

LOCAL MATTERS:

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TO ADVERTISERS.—The Times having a circulation of more than 100,000 copies, it offers superior inducements to advertisers. Insert their advertisements in its columns. Send for rates, which are as low as any other paper in Southern Maryland, to any address on circulation.

Committee on a Tramp. Justice G. H. Mottin, of Newport, on Monday committed Willis M. Cheel, a colored youth, to the House of Correction for six months, charged by Miss Sillie G. Miller with being a vagrant and without visible means of support. Mitchell was brought to town on Tuesday by constable Sheiburn and given to the custody of Sheriff Simpson and was lodged in jail until this morning, when the sheriff left with him for the House of Correction. He will be free to return here again about the time the roses are in bloom, when perhaps he may be willing to work that he seems to be his cold weather.

Hog Cholera. Dr. F. W. Patterson, of Baltimore county, who recently made a tour of Eastern Shore counties, investigating the hog cholera, reported to the farmers' convention in Baltimore on Wednesday, the 12th inst., that he found the loss from this disease to be greatest in Queen Anne's, where, in ten years, it amounted to 66 per cent., or nearly \$45,000. In Talbot it reached \$26,500 and in Dorchester \$25,000. In eight Eastern Shore counties the loss is over \$165,000, or an average of over \$20,000 to a county. If the loss is as great in the other counties, it will reach in the State over \$460,000. Quarantine regulations are almost unheeded. Nothing has been found to destroy the germ that will not kill the hog. No precautions are taken to bury the hogs. In Talbot county twenty-five dead hogs floated by one man's house on the Choptank river. The disease is worse along the streams.

At a business meeting of the Howard Rifles held in the court house on Saturday last, at which Lieut. Gray presided and Orderly Sergeant Dater was secretary, the constitution and by-laws for the government of the command, which were reported by the committee appointed by the Captain for that purpose at the meeting previous, were unanimously adopted by the company. The constitution and by-laws will be submitted to the Adjutant-General of the State for approval after the command will be bound by them. One of the by-laws prohibits a member of the company from entering a bar-room or any place where spirituous liquors are sold for the purpose of drinking with any part of his uniform, and a heavy penalty is attached to any one becoming intoxicated while in uniform. The other by-laws are equally stringent and will have the effect of making the command well governed and orderly on all occasions, and without doubt a pride to the county where they are located. Appropriate military matters were discussed by Capt. Wilmer, and the Adjutant-General together with forty sets of accoutrements for the use of the command. The men will in fair condition, and our boys will no doubt begin to feel like soldiers when they shoulder the muskets and buckle on the accoutrements. Captain Wilmer says every man will be given a rifle in due time.

Chickamauga Items. A man was seen crossing the Patuxent river on the ice on Thursday, the 13th inst. about noon, it seems he started either from Stump Neck or Mattawoman creek. Who the man was, one has said and his intent seems doubtful to ascertain. On Saturday the river was apparently one solid sheet of ice from the shores of Maryland to Virginia, and only one great island of the current area, and the shoreward sheet of ice was a complete floating mass, which has been a curiosity to one that never witnessed such a happening. It began piling up and formed complete icebergs in the streams, and piled from 15 to 25 feet above water in places. One of the inland streams at some places came as far as Quantico harbor last Sunday evening and is now moored in safety, waiting further movements of nature to reach its destination. Mr. M. W. Dunnington, of Norfolk, who is at present employed as clerk in the firm of H. Kirk & Co., Alexandria, is spending a short vacation with his parents. Hence does not forget to mention to his many friends, an energetic and business-like man should, that he will gladly and promptly wait upon all who are ready to purchase in his line of business. The debating club of Norfolk meets next Saturday, subject for debate, "Does the pig afford a better field for eloquence than the tar?"

A New Democratic Association. For nearly a year there have been two factions in the Maryland Democratic Association of Washington, headed respectively by R. B. Edmonston and Charles C. Nease. At the recent annual election of officers Messrs. Edmonston and Nease were rivals for the position of president of the club. Considerable feeling was exhibited on both sides, and finally Mr. Edmonston was elected. The London faction immediately started a bolt, which culminated in the formation of a new Maryland Democratic Club. The meeting was held at the National Hotel and the names of 110 members were put upon the rolls. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Chas. C. Nease, of Charles county; first vice-president, O. T. Beaumont, of Baltimore county; second vice-president, Wm. Lord, of Baltimore county; recording secretary, H. L. Heikel, of Prince George's county; assistant recording secretary, Richard Holland, of Prince George's county; treasurer, J. J. Watson, of Prince George's county; financial secretary, L. P. Sutt, of Montgomery county; corresponding secretary, Col. Smith Thompson, of Montgomery county; and marshal, J. D. Knott, of Prince George's county. As a titration was adopted providing that only qualified legal voters of Maryland shall be eligible to membership, and stating that the motive or reason for the formation of this club is to sustain the best interests of the democratic party, both State and national; to increase among its members an abiding faith in the party's doctrines as laid down by Jefferson, Jackson, Tyler and Grant; to promote good fellowship among its members, advance their welfare and exert its best efforts and station to support our democratic leaders at the polls. It is proposed to hold regular weekly meetings as soon as suitable quarters can be obtained. All of the democratic members of the Maryland delegation in Congress and Col. Nelson L. Victor Bushman were elected honorary members of the club.

A Plea for the Economical. The cheapness of giving attire first class clothing at such a low price that it is difficult to see how the next season's wear at Oehm & Son, 402 Seventh Street, Baltimore, will be missed this opportunity.

The County's Insane.

At the request of a member of the board of county commissioners the superintendent of the County Hospital for the insane at Frederick, has furnished the following list of persons from this county now confined in that institution by order of the court, together with the date of their admission. The county is indebted to this institution to the amount of upwards of \$2,000 for the care of these paupers, very little if any has been paid on the account since 1883. The following are the insane confined there: Elizabeth Warthen, white, committed Nov. 1, 1882; Richard P. Jones, colored, "Dec. 18, 1882; Richard P. Jones, colored, "July 17, 1883; Anne Campbell, "Oct. 30, 1883; John B. Brown, "Jan. 1, 1884; H. A. Swann, "Jan. 1, 1884.

County Bonds. The clerk to the board of county commissioners went to Baltimore last week to arrange for the printing of the county bonds for the refunding loan of the 11th inst. The bonds will be required in connection with the amount of interest each bond bears for each six months of the time they run. These coupons are payable at the office of the county commissioners and are receivable for tax in the county at any time after they are due. The clerk arranged with Mess. Guggenheimer & Weil, the well known engravers and printers of Baltimore, for the work, and the price paid will be \$25 for the series. The bonds will be printed in three denominations of \$1,000, \$500 and \$100; each bond will contain 20 coupons covering the period of ten years for which they are to run, showing the amount of interest due and the time-payable. By the issuing of these coupon bonds both commissioners and bond holders will be saved much trouble and annoyance in the matter of interest, as the coupons will pass current in the county at any time after they are due for their face value. It is needless to say that the printing of these bonds has entailed no extra expense on the county, and will save nothing from the county exchequer, as the premium obtained from the sale of the bonds will be much in excess of any expense incurred in issuing them.

A Charles County's Good Fortune. The appointment by Judge Thomas of Beale E. Padgett, to be clerk of the courts for Pennington county was not altogether unexpected, and so far as can be learned gives the best of satisfaction among those most interested. Mr. Padgett, although a comparatively new man in Rapid City, having been here less than a year, has made himself so popular by his humane and equitable decisions, and his judicious and quiet, unobtrusive manner has won for him the respect and admiration of all who have had the opportunity of coming into contact with him. He is a man of high character, and his appointment to this important office is a just recognition of his worth and ability. He is a thorough lawyer, and his duties are daily growing. Although not among the first of the county's lawyers, he is a man of high character, and his appointment to this important office is a just recognition of his worth and ability. He is a thorough lawyer, and his duties are daily growing.

Personal. We are pleased to learn of the good fortune of our former townswoman in the home of her adoption as above announced, and it will be a source of much satisfaction to many of our friends here. Mr. Padgett is possessed of those sterling qualities which well qualify him for a public trust, and we are sure that he will discharge the duties of his important office with credit to himself and satisfaction to all concerned. He is a thorough lawyer, and his duties are daily growing. Although not among the first of the county's lawyers, he is a man of high character, and his appointment to this important office is a just recognition of his worth and ability. He is a thorough lawyer, and his duties are daily growing.

Benjamin R. Burroughs is a native of Charles county, Maryland. He received private instruction until 1856, when he went to the University of Virginia, from which he graduated in 1857. From 1857 to 1860 he read law with Krome & Hadley at Edwardsville. In the fall of 1860 he entered the law office of Messrs. Leavelle & Leavelle, Chicago, and graduated in June. He immediately opened an office and practiced alone until 1878 when he entered into partnership with Frank W. Barnett. The partnership continued until 1881, when Mr. Barnett moved to Springfield, about four years ago Mr. Burroughs formed a partnership with Mr. Barnett, and they have since been practicing together. Mr. Burroughs is a good lawyer and an able lawyer. Politically he is a democrat and stands high in the confidence of the party. His name has been suggested for various positions of honor and trust. Lately he has been quite frequently mentioned in connection with the judicial office of this county, and the system is said to be the most convenient and best constructed in this city or vicinity.

Collector of Internal Revenue. The collector of internal revenue is slowly but surely weeding out the republicans in his district and supplying their places with good and true men of his own political faith, and for this laudable action on his part he is receiving high words of praise and encouragement from his friends. In Baltimore generally, who are tired of seeing republican party workers kept in good positions under a democratic administration, and the cry is universal all along the line of "let the good work go on" and "turn the rascals out." Among the latest removals is that of Mr. Frank McWilliams, of this county, who, for the past four or five years, has held the position of collector of customs for the Baltimore custom house at a salary of \$1,200 per annum, and whose scrip has been sought for by aspiring democrats, both from this county and elsewhere, ever since democratic officers took charge of Federal affairs in Baltimore. We regret to say that the place has not now been filled by some deserving Charles county democrat but has fallen to the lot of Mr. Thomas Galloway, a Baltimore county man.

Fire Apparatus for Marlboro's.

Messrs. George W. Wilson, Richard T. Gardner, Geo. H. Bunnell and F. N. Jarboe, the committee authorized to purchase fire apparatus for Marlboro's, Prince George's county, were in Baltimore on Monday, and transacted the business entrusted them satisfactorily. In company with Mr. J. Waring Medley, secretary to Postmaster Taylor, they visited Fire Inspector Charles T. Holloway and Chief Engineer Hennick, whose knowledge of fire apparatus was useful to the committee. Mr. Hennick accompanied them to the truck house No. 1, on Harrison street, where they examined the chemical engine for extinguishing fires. The committee will order chemical apparatus and equipments similar to that used by the truck company. The citizens of Marlboro' will be assisted with an appropriation by the county commissioners, as the fire apparatus will be used to protect not only private property, but the courthouse, the jail and other property of the county in Marlboro'.

Not Disputed. Mr. M. Thompson, agent for the New York Mutual Life Reserve Company, writes us that having heard rumors last Tuesday of this company disputing the death claim of the late James Taylor, he wrote the company for information in the matter and received the following reply, which he requests us to publish: New York, Jan. 18, 1887. M. THOMPSON, Esq.

Dear Sir:—Your letter of 17th at hand the statement that Taylor of your county is "a little too previous," certainly inasmuch as the blanks, technically known as the "proofs" have not as yet been received at this office. Very truly yours, Wm. MILLER, Manager.

Magnets Which Never Fail to Draw. The semi-annual matches mark down sale of high class garments for Men, Youth and Boys overcoats, Suits and Coats. All being sacrificed without regard to present value or cost. Now is the appointed time to make one dollar do the work of two at Acme Hill, 17 E. Baltimore (new number) near Clark's St., Baltimore. Local Brevities. Mr. F. J. Maddox was in town on Monday preparing his bond as treasurer of the school board.

The balmy weather which we enjoyed for a few days last week has been succeeded by another cold snap. The county commissioners meet Tuesday to refund county bonds and the transaction of miscellaneous business. There are many applicants for the vacant positions which exist in the ranks of the Howard Rifles and the quota of the command will soon be filled. A marriage license was issued in Washington on Wednesday to Mr. T. J. Hayden, of this county, and Miss Katie A. Sullivan, of Washington.

The Howard Rifles will meet to day at 7 o'clock for drill, and further orders, will meet at 8 o'clock on Friday and Saturdays hereafter at the same hour. The cold weather of this week has caused a considerable hardening of the ice in the river, and it is difficult, at this time, to predict when navigation will be opened. We are rapidly approaching February and "ground hog day," which will be watched by the credulous with much anxiety, as forecasting a continuation of an end of winter.

The trustees of the poor held a meeting in town on Tuesday and were disappointed in their efforts to raise money for the relief of the poor. The time is short and we have done nothing in that direction as yet and a little gaiety would perhaps lighten our military armor. "If humor, wit and honey could save" from the life span is here to us, what a good price they'd bring to the market. Well, twenty five cents is a buy cheap panacea—Satisfaction O.K. a certain cure.

Dr. Wm. R. Wilner who is making a brief visit to his relatives in the county was in town on Tuesday. The doctor is looking well and was as cheerful as ever having a pleasant word for all his friends he met. "Perched upon a bust of Pallas," or better yet, on some handy shelf, the sensible house-keeper has her bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and when the child has a cough, she reaches for it or a touch of cold, she cures it the one in no time.

Mr. A. Y. Gray, who is now connected with the Commission house of Chippingwood, is traveling through the county in the interest of this firm. Those of our farmers on whom he calls should give him a cordial consideration and part of their patronage. The following marriage licenses have been issued from the clerk's office within the past week: John F. Hartley and Ellen Moran; James Lucas and Sarah Hildesley; John E. Deacon and Mary Wright, all white; and Melvin Marshall and Harriet Calvert, colored.

Justice B. F. Blandford, of the 6th district, issued summary punishment to a chicken thief from the county on Monday. The thief was a colored man, who had been caught by the police. The judge sentenced him to a term of imprisonment for a month. The case was heard in the 6th district court.

ACTUAL COST

Or real value are not considered in our colossal Cash Clearance Sale. We intend to close out every Overcoat, every Suit and every Winter Garment before the end of this month, if possible. Whatever you may want in Men's, Boys' or Children's Stylish and Dependable Clothing, Ready Made or Made to Order, we will sell it at a reduction of 10 to 25 per cent.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION. In the Circuit Court for Charles County, sitting in Equity. No. 81 Equity Docket.

BENJAMIN D. TURMAN, Plaintiff, vs. PETER D. EVERETT & ARLIE A. EVERETT, his wife, Defendants. The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for the sale of certain real estate situated in Charles county, Maryland, which was mortgaged to the said Benjamin D. Turman by the said Peter D. Everett and Arlie A. Everett, his wife.

The bill states that on the 13th day of November, A. D. 1883, the said Peter D. Everett and Arlie A. Everett, his wife, executed to the said Benjamin D. Turman a mortgage on certain real estate, therein described, to secure the payment of the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) which was due and owing to the said Benjamin D. Turman by the said Peter D. Everett and Arlie A. Everett, his wife, at that time.

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