

FOR SALE, ABOUT 2,000 pieces Yellow and White long NANKENS, of an excellent quality. Also, country knit Stockings, by JAMES STERLING.

This is to give notice, THAT the subscriber intends to apply to the Judges of Frederick County Court, at their next session, to extend to him the benefits of an act passed by the Legislature of Maryland, at their November session 1865, for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Apples, Brandy, &c. 50 barrels APPLES, 5 pipes COGNAC BRANDY, 20 hds. N. E. RUM, 10 hds. MOLASSES, English GUN-POWDER, SUGAR, in barrels and hds. For sale by BRISCOE & PARTRIDGE.

POSTPONEMENT. Mr. DUGLAIRACQ'S BALL is postponed until TUESDAY, the 30th instant.

Mr Duclairacq RESPECTFULLY informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Baltimore that, in consequence of the large company who attended his first Ball and the smallness of the room, he has taken Mr. James Bryden's old Ball-Room for their better accommodation.

To the Public. THE Subscriber, who has been employed by several respectable characters of this city, for the purpose of arraying and closing accounts of Co-partnership, Adversities, &c. &c. &c. takes this method of offering his services to, and of informing the public that he has opened an Office for the purposes stated.

Accounts belonging to the estates of deceased or insolvent persons, dissolved co-partnerships, &c. fairly and accurately stated. Satisfaction references and proofs of the subscriber's ability to perform what he undertakes will be given, if required, to such gentlemen as may have occasion for his services and will favor him with employment.

New Ship-Chandlery & Paint Store, At the head of Smith's dock. JOHN STICKNEY RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public, he has recently received a general assortment of SHIP-CHANDLERY, and other articles, among which are the following, which he will sell on the lowest terms, to those who may favor him with their custom:

- Brass Companies, Wood ditto, Spy Glasses, Time ditto, Logs, Log-Lines and Reels, Dipsea Lines and Heads, Nails, of all sizes, Patent Brass Pump Boxes, Pump Chambers, Hand Pumps, Pump Tackles, Caulking Mallets, Sail Needles, Sailors' Palm-Irons, Sailors' Pits, Tinder Boxes, Cotton Wicks, Sewing Twine, White, Black, Blue, P.A., Yellow and Green, Boiled and Raw Linseed, Sp-rmace-ti, Lamp, Neat's-Foot, and Castor, Queen's-Ware, Dutch an Brown ditto, Cogniac Brandy, Holland G n, New-England Rum, Jamaica Spirits, and Groceries in General, Bright, Black, Copel & Japan VARNISHES. Spirit of Turpentine; Rosin, Tar and Turpentine.

A few barrels of Martinique first quality Green COFFEE, for sale by THOMAS BOYLE.

Sale by Auction. IN consequence of Thursday being Christmas day, the sale of DRY GOODS and GROCERIES at the venue warehouse at the corner of Second and Frederick-streets, will be postponed to FRIDAY, the 26th inst. at the usual hours of 10 and 12 o'clock.

Cloves and Hyson Skin Tea. Just received and for sale by the subscriber, 1000 lbs. fresh CLOVES, and 20 boxes HYSON SKIN TEA.

Confectionery, Distillery OF CORDIALS, & PASTRY-COOKERY. THE Subscriber begs leave to inform the public in general, that he continues the Pastry and Confectionary Business in all their various branches at his former stand, No. 48, Market-square, where he intends keeping an assortment of different sorts of Pies, Cakes, Cordials, &c. and respectfully solicits a share of their patronage which it shall always be his study to merit.

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An assortment of German & English TOYS, which cannot fail to please those parents who wish to gratify their children, as a greater variety of Toys never were collected.

Jacob Bare & Co. WILL continue the GROCERY BUSINESS heretofore carried on by Passmore and Bare.

They have on hand and offer for sale, A handsome assortment of GOODS in the above line, among which are, 150 barrels HERRINGS, 30 ditto SHAD, 140 ditto TAR, 20 chests Young Hyson Tea, 5 ditto Hyson, 5 ditto Hyson Skin, 10 boxes Cotton and Wool Cards, Powder and Shot, Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Cut and Wrought Nails, Flooring Brads, Spikes, Sad Irons, Frying-Pans, &c. &c. &c.

Raisins, Currants, Lemons, ALMONDS, &c. Just received and for sale by the subscribers, No. 64, MARKET-STREET. 50 kegs fresh Raisins, good quality, 200 boxes Bloom & Muscatel do do do, 50 do Lemons, 20 do Fig Blue, 200 do Mould Candles, for family use, from Hills and Sampsons & co's. manufactories, 50 boxes white Soap, 20 small casks real Zant Currants, 200 each, 50 barrels real soft shell Almonds, 20 do hard shell ditto, 15 pipes Holland Gin, 20 half chests and 40 small boxes Imperial and Young Hyson Teas, 500 wt. Bengal and Florent Indigo.

Fresh Fruit, &c. The subscribers have just received and offer for sale, at No. 133, Market-street, 100 boxes Muscatel and Bloom Raisins, 25 kegs Sun Raisins, 50 bales soft shelled Almonds, 20 jars fresh Malaga Grapes, 30 cases Olives, Capers and Anchovies, 25 ditto French Fruits, in brandy, 5000 lbs. Zante Currants, 50 boxes Sampson's best Mould Candles.

To Sportsmen. ON SATURDAY, the 27th instant, will be started at the Subscribers, seven miles from the city of Baltimore, on the York turnpike road, a fine old Red FOX, lately taken. Gentlemen may have an opportunity of seeing a good Hunt, as I have the promise of some of the first Dogs in Maryland. The Fox will be let loose free of any charge. Gentlemen, after enjoying the sport of the field, can be accommodated with good Entertainment, by SOLOMON SCHMUCK.

Fresh Malaga Raisins, GRAPES, &c. Just received for sale at No. 64, Market-street, 400 boxes Muscatel and Bloom Raisins, 100 jars Malaga Grapes, 200 boxes Rich Goshen Cheese, nicely colored.

Information Wanted. IF Mr. GEORGE HORTON, Brick-Layer, a native of the state of Rhode-Island, who removed to this city, about 3 or 4 years past, will call at the office of the American, he will hear of something to his advantage.

A Quarterly Meeting OF THE MARINE SOCIETY will be held at Pamphilon's Hotel, on FRIDAY, the 26th December, at 5 o'clock in the Evening. By order of the President. JOHN HAMILTON, Sec'y.

Union Bank of Maryland, 231 December, 1866. THURSDAY next being Christmas day, this bank will be shut. All notes or bills intended for discount on that day, must be left at the bank This Day the 23d, to be acted on by the board on Wednesday the 24th, on which day, all bills or notes falling due on Thursday, must be paid.

Mechanics' Bank of Baltimore, December 23, 1866. THIS Bank will be shut on Christmas day, the 25th inst. All bills and notes due on that day must be paid to-morrow.

Cheshire Cheese. FOR sale on board of the sloop Cynthia, at the head of Smith's dock, a quantity of first quality New England Cheshire CHEESE, made in the noted place which gave birth to the Mammoth Cheese.



NEW LINE, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE PACKETS for the accommodation of passengers and transportation of goods, by the way of the old Court House Point, on Elk River, New Castle, on the Delaware.

The public are respectfully informed, that on SUNDAY NEXT, the 14th instant, a new, convenient, and expeditious line of Packets and Stages, will commence running between the cities of Baltimore and Philadelphia, where passengers will be accommodated in a very superior style.

A Packet, with elegant accommodations will leave Bowly's wharf, Baltimore, at nine o'clock every day in the week, Saturday excepted, and with a favourable wind, will arrive at the Court House Point in five hours, at any rate in the course of the same day—where good stages, with careful and experienced drivers, are provided for the conveyance of passengers to New Castle. A packet will leave New Castle, for Philadelphia, immediately after the arrival of the passengers, which, with a favorable wind, will arrive in three hours and a half.

The subscribers think it almost unnecessary to make any comments on the advantages of this line, over every other yet established—they flatter themselves that their packets will be found superior in point of accommodations and sailing, to any others in the United States. The four packets in the Chesapeake Bay, are commanded by the four old captains, that formerly sailed the French-town Packets, viz. Tripp, Taylor, Ferguson and Owens, who are all interested; and those in the Delaware, are commanded by careful and experienced men.

It may not be amiss to inform those unacquainted with this route, that a packet left Philadelphia on Sunday last, and arrived at New Castle in three hours and twenty minutes; the passengers were conveyed from thence to the Court House Point in four hours, and had they been disposed to come on to Baltimore, they could easily have arrived there in five hours—making the passage through in twelve hours and twenty minutes. It is not to be expected that impossibilities can be performed, such passages can only be made when the wind is favourable.

All those having claims against THE estate of James Kane, late of Charles County, deceased, are once more requested to bring them in, with the proper vouchers thereof, on or before the 14th June next, they will otherwise be by law excluded from all benefit of said estate, as I am determined to close the administration at that period.

By Authority. AN ACT To suspend the operation of an act, intitled "An act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares and merchandise," and to remit the penalties incurred under the same.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the operation of the act, passed on the eighteenth day of April last, intitled "An act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares and merchandise," be, and the same hereby is suspended until the first day of July next.

On motion of Mr. J. Clay the petition of Hugh Maxwell and Wm. Lewis, heretofore presented, was referred, to Messrs. J. Clay, Jackson and Wadsworth.

On motion of Mr. J. Clay the House concurred in the resolution of the Senate for the appointment of a joint committee to superintend the expenditure of the money appropriated for the support of the library, and appointed Messrs. J. Clay, T. M. Randolph, and Dana a committee on their part.

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On motion of Mr. Bayle, the Committee on public lands were discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Wm. M. Cartwright, which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wickes, the memorial of N. Ledyard was referred to the committee on claims barred by the statutes of limitation.

On motion of Mr. Bidwell the consideration of the bill "to revive and make permanent an act to prescribe the mode of taking evidence in cases of contested elections for members of the House of Representatives of the U. S. and to compel the attendance of witnesses, and in addition to the same" was resumed in committee of the whole—Mr. Bassett in the chair.

On their provisions a debate of some length arose. Messrs. J. Clay, Elliot, Smith and Findley supported, and Messrs. Varnum, Bidwell and Sloan opposed the amendments.

By the former gentlemen it was observed that the provisions submitted were offered for the purpose of preserving sacred the right of election; that under the existing provisions of law, it was frequently necessary, in the case of a number of bad votes being given, either to count the returns, where there was great appearance of fraud, or to let and the decision altogether and order a new one.

On the other hand it was contended, that the right of ballot was fully considered, and that that whatever tended to impair it, ought to be refiled; that in this instance, although nominally the power given to the magistrate only applied to persons not legally qualified to vote, it virtually gave him the right of determining who were or were not so qualified.

After this discussion the committee, without coming to any decision, rose and asked leave to sit again, which was refused, and the bill recommitted to Messrs. Liddell, Bailey, Smith, of Penn. Smith, of Virginia, Pitkin, R. Nelson, and McFarland.

Mr. Crowninshield, from the committee of Commerce and Manufactures, made a report on the petitions ofundry inhabitants of Philadelphia and Baltimore, praying for a drawback of duties on refined sugar exported.

Resolved, That the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures be instructed to inquire into the expediency of erecting buoys and beacons on or near the rocks and shoals in the passages leading to Salem harbor in the state of Massachusetts.

Resolved, That the committee on the public lands be directed to enquire into the expediency of making further provision for the sale of the section reserved for the future disposition of Congress and that they report by bill or otherwise.

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