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THE creditors of MATTHIAS HOBBS, Junior, are hereby notified that he has applied for the benefit of the Insolvent Laws of Maryland, and that on the Tuesday in the next May Term of Somerset County, he will be prepared for his opponents before Judges of said Court to answer such interrogatories as may then and there be propounded to him touching his said application. Feb. 19, 1839.

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Cash Book.

It is a very easy and simple affair to keep a cash book, and yet how very few farmers do it. Anyone who can write can keep a book of this description, and no farmer can do without it. Take one page of your cash book set down everything sold and the sum received for it—And on the other side put down all your out goings or expenditures; and when you have begun, it is scarcely unconscious of the prospect before him of a much more rapid descent. To pitch each other over the bannisters was now the coup de main to be achieved. Ben had got the fellow's spine twisted, and his head and shoulders overhanging the staircase; but Jonathan had hold of his collar with both hands and besides had his long legs twisted round the small of his back. They had wrestled in this way for five minutes, and the wire workers strength was beginning to fail from the twisting of his back bone over the rail, when just as his legs began to fail, and his grasp to relax, and as Ben was preparing for one mighty effort, by which the victory was to be secured, a horrible hoose laugh—something between a real guffaw and a yell—shrieked upon his ear; and looking through the window in front of him, he saw Mungo Mackay at the window of the Exchange Coffee House opposite, shaking his sides as though there was a whole volcano under his midriff. In an instant Ben understood the trick. "That infernal fellow Mackay! By heavens! I'll cowhide him within an inch of his life!" he exclaimed, as he drew Jonathan in from his dangerous position, and stood him on his feet. But Russel was too good a fellow to mind the trick, and moreover he was rejoiced that he had not committed homicide in addition to making himself ridiculous and after a few hearty expressions of resentment passed off, and to the day of his death he was never tired of telling the story.

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There were hundreds of persons in the church who knew Mackay and his propensities well, and a single glance was sufficient to convince them that a successful hoax had been played off for their amusement. A general titter now ran round the place, 'noses and necks,' and wreathed smiles, were to be seen on a number of the faces, as those heads down, and laughed outright; and the ladies had to stuff the scented cambric into their mouths, which had been so recently applied to the sparkling founts above.

At length something like order was restored, the hymn sung, and the blessing given, amidst stifled noise of various kinds, when the congregation rose to depart. The widow up to this point, feeling strong in the consciousness of having performed a virtuous action upon a good looking hace, heeded not the smiles, and sneers of her female friends. Some one page of your cash book set down everything sold and the sum received for it—And on the other side put down all your out goings or expenditures; and when you have begun, it is scarcely unconscious of the prospect before him of a much more rapid descent. To pitch each other over the bannisters was now the coup de main to be achieved. Ben had got the fellow's spine twisted, and his head and shoulders overhanging the staircase; but Jonathan had hold of his collar with both hands and besides had his long legs twisted round the small of his back. They had wrestled in this way for five minutes, and the wire workers strength was beginning to fail from the twisting of his back bone over the rail, when just as his legs began to fail, and his grasp to relax, and as Ben was preparing for one mighty effort, by which the victory was to be secured, a horrible hoose laugh—something between a real guffaw and a yell—shrieked upon his ear; and looking through the window in front of him, he saw Mungo Mackay at the window of the Exchange Coffee House opposite, shaking his sides as though there was a whole volcano under his midriff. In an instant Ben understood the trick. "That infernal fellow Mackay! By heavens! I'll cowhide him within an inch of his life!" he exclaimed, as he drew Jonathan in from his dangerous position, and stood him on his feet. But Russel was too good a fellow to mind the trick, and moreover he was rejoiced that he had not committed homicide in addition to making himself ridiculous and after a few hearty expressions of resentment passed off, and to the day of his death he was never tired of telling the story.

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From the Newark (N. J.) Daily Advertiser.

The Wife at Home.

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These thoughts were brought to my mind with greater force than common, a few days since, upon my making a visit to a friend, who, I knew, would serve as the memories of many people are very frail, as a book of entries so has been referred to would be forgot that they had anything to do with it, and no other evidence of it existed, and might prove litigation and trouble in case of the decease of one or both of the parties. On the death of the head of a family who has kept no regular records of receipts and payments, much difficulty, and sometimes heavy losses have occurred, besides a great deal of trouble and anxiety to those who were obliged to grope in the dark in settling his estate.

It is well known that very many worthy intelligent farmers are careful to preserve an accurate account of their expenditures, and yet they are good in proper form, and such rarely find "a hole in the purse."

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The morality of Rail Roads.—When Queen Elizabeth wished to accomplished an important undertaking, she announced it by sound of trumpet, and "cried the pulpit"—giving the clergy the to the note of the enterprise, and the people soon made to chime in, in most sweet concordance a capital longtimus, at least so think a Rail Company in Massachusetts, and they are trying turn it to account. The "Western Railroad Corporation," in order to ensure the success of a application to the Legislature for aid have sent out circulars to all the clergymen in the State, giving them individually to deliver a "discourse *the moral effects of Railroads!*" We beg to *all Lords*, be pleased to exclude us from the subject, I Peter iii. 9: "Render *railing for railing*.—*Boston Transcript.*

Would it not have been better for the Editor the Transcript to have suggested to the clergy of Massachusetts to preach Isaiah xx. 4: "Behold, the King of Assyria shall lead away captives, and the young men and captives, old and young, naked and barefoot, even to the shame of Egypt."

Recipe for Indian Cake.—A correspondent wishes us with the following recipe for making excellent Yankee viand, an Indian cake:

Take three cups of Indian meal, one cup flour, three quarters of a cup of molasses, two spoons full of saleratus stirred in the molasses till it foams—add a little salt and mix it with water the thickness of pound cake. Then bake.

Drunkenness turns a man out of himself substitutes a beast.

Slugs Lime.—In old garden grounds infested slugs, the application of lime is found by experience the best expedient for their destruction.

The Portland, (Maine,) Standard, a Locofoco paper, has been discontinued for want of patronage.

Indiana.—The estimated cost of the Internal improvements authorised by the laws of Indiana is twenty-one millions of dollars.

CONSTABLE'S SALE.—By virtue of two writs of Fieri Facias, one issued by John S. Handy a Justice of the Peace in and for Somerset county, at the suit of Mary T. Dougherty and Henry Thomas, (Administrators of Joshua Dougherty, deceased)—and one issued by William H. Whittington a Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid, at the suit of Thomas Bassell, for the use of Henry S. Handy, all against John Dougherty, of Joshua, and to me directed, I have seized and taken in execution the following property, viz:—All the right, title, interest and estate of him the said John Dougherty, of, in and to all the Lands and Premises which he, the said John Dougherty owned immediately in any wise claim, by the death of his father, Joshua Dougherty. The said Land and Premises lying and being in little Annemussex, and near Jones' Creek, name or names unknown,—which said right of the said John Dougherty, in and to the said Lands and Premises, I shall proceed to sell on SATURDAY the 9th day of March next, between the hours of one and three o'clock, P. M., at Beach's Store to the highest and best bidder, for cash, to satisfy the aforesaid writs and costs.

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MOFFAT'S LIFE PILLS AND PHŒNIX BITTERS.

A CONTRAST.—All nations, from the remotest ages, have had clergy, but Colombus only discovered the way to America. Before the time of the great Genoese navigator, people were only enabled to paddle about the shores, that is with the Life Medicine. It is but was short years since I first ventured upon an unknown ocean, and I have discovered the precious object I was in search of HEALTH. Vegetable medicines were indeed known when I commenced my search, but there was one that was wanting. By no one else, I have not only passed from disease, period mortal, to the hale, hearty and active men of business, but, compatriately speaking, I have renewed my youth. I can thus, with confidence in my own experience, exclaim with my Fellow-citizens, How many would have prized the VEGETABLE LIFE MEDICINES are unknown,—which said night of the said John Dougherty, in and to the said Lands and Premises, I shall proceed to sell on SATURDAY the 9th day of March next, between the hours of one and three o'clock, P. M., at Beach's Store to the highest and best bidder, for cash, to satisfy the aforesaid writs and costs.

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November, 27, 1838.

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WILLIAM B. JONES.
Princess-Anne, Feb. 12, 1839.

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A CONTRAST.—All nations, from the remotest ages, have had clergy, but Colombus only discovered the way to America. Before the time of the great Genoese navigator, people were only enabled to paddle about the shores, that is with the Life Medicine. It is but was short years since I first ventured upon an unknown ocean, and I have discovered the precious object I was in search of HEALTH. Vegetable medicines were indeed known when I commenced my search, but there was one that was wanting. By no one else, I have not only passed from disease, period mortal, to the hale, hearty and active men of business, but, compatriately speaking, I have renewed my youth. I can thus, with confidence in my own experience, exclaim with my Fellow-citizens, How many would have prized the VEGETABLE LIFE MEDICINES are unknown,—which said night of the said John Dougherty, in and to the said Lands and Premises, I shall proceed to sell on SATURDAY the 9th day of March next, between the hours of one and three o'clock, P. M., at Beach's Store to the highest and best bidder, for cash, to satisfy the aforesaid writs and costs.

JAMES M. S. LAWSON, Constable.
February 12, 1839.

We are authorized to announce,
JOHN N. ROWLAND, ESQ.
As a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Somerset county.
Oct. 11, 1836.

We are authorized to announce,
JOHN CURTIS, ESQ.
As a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Somerset county.
Oct. 31 1837.

We are authorized to announce,
JOHN R. SIMONS, ESQ.
As a candidate for the next Sheriffalty of Somerset county.
Oct. 11, 1836.

SIX CENTS REWARD.

RANAWAY from the subscriber in December last, an indented apprentice to the Cart Wheelwright business, named JOSIAH WINDER. Whoever will return said boy to me shall receive the above reward. All persons are forbid harboring or employing said boy at the peril of the law. The said boy is about 5 feet 6 inches in height, light hair and dark eyes.

JOHN ROBINSON.
Wicomico Creek, February 12, 1839.—3t

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GEORGE DRURY.
Princess-Anne, Feb. 12, 1839.—3t

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Princess Anne, December 18, 1838. 1y

NOTICE.

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JAS. LONG.
Princess-Anne, January 29, 1839.—tf

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FRED. H. KNAPP, Dental Surgeon.
Corner of Charles and Fayett' street, Baltimore.
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PRINCESS ANNE, MARYLAND.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26, 1839.

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FOR PRESIDENT OF THE U. STATES,

HENRY CLAY,

OF KENTUCKY.

Subject to the decision of a Whig National Convention.

☞ The Congress of the United States will adjourn on Monday next, 4th March. This session has been characterized by more real utility to the country than any session for a number of years. A blow has been given to that horrid monster Abolition, which has so completely staggered and stunned it, that if it should ever recover at all, it will be so mangled and severe a loss, that no apprehension need be entertained of its harming any but itself. And who is the hero that has achieved this signal victory over so formidable a foe? Who is he that has encountered and conquered an enemy that has threatened to plunge this fair land in blood? Who is he that has restored confidence and harmony to the South, and drawn down upon himself loud applausions, even from his political foes, at the North? Need his name be mentioned,—need the signal of it be heard? No, it is indelibly engraved upon the hearts of his grateful countrymen—not only on account of this last victory over fanatics and traitors—but on other occasions, when his mighty mind was required as a shield, to save us from dissension and discord,—when Nullification had hurled its thunders, and to overturn this fair fabric, our Union. Have we forgotten the Compromise Bill upon that memorable occasion—or can we ever forget that, but for the efforts of this great and good man, we would, in all human probability, this moment be a disorganized, distracted, and an undone people. No, never whilst the principles of republicanism shall linger even in a single breast, can he be forgotten.—Never, whilst patriotism and virtue shall live, can he be neglected—but on the contrary, his countrymen will, ere long, erect their gratitude by elevating him to the highest station within their gift.

☞ Mr. Bond, of Caroline County.—Ever since the rejection of the nomination of Sutton (one of the 15) by the Senate, the *Loco Foco* papers throughout the State, have needled this gentleman in terms of the keenest and most vulgar slang that the language is susceptible. Led on by the leaders of the party, the Baltimore Republican, every yelping cur, snarl, bleach, and sweetheart,' have had at least a bark and a grin. But to show their teeth was all—to be able to bite, they have by this time, found improvident. And why is this hare and fry raised? Because they have been disappointed in their efforts to compel a high-minded and honorable man to follow the path they wished to point out to him. Because he has evinced a disposition to maintain the dignity of the Senate, by refusing his vote against one of those who would have trampled our Constitution in the dust and left us open to all the horrors of civil commotion, anarchy and bloodshed. Because he, having been elected as an *independent* candidate, saw proper to exercise that independence in regard to his own vote, and, having the good of the people at heart, honestly believed he was exercising their best interests at the same time. This, this is the cause of the *awful* barking among these disappointed gentry. We observe that they have held a meeting in Talbot county and passed resolutions requesting Mr. Bond to resign his seat. This is rather laughable—and if we know any thing of the character of the gentleman in whom they name, we are inclined to think that he will treat them as they deserve—laugh at them.

In another column we copy a communication from the Baltimore Patriot, in Mr. Bond's defence.

☞ IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT.—We are pleased at the report of the committee in the Legislature, to whom this important subject was referred. We can not better express our feelings in relation thereto, than by giving place to the following paragraph, which we cut from an exchange paper:

"This is the abolitionism in which the real philanthropist should heartily engage. Confinement thus inflicted, cannot be of any benefit to society. They would afford credit only to those who were deserving of such a favor. If the credit system were entirely abolished, republicanism would flourish in a remarkable degree. Many a well dressed man, who now swells fictitious importance and fashionable side walk of fashionable street, who glances at his superiors as if we were endeavoring to convince them, and make up his mind, that he is at least equal to them—would, were he compelled to pay his way in the crooked world, be found to process some skill, and ability in the way of administering to the comfort of others."

☞ We think our friend of the New York Evening Star cannot have been misinformed upon the subject alluded to in the following paragraph which we have taken from that paper. We think that if there had been "*an effair of honor*" on hand among our Legislators we certainly would have been apprised of the first information, however, that we have derived, is as stated below. Here it is—

"The *lie* has been interchanged by two barristers of the Maryland Legislature during debate, and pistols and coffee for two were expected to be served."

☞ FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.—We give place in the Herald of to-day, to a communication signed "a subscriber from Annamessex," in which he recounts the destruction of a small tenement in this county, by fire, and in which four negro children were consumed. The mothers of these children, our correspondent thinks, should be tried for murder, they having fastened the little sufferers in the house in such a manner as to render escape impossible, and then left them to go to meeting. We do not know that it is an indictable offence, but certain we are that too many similar cases occur from the negligence, or wilful abandonment of their children by negro mothers.

☞ MISSISSIPPI SENATOR.—We are gratified to be able to state that the Legislature of Mississippi have elected Mr. Henderson (Whig) a U. S. Senator, to serve six years from the 4th of March next. Mr. H. is a Marylander.

☞ We have been informed by a gentleman that the river at Baltimore is entirely clear of ice, and that the water coal of every description have resumed their regular trips. If this be the case, and we do not doubt the fact, we may soon expect a visit from our old friend Capt. Weems, in the steamer Patuxent.

☞ RESIGNATION.—Thomas H. Pedrickson, Esq. has resigned his seat in the State Senate, and a new election is ordered. Mr. E. is a staunch Whig from Dorchester, and his term of service extended to six years. Let the Whigs of Dorchester be up and doing, for it would look very bad to permit a Loco to fill his place, and feel much worse.

☞ Our thanks are due to the Hon. JOHN DUNAN for valuable public documents, which we received by Thursday night's mail.

☞ MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.—We have received, but too late for publication in this day's Herald, the Report of the Committee on Ways and Means. We regret exceedingly, that this important paper was not received by us in time to lay it before our readers to-day, inasmuch as its contents are deeply interesting. We will not fail, however, to publish it in our next number.

Mr. Hanly, Chairman of the Committee on Elections, reported that the majority of the committee were of opinion that Mr. Beckenbaugh had received a majority of the legal votes and was entitled to his seat.

A resolution was passed declaring two vacancies in Kent, and instructing the speaker to issue a writ of election accordingly.

A gentleman who left Annapolis a few days since, informs us that he does not think it possible for the Legislature to adjourn at the time specified, owing to so vast amount of unfinished business before them.

☞ We are glad to perceive that Congress has at last made something like a beginning to enquire into the conduct of Commodore Elliott, who is charged by several officers of the Navy with ill-treatment toward them, and as unpentionably and undignified officer thereof. We withhold any comment at present, touching this matter, as no doubt, it will be thoroughly investigated by the proper tribunal. We merely remark, for the information of those who may have forgotten the circumstance, that this is the same Commodore, who caused a figure head to be placed on "Old Ironsides," representing Gen. Jackson, some few years since, and about which so much noise was made.

☞ It is stated that Prior fabbed the principal part of the money stolen from Uncle Sam, and that he went to Paris in a state of comparative destitution to England. A few years and they will both be sunk as far down in poverty as they are at present in disgrace.

LEVIN HANDY, Esq. has been appointed Clerk of Somerset County, in the place of Col. George Handy, who lately resigned. Mr. Handy is favorably known as a gentleman of kind and accomplished manners, with intelligence of a superior order, and possessed of qualifications calculated to make him an efficient public officer. The appointment could not have fallen upon a more worthy and valuable citizen.—*Dorchester Aurora.*

We fully coincide in the opinion expressed in the above paragraph, in regard to the respectability and worth of our fellow-countrymen.—[Ed. Herald.

☞ EASTERN SHORE RAIL ROAD.—We simply repeat public sentiment in this county, in expressing the deep and abiding interest which the public feel in the early and vigorous prosecution of our Eastern Shore Rail Road. Our citizens generally, are looking with great interest at the proceedings at Annapolis, and earnestly hope that a speedy impetus may be given to the enterprise. The company only wish that the faith of the State, which is already pledged to the work, may be rendered subservient to the enterprise.—The time is not now to be presented with vigor. The company only want to be placed upon an equal footing with the other Internal Improvement companies, contemplated by the Act of 1836. No additional exemption is asked upon the treasury, but an earnest request is made that the assistance of the State, bestowed under the great internal improvement act of 1836, may be facilitated.

In May, 1836, an assemblage of the citizens of Somerset county, without reference to party distinction, in connexion with previous public meeting, was convened at the Court House, at Princess Anne, when the all-absorbing question of internal improvements was discussed, particularly in connection with our present Eastern Shore Rail Road, and an ardent wish was freely exhibited on that occasion, in behalf of the Eastern Shore Rail Road and the internal improvement system, that the delegates to the General Assembly, from Somerset county, conceived they were bound as faithful representatives, to carry out the public will as expressed, by their votes in the Legislature, and in accordance with this view, did unanimously vote for the internal improvement Bill of 1836. It should be born in mind, that the object of the extra session of the Legislature was to test public sentiment upon the internal improvement system and afford the delegates from the different counties an opportunity of ascertaining public sentiment in relation to the aid of the State, at that juncture, to the different internal improvement companies. The resolutions which emanated from the meeting convened at Princess-Anne, and which were generally responded to, spoke a language which could not be mistaken, and we believe that the people of Somerset county, so far from having their confidence lessened, are confirmed, if possible, more in the belief of the utility and expediency of the Eastern Shore Rail Road.

In order that the citizens of the State generally, may judge for themselves, we subjoin the resolutions which were adopted with acclamation at the meeting adverted to.

Public Meeting.

☞ At a large and respectable meeting of citizens of Somerset county, convened, pursuant to public notice, in the Court House, on the 3d day of May, 1836, for the purpose of obtaining an expression of public sentiment on the subject of Internal Improvements, now in agitation in the State of Maryland, and for the purpose of appointing Delegates to meet the "Internal Improvement Convention" now sitting in the city of Baltimore—Col. George Handy was called to the Chair, and Dr William L. Jones, John Parsons and Caleb Kennerly, Esqrs., were requested to act as Vice Presidents, and Charles C. Carroll and Levin Handy, Esqrs., were chosen Secretaries.

The Chair briefly stated the object of the meeting.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee of five persons be appointed for the purpose of preparing and submitting resolutions.

The Chair, in conformity with the above resolution, appointed, Isaac D. Jones, John W. Crisfield, Charles C. Carroll, Henry K. Long and Richard Lermon, Esqrs.

The Committee after retiring a few moments returned, and reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, to wit:

Whereas, our fellow-citizens of the city of Baltimore, in an address to the citizens of Maryland, having invited an expression of public opinion upon the policy and expediency of vigorously prosecuting the works of Internal Improvement, in which the State has engaged, and of commencing and perfecting others, in which the State has a deep interest; and have also invited the attendance of Delegates, from the several counties, at an "Internal Improvement Convention," to be held during the current week in the said city—Therefore,

Be It ordered, That we consider the speedy and vigorous prosecution of the system of Internal Improvements, in which the State has engaged, demanded by the highest interests of the State, and by the spirit of enlightened enterprise, which pervades the Union.

2d Resolved, That we consider the proposed EASTERN SHORE RAIL ROAD an important branch of the system, and that the people of this section of the State are deeply interested in its early completion.

3d Resolved, That we consider it the duty of the General Assembly of the State, at the adjourned session of this month, in view of the urgent and important interests involved, to extend liberal and efficient aid to the speedy and vigorous prosecution of the State's system of Internal Improvements.

4th Resolved, That the Chair appoint two Delegates to attend the "Internal Improvement Convention" to be held in Baltimore during the current week, and that the said Delegates be requested to communicate the foregoing resolutions to the said Convention.

In conformity to the aforegoing resolutions, the Chair appointed Dr. Thomas Robertson, Wm. H. Gallis, Esq., Wm. Dossey, Esq., Dr. Wm. E. Waters, Dr. John Austin, Dr. Wm. Williams, James Travers, Henry K. Long, Daniel Ballard, and John W. Crisfield, Esquires.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairmen and Secretaries, and published in the "Village Herald," and other papers in the State friendly to the system of Internal improvements.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

GEO. HANDY, Pres't.
JOHN PARSONS,
CALEB KENNERLY, } V. Pres'ts.
WM. L. JONES,

Chas. C. Carroll,
Levin Handy. } *Sec's.*

[COMMUNICATION.]

Awful Conflagration and Loss of Life.

A small house, standing on the lands lately owned by George H. Johnson, deceased, was consumed by fire on the 13th ult., and melancholy to relate, there were *four* negro children (from one to four years old) burnt to death. The circumstances of this catastrophe were as follows: The house above alluded to was occupied by two female free negroes, named Leah and Ellen, the mother and daughter, and their husbands (slaves) whenever chance called them to be at their wives' place of abode. The night on which the accident occurred, the two women with their husbands "put out" to a negro (religious, as it is called) meeting and confined the four children in the house, in such a manner as to make an escape almost impossible—in which state the poor little sufferers were entirely burnt up, being scarcely a bone to be seen. The writer of this short narrative, sincerely hopes that the mothers of those unfortunate children may be looked upon as *murderers*, as, and in the second degree. And sincerely hopes that the civil authorities will take measures to bring the guilty parents to a fair trial.

A Subscriber from Annamessex.

MICHIGAN.—The election returns from all the towns in the county of Washtenaw, Michigan, of the spring election, for representatives, to the legislature, were received by express, on Monday last. Mr. Pierce, the Whig candidate, a majority of more than five hundred and eighteen over his Loco Foco competitor, N. H. Wing, and the Whig majority in the county three months ago was three hundred and fifty. Whig gain, over one hundred and sixty votes.

VERMONT.—The Loco Focos of the Green Mountain state, are determined to keep the Whigs in mind of the true proverb that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." At a convention held at Middlebury, on Wednesday last, they nominated Nathan Smith, of Cambridge, for Governor; O. C. Merrill, of Bennington, for Lt. Governor, and Daniel Baldwin, of Montpelier, for Treasurer. It is scarcely necessary to say that the nominations are but a "balloon hoax." Vermont is Whig in every hill and valley.

OHIO.—On Friday the 8th inst. the two branches of the Ohio Legislature met in convention, for the election of certain state officers. John Brough, of Fairfield was elected Auditor of the State; Jared B. Harlan, was chosen Secretary of State; and Zachariah Mills, Librarian; Major Marsh, Greene county, was elected Major General of the Fifth Division, of that state. In the House of Representatives on Thursday the bill to incorporate the Cincinnati, Ohio, after various attempts to kill it off by indefinite postponement, and otherwise, passed third reading, by a vote of 34 to 30.

INDIANA.—The Legislature of Indiana have passed an act modifying in some respects four laws upon the subject of Internal Improvement. One of the provisions requires the Legislature to elect a Board of Public Works consisting of three members. On the 9th inst. the Legislature proceeded to the election, which resulted in the choice of Samuel Lewis to serve three years, Noah Noble to serve two years, and Jno. A. Graham to serve one year. Jesse L. Williams was elected Chief Engineer, to serve three years, without opposition.

KENTUCKY.—In the Congressional district, now represented by John Calhoun (W.), a Convention of Whigs delegates have chosen Willis Green as a candidate at the next election. There were three ballots in Convention, and on the last, the vote stood—Green 23—Helm 19. Mr. Calhoun had declined a reelection, and the other candidates have acquiesced in the decision of the Convention. Dr. Benjamin B. Edmonson is the Van Buren candidate.

Nine prisoners, committed to the jail of Worcester county, made their escape from it on Friday, the 15th of this month.

A debate which ensued between the Committee of Delegates, some time in the House of Delegates, some time in the House of Delegates, some time in the House