, which has not yet added to that surplus, it could not exceed the sum of $20,000. And of the net earnings for the current year, because of extraordinary losses, nearly the whole of them were required to pay paid losses. The Herald is equally unfortunate, or rather we should say reckless, in its statement of the amount of the premium notes of the company, they do not reach as the Herald asserts, the sum of $100,000. The total of premium notes, we learn, up to the time of the fire of the 27th January last, amounted in round numbers to the sum of $76,000. Nor is it pretended by any member of the present Board, as the Herald asserts, that the cash capital can never be reached. It is only contended, under the charter, that is the last of the assetts of the company which can be appropriated to the payment of losses. And we submit to every candid and prudent business man, that this construction is right upon policy as well as in law. It is an assurance to all insurers, that, in case the fund expected to be realized from premium notes, should become exhausted by litigation or insolvencies, they have a cash capital ultimately to fall upon for indemnity against losses.

But we do not propose to follow the Herald through its long tissue of misstatements, and disingenous insinuations; nor do we deem such a lacaler of the company from the aspersion on our part necessary, to vindicate the charsions of the Herald. The mere naming of the men who fill the presidency and direction of the company, will be its sufficient vindication.

George Fechtig is President, Messrs. J. B. Thirston. W. T. Hamilton, Dr. H. H. Harvey E. M. Mealey, M. S. Barber, Joshua P. Crist, H. K. Tice, F. J. Posey, J. A. Wright, F. Harrichouse, Fred'k Bryan, and David Brumbaugh are its Directors. If a more intelligent, competent, honest, and responsible Board can be selected for the management of the affairs of the company from the body of the county, we would like to have the Herald point them out.

But we must not overlook one other gross perversion of the truth on the part of the Herald. It says:—"There is but one voice, and one opinion among the members upon this subject, and that is unqualified condemnation" *.*.* To give the lie to this assertion, we have simply to state, that we have learned upon inquiry at the office of the company, that its members are coming forward generally and promptly and paying their assessments.

In regard to the mode and principle upon which the assessment is made, so much carped at by the grumbler of the Herald, we have to say, that after looking at the charter and making inquiry upon the subject, we are satisfied, that it is as close to the letter of the charter as practicable, and as fair and equitable to the members of the company, as an assessment could be made. In a word, though a recent insurer, so well satisfied were we with it, that we paid our assessment, at once and would advise all others to go and do likewise, notwithstanding the carping and grumbling of the Herald.

As we intimated in our last, we greatly fear, that something other than a supposed irregularity of the Board in making the aressment, underlies the ostensible object of the Herald in its attacks. We are strongly inclined to suspect, and we caution the members of the company accordingly, that this is a resuscitation of an effort made a few years ago, and signally defeated, and which, we are informed, came from the same direction, in view of the approaching annual election, to raise false side issues to get up an excitement, through which to oust the present Board, and gratify, as well the pique as an itching desire of of some persons, to take their places. We would hint: a word to the wise is sufficient. And, we earnestly admonish the members of the company to keep their wits about them, and watch well the "Greeks" when they approach them as friends.

Nothing certainly could be more detrimental to the interests of the company, than to allow it to be brought into the "prize ring" of partizanism. This has been heretofore attempted, but failed because of the good sense of its members, fully appreciating the injury to the company of the consummation of such a purpose. Peter Negley suggests he would vote for twelve democrats! Ah Peter! sweet Peter! wouldn't you like to get up a division amongst democrats, even in a corporation election:

As to resisting the payment of the assessment, suggested by the Herald, as we before remarked, we learn that the members have been paying up well; and this we deem a much wiser course, than bringing the company into litigation and wasting its accumulated earnings in costs and council fees, and thus weakening it by impairing the confidence of the community in its ability and ready capacity to pay losses. We must not overlook the fact; that all its members belong to one household, and that their interests in the company are identical and so blended, that what inures to the advantage of one member, equally inures to the advantage of another; and that a loss to one falls with proportionate weight upon another. In fine every litigant against the company, is a litigant against himself, and would occupy the agreeable predicament of spending his own money on both sides of the litigation. We repeat, a word to the wise ought to be sufficient.

☞ "The Old Guard" for April is before us. This sterling and uncompromising advocate of States' Rights and Democratic principles keeps up its well deserved reputation, which places it in the front rank of Northern periodicals, and we have no hesitation in recommending it as one of the best family magazines ever published on the Continent.

Its editor Chauncy Burr is one of the most vigorous writers of the day, and we would rejoice to see the Old Guard take the place at our fire sides now occupied by the trashy plagairism of such malicious and slanderous enemies of our people as Harper, Frank Leslie, the Atlantic Monthly and other publications of the same stamp. It is published monthly by Messrs Van Evrie, Horton & Co. in New York, at the low rate of $3.00 a year.

"The Land we Love," another monthly published in Charlotte, N. C. under the editorial supervision of Gen D. H. Hill, late of the Confederate army, also claims from us a favorable notice. The articles in this sterling periodical are all original, and the productions of Southern writers. Amongst a great variety of instructive and entertaining articles, in verse and prose, we we would particularly commend an essay on "work," by the talented and distinguished editor. It is an essay of not over ten pages in length, but it is certainly worth more than a year of Harper's flimsy platitudes which are so eagerly sought after by hundreds and thousands of readers all over the country.

This magazine is published monthly by Hill, Irwin & Co. at the rate of $3,00 per annum. "The Maryland Farmer," published monthly by Sands, Mills & Co. in Baltimore at $1,50 a year, is another welcome visitant, which we recommend to those who may desire a well edited agricultural journal.

☞ As will be seen by his advertisement in another column, our esteemed friend J. Hoffne Weast, has again resumed business at his old stand in Boonsboro.' Mr. Weast had sold out to Lewis Watson, but has lately re-purchased the business, at very low terms, and is thus enabled to offer extraordinary inducements to customers who may stand in need of any of the various articles that compose his extensive and well selected stock. To all his old friends and customers, as well as to those who are disposed to become new ones, he extends a hearty invitation to call, examine his stock and judge for themselves.

CORPORATION ELECTION.

Glorious Result! Hagerstown redeemed!!

The following is the result of municipal election held in this town on Monday last, April 8th.

Wards	CONSERVATIVES	
No. 1.	George S. Miller	357
" 2.	Lewis Heist	353
" 3.	Dr. M. J. McKinnon	360
" 4.	Daniel White	357
" 5.	H. K. Tice	352
	RADICAL.	
	David Zeller	369
	J. A. Fisher	309
	Saml. F. Zeigler	307
	John E. Ridenour	304
	W. H. Protzman	312

The vote polled was the largest ever cast in the town, and the result the triumph of the whole conservative ticket by an average majority of forty seven and a fraction.

This is the first time in the history of the town that a result so glorious and a consumation so devoutly to be wished for has occurred.—The Radicals moved heaven and earth to secure their success and bring out their full vote, but all to no purpose. They have been beaten crushed, demolished! Bark ye curs! howl ye jackals! shriek ye shriekers! We throw up our hats and cry in triumph, "all hail *Hagerstown!* gloriously, let us hope permanently redeemed!"

ANOTHER RADICAL DEFEAT.

The People Demand a Convention.

"LOYAL" MARYLAND—"FREE" MARYLAMD.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE "GIBRALTER" OF RADICALISM, SURRENDERS TO THE "REBEL DEMOCRACY."

Washington County.

☞ We give below the majorities in the several districts of this county, as far as have been received. The result shows that we have carried the county in favor of a Convention by a small majority.—This is particularly gratifying when we consider that the Radicals carried the county last fall by about 600 majority.

Districts:	For Conv:	Against Conv:
Sharpsburg,	000	35
Williamsport,	91	000
Hagerstown,	127	000
Clearspring,	000	27
Hancock,	55	000
Boonsboro',	000	90
Cavetown,	37	000
Pleasant Valley,	000	72
Leitersburg,	000	45
Funkstown,	66	000
Ringgold,	000	25
Conococheague,	000	10
Indian Spring,	4	000
Tilghmanton,	43	000
Sandy Hook,	000	000

BALTIMORE CITY.

Gives about 3000 majority for a Convention, and about 4,000 in favor of running the cars on Sunday.

ALLEGANY COUNTY.

Cumberland gives a majority of 265 for a Convention and the County has probably given a majority in favor.

FREDERICK COUNTY.

A despatch from Frederick says:—Frederick city gives 39 majority against Convention and county largely against it.

General Result.

Although the returns received are meagre yet they unmistakably indicate that the call of a Convention has been adopted by a large majority, and that the people have not been intimidated by Radical threats of Congressional interference, &c.

BALTIMORE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY FROM THE REPORT OF THE BALTIMORE SUN.

FLOUR.—Choice Spring wheat grades Ex'a were held 25 cents higher to-day, and the market generally is very strong at the late advanced prices, but not active, the sales being mostly confined to trade wants. We report sales of 150 bbls Howard Street Extra at 13,25a$13,62; 100 bbls Northwestern (choicest brand) Extra at $13, 75; 100 bbls Northwestern Super at $10,25 per bbl, and other small lots within our range below. We further revise quotations viz: Howard Street Super and Cut Extra 11,00$12; do Extra shipping 12$13,25, do high grades 13,25a14,50, do Family 15a$16,50; Ohio Super and Cut Extra 10,75a$11,25, do Extra shipping none, do retailing none, do Family 15a$16; Northwestern Super 10,50a$11, do Extra 12,50a$13,75; City Mills Super 11a$11,50, do standard Extra 12,25 a13,25, do shipping brands Extra 15,50a$17; Baltimore Welch's and Greenfield Family $18, and Baltimore high grade Extra $17,50 per bbl.

GRAIN.—There were 1900 bushels red Wheat offered on Change this morning, do prime Maryland, for which the market is steady; included in the sales were 200 bushs common Maryland red at $3; 600 bushs prime Cumberland Valley do at $3,30, and 330 bushs choice do at $3,35. Of Corn the receipts were 5000 bushels white and 6550 bushels yellow; demand fair and prices firmly maintained; we notice sales of 2500 bushs prime white at $1,15; 100 bushs do at $1,14; 1050 bushs damp do at $1,12; 3000 bushs prime yellow at $1,15; 840 bushs Kentucky do at $1,13; 1800 bushs Western mixed at $1,10 per bushel. Oats—2500 bushs received, and same quantity sold; included were 350 bushs at 69 cents, and 2200 bushs at 70a72 cents, but at the close the outside price was hard to realize. Rye—sales of 46 bushs at $1,40, and 160 bushs equal to $1,52 per bushel, a further advance of 2 cts.

SEEDS.—Clover again advanced to-day; sales limited to wants of consumers, and range from 12 to $13 per bushel, a lot of 16 bushs reported at the latter price, Timothy is steady at 3,75a $3,87, and Flax $3 per bushel.

NEW YORK MARKET, April 6.

Flour better; sales of 7250 bbls: State at 10.10 a$13,40, Ohio at 12,10a$13,10, Western at 11,-10a$12,10, and Southern 11,45a17,50. Wheat excited and 1@2 cts better; sales of 75,000 bushs, No. 2 Milwaukee 2,57a$2,65, Amber State 3,26, California white 3,20a$3,40. Corn better and more active; sales of 20,000 bushels Western mixed at 1,21a$1,22. Oats firm, sales of 54,000 bushs Western at 68a70 cts, State at 75 cents.—Provisions more active. Pork lower; sales of new Mess at 22,00a$22,12½. Lard is dull and lower: sales at 12½a13 cts. Whiskey is firmer and more active, with sales of Western at 30½a31 cts.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET, April 6.

Flour unchanged, sales of Superfine at $9,50 Good Wheat is scarce, State red at 3a$3,25, California 3,25a$3,30. Rye steady, Western $1,50 Pennsylvania $1,52. Corn advancing, sales of yellow at 1.14a$1,17. Oats advanced to 73 cts. Provisions unchanged. Petroleum dull; crude 16 cts, refined in bond 25½a26½ cts. Clover seed advanced to $12 for prime, and 10a$11 for extra.

MARRIED

On the 28th of February, at the house of the bride's father Samuel D. Middlekauff, Esq. by the Rev. S. N. Callander, Mr. LEWIS SNIVELY to MISS MARY CATHARINE MIDDLEKAUFF, all of this county.

In this place, on the 27th of February, by Rev. Mr. Ockerman, Mr. THOMAS M'KAIN to MISS CATHARINE ISEMINGER, of Funkstown.

At Moorsville on the 11th ult., by Rev. H. Knodle, JAMES DICK to CLARA V. ZIMMERMAN, all of this county.

DIED.

In this place on the 19th ult., LAURA MATILDA, infant dauhter of Henry and Elizabeth Winter, aged 1 year, 9 months and 16 days.

In Hagerstown on the 19th ult., at the residence of her father, Mr. David Lambert, of a lingering illness, MISS AMANDA E. LAMBERT, aged 26 years, 2 months and 3 days.

On the 7th of November, 1866, ELIZABET KALE, aged 58 years, 4 months and 7 days.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

IMPORTANCE OF HAVING DAVIS' PAIN KILLER ALWAYS ON HAND.

WONDERFUL CURE OF THE REV. D. L. BRAYTON MISSIONARY IN INDIA, WHO WAS STUNG BY A SCORPION.

Extract from his letter, published in the Baptist Missionary Magazine:

For the first time since I have been in India, I have been stung by a scorpion. I went out this morning to my exercises, as usual; at early dawn, and having occasion to use an old box, on taking off the cover I put my hand on a scorpion, which immediately resented the insult by thrusting its sting into the palm of my hand. The instantaneous and severe pain which darted through the system is quite incredible; what an awfully virulent poison their sting must contain! I FLEW TO MY BOTTLE OF DAVIS' PAIN KILLER, and found it to be true to its name; after a moment's relief, I saturated a small piece of sponge, bound it on my hand, and went about my exercises, feeling no more particular inconvenience.

April 11, 1867—1mo,

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Feb 28, 1867.

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