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DEATE OF JOHN MERRYMAN.-The MARY friends of Mr. John Merryman will be sincorely grieved to learn that he died at eight o'clock yesterday morning, at his residence, "Hayfields," Baltimore county. Few men have been better known, either in their own State or throughout the greater part of the Union, than Mr. Merryman. As a farmer and stockbreeder his name was so tamiliar to agriculturists that he was elected president of the National Agricultural Society. He was also at the same time president of the State Agricultural Seciety of Maryland, and during Gov. Bowle's administration he held the office of State treasurer. Besides being identified for many years with the farming interests of the county, he had been engaged for the past filteen or sixteen years as a desier in and a manufacturer of fertilizers, for which he had built up an extensive business with the Routh. Mr. Merryman took a special pride in the management of his large estate, near Cockeysville, and in his fine herd of Hereford cattle, many of which have been bought and distributed through the West improving the mative No one exercised a more generous hospitality than he, or had a more extensive circle of friends. He was especially kind to the Younger people. He had a pleasant word for them always, and took delight in seeing them enjoy (hemselves. He was a steady supporter of Sherwood Church, at Cockeysville, a member of its vestry, and in point of service, one of the oldest lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention, in whose proceedings he always took great interest. In all the relations of life, at home and among his numerous friends and acquaintances, he was the kind-hearted gentleman, the good neighbor and the hospitable host. The secret of the personal attachment he inspired was his genial nature. His very name, in his own State and over a wide area outside of it, was "familiar as household words." His death will be spoken of by all who know him with deep regret, for he combined a fine social nature with an unpretending menliness, and while evincing good-will to all, lent a helping hand to many.