

Our Washington Letter.

From our regular correspondent Washington, Mar. 9 1888

The approaching Woman's International Council will be a notable gathering...

The council is held for the purpose of discussing the movement for the improvement of woman's position...

Much interest will be given to the proceedings by the presence of delegates from associations of women across the Atlantic...

Among the many candidates for the republican Presidential nomination in the Senate, Senator Sherman is the only one who seems to have engaged in active work to obtain votes...

The Ingalls-Blackburn episode in the Senate on Tuesday elicited considerable comment. The fight was not so long but furious while it lasted...

Mr. Ingalls started out with a reference to Mr. Vest's speech as concentrated and cogitated cynicism...

Mr. Ingalls spoke for about an hour. He made an attack upon Justice Lamar's appointment, denounced certain Senators as the jailors and murderers of Andersonville, Belle Isle, and Libby prison...

Senator Blackburn sprang to the President's defense in an impromptu burst of oratory that was of about the same length as Mr. Ingalls' prepared effort...

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In Peia, And To The Point. Dyspepsia is dreadful. Disordered liver is misery. Indigestion is a foe to good nature...

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Greasy food, through food, sloppy food, bad cookery, mental worry, late hours, irregular habits, and many other things which ought not to be, have made the American people a nation of dyspeptics...

Remember—No happiness without health and happiness to the dyspeptic. Ask your druggist for a bottle...

THE STORM OF THIS WEEK.

TREES AND FENCES BLOWN DOWN—STREAMERS STOPPED—WATER LEFT THE CREEKS AND RIVERS.

Sunday was a very disagreeable day and the night was worse. Sunday morning we had light spring showers until about 12 o'clock when it began to rain and continued until about 7 o'clock...

The steamer Emma A. Ford, did not come as advertised, on account of the ice. She has just been newly painted and her wheels thoroughly repaired...

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Men talk of it being hard times for the poor, and yet to-day a poor man can buy a locomotive for \$9000 which would have cost him \$30,000 ten years ago.

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LOCALS AND GENERAL NEWS.

CULLED FROM THE COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE.

Hard cider is often a compromise between two doubts.

If you want to know what a sliding scale is try to handle a wet fish.

Strawberries are in the city markets, and selling three boxes for a quarter—of a poor man's weekly income.

The day and night was equal yesterday, and now the days will get longer until June.

A snow train came down on the Queen Anne's road on Thursday and opened the way for the regular train.

To day is St. Patrick's day, to-morrow (Sunday) is Shells day, and spring begins on Monday, provided it comes on time and is not besided off by a blizzard.

It looks as if we would again return to the use of fractional currency. The committee on banking and currency, have reported a bill providing for the issue of \$30,000,000 of said currency to Congress.

The steamer Emma A. Ford, of the Chester river line, which has been laid up for repairs, will be put on the route to-day. Her and the B.S. Ford will run to and from Baltimore, on alternate days until the round trip schedule can be arranged.

The schooner Martin Kennedy, of Chestertown, owned by B. F. Fleming, Esq., dragged anchor out of Hail creek harbor on Sunday night, during the storm and is now ashore on My Lord's gift farm, on this side of Chester river.

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The Oyster.

The oyster is the earliest of all travelers, probably, for his travels begin before he is hatched. The egg or embryo from which the young oyster is developed is provided at first with a so called cilia or vibrating hairy projection...

This lively journey continues until the little oyster strikes a bed of similar oysters already formed, or else, if he is not fortunate enough to find companions, a rock or solid substance of some kind. There the oyster lingers, developing with the others it has found, or with those who come along afterward and find it, until it is full grown.

As every year a oyster lays from fifty to sixty thousand eggs in a season, it is not surprising that it seems almost impossible to exhaust the oyster-beds. Immense quantities are shipped from certain beds along the Atlantic coast throughout the year...

A singular characteristic of the oysters of Florida is that they are commonly found growing on trees—indeed, upon the branches of trees in the air, but upon the trunks and roots, which extend into the water along the creeks and inlets of the Florida coast.

When the tide falls the oysters, clinging to these trees, are left out of their proper element for hours at a time, but this does not interfere with their health, or with their multiplying almost beyond belief.

Corrected Weekly by W. DENNY Butter..... 20¢/25 Eggs..... 12¢/15 Feathers..... 11¢/15 Chickens, live..... 11¢/15 Irish Potatoes..... 75¢/100

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READ THIS.

We are bound to improve the News this year. We want to make it a family necessity and a doubly welcome visitor to every household in our county.

We cannot be everywhere at once therefore we need assistance. We want some lady or gentleman at Stevensville, Windstrolch Hill, Crumpton and Hope, to send us weekly the news items of their neighborhood.

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This sale will exceed any of our former sales, as our stock is much larger, choicer and more varied than ever before, and will be sold regardless of cost.

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CLOSING-OUT WINTER STOCK CHEAP.

We don't intend to carry over Winter Goods, but will close them out at greatly reduced prices.

In every Department the Goods are now and assortment complete without exception. Will be marked at Prices to enable us to close out all Winter Stock before March Inventory.

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Elliott & Co. BLACK NIGHT.

CENTREVILLE, MD. JAN. 1, '88. A Happy New Year to all, and may this be one of prosperity to our county and people.



We begin the year with determination to sell goods, and in order to do it we know it means correct prices and good Goods.

We have on hand a large stock of Ladies, Misses and childrens coats and New Markets, which were bought late in December and at very low prices, we marked them low and have had good sales on them.

We have now determined to close them out and in order to make a quick time will give a discount of 25 per cent. on each garment.

Our stock of Dress Goods is still to large and we will make the following discount on purely winter goods of 25 per cent., on medium goods 15 per cent., on Domestic stuff 10 per cent.

We have a few pair Mens leather boots to close below cost. We have a small line of Holiday Goods left at 25 per cent. discount.

We mean and intend to close out all unseasonable Goods and begin the cutting prices before the season is over, that persons needing such Goods can get the benefit of the cut prices at once.

We cordially invite you to come and see us and get our prices, that you may be convinced of what we are doing.

Our Terms are Cash. ELLIOTT & CO., "GLASS FRONT," OFF. ARLINGTON HOTEL, Silk Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Kid Gloves at Elliott.

FINANCIAL NOTICE.

All persons indebted to us on open account, are requested to call at our store and make prompt settlement. If you cannot pay the cash for the account due, we request your note with endorser. This notice applies to all owing us prior to January '88.

WILLIAM H. DENNY.

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