

hall with Judge Bryant. Secretary Endicott is the only member of the Cabinet who has rented a house.

—The clerks in the several departments in Washington are very much displeased because the time of their summer leave has been cut down from thirty to twenty days. They think this particularly hard in view of the fact that many of them have lately been obliged to work at night in order to dispose of the rapidly accumulating business.

—The favorite song of the Postmaster-General is said to be "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and the other day the author of the song, Eben E. Rexford, of Shecton, Wisconsin, made application for the postmastership of that place and was promptly appointed. The fellow who wrote "Climbing Up the Golden Stair" may now have a chance to catch on.

—A deputy collector of internal revenue, in transmitting his books for the last quarter to the Treasury Department, pinned to a leaf a piece of paper upon which he wrote the following: "We've kept these books and kept 'em straight, and we'll keep 'em again in '88. Good-bye, boys." The message of the good-humored deputy caused much amusement in the department.

—Mr. Edward C. Johnson, of Baltimore, who wants to be U. S. Marshal of the District of Columbia, was in Washington a few days ago and called on the Attorney-General, who spoke highly of his eminent father, the late Hon. Reverdy Johnson, and assured the son of his interest in his prospects. Mr. Johnson has many friends who would be highly gratified at his appointment.

—It is said in Washington that Commissioner of Pensions Black has been hauled over the coals by the President for the part he has been acting in the "offensive partisan" business; that this charge was too indefinite in its meaning, and that no more changes in his official force are to be made until there is a thorough understanding on the subject on the part of the President.

—Mrs. Wiggins, the mother of Blind Tom, the negro pianist, was among the President's callers on Wednesday. She had been waiting in Washington more than a week to see Mr. Cleveland. She says her son is being used by his old master to make money, and that she receives no help whatever from his earnings, but what the President has to do with this is not apparent.

—It is now said that the removal of so many Government employees on the charge of being "offensive partisans" does not meet with the President's approval and that he has called a halt. His Cabinet is said to acquiesce and this accounts for the few removals that have taken place lately. The near friends of the President claim that this "offensive partisan" business has already been carried too far and has hurt the administration.

—A prominent business man in one of the Middle States, who is on very intimate terms with the President, called to see him a few days ago and had a lengthy interview. The subject of proper men for the offices was under discussion, when Mr. Cleveland expressed a determination to have none but good men in office and said, with some emphasis, that when a politician deceived him in making a recommendation to office, that would end that man's influence with this administration.

—We have heard a great many hard things said of Messrs. Weld and White, counsel for Howard Cooper, and we think that some people are disposed to treat those young gentlemen unfairly. The court appointed them to defend Cooper—they did not take the case from choice—but after they had shouldered the responsibility they conceived it to be their duty, as honorable men, to do the very best they could in the interest of their client. Certainly the zeal they exhibited was highly commendable, even if their cause was a bad one, and a man never should be censured for doing that which he honestly believes to be his duty.

—The men who lynched Howard Cooper at Towson last night should be arrested and punished to the extent of the law. Their crime is without palliation or excuse.—*Baltimore Herald, Monday.*

We should like to see a Baltimore county jury that would convict any of the lynchings, if they could be discovered. The people out here take a very different view of this matter from what the *Herald* does. They have sworn to protect their own homes and families, newspaper moralists to the contrary notwithstanding.

—In the Baltimore Criminal Court on Saturday last, George Nachman and Thomas Turpin, proprietors of the French Froliques, a disreputable place of amusement on Baltimore street, opposite the Sun office, were each sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$250 and costs by Judge Phelps. This dive was a disgrace to the city of Baltimore and it is hoped the just sentence of the Court will have a salutary effect.

—On Saturday last, in the case of J. H. C. Watts vs. Sarah Brooks, Judge Phelps, of Baltimore, decided that a mortgagee was not bound to execute an assignment of the property to the mortgagor, even though tendered the full amount of the mortgage and all costs, when the property was about to be sold under foreclosure for the non-payment of interest upon the mortgage debt.

—At Marion, Indiana, on Saturday last, a negro brutally assaulted the 14-year-old daughter of a well-known citizen, and it was thought the child would die. Her assailant was arrested and placed in jail and that night a body of men attempted to take him out and hang him. The Sheriff and his deputies fired on the mob, killing one man and wounding several others.

—It seems now to be pretty well settled that Gen. Latrobe and Postmaster Veazey will contest in the primaries for the Democratic nomination for the Mayoralty of Baltimore. Judge Geo. W. Lindsey, of the Orphans' Court, is also in the field for the nomination, and the names of Mr. Thornton Rollins and Mr. E. G. Hipsley are mentioned in the same connection.

—There are only 868 persons on the pension rolls who receive \$72 per month. These are permanently and totally disabled and receive the highest pension paid by the Government. 648 pensioners receive \$50 per month.

—The Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society will hold its next exhibition at Philadelphia, commencing September 23. Premiums aggregating \$41,500 will be offered.

WESTMINSTER, July 14th
TO THE EDITORS OF THE UNION, TOWSON
Dear Sirs:—The cadetship due the Congressional District of Maryland at the Military Academy, West Point, is vacant, a been requested to nominate a proper person. As a means of doing so, I invite candidates for the position to a competitive examination, to be held at the Court-House in West, on Wednesday, 5th of August, proceeding promptly at 9 o'clock a. m.

"Candidates must be *bona fide* residents of the district, between seventeen and twenty-old, unmarried, at least five feet in height, free from any deformity, disease or infirmity may render them unfit for military service. They must be well versed in reading, including orthography; in arithmetic, have a knowledge of the elements of grammar, of descriptive geography (particularly of our own country,) and of the history of the United States."

By giving publicity to the above you will oblige,
Your obedient servant,
FRANK T

Correspondence Baltimore County Union COOPER AND HIS LYNCHING

JULY 14th
Messrs. Editors:—Cooper has gone to Towson place, sent there by the hands of men full of the law's delay, wished to make the so horrible violation of the law of man should meet with its just punishment, save his innocent victim from further the witness stand. There is a difference as to the propriety of the lynching, but be no difference of opinion on this point, men who would not see the laws set at naught should be careful law-keepers themselves are two kinds of assault—moral and physical for the former of which men meet with punishment here, except, perhaps, from the strict science. Each is equally offensive to the Originator of all law and order, who is judge of all men at last. Let men wait, therefore, that they take not weaker sex, of whatever station in life or bribe, that which they should prize as life itself. Let them take temperance, reverence for their motto and live up to it.
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—The *Baltimore Times* says land depreciating in value in England. It steadily on the decline and landlords, to tenants, have been forced to make large abatements. Recently an estate in North Wiltshire, years ago was valued at \$240,000, was \$100,000, and no takers.

—The *Hagerstown Daily News*, re the lynching of Cooper, very sensibly have no patience with the demagogical, sensational papers that pretend to criticize the men who dare to break down technical barriers in defense of the honor of their country. Let some of the Baltimore papers read and learn.

—A number of colored people of Hagerstown held a meeting at Bethel African M. E. Church Tuesday night last, and passed a series of resolutions denouncing the lynching of Howard Cooper at Towson. They declare that the lynching of colored men "is a stigma upon the fair Maryland."

—The Baltimore prohibitionists are making arrangements for the coming campaign will put up candidates for the Legislature perhaps the other offices, and will hold primaries some time in August. This Daniel's political-temperance scheme.