

Our Washington Letter.

From our regular correspondent Washington, April 13 1888

The Lower branch of Congress has been fast in the arms of the disgraceful deadlock to which everything has given way for the past few days.

And what is it all about? The Direct Tax bill. This is a bill to refund from the National Treasury the direct tax levied on the States in 1817.

The theory upon which the proposal to refund this tax is based, is that the uncollected tax still stands on the Treasury books as a debt, which must, in justice to all concerned, be collected, or else charged off by the repayment of the money which was collected.

It was surprising that the deadlock did not become insufferably monotonous to members of the House. Half of the time was spent in calling the roll on motions to adjourn and to take a recess, and the other half was spent in absolute idleness by the members.

This was the subject of a little burst of indignation on the part of Representative Taylor, of Ohio, the man who, succeeded Gen. Garfield, in Congress. He protested against the manner in which the House had treated the offense of absenteeism, by making light of it, in indulging in jokes and becoming frivolous when members were brought before the bar on that charge.

While the House is thus engaged the Senate has been discussing the questions of allowing aliens to own lands in the Territories of the United States and the admission of Dakota as one State, or of dividing the Territory and admitting the two halves as two States.

One of the prospective possibilities for the Chief Justiceship of the United States is Judge Scholfield, who has been for fifteen years on the Supreme bench of Illinois. Another who is mentioned as being under favorable consideration by the President is Mr. Samuel Wilson, a lawyer and a democrat of San Francisco.

Mr. Editor:—Dear Sir—We the citizens and townsmen of Kent Island, see in the Centreville Record of April 7 and 14th, that J. Fill Legg is being largely endorsed by the townsmen of the Island as commander of the State schooner Frolic assigned to the waters of Eastern Bay.

The county commissioners on Saturday appointed the following tax collectors for the coming fiscal year: First District—Samuel C. Benton vice, W. J. Sill.

LOCALS AND GENERAL NEWS.

CULED FROM THE COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling, a leading politician and statesman New York, died at his residence early Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Belva Lockwood lectured in Centreville, Wednesday night. Several of our townsmen went to the lecture and were very much pleased.

Mr. Chas. F. Davidson, son of Commissioner George Davidson, graduated at the University of Maryland on Tuesday, and is now entitled to write M. D. after his name.

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We will note the facts as far back as two weeks being unable to send in our weekly report.

Conference is over and although few changes have been made yet, it has caused some anxiety to know whom it might be Wm. P. Church loses its faithful and most highly esteemed pastor Rev. S. J. Smith.

Miss Alice Starr has been quite ill with malaria fever. Her physician Dr. Hopkins thinks her improving.

Mr. John Ros has returned home with his bride from Philadelphia.

The Mite Society of Wye Neck met last Thursday 12th at Mr. James Dodd's. Twenty one members present and a delighful time spent.

LARGE FIRE AT MASSEY'S.

NINE DWELLINGS, THREE STORES, A HOTEL AND SEVERAL SMALL BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

A despatch from Massey's to the Baltimore Sun gives the following account of the destruction of that village by fire on Thursday last:

This town was nearly destroyed by fire this morning. At about 12 o'clock an old building, used as a stable and stored full of dry fodder, was noticed to be on fire.

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There is talk of building a town hall here, as the halls now used for public entertainments are not large enough or suitable for the purposes.

Nothing very important has transpired in our vicinity during the week just past. Farmers are busy plowing. Wheat is looking well. We notice the peach trees are beginning to bloom and nature is beginning to beautify our land.

Mr. Vantulberg and family left on Tuesday for St. Mary's county, on schooner Annie Gale Capt. Benjamin Watts, W. E. Temple, Jr., and Dr. J. Hurlock went along for a pleasure trip.

Mr. Thomas Wallis came near having a serious accident on Tuesday, he was hauling a load of long fodder into town, when coming down the hill just out of town, some of the harness broke and he could not manage the horse.

Having put my "Sallie Harris" mill in thorough repair, it is now ready to do all kinds of grinding in the best possible manner.

Give Them A Chance!

That is to say, your lungs. Also all your breathing machinery. Very wonderful machinery it is.

Call it cold, cough, croup, pneumonia, catarrh consumption or any of the family of throat and nose and lung obstructions, all are bad. All ought to be got rid of.

I have a two-story house situated on Queenstown river in the village of Queenstown, within fifteen feet of 7 feet of water.

This is to give notice that petition has been filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County, addressed to Hon. John M. Robinson, Chief Judge of said Court, by William D. Troy and R. Kyle Colley, copartners, trading as Troy & Colley, accompanied with certificate of twenty-four freeholders of the Third Election District of Queen Anne's County, praying that a PHARMACIST and DRUGGIST LICENSE, under the Act of 1882, Chapter 40, be issued to them.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned examiners appointed by the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County to examine and report upon the property of opening a new road commencing at or near the terminus of the Bridgetown public road, extending from Ingleside to Roseville, and passing the lands of Joseph E. Wilson, Mrs. C. A. Charles Reese, David Rose and Charles H. H. Merrick, intersecting the road leading from Ingleside to Tilghman's Station, at or near the division line of C. H. R. Hink and T. D. Merrick or through the farm of David Rochester to the land of C. H. R. Merrick and the land of C. H. R. Hink, on the 17th day of April, 1888.

We, your petitioners, believing that the public convenience demands better facilities and shorter routes than they now have to steamboat landings, and whereas a landing on the shores of Kent Island, on Kent Island, on Chesapeake Bay, would place more than one-half of the population of Kent Island at least three miles nearer to steamboat communication with Baltimore, as well as placing nearly all of the remaining portion much nearer than at present; therefore we, your petitioners, citizens and freeholders of the Fourth Election District of said County, respectfully ask your honorable body to appoint examiners to pass upon the propriety of opening a public road from the land of Jas. D. Carrillo, on Chesapeake Bay, the said road to follow the old road formerly used as a public road through the land of T. A. Tolson and others till it intersects the land of said Jas. D. Carrillo, and thence till it reaches the said shore on Chesapeake Bay; also to open and straighten the road starting from the colored M. W. Church above Stevenson to the intersection of the road contemplated in this petition, at the corner of the Neck to the said shore of Jas. D. Carrillo, and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

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SHERIFF'S License Notice.

NOTICE TO MERCHANTS, TRADERS AND OTHERS.

All persons and Bodies Corporate or Politic in Queen Anne's county, who are or shall be exercising or pursuing any business, or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be the occupation of any house or place for and purpose for which a License is made necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to obtain a license, or renew the same, on or before the

The amount to be paid by traders for license—the amount of stock at the principal season of sale to be given under oath—is as follows: If the applicant's stock in trade does not exceed \$1,000 \$12.50

Persons vending Millinery and other small articles, whose stock is not over \$500, to pay a license of \$5.00; but if over that amount they are required to pay the same license as other persons—each to be made as to the amount of stock at the principal season of the year. No others but Milliners can procure this license.

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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 new and assortment complete without exception.

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. We carry no Goods that price will sell, from season to season.

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. We expect a strict compliance.

WILLIAM H. DENNY.

Queenstown, - - - - - Maryland.

Great Clearing-Out Sale

—OF ALL— WINTER GOODS AT COST.

As we have some winter Goods on hand, such as

Ready Made Clothing, OVERCOATS, BOOTS, SHOES,

and a full line of Dress Goods, Shawls, Underwear, Jerseys and Flannels, these goods must all go, as we want space for our new Spring Goods, so all buyers who are in need of cheap Goods will find it profitable to come at once to our place and get a rare bargain. Our stock of General Merchandise is complete and all must go at cost.

In fact everything at way down prices. Everybody invited. Yours Respectfully,

JOSEPH S. MORRIS.

WINCHESTER, MARYLAND.

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING.



Persons breeding to my Black Night Stallion, this season, will be expected to send as much as one barrel of corn or 300 lbs. of good blades for his services each mare.

FOR RENT FOR 1888.

I have for rent a four room dwelling house and about 10 acres of land, situated on Greenwood's creek. The property is now vacant and the party renting for the year 1888, can have possession at once. For terms apply to J. M. AKER, Agent, Queenstown Md.