ARGUMENT FRIDAY.

MONEY COLLECTED ON THE NAMES TAX COLLECTORS.

Collector Wm. Davis' Evidence-Testimony Adduced to Show a System by Defense's Attacks upon Davis' Testi-

The case of State vs. John A. Denton for embezzlement, came up in the Criminal Court of Baltimore Wednesday. As itable cause celebre, it is natural that there should have been many Howard county people present, as there were. The case is No. 1151 on the docket of the court. The jury are Robert M. Taylor, John W. Clark, John F. Keller, William E. Black, Edward I. Grim, Jas. E. Mister, William T. Green, William T. Sagle, Henry Bregel, Charles F.

Thomas, Robert Toner, Daniel Parker. Wootton, Reuben D. Johnson, E. A. W. Forsyth, Everhard Hartke, George W. Smith, Caleb F. Cross, W. F. Brown, besides a number of Baltimore bank officials.

The traverser took his place in the dock and the indictment for embezzling \$183.80 on the 15th of September, 1889, was read and the plea of not guilty

Judge Wright was on the bench and the State was represented by State's Attor-Joseph D. McGuire, and county, Deputy State's Attorney, Wm. F. Campbell of Baltimore City, State's Attorney Charles G. Kerr being kept out of court by a death in his family. Counsel for the defense were Messrs. Edgar H. Gans, of Baltimore, Charles K. Dorsey and Senator John G. Rogers, of C. Bond, of Westminster.

Mr. McGuire made the opening statement for the prosecution after the jury had been sworn. He explained the machinery of the county commissioners'

up to the present time. Taking up the charge of embezzlement of \$183.80, on or before September 15, 1889, he took the ground that the prisoner had neither authority to receive for taxes money due the County Commissioners of Howard county, and not even was he authorized by the collector, Wm. Davis, Jr., for whom he receipted in the transaction in question, to do so The receipt given by Denton in 1889 to Wm. Davis per J to the county commissioners." This had been but one of many transactions, part of a systematic plan, and after Denton's removal as clerk to the board, in November of 1890, he had gone before the board and refunded \$268.89 of money thus wrongfully obtained. The defense reserved its

The State then put Mr. Wm. J. Robinson, present clerk to the commissioners, on the stand. He stated that after making the annual levy in each year tax collectors were charged on their respecthem for county and State taxes respect ively and that these were paid by the collectors in checks, cash and vouchers a receipt for money paid over by Den-

Mr. Gans for the defense objected on the ground that it did not appear that direct bearing upon alleged embezzle-The money referred to was the sum of

\$268.89 paid to the commissioners, as stated in Mr. McGuire's opening address, of Ellicott City. in February in 1891. The court temporarily sustained the objection and Mr. Robinson stepped

It was -ought by the State to submit brought on one of the main argument upon the technicalities of the case. Mrs Gans promptly objected to the bill's ad. mission, holding that as the traverserwas indicted for embezzling money belonging to the county commissioners of Howard county, the receipt in question could have no bearing upon the case as it was for money which belonged for

the time being to the collecter. "The collector," continued Mr. Gans. "is accountable under the law at intervals of six months to the county commissioners as an independent public officer. The money said to have been received by Denton on this particular bili was not for and on account of the county commissioners,' as set forth in the indictment, but on account of the collector. The collector is not the agent or servant of the county commissioners, but stands independently between the commissioners and the taxpayer, and the money for the time being technically belongs to the tax collector, who is under bond to account for it at times specified by law, but who in

the meantime may place it in bank to his private account. Mr. Gans read the Howard county local law providing for semi-annual payments by the collectors, and continued: "If Davis had not paid over the money he had collected at the times provided by law, he would have been liable to indictment under section 80 of article 27 of the Maryland code, just as Archer was for failing to pay over money in his keeping and for which he

was liable to account. Mr. Campbell replied and urged tha Denton had gotten the money path by virtue of his occupation and that ren dered him liable according to the law'

The court here interrupted the State and said: "The proof does not seem to correspond with the indictment. If the collectors are the only persons to collect taxes, the county commissioners have not even a qualified right. If any author | the late clerk were for the collectors ity of law for the clerk can be shown, then the case is different. I am always very reluctant to see a case like the present stopped on a technica point. When I can see any loophole of escape when technicalities arise, I will 1889, and the State's main witness as to

must be complied with." A point made early in the argument by both Messrs. McGuire and Campbell for the State was that it was the duty ters' Bank no entry had been made by the clerk in Collector Davis' book, that it could not therefore have been the collector's property, but was the property books. of the commissioners, and Mr. McGnire Mr. McGnire-"Did Denton ever re- \$143.28 had been endorsed by Brown on \$ further argued that it made no differ- ceive taxes due you on property entered the representation by Denton that it be- profit in new advertisements.

JOHN A. DENTON ON TRIAL ence whether the money collected was in your books?" it was received in the name of the county commissioners, Denton was responsible. Judge Wright:-"It does seem to me that the money would remain the property of the county because by failure to put the taxable basis on the collector's him that he had authority to collect."

book, the collector had no notice given Mr. Gans .- "I can understand how you could indict the clerk for forgery if he used Davis' name without warrant, or for false personation, or malfeasance in office, but I can't see that because Denton neglected his duty in making out the collectors' books the title of the collectors to the tax s due is changed." Judge Wright .- "The county commis

sioners as a corporation can make rules Covering a Period of Several Years—The governing the manner of collecting was also exhibited. Mr. Davis stated F. Rappanier and J.F. Melvin as to to collect a certain character of taxes cies of taxes to themselves. Therefore the title of the collectors to money is in regard to that which they are authorized by the commissioners to collect. If it is in respect to Howard county a ver- Davis was not authorized to collect the money in question, the title to it was not in him, and must have been in the commissioners "

Senator Rogers .- "Then the ruling o the court is on the ground of failure to apprise Davis of his authority to collect he money in question?"

Judge Wright .- "Yes." Ex-Judge Bond then argued that the statutes governed the question of tax collection and under the law it was impossible to transfer the power of collecting The following witnesses were called taxes from the collectors to the commis for the State: William Davis, John T. sioners. Judge Wright did not however, Cauthorn, Robert L. Whipps, Henry E. recede from his position and said further: "When the time provided by law Culver, Edmund Dorsey, B. C. Sunder-lapsed, even granting that in the meanland, B. F. Hess, Wm. J. Robinson, John time this money was the property of the collector, it became then the property of the commissioners.'

> examination continued. Upon cross-examination Mr. Gans asked: "How long had Denton been personally collecting the taxes due from your bank."

Mr. Wilcox was then recalled and hi

Witness.-"Since 1887." The witness further stated that in the time indicated he had known no one in the transactions but Denton and that in each instance he had taken re-Mr. Reuben D. Johnson, of Howard ceipts from Denton as acting for the collectors. Receipted bills for 1887, 1888 and 1889 were exhibited signed by Denton for collectors in the years named.

Ciarence R. Evans, of the National Union Bank and Charles T. Crane, of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, of Howard county and Ex-Judge James A. Baltimore, gave testimony as to similar transactions during the years named and receipted bills against the Drovers' and Mechanics', the People's and National Marine, signed by collectors "per John A. Denton" were exhibited. The office and gave a brief history of the case | State's purpose in presenting this testimony was to show the system, which it was alleged, had been employed In several instances where payment of

bills had been made by checks, the latter were endorsed by collectors and also by the traverser. Some of the bills had been At 5 P. M. court adjourned to 1 o'clock the following morning. Thursday morning Mr. B. C. Sunder-

land, late president of the board of the Farmers' and Planters' Bank for the Howard county commissioners was call- I would get credit for collecting, al was followed by Mr. Gans who said that ver the signature of ed to the stand and testified as to taxes though the articles were not on my the transactions of 1890 and the greater received from various banks through books. I would endorse the checks and bulk of testimony adduced by the State sum specified was over the signature of ed to the stand and testified as to taxes the collectors in 1888. In that year he stated stocks were charged on the books of Collectors Robert L. Whipps and John T. Cauthorn, but none on the book of Collector William Davis, Stocks on Whipps' books amounted to \$60,908.-00, on Cauthorn's \$58,496,92. Upon questions by the State it was elicited that taxable stocks of a number of banks had not been placed upon the

book of any collector. These banks were the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, the Drovers' and Mechanics' Bank, the People's Bank, all of Baltimore; the tive books with the gross sums due from | Farmers' National Bank, of Annapolis; the Franklin Bank and the National Marine Bank, of Baltimore; and upon cross examination by Mr. Gans the same Mr. McGuire then asked: "Have you was stated true of other corporations, as follows: the Western Union Telegraph ton to the county commissioners in Company, the Firemen's Insurance Company, the North Baltimore Passenger Railroad Company, the Gary Manufacturing Company, the Merchants' the payment of money in 1891 had any National Bank, the Commercial Farmers' Bank, the Mercantile Trust and

Deposit Company, the South Baltimore Car Works, the Howard Bank, of Baltimore, and the Patapsco National Bank, Mr. Sunderland's testimony further

was that by usage of the board it was the clerk's duty to charge the stocks upon which taxes were due on the books of Mr. Wm. L. Wilcox, paying teller of the collectors apportioning them at his the Farmers' and Planter's Bank of Bal- discretion giving collectors of the sectimore, was next called and produced a ond and third collection districts the Howard county bill of 1889 for taxes on | bulk to even up the differences between stock of the bank, held by tax-payers of the taxable basis in each of those dis-Howard county and payable to the tricts and the first collection district county authorties. This bill was for comprising the first and second election \$195,53, less \$11.73 discount for prompt districts. The clerk to the board was payment, or \$183,80 net. The bill was not authorized to receipt for the comreceipted July 3, 1889 by "Wm, Davis, missioners and the witness had done so per John A. Denton, clerk to county without witness' knowledge. The State Tax Commissioner furnished the commissioners the lists of stocks taxable in this receipted bill as evidence and this the county, and the State offered the lists of 1887, 1888 and 1889 in the evi-

dence. On cross examination by Mr. Gans witness stated that while othe commissioners may have personally collected taxes, he never did so unless in the presence of the board and then the amounts collected were charged to the proper collectors. Witness did not supervise making out the colectors' books,

but that was left to the clerk. Mr. Gans:-"Was Denton the whole board? What did the board do?" Witness-"It met, passed bills, provided for the county's needs, and signed the

Mr. Gans-"Did you know that Denton had collected money for the collectors?" Witness-"Yes."

Mr. Gans-"How long had he been in the habit of doing this?" Witness-"I don't know. It was altogether a matter between Denton and the collectors. Mr. Gans-"Did Denton ever collect

money for taxes by authority of his of-Witness-"No. He acted for the collectors." Mr. Gans-"Were the duties of the clerk defined by any resolution of the

board?" Witness-"It was neverdone." Mr. Gans-"When and how was the apportionment of stocks on the collecor's books made?" Witness-"It was ordered to be done

while the board was it session." Mr. Gans-"Did you examine the books to see that the instructions were proper ly carried out?" Witness--"There was no opportunity business. He said it was, but thought it of doing this except by comparing the was all right." collectors' books and checking off the

Messrs, Edmund Dorsey, William H Forsythe and Wm. I. Harding, former county commissioners, testified to the Davis and had taken them. effect that whatever collections made by

· President Benjamin F. Hess, of the present board testified to the same effect The next witness was Mr. Wm. Davis Jr., tax collector for the years 1888 and go as far as any one, but there are cor | the embezzlement by Denton as alleged tain rules of criminal pleading that in the indictment, on July 3, 1889, of had been on his books, and none of \$183.80, taxes due from the Na- the money had been received by him. tional Farmers' and Planters' Bank. of Baltimore. The witness stated that C. F. Cross and W. F. Brown, ex collectis tax books, for the years he had tors also were placed on the stand. of the clerk in making out the books of served as collector, had been made out the collectors to apportion the stocks by Denton for which he had paid \$20, bil's for 1890 which had been receipted at will among them, but that in the case the customery fee. That in 1888 and "W. F. Brown per John A. Denton, of the stocks of the Farmers' and Plan- 1889 no stocks had been entered upon clerk", had never been paid to him his books and he had not authorized (Brown), and that Denton had never

Witness-"He did." Mr. McGuire-"llow long was in the habit of doing this?" Witness-"Ever since I went into of-

of settling?" Witness-"He would say he money for me and from whom. would pay me and I would mark it off." Mr. McGuire then showed the witness a Howard county tax bill against the National Farmers' and Planters' Bank, of Baltimore, for \$183.80, net, taxes for 1889 and receipted July 3, 1889 with the signature "Wm. Davis per John A.

Mr. McGuire-"What was your custom

Denton, clerk." and which was cashed by the same bank taxes and may authorize the collectors that payment had never been made to way for taxes of 1889 and paid prior to September 1889, as shown by checks and: vouchers, by corporations as follows Farmers' and Merchants Bank of Baltimore, \$57.16; Adams Express Company, \$28.47; Drovers' and Mechanics' National Bank, of Baltimore, \$18 40; People's Bank of Baltimore, \$8.09; Franklin Bank of Baltimore, \$14.82; National Union Bank of Maryland, \$109.72; National Marine

Bank, \$13.64. On cross examination witness said that no bank or corporation stock was placed on his books in 1888 and 1889. Mr. Gans-"Did you collect taxes on any stock for those years?"

Witness-"Yes." Mr Gans-"Well, if you had no stock entered on your book, why and by what authority did you make such col lections?'

Witness-"I was told by Denton to do Mr. Gans-"Did Denton furnish you a list of the stocks on which you were to collect taxes?

Witness-"He may have given me a emporary list. At any rate he told me shout what stocks to collect." Mr. Gans-"Has your tax book for 1888 any leaves torn out:

Witness-"No sir there are no leaves torn out of my book." Mr Gans then took up the book and pointing to where a leaf was missing, said: "Isn't there one cut out?" Witness-Yes, but it's in the back part

where I entered assessments of new Upon count the book was shown to contain seventy pages, and comparison was made with the book for the same year of collector Robert L. Whipps,

which contained 72 pages without the blanks pages.

Mr Gans,—"Is there not in Whipps' book for 1888 opposite an entry of taxable stocks of the Maryland Brick Com pany an entry: transferred to Davis'. made by Denton in the presence of

yourself and Whipps?" Witness-"No sir. Mr. Gans then exhibited on Whipps' book opposite the entry of taxable stocks of the Maryland Brick Company, a marginal note, "transferred to Davis."

ed in your book ?" i went by Denton altogether. He said it moneys he had collected for the collectwas all right. I would receipt the bills ors. and turn them over to him thinking that Senator Rogers concluded at 12 10 and pay the proceeds to Denton because he wanted money and not checks."

Mr. Gans-"Were you not, as collector, in the habit of buying scrip?" Witness-"If I did, I paid dollar for dollar. I never speculated on the coun Mr. Gans-"Could you buy it at a

discount?" Witness-"Yes. But I didn't." Mr. Gans .- "How much taxes did you collect on stocks in 1889?" Witness-"I don't know."

Mr. Gans-"Then how do you know that these payments, which you deny, were not made to you? Witness-"Because the signatures are

not mine I kept no record of collections of taxes on stocks paid to Denton, but supposed I would get credit for them. Mr. Gans-"Why did you have no

stocks on your books?" Witness-"I don't know." Mr. Gans-Did you not have an arrangement with Denton to leave stocks off of your books so that the other collectors would not know how much commissions you were making?"

Witness-"No." Mr. Gans-Didn't you know that Whipps and Cauthorn had stocks on their books?

Witness-"No " Mr. Gans then read returns of the collectors in September of 1889 to show that while Whipps and Cauthorn together returned only \$8,536.19 in serip, Davis had returned \$295.66 more than both together and asked witness to explain. The latter said he could not do it except on the ground that he thought it his duty to take up scrip

wherever he found it. Mr. Gans then referred to the county records to show that Mr. Davis had paid in for 1889 about \$1,000 more than was shown by his book and asked how he explained that showing. Witness replied that he had gone altogether by Denton and had perhaps turned in his

(witness') own money. Upon further examination by the State it was shown that the detached leaf from Mr. Davis' book was eighteen blank pages beyond the entries of any property. Witness in reply to a question said that he had never retained any of the corporation taxes collected by himself, but had turned all over to Denton, and that many of the bills which witness collected were not presented by witness, but had been sent by mail and Denton had told him from time

5 time what banks or companies to call Ex-Tax Collector Robert Lee Whipps who was put on the stand by the State on cross examination by Mr. Gans for the defense said: "Davis' book for 1888 had stock entered on it. I had spoken to Denton about some stock of the Mary land Brick Company which was on my book. He said it was on Davis' book and marked opposite the entry on my book, 'transferred to Davis',' and I saw

it marked paid on Davis' book.' Continuing the witness said that when the question of Denton's wrong-doing first arose, Mr. Sunderland in company with Mr. Davis visited witness one Sunday evening. "Mr. Sunderland asked to see my books for '88 and '89, and took a copy of stocks therein on blank leaves torn from one of the books. Davis asked me if I had collected taxes on any stocks not on my books. I said I hadn't and asked if he had. He sail ves. asked him if that wasn't a loose way to do

Witness further said that checks had ome to him for corporation taxes no on his books, and when he asked Denton about them he said they belonged to

Receipts for tax bills for 1838 against Baltimore banks, signed "R. L. Whiops, or John A Denton clerk," were ther exhibited as follows: Farmers and 'Merchants' National, \$59.69; Drovers and Mechanics', \$19.41; People's, \$9.12; Franklin, \$26.47; Marine, \$13.59 National Union of Maryland, \$113.95. Witness said that none of these banks John T. Cauthorn, George W. Smith, C. F. Cross and W. F. Brown, ex collec-Mr Brown swore that a number of Denton or any one else to receipt for been authorized to receipt for any thing taxes on any stocks not entered on his not on Brown's book. A check given in payment of one of these bills for

ANOTHER STEP FORWARD.

of last week accepted the

give the service within four months, and

about \$5,000, with a view to giving a

Testing the Carroll Liquor Law.

Application was made before Judge

Roberts at Westminster Tuesday to

open a test case under the new liquor

law of Carroll county. The case was

under the new law, presenting the sig-

natures of nine property-owners, and

A Student at Rock Hill.

a short illness. He was a student at

Rock Hill College, and was a general

favorite among his associates and pre

were held at St. Mark's Catholic Church,

attended the funeral were Revs. Bro.

Dennis, president, and Bro. Luke, vice-

president of Rock Hill College. Inter-

ment took place at Bonnie Brae Ceme

tery. Mr. and Mrs. Muth have the sym

pathy of their many friends in their be

Items from Florence.

over sixty dollars, were realized.

FLORENCE, June 7-The strawberry

A storm on Sunday accompanied by

hail, visited this section and destroyed

a number of full grown fruit trees on

the farm occupied by Mr. Chas. Mc

Donald, also the place of Mr. Joshua N

Warfield was visited with similar result

Dogs got among Mr. Walter Black's

sheep Friday night last and killed two

and crippled two others. Mr. Black dis-

covered the presence of the dogs and

TOWN AND COUNTY.

In spite of the inclemency of the

of the weather the second Wed-

nesday tes proved a success. It

was given by Mrs. James E. Tyson

T. B. Owings, Miss Minnie Owings,

Mrs. Henry E Wootton, Mrs. T. W. Wy

Capt. and Mrs. E. P. Dennis, Mrs. Cum

berland Dugan, Mrs. White, Mrs. Gas

ton Manly, Miss Virgie Herbert, Mr

J. H. Herbert, Miss Herbert, Miss Nan-

the Messrs. Dennis. The next tea

At Washington, D. C., on June 1st

Miss Maggie L. Ridgely, a popular young

lady of Howard county, Md., was mar-

performed the ceremony. The bride was

attired in a handsome steel silk, with hat

and gloves to match. Miss Flora Oliver

of Baltimore, accompained the brida

ley, of Alpha, Howard county, and the

groom a son of Mr. Alex. J. Hubbard

the well known manufacturing jewele

Children's Day will be observed to

morrow (Sunday), in the Emory, M. E

will be rendered both morning an even

A. M. and 74 P. M.

somewhat improved.

of the church.

Brooks, Frank Chew, George H. Callon Monday given by Mr. R. B. Bond.

brill, Edward D. Johnson, J. Enos Ray, from Washington and Simpsenville

ing. Exercises to commence at 11 o'clock

The Lutheran choir and Sabbatl

school, of Ellicott City, will give a musi

cal and literary entertainment on Mon-

day, June 13th, at 7.30 P. M., in the body

The shooting match at Jessup's o

was quite a success, but the marksmen

The ladies of Bethany M. E. Church

will hold their annual strawberry and

ice cream festival on Saturday, June 18.

beginning at 2 o'clock in the after-

noon. The public is cordially invited.

The Baltimore and Ohio has secured

Muskingum Railroad of Ohio. The

The friends of Mr. Z. M. Isaac, who

The district meeting of Good Templars

met Tuesday at Lishon, and delegates

from all the lodges were present. A

Mr. James Cartwright Monday exhib

ied a head of lettuce whose propor

tions defied the narrow limits of a peck

Miss M. G. Rawlings, of Falls Church.

Va., has returned to the Lancaster,

Mass., Seminary for the summer session.

A new portoffice has been established

at High Ridge, a subarb directly North

Prices for grain here on Thursday

were quoted as follows: Wheat, Fultz.

90-92; German, 91--93; white corn, 54-

Monday was Confederate Memorial

The merits of Hood's Sarsaparilla is not

accidental but is the result of careful

study and experience by educated phar-

Half Fare to Chicago.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad an-

lounces the sale of round trip tickets

public meeting was held at night.

of Laurel, in Howard county.

Day and was generally observed.

macists.

THE TIMES office.

were conspicuous by their absence.

might have been done.

on the 15th inst.

general private service.

Thursday.

reavement.

will put in works at an expense of

longed to Collector C. F. Cross. Witness was worried about the transaction and brought it with others to the attention The Council and Mr. Schreiber Agree on of the commissioners and it had resulted Water Works. in Denton's paying over to the commis-The city council Friday night sioners in February, 1891, through his

counsel, Messrs. Charles K. Dorsey and position of Mr. Joseph Schreiber Sebastian Brown. **\$**268 to supply Ellicott City with water. Mr. Gans-"Mr. Brown, Mr. Denton is charged with embezzling \$183 80 some The service will consist of fourtime before September of 1889. Do you teen fire plugs on the Howard county know anything about it?" side of the Patapsco. The price to Witness-"Nothing in the worlds,ir." be paid is \$300 per annum. Additional This closed the testimony for the plugs will be furnished without charge other than the actual cost of putting them in. Mr. Schreiber guarantees to

The defense offered the testimony o Messrs, John R. Dorsey, Isaac Scaggs, Stephen R. Hobbs, H. Clay Simpson, The check with which bill was paid George Howard, Joseph Smallwood, Wiltiam A Smallwood, Edmund Dorsey, C. Mr. Denton's good character prior to Witness said he had likewise never the presentation of the present charges and reserve the collection of other spe- received the amounts paid in the same against him. This ended the case for the defense. Court then adjourned to Friday morn ing at 10 o'clock, when argument began.

> of the court Friday morning, and argument is in progress at the press hour of THE TIMES (Friday 2 P. M.) with the prospect of continuing all day. Mr. Campbell concluded his remark at 11.20 o'clock and was followed by Judge Bond for the defense, who argued that the amount alleged to have been embezzled by Denton had been, as shown by the receipted tax bill, not received on account of the county com-

Mr. Campbell opened the argument

for the State promptly upon the opening

missioners, as set forth in the indictment, but on account of William Davis, collector. Mr. McGuire in his opening argument had stated that William Davis had not been furnished with lists of stock on which taxes were due, but the testimony law was passed it did not apply to Freeof Davis showed that Denton had furnished him lists. There was no evidence that the sum said to have been embezzled had not been turned into the treasury of Howard county. Continuing Judge Bond said: "I don't believe Howard county has lost a cent. I believe that there was an arrangement between Mr. Denton and Mr. Davis whereby stocks were to be kept off of Davis' books to enure to the latter's

benefit, but this is the extent of the of-

fending." Judge Bond concluded at 11.45 and was followed by Senator Rogers for the lefense. Mr. Rogers urged the point of Davis' notification of authority possessed by him to collect the money claim ed to have been embezzled, citing Mr. Davis' testimony to this effect and his statement further that he had destroyed the lists furnished him by Denton. Continuing the Senator animadverted severely upon the past methods of conducting business in the county commis sioners' office, and said that the evidence of Davis had gone to show that he had violated his oath of office as tax collector in various particulars and everything showed that his testimony was not cred ible. Davis had testified that there had been no stocks entered on his books, but Whipps had sworn to having seen them Mr. Gans-"Why did you collect taxes on Davis' book. Denton had been turn on stocks in 1888 which were not enter- ed out coffice without warning but instead of hiding had come forward and Witness-"That's easily answered. I paid the county commissioners what

> which he was indicted. He was not on trial for his entire official career, but solely for embezzling the one sum named in the indictment, \$183 80.

Lost Money Restored, Chief of Police Vansant, in crossing the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks near the Ell.cott City depot about ten o'clock Tuesday morning saw a small tobacco sack lying between the tracks He kicked it, and, hearing something drove them off else additional damage jingle, picked it up. On examination he found that the sack contained \$164 in gold coin. There was nothing to give a clue to the owner. On the arrivil of the 11.40 o'clock train from Baltimore it was found that the money belonged to Miss Lizzie Linthicum, the sister of Mr. Charles G. Linthicum, of Among those present were: Mrs. Dr.

Howard county, who had lost it on her way to Baltimore. The School Commissioners' Law. Attorney-General Poe is said to hold the opinion that the recent act of the Legislature providing for the appointment of county school commissioners by the Governor is unconstitutional in so far as it fixes their terms at more than two years. If is said, however, that Mr. Poe thinks the Governor might appoint the commissioners without designating how long they shall serve. This follows from the usual rule that if a law be partly constitutional effect shall be given to ried to Mr. William W. Hubbard, of the constitutional part. The Governor Baltimore, Presiding elder H. R. Naylor, could, therefore, appoint commissi mers who are to hold office for at least two years, and the next Legislature may fix

the tenure of terms to make the law constitutional. College Commencements. The thirty-fifth annual commence ment of Rock Hill College will take place at the Academy June 29, at 2.15 and diamond importer. o'clock. The subjects of orators will be "Isabella of Castile," by Guy W. Steele; "Cardinal Manning," by Richard R Davis; "Four Centuries of Progress," by

Elmer M. Harn and the valedictory-"Christopher Columbus," by William E. Talbott. The valedictory address will be made by William P. Ryan, A. M class of '75. The commencement of the Maryland Agricultural College will take place June 15 at 2 P. M. The graduating class are Messrs, Frederick W. Besley, Jack D.

Orphans' Court.

The following business was transact ed in the Orphans' Court in session on Tuesday last:

vert, Jr., Nathan Childs, Stephen Gam-

Letters of administration granted John W. Bell, on the estate of Mary A. control of the Cleveland, Wooster and Rickard; Mary E. Reynolds was appointed guardian to Wm. J. Rowles, in- road is 20 miles long, and is a valuable fant son of Charles Rowles, deceased; feeder to the Baltimore and Ohio. The first and final account of Joshua N. Warfield, executor of Rachel G Mere- has been ill at his home in Ellicott City, dith, deceased, showing payments and will be gratified to learn that he has disbursements, amounting to \$812.82, and amount to be distributed by will. \$2 555 17: the first and final account of Reuben D. and Thomas M. Johnson. executors of Anthony M. Johnson, de ceased, showing payments and disbursenents, amounting to \$29,262,69, and amount distributed \$41,472.75, making amount of estate \$69,735.44.

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward or any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props. Tole

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Chency for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in **a**ll bus iness transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm. WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists,

Toledo, O., Walding, Kinnan & Marviv. Wholesa e Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter nally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Doctors and undertakers are generally oor where the people use Stonebrakes's Liniment for pain. Price, 25 cents.

For groceries and canned fruit try Thos. C. Bateman, Sykesville. There are often matters of interest and STATE CONVENTION.

AN UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATION T GO TO CHICAGO.

This Accord With Maryland's Usage-Congressional Conventions-The Howard County Convention Monday-Gatherings of Democrats in Other Counties.

Delegates-at-Large-Senator Arthur . Gorman, Governor Frank Brown, 1 reeman Rasin, Charles J. M. Gwinn, V. Baughman, George M. Upshur, John S. Wirt, Barnes Compton. First District-Levin L. Waters, Richard D. Hynson. Second District-Murray Vandiver, Dr. Frank T. Shaw. Third District-Frank A. Furst,

Fourth District-Lloyd L. Jackson, John Gill, Jr. Fifth District-Col. Thomas II. Hunt, Frank M. Cox. Sixth District-Buchanan Schley, Asa

James Bond.

that of George Younger, of Sykesville, who applied and received license to sell Willison. These were chosen by the Maryland liquor and opened his place on Monday last. Ex-Judge J. A. C. Bond appeared Democratic State Convention assembled in Ford's Opera House, Baltimore, Wedfor the defense, and Messrs, C. T Reifnesday, as delegates to the National snider, H. M. Clabaugh, of Westminster, Democratic convention which meets in and Tucker, of Baltimore, for the people of Sykesville. Freedom district declar- Chicago June 21. The delegates are uninstructed, a motion to instruct being ed for local option two years ago by a vote of the people and won by a large overwhelmingly defeated. majority. Younger applied for license The electors are:

At-large, Col. John Walter Smith and Perrie L. Wickes; First district, William Massey; Second, F. W. Baker; Third, received his license His opponents John Hannibal; Fourth, C. Ridgely claim that one of the signers lives in Howard county, and that of the nine Goodwin; Fifth, James Revell; Sixth W. V. Bouic.

signers only four live within the requir-The convention, in its resolutions ed two miles of Sykesville and five withreaffirms the opinions expressed in in three miles, and that when the new the resolutions of the National Democratic Conventions held in the years dom district, because that district was 1884 and 1888, and expresses anew the already a local option district, made so gratification so generally felt by our by the vote of the people legally cast. people at the patriotic and able adminis Younger claims that he has a right to tration of President Cleveland, and sell under his license, application for pledges the Democracy of our State to which was properly signed, and that the the cordial support of the nominations law applies to all districts in the county. for the presidency and vice-presidency The case was dismissed by the court of the United States, to be made by the National Democratic Convention at Chicago.' The Catonsville Argus of last Satur

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTIONS.

Master Julian Muth, aged 12 years and Talbott Nominated after 226 Ballotssix months, the son of the late John Muth Rayner and Rusk Renominated. Hon. J. F.C. Talbott is the Democratic and the nephew and adopted son of Mr. George L. Muth, a prominent citizen of Catonsville, died on Tuesday last, after

iominee of the Second Congressional listrict of Congress to succeed Hon Herman Stume, now in office. Mr. Talbott was nominated at Port Deposit Monday after 226 ballots. ceptors. His funeral took place on It was a stubborn fight. Baltimore ity and county gave the successful as Friday morning from the residence of pirant 12 votes from the start. his uncle on Melvin avenue. Services Carroll's five were for Dr. Frank ' Shaw, Cecil cast her four for Mr where a requiem mass was celebrated by Charles C. Crothers and Harford her Rev. J. E. Dunn. Rev. Peter Tarro, of Efficott City, was in the sanctuary. The five to Mr. Stump, each county backing floral tributes were numerous and of a favorite son. After various changes, Carroll finally beautiful design. Among those who.

Rusk and Rayner Renominated.

went solidly for Taibott and he was

nominated.

Hon. Harry Wells Rusk was Saturday unanimiously renominated for a fourth term in Congress by the Democrats of the Third Congressional district. The convention was held in Broadway Institute, Baltimore.

festival Monday at Jenning's chapel, for the benefit of the Methodist Protestan Sunday school was largely attended, and by Democrats of the Fourth district. Mr. Rayner was elected to Congress in tion: 1886. He was renominated in 1888, but was defeated by Henry Stockbridge, Jr. Mr. Rayner was renominated and elected

> HOWARD COUNTY CONVENTION. the Most Harmonious in Many Years—De-

claration of Principles. Saturday last the Democratic primaries were held in Howard county and Monday rought the clans together at the Court house, Ellicott City, in County Conven-

The Convention was called to order at noon by Hon. John S. Tracey, of the State central committee, Mr. Thomas H. Hunt, chairman being detained at his home by sickness. Ex-Senator Wm. B. Peter was called to the chair permanently, and Dr. J. W. Hebb was secre-

man, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Morison, Senator Peter named the following committes: On credentials and organization, George Grav. Wm. G. Sykes, F. D. Brown, 1 G. Selby, Thos. L. Maclin, P. A. Moulton nie Hunt, Miss Florence Hunt, Miss On resolutions-A. Pfeiffer, John C. Jennie Dugan, the Misses Manly and Rogers, James P. Akers, Joshua N. Warfield, Wm. Clark of T., and Wm. P. Rowe. will be given by Mrs Ernest Morison Mr. Thomas L. Maclin of the creden ials, and organization committee, re ported in favor of making the temporary organization permanent and the follow ing delegates entitled to seat. First District-Joseph H. Toomes George Grav. Addison Pfeiffer, Conrad link and Ridgely Griffith.

Second District-Senator John G. Rog-

rs, ex-Senator Wm. B. Peter, Wm. H

Ray, Wm. G. Sykes and Elisha Titts party over to witness the ceremony. The bride is a daughter of Mr. Geo. W. Ridge-Third District- Dr. J. W. Hebb, F Brown, James P. Akers, Preston Isnacs and Thomas S. Cross. Fourth District-Joshua N. Warfield, E. Green Selby, A. P. Forsythe, Humphrey D. Woife and John Bunn. Fifth District- Wm. E. Linn, How-Church, An interesting programme

ard Linthicum, Wm. Clark of T., Samue scott and Thomas L. Maclin. Sixth District-W. J Rowe, John T Slater, Chas. C. Carr. Chas. W. Haship and T. A. Wolfenden. Senator Peter thanked the convention or the honor conferred upon him in his happiest vein. Referring to party matters e warned the Democratic household against becoming nationally as badly divided as the Republican, and urged unanimous and hearty support of the

The committee on resolution, through Mr. Joshua N. Warfield reported the following: "Representing the Democrats of Howard county, we in convention assembled, reaffirm our adherence to the well-known and time honored principles of Democracy, and accept the State compaign of last fall and the platform and lines upon which it was fought as determining the position to be occupied in the approach

Chicago nominee.

ng Presidential contest. "We are proud of the administration given the United States by the only Democrat who has occupied the Presdential chair within more than three decades, hampered though that administration was by not having all the great branches of government in sympathy with it.

"With especial pride do we recount the inestimable services to his country of hat distinguished patriot and son of Howard, Hon. Arthur P. Gorman. and we esteem no honor in the hands of his grateful countymen too great to be onferred upon him. "We commend the record made in he House of Representatives by Hon

Barnes Compton and feel that for trusts which have reposed so safely in his hands n the past, we need have no fear for the future if continued in his keeping. template with satisfaction the abundance

a selection can be made, and finally,

nominees of the Democratic party." Tuesday, Senator Rogers nominated Mr. Thomas H. Hunt, Mr. Joshua N. Warfrom all stations to Chicago, June 16 to field nominated Mr Humphrey D. Wolfe 20 inclusive, at rate of one fare for the and Mr. Charles W. Haship nominated round trip, on the occasion of the Nat | Mr. John T Slater. These nominees

ional Democratic Convention, on June were elected unanimously.

21. Tickets will be valid for return To go to the Congressional convention Mr. Frank D. Brown nominated Mr. journey until July 8 inclusive. my 28 8t Thomas S. Cross, Mr. George Gray nam-Blanks of every description printed at ed Mr. Joseph H. Toomey and Mr. Wm. For low prices in Clark of T. nominated Mr. Wm. E. Linn. man's, Sykesyille.

The gentlemen nominated were elected

by acclamation. The convention was the most harmonious ever held in Howard county and its work was done in less than half an hour.

FREDERICK COUNTY DEMOCRATS. The Way They Will Be Heard in Congress

ional Convention. The Frederick Democrats in county convention Saturday elected the follow-

ing delegates: To the State Convention-L. Victor Baughman, J. Sheridan Biggs, Col. L T. Brien, R. C. Dutrow, Dr. Lloyd T. McGill, Jr., Vincent Siebold, J. D Englar, J. W. Downey, Capt. Warner Welsh, J. H. Lighter, A. W. Welch, J. A. Gernand, Edw. Koontz, S. D. Myers, Charles Wertheimer and Otho J

To the congressional nominating con vention, all the delegates to the county convention, about 150 in number, were made delegates. This action was taken with a view to making Frederick county's indorsement of the nomination of Gen Wm. M. McKaig as emphatic as possible.

Resolutions endorsing Cleveland were idopted.

Prince George's County Convention. The Prince George's County Democratic convention met at Upper Marlboro' Monday. The following delegates were elected:

To the State Convention-Joseph S Wilson, Stephen Gambrill, W. D. Bowie and Frederick A. Tschiffely, Jr., of Vansville. To the Congressional Convention-II

II. Sasscer, George R. II. Marshall, N C. Darnall and J. Z. Downing. The delegates to the State convention were not instructed. Resolutions were adopted eulogizing Senator Gorman, indorsing the administration of President Cleveland, indorsing Hon, Barnes Compton for renomination, and asking him to reconsider his expressed deter-

county for Congress. Talbot County Convention.

mination not to be a candidate, and to

accept the support of Prince George's

The Talbott county Democratic convention Monday chose the following delegates to the State convention Capt. Clement R. Leonard, Frank G. Wrightson, William Collins and Oswald Tilghman; alternates, Samuel H. Willey. Joseph Lowe, I. Frank Haddaway an Dr. Charles H. Rose.

There were no instructions and praise was about equally lavished on Senators Gorman and Gibson, ex-President Cleve land and Congressman Henry Page.

Worcester Democratic Convention. The Worcester Democratic County Convention met at Snow Hill. The delegation to the State convention was

composed of Dr. Charles P. Jones, C. L. Vincent, George M Upshur, William J Pitts, Lloyd Wilkinson, Edward D. Martin, Elmer P. Pritchett, E. H. Taylor. John Walter Smith was endorsed as a delegate-at-large to Chicago. Page was favored for Congress. Montgomery county.

The same day Hon. Isidor Ravner was the Montgomery county convention renominated at China Hall, Baltimore. Tuesday and the following uninstructed delegation was sent to the State conven-Howard Griffith, Edward Wootton, M. T. Lewis, C. F. Brooke, Benj. Fawcett,

F. C. Hutton, Wm. Canby, J. D. Young.

Mr. Philip D. Laird was defeated in

Montgemery wants McKaig for Con-

THE STATE OF MARYLAND. Forty cadets were graduated from the Inited States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Friday of last week, the Secretary of the Navy delivering the diplomas. The week closed with a brilliant ball at night, which was attended by the officers of the squadron and many invited guests. Governor Brown and party visited the flagship Philadelphia, and was received with the honors customary in such cases. A new Methodist Protestant church at

Woodsboro', Frederick county, was ledicated Sunday. George Mills, residing near Gaithersourg, Montgomery county, Md., was truck by lightning Monday and is not expected to recover.

FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL. The House of Representatives Monday assed Mr. Hatch's bill to prevent deal ing in options. The bill is directed against the business of produce ex changes.

The House also passed bills for the dmission of Hew Mexico and Arizona o statehood. STATE'S RELATION TO INDUSTRY.

Mr. John K. Cowen Believes in the "Le Alone" Policy. In his address to the graduating class of the Maryland University Law School last week, Mr. John K. Cowen, among

other things, said:

"I am a believer in individual liberty as the basis of material welfare, and am opposed to all laws which seek to restrain adult men in the sale of their personal services or their products and to all acts of legislatures, State or Federal. which interfere with industry or trade, or which limit the rights of men in the sale of their property or its use. - I believe in confining State action as far as possible to the administration of jusice, the establishment of order, the proection of the lives, health and property of the citizens." He cited a few sample of what he termed "modern socialistic legislation." As an extreme case he pointed to the twelve-hour law. "That law." he said, "was passed at the instance of humanitarians, and it has refuced the wages of car drivers and coninctors from \$2 and \$2.10 a day to \$1.50 and \$1.65. It takes 25 per cent. from the income of the men, and all in the name of humanity. I say twelve hours s too long, ten hours is too long, eight hours is plenty. You have fixed a standard which will make it harder for hese men to get higher wages when the change comes from Lorse cars to electricity than if you had let them alone. Didn't you overlook the household? Where are the chambermaids and the nurses? Did you ever think of their ong hours?"

Mr. Coven's second example was the act of Congress passed June 17, 1864e prohibiting any sale of gold for delivery, on a future day, which caused gold to DID YOU EVER advance 150 per cent. premium, and was repealed to sixteen days. The third example was the Hatch and Washburne anti-option bills in Congress, which, Mr. Cowen said, would out the produce ex wipe changes of the country and put the country where it was twenty years ago "President Harrison." continued the speaker, "recommended legislation for providing for automatic couplers and brakes for freight cars, when for years DID YOU EVER "In the event of Howard county being the brains and capital of railroad men alled upon to funish the Fifth Con- have been trying to solve the problem. gressional district's next representative | When they solve it the railroads can in the lower house of Congress, we con- not only do away with one-third of their men, but if all hands should strike in of excellent material from which one day they could equip their trains with farmers." Mr. Cowen said also pledge the united and earnest support of that the unjust discrimination complainthe Democracy of Howard county to the ed of in freight rates would grow as long as the interstate commerce law contin-The next business being the naming ues. He was opposed also to a law of delegates to the State convention which said he should not eat olcomargarine in preference to tancid butter. In conclusion, Mr. Cowen said the opera bouffe port of the subject was the labor convention, which resulted in the establishment of the bureau of statistics and laws permitting trades unions to incorporate, and employer and employe to arbitrate.

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ESSIONS OF THE NATIONAL REPUB-LICAN NOMINATING CONVENTION.

The Prime Favorites in the Presidential Race-Mr. Blaine Causes a Sensation by Resigning as Secretary of State.

Early in the week the Republican hosts gathered in Minneapolis to nominate a Presidential candidate and the convention is just getting down to busi ness as the press hour of THE TIMES approaches.

Blaine has been figuring as a Presidential candidate, and his chances early in the week seemed good. McKinley has been prominent as a possible dark horse as between Blaine and Harrison. Harrison has however apparently the

best chance of winning according to the latest dispatches.

Blaine's Bombshell.

James G. Blaine is no longer Secretary of State. His resignation was tendered to President Harrison Saturday afternoon, an promptly accepted. The following is the correspondence:

"Department of State, Washington D. C., June 4, 1892-12.45 P. M.—To the President: I respectfully beg leave to submit my resignation of the office of Secretary of State of the United States, to which I was appointed by you on the 5th of March, 1889. "The condition of public business in

the Department of State justifies me in requesting that my resignation may be accepted immediately. "I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES G. BLAINE."

"Executive . Mansion, Washington, June 4, 1892 .- To the Secretary of State: Your letter of this date tendering your resignation of the office of Secretary of State of the United States has been received. The terms in which you state your desires are such as to leave me no choice but to accede to your wishes at once. Your resignation is, therefore, accepted. Very respectfully yours, BENJ. HARRISON."

"Hon. James G. Blaine." Mr. Blaine's action was the greatest political surprise of the season. Specuation was rife as to the cause and the effect of this action. The general opinion was that it meant Blaine as a Presidential candidate, and Blaine stock at once took a big jump. Neither the expremier nor the President would say a word of explanation, but the former's friends were wild with delight and what had been termed "the People's Headquarters" in Minneapolis suddenly plossomed out as Blaine headquarters, while the President's forces for a moment took to cover behind closed doors but soon came out smiling though determined, and professedly in better trim with the opposition driven from cover.

A Voice from the Third.

Editor TIMES, As a member of the county convention Monday I but voiced the sentiment of the regular Democracy of the Third district in desiring the following adopted:

RESOLVED by the Democratic convengates of this convention to the State convention are hereby instructed to use all honorable means to elect to the National Democratic Convention delegates instructed to vote for the Ilon. A. P. Gorman for the nomination for the

Presidency.
Resolved—That the people of Howard county believe that the services of Hon. A. P. Gorman to the Democratic party and to the people of the State and country irrespective of party, surpassing those of any living statesman in value and importance, merit such recognition especially at the hands of the people of his own county, and further be it Resolved-That the people of Senator Gorman's native county learn with indignation and pain, the course of certain disappointed men and the Baltimore Sun as the especial organ of those disappointed men, in systematically pursuing with detraction a statesman whose services have been so great and so splendid, for the purpose of promoting the candi-

dacy of another person." Respectfully, J. W. HEBB. Prospect Hill, June 8, 1892.

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