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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING .....Feb. 14, 1885.

Kent County Agricultural Association.

CLUB ROOM, February 9, 1885.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Notwithstanding today being inclement we had a pretty good turn out and a very interesting meeting; one that I enjoyed more than for some weeks. Only one member of the finance committee being present their duties could not be finally settled for the past year, but that member reported progress which shows the society to be in very healthy position. We have not quite as much money in the treasury as we had this time last year, but we have our property in little better shape and considerable lumber on hand, and if we had been as successful as in former years and sold the lumber used at the fair we would have had as much money as we had a year ago. But I don't think we are any the worse off; the lumber is stowed in the buildings and will do for repairs next fall, thus saving the expense and trouble of having to buy then. I think the executive committee deserve much credit for the manner in which they have managed the affairs of our last exhibition. They had more premiums to pay than ever before, and one of the best exhibitions we have ever had; and this should be something to stimulate us all to make the next fair excel the last; now let everyone in the county, members and outsiders, resolve to-day that it shall be our aim to make it so. I did not intend to say as much on this subject as I have, but as I have done so let it remain and hope it may do some good.

Now for the proceedings of the day: The secretary read a communication from the Agricultural Department asking to be informed of the number of our members and the officers of our society; so you see we are not yet dead. One member moved that a committee of three be appointed to devise some means by which our meetings could be made more interesting. The president appointed upon that committee three very intelligent and prominent gentlemen and I am sure they will produce something that will bring the answer.

A member asked the advice of the club in reference to using scidulated bone upon clover this spring. One member answered that he had experimented with bone upon clover with good results, and by the application of 300 lbs. of bone or S. C. Rock, as it is often called, his crop had been doubled, and I am sure this experiment and its result stated to the members amply repaid us for our attendance today. Let others come out next Monday with something similar to report—thus expressing their gratification and benefit their brother farmers.

The president presented and had read a prize essay by Mr. J. S. Burns, of Clinton, Pa., on raising and feeding calves, which I think will be of benefit and profit to stock raisers. You may publish it if you wish.

The regular subject for discussion, "The propriety and utility of introducing foreign labor?" was opened by the member appointed and discussed as far as time would admit and was laid over until next meeting. We hope we will have a good attendance at that time and fully ventilate the subject. The time has come when something has to be done to change our system of labor. The committee presented another question: "What does it cost to raise a bushel of wheat?" To be discussed if the time is not all taken up in the discussion of the other subject. There is also an essay to be read by one who has done it before. So fellow-members, and those that are not members, come out and enjoy it. Some may think there is no enjoyment or pleasure in these meetings. Why? Because they do not take the interest in the society that they should. If they did they would see it every time. X.

EDESVILLE AND VICINITY.

Messrs. Editors:—Will you allow us space enough in your valuable paper to mention a few items which we hope will be of interest to your readers. In your last issue we noticed 'jottings from 'Observer,'" and when he was enumerating the kind of thieves Edesville and vicinity contained he neglected to mention store thieves, which are placed on the same footing as chicken or dog thieves. Mr. C. A. Leary's store was entered not long since; an entrance being effected from a window in the rear of the store. The thief or thieves seemed to be at home and acquainted with the arrangement of things—going the entire length of the building to get a lamp. Their business seemed to be to get money only, as nothing else was missing and every cent the drawer contained was carried away, which was a small amount, as Mr. Maslin, the clerk, fortunately had taken nearly all the money out of the drawer that evening for the purpose of making an even amount to be put away. The burglars went prepared for work if the occasion required. From the looks of the tools they left behind it is very evident they intended to break open the safe, but it is thought they were frightened off before they attempted it. Mr. Leary being away from home at the time his store was entered—and is at this writing; he is taking a sea voyage we believe; going to many of the ports that he used to visit when he commanded a vessel, therefore no steps has been taken to secure the arrest of the perpetrators, which should have been done. The citizens in and around Edesville are too easy going; they act as though the easiest way was the best way. Too much goes on unnoticed by the officers of the law, such as store-breaking, robbing hen roosts, dog poisoning or shooting, and last but not least in offensiveness, is gambling and dealing in whiskey—as it is no rare occurrence to see a drunken man staggering around the village. Should all this go on unnoticed? Is all this lawful? Will some one be kind enough to inform us where our constable is? Is he blind from the effects of politics? Perhaps he is dreaming and grieving about his long lost "silver-winged chanticleer?"

There seems to be many opinions and suggestions as to who is going to have the honor of opening boarding house in the future; the one we referred to in a previous letter is Mrs. W., of Edesville, and we say again "the right woman in the right place."

The talk of the elopement has ceased as suddenly as it came about. We hope the young couple are enjoying married life undisturbed by this time.

It was our pleasure to attend a social hop last Thursday evening, February 5, held at Rees' Hall, gotten up by several gentlemen in this community. It was really an enjoyable affair, everything passing off pleasantly; music good, dancing better, supper best—being served at 11 o'clock and every one seemed to do justice. Dancing was resumed about twelve and continued until two o'clock when all departed for their homes well pleased with the hours thus spent. Again, on the eleventh, we had the pleasure of attending another—given by another committee—which excelled the former if possible in the way of enjoyableness. A large company was expected, but owing to the cold weather and rough roads many from a distance was prevented from being present. Music was furnished by three pieces of your town. The supper which was served at twelve o'clock, was surely gotten up by those who knew how. After an intermission of about an hour dancing was resumed and continued until about half past 3 o'clock, when good-by was said, all we are sure wishing that the shadow of the committee may never grow less. JOE.

Letter from Piney Neck.

Messrs. Editors:—The time is drawing near for the local candidate to be around. You will soon see him all smiles; could not offend him to save your life; he will walk up to you, slap you on the shoulder with, "Hello, Bill! old boy, how are you getting along; how is your wife and children," (he don't care how they are, they might all have the measles for what he cares); if it is a tax-collectorship or constable's office he is after, he will smile on you and say "help me old fellow and I will get you a good job on the police sloop or deputy-collectorship in the custom-house;" such is our experience here with local candidates. We hope and pray for his appearance; we have something sweet to whisper in his ear.

Our "pugilist," Alex., is about to leave as we understand to go to Queen Anne's to engage in farming. We hope him better success than he had handling the "tongs."

Some one has been playing havoc among our canines; six of these faithful servants left our midst for a better home (if there is one for them) on Sunday. We hear as many as eight had done likewise at Edesville. One of our citizens took offense at his little poodle dying and went to shooting them right and left, until a gun about seven feet long was headed at him to halt. Why this man would not have left us a dog to let us know when it was meal time.

The rizer being frozen over at this writing there is nothing to do but gun for ducks and buckbite our neighbors around the shoe store; also, talking on all subjects from the tariff question down to politics, and I tell you sometimes we are the smartest men on earth until "Frank" comes down from Edesville, when we draw in our horns just a little.

Mr. C. C. Wood, one of our most enterprising farmers, has lost some twenty or thirty hogs and twenty calves by an unknown disease. Simon Smith, colored, also lost 30 hogs from cholera.

We have a good town hall now, (something that Chestertown can't boast of); also, a Mutual Aid Society for the protection of our wives and children—provided our treasurer don't get Canada in his head.

The steamers will soon start to run again and then "our boys" will have a chance to have their demijohns filled. We heard an old lover say the other day he had almost forgot the taste of the "critter," since it has been froze up so long. We almost wish it would stay froze up. DIXIE.

ODDS AND ENDS FROM FAIRLEE.

Death of an Old Citizen—Party at the Rectory—Hard Times or Better Sense? Almanacs—Grange Festival—Class in Music.

An indisposition of several weeks continuance has kept your correspondent in doors and interfered with the gathering of news items.

The death of Mr. James Ramage, on the 4th instant, who occupied the farm of R. S. Diehl on the Fairlee road, has deprived the community of an industrious, upright and conscientious citizen. He leaves two sons and a daughter, Mrs. William J. Payne.

The donation at the rectory of St. Paul's is reported as a numerous social gathering, evincing a high appreciation of the ability of the good doctor as a preacher, and the esteem in which he is held by his people and the community. Doctor Wall is reputed to be, and undoubtedly is, a gentleman of great erudition.

The usual inundation of patent medicine almanacs has not occurred this year in this vicinity. The fact may not be without some significance. Has the depression in business and the consequent stringency in finances reached the "kidney cure" man, the cherry Pectoral-ite, and others of that persuasion, or have the people grown in intelligence and discarded quackery and concluded "to throw physic to the dogs" as the immortal poet, William, advises?

For reasons not clearly defined Fairlee Grange deferred the opening of its festive season until the 5th instant. On that day a special session was opened by Worthy Master John P. Nicholson at 3 o'clock P. M. After the opening song, "the cramambule," by the grange choir, and prayer by Chaplain Alrich, Mrs. A. S. Skirven sang a solo, "Oh, Fair Dove!" This was followed by the recitation of "The Raven," by Rev. Mr. Crouse, the popular and efficient pastor of Chesapeake circuit, M. P. Church. It is needless to say it was effectively done. Mr. Herbert S. Lamb, "the infant of the grange," sang and played a baby song, which was received with well-merited applause.

The "Garner" was prepared and read by Miss Mollie Lamb. In a brief sketch of Mrs. Ida M. Hudson, the first sister whose loss the grange has had to deplore, tender allusion was made to her relations to the grange, and this followed by an apt and beautiful recitation, "We are not *all* here," by Mrs. A. S. Hurlock, affected every heart. The grange quartette, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Corey, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stratton, sang "Meet Again;" Miss S. Stratton played the accompaniment. The lecture by Brother T. A. Hulme, though piquant and suggestive as usual, was quite remarkable for its brevity; but as *that* is said to be the soul of wit, the grange doubtless got the soul without too much body. A solo was sung and played with fine effect by Sister Hallie Usilton; this was followed by "The Old Brown House," admirably rendered by the grange quartette. "Roger and I," a recitation by Brother Crouse, was truly realistic and gave great satisfaction. A song and accompaniment by Miss Mollie Lamb closed the literary exercises, and the worthy master and chaplain led the way to a profusely loaded table, where no doubt the worthy lecturer contributed largely to "the feast of reason and the flow of soul," as his custom is. I would like, if space were at my disposal, to speak of the refining and educating influence of such meetings, and compare them with the social gatherings in vogue twenty-five or forty years ago. What a contrast! But your older readers will recollect.

A school of music is being organized in the grange hall, with C. H. Stratton leader and instructor. Much is anticipated from Mr. S.'s well-known ability as a musician and skill as a teacher. I shall watch for developments and report. Yours under the weather,

SIMON SHARP.

BAL-MASQUE AT MR. JOHN BRICE'S.

Masquerade and Fancy-Dress Party of the G. I. Society of Chestertown.

This society is composed of young ladies and gentlemen, and was formed for the purpose of learning the art and science of fancy and decorative work—the younger members of the society being instructed by the elder ones, said elders being remarkably proficient in most branches. The meetings take place weekly at the residences of the different lady members. The rules of the society, as far as I could learn, require the meetings to adjourn at 10 o'clock P. M. But in this instance, the meeting taking place outside of the limits of the town, it was determined to abandon rules, regulations and all parliamentary restrictions and have a good time generally. The meeting on this occasion was held at the hospitable home of our genial friend, John Brice, Esq. The suburbs of Lankford were ablaze with light. The services of two bands were secured for the occasion, which were respectively stationed in the two parlors. This enabled a large number to participate in the terpsichorean pleasures of the evening. The program embraced all the select dances of the day, and the grace and ease with which the young ladies went through most difficult mazes of the dance would fairly rival the stately steps of the dames of ye olden time. The various characters *en-masque* were well sustained by the members of the society, and all acquitted themselves with great credit. Dancing was commenced soon after the arrival of the party and was continued until the guests were summoned to the feast. I say *feast* for no other word would be adequate to describe the sumptuous repast that had been prepared by the charming and amiable hostess. Our friend Joe, of the brick house, was indefatigable in his efforts, and the assistance he rendered in making the cuisine a success was acknowledged by all. Among the youth and beauty participating may be mentioned the Misses Blanche C——, as the daughter of a regiment, wore a beautiful and most becoming dress; Morning, by Lillie H——, in a costume of blue, white and silver was very pretty; Lela J., as the bride, lovely, dress perfect, but eclipsed by the beauty of the wearer. The Indian Queen, by Eva C——, was well-sustained; costume artistic in its design. Eva C'ly, as the milkmaid was the impersonation of rural beauty. One of the bright stars of the evening was Mary B——, as the waitress, who with waiter and broom made herself generally useful, and was ably seconded by Emma B——, who represented the same character, and dressed in a red skirt, black bodice and white apron, the very simplicity of which rendered it beautiful to our eye. Emma G——, as the flower girl, in a lovely dress of sea-foam, trimmed with flowers of every hue, was charming in the extreme. The costume worn by Ruby C——, who personated the queen of roses, was very beautiful and showed exquisite taste. Daisy B——, as the nurse, was attired in a costume simple and neat, as become the character she represented, and the babe she carried was the envy of the many matrons present, as it had ne'er been known to cry. The Misses C'lle's, Hope W——, Ida C——, and many others, in handsome evening dress, by their charming manner and pleasing address, contributed largely to the success of the evening. The young gentlemen, many of them college students, wore masks of the most ludicrous description. They came as guardsmen, soldiers, cadets, midshipmen, &c.; brass buttons predominating largely in the make-up of the uniforms. Willie B——, as a sailor boy, looked very handsome. Willie W—— wore a dress *a la* Mother Hubbard; he fairly carried away the hearts of the fair ones present by his graceful dancing and the character he assumed was well and faithfully carried out. J. Al'dge was received with applause as he made his appearance in the character of Dinah; his costume was of such a character that a description is simply impossible. B. H'n's wore a heavy mustache, eye-glasses, &c.; his character would answer for Lord Dundreary or the dude; he was (so the ladies say) very handsome, and was one of the beaux of the evening. Mr. G'y, in military dress, carried himself with much dignity, and hosts of others, whose names I cannot recall, added to the features of the evening. After the supper was over dancing was resumed, and when the program was exhausted the guests repaired to their respective homes.

Whatever claims for superiority may be put in for other social events it must certainly be admitted that the first Bal-masque of the G. I. Society excited more interest and far surpassed in elegance of costume and charming faces any other occasion thus far presented this season. *Fairlee.* AUTEUR.

A PRESCRIPTION THAT EXPLODED.—A veterinary prescription a clerk in Coleman & Rogers' drug store was compounding yesterday morning exploded through the action of sulphuric acid on linseed oil. The explosion was very slight, but the counter in the rear part of the store was set on fire, and before it could be extinguished a loss of $75 was sustained. The clerk had just stepped away from the mixture to get another ingredient when it flamed up, and he thus escaped serious injury.—*Sun.*

Is no large city on this continent can lying be had so cheaply as in Baltimore. The terms of the "Maltby House" fully illustrate that fact.

COUNTY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

A fall of snow and a cold drive prevented but few members from being present and participating in the discussions of the questions at the Kent County Teachers' Association held at the school-house in Chestertown, Friday, Feb. 6th. The Association was called to order by the president, E. F. Perkins, Esq., and opened with prayer by the Rev. Chas. H. Baker. The organist of the Association being late in arriving, and no other lady being prepared to preside at the organ, the selection of music was deferred until later in the session. There are 58 teachers in Kent, and all were present but nine, seven ladies and two gentlemen.

On motion by Mr. Long it was decided to hold one session, and adjourn at 2 P. M.

The first question discussed was one brought over from the last meeting as unfinished business. "By what means can we make our pupils better readers?"

The discussion was opened by Miss A. E. Leaverton, who stated that reading was the most important subject taught in public schools, and because of its great importance, it was a mistake to neglect it in any way for some other study, and a mistake to have it as the last lesson of the day when the pupil was fatigued, and also the teacher, but should have a place on the schedule of the school early in the day when both pupil and teacher are fresh. She advocated suitable supplementary reading in addition to the regular text-book and with higher classes, literature requiring pupils to learn something of the lives of some of the best writers. A teacher who reads well is more likely to make her pupils better readers, than one who is a poor reader. As aids in teaching good reading she recommended that pupils commit selections to memory, and they be trained to declaim nicely. The important work of the teacher is to teach pupils to read that others may understand, without any effort toward elocutionary display. She stated that there were two ways, one, the physical, the other, the intellectual way. She considered it very important that children begin well in the lower grades, that familiar words, in sentences should first be taught and great care be taken to train pupils in the lower grades to express themselves intelligibly in both reading and speaking, and also in training them to assume graceful postures, and in overcoming ungraceful positions which some may have acquired.

Mr. Melvin agreed with Miss Leaverton, that reading was the most important subject taught. He thought pupils were often over-crowded with new words, and often were give too hard work for their young minds. He found by experiment that when given suitable reading they read with eagerness, and believed that the reading should not be beyond the capacity of the child.

Miss Diggs thought it important that a reading lesson be studied by pupils, that questions should be asked concerning the lesson, and children be required to reproduce the thoughts and ideas in their own language. She recommended drill exercises in articulation, pronunciation, reading sentences backwards, and that children imitate the teacher's reading. She considered reading very important.

Mr. Long thought that the reading lesson should be fully understood, that the thoughts should be taken in before they are given out. He stated that pupils should be trained to read so that members of the class and teacher could understand the reader without any reference to a book. He had found by experiment that it was an excellent plan for pupils first to read silently a selection and afterwards read it aloud for his own benefit. He thought reading books should be frequently changed.

Mr. Copper thought it was most desirable and important information to know how to treat the child in his first efforts in reading. A pupil, he thinks, should not be required to read a sentence until he is able to pronounce at sight every word in that sentence. Teaching children *sound* but not *sense* is a mistake. The teacher should make reading an agreeable exercise, and an intellectual, rather than an elocutionary, exercise. Too much reading should not be given, and an effort made to help the child always to grasp the idea. Children should be encouraged to read good literature, and to read aloud at home. Quoting from Supt. Edwards, "The chief problem before the teacher is not to enable the pupil to read aloud for the instruction of others, but to read silently for the benefit of himself."

Mr. Tonkin stated that it is an admitted fact that the majority of pupils of our public schools are poor readers; though they may be able to glibly pronounce words, make the proper pauses and probably the proper inflections at the end of sentences. He believed that one reason for poor reading is that the selections are too difficult, especially in the fourth and fifth readers, being above and beyond the mental growth of the pupil. His pupils read selections of their own choosing from current periodicals much better than selections from their readers. He quoted from Prof. Parker's Talks on Teaching, saying that the written sentence is simply one way of getting thought. The child has already by long and continued practice learned to talk, and talk well; do not teach him to talk in any other way—that is, when he gets the thought by means of the written sentence let him say it as he always has. Never allow a child to give a thought until he gets it. Let the child get the thought himself. If children have acquired bad habits, uttering words in a harsh, unnatural manner and seeing no beautiful pictures behind them, he advises that the children be put in the easiest possible reading, no matter what grade, even if one has to begin with the first reader. The mind of the teacher should be concentrated on the great thing of leading his pupils to get the thought, or seeing mentally the picture. Pupils should have a great deal of interesting reading adapted to their vocabulary and thought.

Miss Nettie Gooding uses supplementary reading in connection with the text books of the several grades. She requires pupils to tell the story they have read, in their own words. Prefers short stories and short lessons, and that pupils read the whole of a reading lesson.

Miss Helen Power regarded the time set apart for reading insufficient to teach that important subject, and also that readers, particularly the fourth and fifth, were too difficult in their selections to interest pupils of those grades.

Mr. Taylor preferred to be a listener rather than participate in the discussion.

Mr. Topping believed that children like reading, and if their instruction is thorough in the lower grades it would be much better for them in the higher grades. He found a difficulty in the way of thorough teaching, from lack of time. He encouraged children to read papers.

Miss Jones recommended reading of story books as an exercise for home.

The examiner read a letter from Prof. Newell, who regretted that he could not be present at the association and hear their discussion of this and other questions. The examiner agreed with the teachers that reading is the most important subject, and if teachers have not time to teach it satisfactorily then time had better be taken from some other subject. It is too important to be neglected. The selections in the fourth reader are admirable and not too difficult for the fifth grade. When teachers place third readers and fourth readers where they belong, in fourth and fifth grades, no trouble would be had about difficult selections. In visiting schools, he had found the fourth grade using the fourth reader, which was not contemplated by those who arranged the schedule of studies. He thought that text-book instruction should be largely supplemented by reading suitable to the several grades, and teachers should advise and encourage their pupils in general reading. He gave a plan of how he would teach one to read, beginning with some familiar words and arranging them in a sentence. He believed it was injurious to read backwards. It was important that a teacher be a good reader, as pupils were influenced by the example of the teacher.

Miss Ava Downes asked for supplementary reading suitable for the fifth grade.

Harper's *Young People*, *Treasure Trove* and *Little Men and Little Women* were recommended by some of the teachers.

At the close of the discussion the literary committee reported the following questions to be discussed at the next meeting:

1. What are the best means of inducing pupils to discharge their duties voluntarily?

11. How far should utility be the object in school training?

The examiner recommended the Map of Maryland prepared by Thos. M. Pinkind for pupils of the 3d and 4th grades, also called attention to a "Temperance Physiology" as a book of reference and an aid to teachers in training pupils in temperance.

The first regular question was called up. The question reads as follows: What are the highest motives that can be successfully used as incentives to study?

The discussion was opened by Mr. Wallis, who was followed by Mr. Long in an admirable paper. Miss Roberts, Miss Spencer, Miss Smythe and Mr. Melvin participated in the discussion. Duty to themselves and to their parents, a desire to win approbation from teachers and parents, a desire to obtain knowledge for the benefit it conferred, a desire to advance from grade to grade, the system of marking, were points in the several arguments. The examiner read from Prof. Baldwin's Art of School Management concerning examination records, reports to parents and marking for recitations. After a recess of five minutes, a selection was sung and questions were asked and answered.

Is it grammatical to say, "I had rather have lost an arm?" This is a quotation from Thackeray, and Addison uses similar expressions. It was pronounced ungrammatical, and is condemned by Harvey in his text-book on grammar. Why is the slate-writing of pupils better than that of their copies? It was stated that children do a great deal of writing on slates under the present system and the writing in copies was better thereby, from the practice they received in writing on slates.

The 22nd of Feb. falls on Sunday; will Monday be observed as a holiday? The examiner replied that it is very probable schools will be open on the 23rd and will have a holiday on the 21st, which is Saturday.

Miss S. M. Shaw read an essay having as subject "Progress and Success."

The second regular question, "How may history be taught so as to lead children to investigate, and to enjoy the study?" was called up, and the discussion opened by Mr. Tonkin. He read an elaborate and very interesting paper on the subject; stating that children showed more interest in the events of their immediate neighborhood, and of their daily lives, than the events of the musty past. He had tried the old plan of assigning two or three pages of history as a reading lesson, and then questioning the pupils, using the questions at the bottom of the page, and had found it a useless plan. He thought the topical method was the best, and required his pupils to prepare full written notes on topics assigned, not limiting them to the text-book but desiring them to search such other histories as they may have or can obtain, thus encouraging a spirit of investigation. He believes books are too difficult, the style too labored and uninteresting, and that we require too much. He counted 264 leading topics and as many minor topics in the history in use at the present time. The time is too short to impress in the minds of children from 12 to 14 years of age these two to four hundred events. Quoting from Prof. Parker: law rules should govern in the selection of topics, first, select subjects that are interesting; second, choose these topics which bear directly on the development of the progress of the nation, or upon its failure and downfall. The teacher's purpose is to create a love for history. He thinks our text-books on history are not as good as they ought to be, though the lately introduced history is better than the one it supplanted.

Miss Johnson assigns short lessons, and also topics to write up. The president read a letter from Mr. Howard Meeks, also an argument prepared by the same gentleman who was unable to be present. The president suggested that an effort be made to establish a teachers' library at some central point in the county. The time having arrived, the association adjourned at 2 P. M.—*Transcript.*

EASTON will maintain its reputation as the most enterprising of the Easton Shore towns. It is now arranging for the use of Electric lights.

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PETITIONERS'

ROAD NOTICE!

THE undersigned petitioners hereby give notice that thirty days after the date hereof, they intend to petition the Hon. Co. Commissioners of Kent county, to open a

New Public Road,

in the 2d Election District of Kent co., beginning at the east corner of Mrs. Mary A. Wilmer's woods, and running thence over the lands of Mrs. Annie S. Wallis, along the division line between the lands of said Wallis and the said woods, to the new road which leads to Caulktown, and also to straighten that part of the continuation of said road towards school house No. 6, extending from said new road to Caulktown, through the lands of Hannah Gleaves and Mrs. Mary A. Wilmer to John Bryan's land; and also that the old road through said woods be closed when the road petitioned for shall be made and opened for public travel.

C. WRIGHT SPRY,
NATH'L W. COMEGYS,
LEWIN J. USILTON,
DENNIS J. NOWLAND,
JAMES BRICE
and 34 others.

j24-5t.

Fashionable Millinery.

MRS. KATE GILL, Having returned from the city with her new Summer Goods, which she has selected with care, offers her customers and the public generally, a complete assortment of Goods usually kept in her line. A nice selection of

Hats & Bonnets,

trimmed and untrimmed.

Also, a nice line of Feathers, Flowers and Ornaments of various kinds.

A full line of Ribbons and fine Neckwear always kept on hand. Something new in Fichus, fine Laces and Ruchings. She would call attention to her assortment of Silk, Laurel Thread and Kid Gloves, in newest spring shades, for Children and Ladies. Also, her new Pivot Corset, which will give perfect satisfaction. Black Lisle Thread Stockings, and a complete line of Hoisery in all grades, constantly kept on hand, suitable for ladies and children.

Call and examine before buying. Giving personal attention I will endeavor to please all. MRS. KATE GILL.
April 26, 1884.

MILL NOTICE.

THE "GALENA MILLS,"

better known as "Miller's Mills," have been under repairs and are now in first-class order. We are now ready to grind Wheat and Corn for our customers.

Our motto of milling is to guarantee satisfaction to all customers in way of turn-out and good flour and meal. We will gladly take back and pay cash for any bad flour we may make from good wheat. Try us and see what we will do for you. We have put in a Corn and Cob Crusher to grind corn on the cob for feeding purposes.

☞ WHEAT AND CORN WANTED, for which the cash will be paid at highest market prices.

☞ FLOUR, MEAL, and all kinds of Mill Feed for sale at the lowest market prices. For our reputation and responsibility we refer you to any of our former customers in and around Chestertown, or to the editors of this paper.

Very resp'y,
WM. J. SPICER,
Feb. 2—tf. Galena, Md

BOOTS and SHOES. Just received a large new stock all grades, at lowest prices. An inspection invited.
oc4. J. H. SIMPERS.

GUNS!—Muzzle & Breech loaders, Shot, Powder, Wads, Shells, &c., for sale by W. A. WHEATLEY, adjoining the Bank.
n15.

HACKETT & MEYER,

Still Pond,

Wish to inform the public that they have taken the old stand in Still Pond, where can be found a full stock of

PLOWS,

Harrows, Cultivators, &c

The attention of the public is called to the unquestioned merits of

OUR WAGONS,

which positively stand without a rival in the market; warranted free from imperfections in material or workmanship.

Farmers who have used them say they are THE BEST. The very best endorsement we can have is the universal satisfaction they have given.

Horse Shoeing a Specialty.

Particular attention given to Cutting and Forging.

Our DEARBORNS and CARTS cannot be excelled for durability and finish. REPAIRING done with neatness and dispatch.

Economy is wealth, and why not save the mighty dollar? The many have too few and the few too many. What is the use of wasting a dollar when you can save it? We are enabled to offer great Bargains, and our sales are large.

Thankful for past favors we hope to merit a continuance of same.

Call and be convinced that you can save the mighty dollar by buying from

HACKETT & MEYER,
jan3-2m* STILL POND.

C. B. LAMB & BRO.,

FAIRLEE.

NEW STORE under Grange Hall!

A year ago we promised the public to sell them goods as cheap or cheaper than they could be bought in the county and we are still of the same determination. Our patronage has been such as to encourage us to still greater efforts to be attentive to business. Our stock is being daily increased and consists of EVERYTHING NEEDED for a full-stocked and well-kept STORE.

Our Farming Implement Department

is now being filled with all the different kinds of fixtures, &c., needed for Fall use. We are also agents for the

Equitable Fertilizing Company's

STANDARD BRANDS,

also other RELIABLE BRANDS.

☞ All kinds of PRODUCE taken at the *Highest Market Price*, or in exchange for Goods.
Aug30-tf. C. B. LAMB & BRO.

WANTED!

The Citizens of Kent and Queen Anne's to know that

BENJ. STRAUSS,

formerly of Chestertown is located in the

Wholesale and Retail Liquor Business

At No. 1 Camden Street,

(adj. Crew & Jerome,) that he has *no connection with any other liquor house in the city of Baltimore*. He has the agency for two large Pennsylvania distilleries, and can sell at distillery price.

He will be pleased to hear from his old patrons, and especially from the farmers for their HARVEST WHISKEYS.

He makes a specialty of David Faust Copper Distilled Rye Whiskey, which he sells for $2 per gallon. je14.

CHESTERTOWN

Marble Works!

OWING to my health I am compelled to SELL OUT MY ENTIRE STOCK OF MARBLE regardless of cost.

My stock is very large, comprising all the latest designs that can be found in the city yards, with a full line of Marble Posts of all sizes; galvanized Railing for fencing. All of my work is finely finished and set up by myself.

Persons wanting anything in my line of business will find it to their advantage to call and examine my stock.

Thankful for past patronage, I remain yours, respectfully,
j31-tf. W. REGISTER.

Notice to Tax-Payers of 3d District.

THE tax books for the Third District are now in my hands and the bill of each individual tax-payer is ready for settlement. I hope that payment will be made promptly, thereby saving me the disagreeable duty of resorting to legal measures.

The law explicitly requires that I shall proceed WITHIN THIRTY DAYS from the date of receiving the books to collect, so that I have no option in the matter.

I may be found at Worton Station every Tuesday afternoon and at the court-house in Chestertown on Saturdays.

Respectfully, JAMES S. GEMMILL,
a16-tf. Coll. 3d Dist.

Carpetings, Carpetings!

OIL CLOTHS! OIL CLOTHS!
ALL WIDTHS.

Mats, Rugs, &c.

LARGEST STOCK!
BEST ASSORTMENT
and LOWEST PRICES.

REMEMBER, the price on these goods is much below last year, and on our part no effort will be spared to keep the trade at home. Will furnish upon the shortest notice anything needed in the CARPET line and at city prices.

Our stock is varied now, consist of RAG, ranging from 28c. per yard up.—Jute, excellent for wear; Ingrain from the lowest 25c. grade up to the best extra super made. Our all-wool 55c. goods in Ingrain specially cheap. Brussels in Tapestry, Body, &c., from 85c, up.

Soliciting your trade, I am
Respectfully, R. F. PARKS.
Nov. 1, 1884.

N. C. CROW,

On the Corner, up town!

(Adjoining Mrs. Gruber's.)

Goods as Cheap as the Cheapest!

Country Produce taken in exchange for goods or cash paid for them at highest market prices.

Constantly on hand

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, BOOTS, SHOES,
And GROCERIES,

Glassware, China and Tinware, Bacon and Lard; Flour by the bbl., sack or lb. I am selling the celebrated Lea & Sons' Flour of Wilmington, Del.

I am selling three kinds GLASS JARS—Gem, Mason's Porcelain lined and tin-top. Also, Tin Cans, warranted not to leak. Patent wax string for sealing cans; also Cement. A large lot of Stone Jars from ½ gal. to 2 gal.; also Milk Crocks, all of which are cheap.

If you want good Chewing Tobacco go to CROW'S. If you want a good smoke try my Segars.

Come and see me and bring your produce and be convinced that you will get as much for your money as at any store in the county. N. C. CROW,
a8. Up Town, adj. Bakery.

Fairview Nurseries,

Established 1835.

200,000 PEACH TREES,

SELECT KINDS,
ONE YEAR OLD.

10,000 Kieffer & LeConte Pear Trees

All kinds of Fruit Trees and Small Fruit Plants. Strawberry Plants and Osage Orange specialties.

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n1-4m. Moorestown, N. J

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300 000 No. 1. PEACH TREES!

Over 50 varieties, among which can be found kinds suited to all sections including the New and Old Standard Varieties, largely of the Yellow for canning and drying purposes. Also 100,000 APPLE TREES, 40,000 of them are Extra Long Keeping varieties, adapted to southern planting or wherever long keeping varieties are desirable. We also offer a full line of NURSERY STOCK, Small Fruit a specialty; can fill orders in large or small quantities, at reasonable prices; write for descriptive circular, which we mail free to all applicants. Orders by mail promptly attended to.

Address:
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Vegetable Sicilian

HAIR RENEWER

was the first preparation perfectly adapted to cure diseases of the scalp, and the most successful restorer of faded or gray hair to its natural color, growth, and youthful beauty. It has had many imitators, but none have so fully met all the requirements needful for the proper treatment of the hair and scalp. HALL'S HAIR RENEWER has steadily grown in favor, and spread its fame and usefulness to every quarter of the globe. Its unparalleled success can be attributed to but one cause: *the entire fulfilment of its promises.*

The proprietors have often been surprised at the receipt of orders from remote countries, where they had never made an effort for its introduction.

The use for a short time of HALL'S HAIR RENEWER wonderfully improves the personal appearance. It cleanses the scalp from all impurities, cures all humors, fever, and dryness, and thus prevents baldness. It stimulates the weakened glands, and enables them to push forward a new and vigorous growth. The effects of this article are not transient, like those of alcoholic preparations, but remain a long time, which makes its use a matter of economy.

BUCKINGHAM'S DYE

FOR THE

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Will change the beard to a natural brown, or black, as desired. It produces a permanent color that will not wash away. Consisting of a single preparation, it is applied without trouble.

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