DENTON JOURNAL

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 4, 1905

Items of News from All Parts of the County Solicited Under this Head.

PUBLIC BUSINESS CALENDAR

CIRCUIT COURT WILL MEET APR. 3.

LEVY COURT WILL MEET MAR. 7.

ORPHANS' COURT WILL MEET MAR. 7.

SCHOOL BOARD WILL MEET MAR 14.

THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

DASHES HERE AND THERE.

Wheat, $1.13; corn, 51 to 52.

The Cecil court will be convened next Monday.

Joseph J. Plummer, sawyer, advertises for a position.

S. G. Nuttle, Andersontown, advertises four pairs of mules for sale.

Counsel for Mr. Smith will begin taking testimony at Denton on the 28th.

The Hughes Lumber and Coal Co. received a new supply of coal this week.

C. H. Bullock has heavy weight clothing for sale at wholesale cost prices.

Recent shipments of oysters to Denton dealers have been in active demand.

Mrs. J. T. Moore entertained a few friends at cards on Thursday evening of last week.

The iceboat Annapolis went from Baltimore to Love Point on Wednesday to break a passage.

A. G. Saulsbury & Bro. have just received 100 pieces of cotton chain mattings. Don't fail to see them.

Mr. Robert B. George will in a short time begin his work at the Tuckahoe Fishing Hatching Station.

When farmers and all other workers get busy business conditions, which have been unusually dull, will improve.

Mr. W. Henry Jopp thinks a very few yellow and a sprinkling of white varieties of peach buds survive in young orchards.

From indications Denton is likely to again enjoy a brisk building season. Quite a number of buildings are being planned.

Mr. John T. Carter, Jr., has sold five building lots on Gay street to Connecticut parties, and it is thought dwellings will be built upon them.

All persons interested in the proposed race track at Denton are requested to attend a meeting for its promotion at the Law Building on Wednesday evening next at half-past seven o'clock.

Although the weather for the past few days has been more wintry than springlike, there are signs that the vernal season will soon be at hand. Birds are building nests and the small boy is playing marbles.

It is said that the estate of the late John H. Van Gesel is valued at more than twenty five thousand dollars. All his property was bequeathed to his widow, who is the executrix of the will, which was probated on Tuesday last.

Rev. W. S. H. Williams writes: "Next Sunday March 5th, will be the last "Preaching Sunday" before conference, at Hickman and Central Churches. Therefore the pastor will be pleased to meet full congregations on that day.

A telegram from Easton Wednesday said the steamer Joppa, after getting within a mile and a half of Easton Point, went back to Oxford. It now seems likely that all the regular trips of the various steamers will be resumed next week.

As heretofore noted Denton's streets will soon be lighted by gas, and this will be taking another long step in the town's advancement. The Commissioners will provide iron lamp-posts which will be placed at necessary points throughout the town.

The Commissioners of Denton at a recent meeting decided to order the property of John T. Carter, and the Blackiston heirs, near the corner of Main and Third street, be moved back to the new building line. This will make the street about ten feet wider.

The funeral of Mr. Frank DeFord took place at Thawley's Chapel, Tuckahoe Neck, on Sunday morning last, a large number of the deceased's friends and neighbors being present. Rev. T. H. Wright, assisted by Rev. George S. Rairigh and Rev. J. Y. King, officiated. Interment took place at Hillsboro cemetery.

Those who deserve credit in the recent examination at Bethlehem school are as follows: George Burklew, Curtus Eaton, Frank Patchett, Maude Harding, Harvey Harding, Lucy Phelps, Dalton Hubbard, Sarah Blades, Edward Patchett, Mary Blades, Clinton Carroll and Addie Hubbard.

While driving Monday evening Mr. T. Pliny Fisher met with a mishap, and narrowly averted what might have been a serious accident. His carriage collided with the hotel 'bus and Mr. Fisher was thrown to the ground. The 'bus was partially wrecked and its driver and passengers were badly shaken up.

There was a meeting of those interested in the new hotel proposition at the office of Mr. A. G. Towers on Friday night of last week. Mr. Charles W. Hobbs presided and Mr. Oscar Clark was secretary. It was ascertained that $4,850 had been already subscribed to the fund, and the promoters hope to increase it to twelve or fifteen thousand. Messrs. H. A. Roe, James H. Nichols and Burton W. Parker were appointed to examine the available sites, etc., and report at Mr. Towers' office this evening.

NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM ASSURED

It Is Likely to Expand and Take in Much of Our Territory.

The success of the farmers' telephone line, covering a large part of the territory of Tuckahoe Neck and between Denton, Ridgely and Hillsboro, is assured. A largely attended meeting, looking toward the starting of the enterprise, was held at Thompson's Hall, Hillsboro, on Wednesday. The following officers were elected: President, G. S. Rairigh; vice-president, L. R. Brumbaugh; treasurer, J. Y. King; secretary, D. F. King; directors, R. E. Smith, Clement Drake, H. M. Thompson. It is proposed to erect at once thirty-two miles of line, and it is quite probable that further extensions will be made. Fifty-five shares of stock, of thirty dollars each, will be issued at once. Subscription for fifty of these shares have been received already, thus assuring ample means to go ahead with construction. It has been suggested that the system be called the Tri-County Telephone Company and that it be incorporated in the counties of Caroline, Talbot and Queen Anne's. There will be a public meeting of those interested and those likely to become interested at Simon's Hall, Ridgely, next Monday afternoon at half-past one.

Nearly every citizen of Tuckahoe Neck, it is said, is interested in the enterprise and will patronize and support it heartily. This will not involve very heavy expense, as has been pointed out, although it is said to be the determination to use the metallic circuit and a first-rate grade of 'phones.

Caroline farmers are now largely interested in the fruit and packing industry. Nearly all of them are fruit and tomato growers and it would be a great saving as well as a convenience to them to be able to talk with shipping agents, at the points mentioned which their new system is destined to touch, or the packers to whom they would dispose of their products promptly.

It is hoped that the new enterprise will spread and eventually cover much if not all the county. There will be, it is understood, no effort to make of it any more than a local system, embracing, however, ultimately sections of Talbot and Queen Anne's counties, many of whose farmers are likely to become patrons.

Following is a list of subscribers to the stock of the new company: J. Y. King, G. S. Rairigh, P. K. Pentz, L. R. Brumbaugh, Clement Drake, Levi King, J. C. Reber, Daniel Zeigler, Emmanuel King, S. G. Snowden, J. H. & R. E. Smith, G. K. Ebling, D. P. Holsinger, F. M. Replogle, M. F. King, W. F. Phillips, D.K. Crouse, A. R. Layton, M. H. Spicher, D. F. King, M. McDaniel, Geo. A. McDaniel & Co., R. S. Clark, Harry Clark, M. H. Smith, Ed Hoffman, Mrs. Mary B. Replogle, Edwin M. Garey, W. H. Thawley, G. L. Wilson, Stewart & Jarrell, Nuttle Hardware Co., W. R. Wright, C. H. Wagner, J. F. Booth, G. S. Ober, Somers Blake, John Holsinger, B. B. Brumbaugh, L. R. Clough, W. F. Jackson, Benjamin Colgain, H. M. Thompson, Geo. E. Saulsbury, J. W. Kerr, Smith & Walls, F. Edward Jarrell.

It is thought 'phones may be rented for about ten dollars a year.

Federalsburg.

Mr. M. L. Smith has been quite ill, and Mr. Will Allen, of Laurel, has been assisting at the station.

Mr. J. W. Noble has gone down the river with the Eaglet, loaded with goods from the mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Noble returned to their home in Philadelphia on Monday afternoon.

Carpenters are commencing operations on buildings for J. B. Sullivan and Mrs. Messenger.

Mr. R. W. Messenger entertained a number of his frsends at his home Tuesday evening.

The new kindling mill has filled its first car of wood for Philadelphia parties.

Mr. Samuel Brodiss has been visiting in Wilmington and New Castle.

Miss Sadie Davis, of South Carolina, is at her father's, near town.

Mr. Harvey Smith, of Clayton, visited relatives here this week.

Mr. Earle Noble is visiting in Philadelphia.

Miss Myra Harris is in Baltimore.

Williston.

About twenty little folks assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Chaffinch last Saturday efternoon, the occasion being a birthday party of Paul and Esta Roe. Various games were indulged in, and about four o'clock all were invited to the dining-room to partake of refreshments.

After having had such a severe winter, the indications of an early spring are welcomed by everyone.

Our fishermen are getting their nets in readiness, each eager to capture the first shad.

The ice is breaking up, and we hope traffic by boat will soon be resumed.

Mr. J. A. McIntosh, of Hillsboro, this week visited Mr. T. L. Chaffinch.

Miss Estella Meredith is visiting relatives in Easton.

Secretary of State Tilghman has been instructed by the Governor to write to the descendants of the former Governors of the State, requesting them to forward to Annapolis oil paintings of the former Governors. The Governor has received the oil painting of ex-Governor Pratt and is desirous of completing the set. Ex-Governor Brown's picture is the only one of the recent Governors now adorning the walls of the State House.

Hillsboro.

The political caldron has begun to boil in the Sixth district, and the names of the Hon. Henry R. Lewis and Winder Goldsborough are spoken of for the Senate. Mr. F. E. Jarrell is being insisted upon by his many friends to be a candidate for the House of Delegates. Our popular ex sheriff, Mr. Isaac L. Dukes, is spoken of for county treasurer, and the many friends of the Mr. R. Ignatius Lednum, of Preston, are anxiously pressing him for the treasurership. Tuckahoe Neck people are anxious to see Isaac T. Fleetwood a candidate for sheriff and Jas. H. Fleming for county commissioner; so you see the glorious old Sixth, if the county convention will allow it, can very efficiently fill the majority of the offices.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sauer and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sparks very pleasantly entertained a number of their friends one evening last week. Progressive whist and flinch were the principal amusements. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. Lawrence Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. William Thawley, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sauer, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sparks, Misses Blanche Smith, Grace Pennington, Ella Pennington, Grace Hubbard, Ethel Holt, Virginia Holt, Mollie Short, Rose Williams, Evelyn Fleming and May Taylor, Messrs. John Taylor, Herbert Beaven, Ellwood Fleming, Edward Rowens, Winchester Smith, Bernard Sparks, Garrison Smith, Ned Jarrell and George Stewart.

Mrs. Chas. Jarrell, who has been spending some time with relatives and friends in Washington, has returned to her home.

We are glad to report that the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gale is improving.

Mrs. Edward Payne, who has been ill with tonsilitis, is convalescent.

Andersontown.

The business meeting of the Epworth League of Concord M. E. Church, met at Mrs. Atwood Todd's on Friday evening last. A large number of members were present and all report a pleasant evening.

Our teacher, Miss Nellie Harris, celebrated Washington's birthday with exercises appropriate to the day. Parents and friends of the pupils were present and found it very entertaining.

The baseball game played at Andersontown school February 22 resulted in a score of 9 to 23 in favor of the other party.

Mr. Norman J. Smith has returned home after a pleasant visit with friends in Philadelphia, Wilmington and Camden, N. J.

Mrs. S. G. Nuttle spent part of last week with her mother, Mrs. Julia E. Wright, at Federalsburg.

Miss Katie Spence, of Smithville, has been visiting her grand-parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Dill.

Mr. S. G. Nuttle was a visitor at St. Louis last week. He reports a pleasant trip.

Mrs. Robert Starkey, Mrs. H. F. Stevens and Mr. George Dill are on the sick list.

The Ladies Aid met at Mrs. H. F. Stevens Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Mr. Euphonious Smith has accepted a position in Philadelphia.

Our Bible Study met at Mrs. Stella Todd's Friday afternoon.

Henderson.

Henderson claims the champion shad eater. He recently for his supper ate five shad weighing 5¼ pounds. They were nicely cooked, and he had bread, butter and coffee. They were eaten on a wager.

The ladies aid met at Mrs. Carroll Johnson's on Wednesday of this week. Quite a number were present. After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served.

Rev. Mr. Stewart, pastor of the Mission, left here on Monday morning to attend the Holiness Conference at Conshohocken, Pa.

Miss Bessie Jones has returned home, after being away some time engaged in evangelistic work.

Miss Katie Wilson, of Wilmington, is spending some time with her sisters near town.

Mrs. Jake Smith, and children, have been visiting friends in Marydel.

E. C. Gooden, of Philadelphia, is at home with his parents this week.

Wm. Zeigler is spending several days with friends in Wilmington.

Smith Dill has been in Wilmington for several days with friends.

I am glad to report the sick are all much better at this time.

Eddie Coffin has been in Wilmington this.

Marydel.

Our young folks enjoyed a straw-ride on Friday evening out in the country about three miles. They all reported a plentiful supply of ice cream and cake, and a good shaking up, both going and coming, as the roads were not in the best of condition.

Mr. F. P. Medford, our county commissioner, had been unable to get to Denton since the blizzard until last Tuesday.

Mr. J. Seward Dailey, of the Conference Academy, Dover, spent Saturday and Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Temple Jump, of Cheswold, were guests of relatives here this week.

Revival services have closed, the total number of conversions being 115.

Miss Hennie Hall, of Wilmington, kas been visiting her parents here.

Miss Addie Davis is visiting relatives in Magnolia.

Mrs. Margaret Emory is with Philadelphia relatives.

MATRIMONIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

Several Couples Embark on the Sea of Matrimony.

The marriage of Mr. Clarence Colona, of Hurlock, and Miss Lulu Stack took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. T. Reichman, in this place, on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, Rev. J. T. Richardson performing the ceremony. The parlor was decorated with potted plants and the dining-room with carnations and bride roses. The bride wore a traveling suit of blue broadcloth, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a shower bouquet of violets. Mr. and Mrs. Colona took the eleven o'clock train for Hurlock, where the groom is engaged in business. A reception was tendered them on their arrival. Before the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to the bride and groom and a few friends.

The marshal of the civic division of the inaugural parade at Washington a few days ago invited Mr. Thomas R. Green, of Denton, to act as aide on his staff, but Mr. Green's engagements prevented his acceptance. Dr. M. Bates Stephens, who had been invited to act on the staff of General MacDonald at the inaugural ceremonies, also had to decline because of an appointment which took him from the State.

A very quiet wedding was solemnized on Wednesday evening, February 22d, at the home of Mrs. T. E. Ford, at Marydel, when her daughter, Miss Bertie Price, became the bride of Mr. Bert Kaler, of Philadelphia.

Mr. George H. Wright, of Burrsville, and Miss Maud Todd, of Greenwood, were married at the groom's father's on Wednesday evening. Mr. Wilbur Jacobs and Miss Mattie Todd attended the bride and groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Howard, of Laurel Grove, have returned from their wedding tour, and have been visiting the bride's adopted parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Hunt.

Rev. W. J. D. Lucas and Captain Z. T. Hutchinson, whose illnesses have been heretofore reported, are now able to be out of doors occasionally.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Messick and son Aldred, of Bethlehem, are visiting Mrs. Messick's brother Mr. Arthur Edward Dowell, in Washington, D. C.

Miss Jennie Griffin and Mrs. G. Wilbur Rolph and their neices, Misses Ethel and Pearl Griffin, are in Washington to see the inauguration.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Harris and daughter Helen have returned from quite an extended visit with Centreville friends.

Attorney Towers, one of Congressman Jackson's counsel, attended at the taking of testimony at Cambridge this week.

Dr. M. Bates Stephens attended a meeting of State Superintendents of Public Education in Milwaukee this week.

Mrs. Robert Dean, of Ridgely, spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Jones, last week.

Mrs. Edward Schlabach, of Easton, Pa., is a guest at the home of her brother, Mr. W. D. Uhler.

Mr. Charles H. Blackiston has been visiting friends in Kent.

Mrs. Earle Smith has been visiting Centreville friends.

Orphans' Court Proceedings.

In the Orphans' Court on Tuesday the sale of the real estate of Margaret Jopp, deceased, was ratified by final order.

William H. Deweese, attorney, presented the will of John H. Van Gesel, deceased, which was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary were granted to Mary M. Van Gesel, the executrix named in the will. Bond was filed and approved. Z. Potter Steele and John S. Barnhart were appointed appraisers of the personal estate. Notice to creditors was ordered.

Fred. R. Owens, trustee for the sale of the real estate of William Morgan, deceased, presented an account and audit of the funds and a partial distribution, which were approved and ratified by order.

John E. Wilson, guardian to Enoch B., Vashti L., Lena R., and James A. H. Garey, presented his ninth guardian accounts; passed.

Hickman.

Rev. W. S. H. Williams will preach here tomorrow, health permitting, the last Sunday before Conference. On the last Sunday he was here he became ill while in the pulpit and was unable to continue his sermon. We are glad to hear he is better.

The Hickman Manufacturing Company has made about a million baskets during the last six weeks.

Mrs. Richard Peters has about recovered from an attack of grip.

George Noble has filled his ice house with eleven-inch ice.

Edward Brown is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Zeb. Fountain, Jr., has returned to Philadelphia.

Thomas Cleaves is home for a short time.

Smithville.

Miss Dryden, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Smith, of Federalsburg, who have been visiting Miss Ollie Hignutt, have returned home.

Miss Bertha Bullock and Miss Ola Scott spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Mae Sparklin, Federalsburg.

Miss Hattie Mercer and Miss Rose Phillips, of Denton, spent a few days with Miss Carrie Spence this week.

Miss Della Peters, of Hickman, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. S. Liden, this week.

Mr. W. T. Hignutt visited friends in Rosemont, Pa. this week.

Death of Samuel H. Fluharty.

A telegram received here Saturday afternoon announced the death at Springfield Hospital Saturday morning of Mr. Samuel H. Fluharty. Mr. Fluharty has been in feeble health several years and his death was not unexpected. He was a son of the late Samuel G. and Rachael A. Fluharty (nee Lucas) of Queen Anne's county, and was born October 22, 1826, near Wye Mills, in that county. He came to Caroline when a young man and for a number of years was one of th is county's farmers and among its most prominent contractors and builders. He was twice married. His first marriage was in January, 1854, to Miss Mary Emily, daughter of the late David Todd, a large real estate holder of Preston. She died in 1883, and nine years after he married Mrs. Mary A. Daily, of Templeville, whom he survived about eighteen months. Among surviving relatives of the deceased are a sister, Mrs. Jennie Brohawn, of Salem, Dorchester county, a step-brother, Mr. Joseph Frampton, of Federalsburg, and four children, David G. Fluharty, of Baltimore, Mrs. Rachael A., wife of Rev. W. J. D. Lucas, of Denton, and William H. Fluharty and Mrs. Walter Todd, of Philadelphia. The remains were brought to Denton and interred in the cemetery here.

M., D. and V. Railway Officials.

Captain Willard Thomson, vice-president of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway Company, sent out a circular several days ago, naming the officials of the Railway Division of the company (formerly the Queen Anne R. R.,) the appointments dating back to February 8th. They are as follows:

Division Freight and Passenger Agent, A. J. Benjamin.

Asst. Engineer, W. U. Polk.

Master Mechanic, F. Strattner.

Train Master, Geo. F. Sharpley.

Asst. Master Mechanic, J. F. Scott.

Asst. Train Master, Howard B. Anderson.

Train Dispatcher, W. F. Hanna.

Asst. Supervisor (track), J. T. Porter.

In the same circular is announced the appointment of B. N. Brittingham as Asst. Supervisor for the B. C. & A. Ry. Co. taking effect the same date.

Lawson Told the Truth.

During the month of January last, George M. Willson, proprietor of the Phoenix Roller Flouring Mill, Easton, who is a great admirer of Thos. W. Lawson, being a reader of his articles, called "Frenzied Finance," wrote to him out of mere curiosity and told him he was a young man and had by hard work accumulated the sum of $1000 after a struggle of several years, and he wished to invest the money, and asked his advice. Mr. Willson received a reply from the great financier on January 28th, telling him to invest immediately in Copper Range Stock and sell when it reached a certain point. The stock was then valued at $63 per share. Mr. Willson did not do as authorized and on February 3rd it had reached $69, which would have made a profit to Mr. Willson of nearly $4000.

He is now regretting that he did not do as advised.

Peach Prospects Brighten.

From the various sections where peaches are grown later reports are coming that are more cheering than the doleful wail that went forth last week, and there appears to be a general concensus of opinion that while some buds are blasted, there are many, fully sixty per cent. of the buds in good condition; more than sufficient to make a full peach crop, should no further accident befall them. From the orchard of Charles Postles, four miles north of Milford, we examined branches from fully twenty specimens, and found the above statement fairly the approximate for the buds on the branches. From other points reports similar are coming; and, as we stated last week, unless lower temperature than has prevailed this winter, or late frosts in the spring prevents, there will be a comfortable flow of money toward Delaware next August from the peach crop.—*Chronicle.*

R. F. D. Instructions

The Postoffice Department has issued instructions to Rural Carriers that they are not to tear down fences or open roads through private property in order to deliver mail on their routes when the roads are drifted shut. They are simply required to go as far as they can, but when the roads are not open, and it is not possible for them to continue without throwing down fences, they will return to the post office from which they started, where the mail will be held until called for, or until the roads are opened. Patrons must also clear away the snow to their boxes, so as to permit the carrier to deposit mail without leaving his vehicle; otherwise, mail matter will be held at the postoffice until called for.

A Card of Thanks.

We would like to ask for space in your paper to express the gratitude we feel towards those friends who have been so extremely kind as to minister by their sympathy and kindnesss unto our every conceivable desire in this hour of our sad affliction in the loss of our husband and father.

MRS. W. F. DEFORD AND FAMILY.

The latest patterns in Wall Paper, 5c a piece; Gilt, 8c a piece. Window Shades, 22c each, Thomas & Messer, 1015 W. Baltimore street, Baltimore.

DR. W. F. CORKRAN WINS HIS LAW SUIT

Peach Buds Are Not All Dead—Chicken Thieves Arrested, Etc.

Peaches, says an editor who has visions of dead peach buds, are a tonic, an aperient, a food and a drink combined, or, to put it briefly, they are meat and medicine. A good meal may be made on cut peaches with cream and sugar, bread and butter. After a meal of this variety a person will feel more like attending the duties of the afternoon than if he or she indulged in heavy foods. Peaches are good before breakfast and after dinner. They are good for the digestion, good for the blood and good for the complexion. Some people eat them without cream or sugar and with good results. The fruit is so rich in sugar and acid that it preserves its flavor a long while, but to get the full benefit it should be eaten as soon as it is cut.

On Tuesday, February 21, Thomas Biddle and Samuel Dill stole sixteen chickens from the roost of Elbert Sanders, of Goldsboro, it is alleged. The two men were followed to Hartly and on Wednesday, W. Cowen, magistrate at Hartly, was notified that chicken thieves were in town. He issued a warrant for their arrest and found the chickens in their possession and after they acknowledged their guilt, they voluntarily offered to be transferred to the courts of Maryland. 'Squire Cowen turned them over to 'Squire Smith, of Marydel. They were given a hearing and were committed to the jail at Denton. Constable Jones started with them and Biddle escaped, and is still at large.

Contrary to all expectations, the barefoot sandal is here to stay, and thousands of pairs are daily being made up for next season. It was the general opinion last season, when so many of them were worn, that the sale must have reached its climax, but more than twice as many have been already sold than were produced all last season. The barefoot sandal is here to stay. Not only are they being made for the little ones, but many adults are buying them for house slippers, because of their wearing qualities.—*Ex.*

The suit for $3000 brought against Rev. W. F. Corkran by Zell & Merceret, brokers, in Baltimore, was decided Monday in favor of the minister, who was formerly a presiding elder. The suit grew out of a stock transaction, the brokers claiming that Dr. Corkran owed them the money for margins and commissions on stock they were carrying for him. Dr. Corkran contended that he had told the brokers to sell the stocks and stop loss when they began to depreciate in value.

Now, as the long weather blockade is lifted, circulate around and pay the little store and shop bills sometime over due. This will enable them to pay their bills and so on along the line. There has been a long hard business tie-up, and we want to get an early spring rush on the jump.—*Ex,*

George Messick, conductor on the Delaware, Maryland & Virginia railroad, who has been sick since November, has resumed his duties and Conductor Hall Mifflin, of the Delaware division, who has been in the place of Conductor Messick for several weeks, returned to Wilmington.

The up-to-date farmer in Dorchester: "And now the farmer is having an electric bell placed in connection with his rural mailbox, where the box is located some distance from the house, the mail carrier ringing the bell when he delivers the mail. What next?"

Mr. Oscar A. Turner, who bought the well-known Castle Haven farm, on the Choptank river, will make a model place of it. Mr. Turner is a native of Wicomico, but made a fortune in the West.

Mr. William H. Baker, general manager of the Diamond State Telephone Company, hopes to install a number of phones in farmers' residences near Centreville.

The Easton Packing Company will greatly enlarge its business, having, in addition to the Greenman property, purchased the Nickerson Canning Company's plant.

The Cecil County Commissioners recently passed an order that hereafter they would pay no more bills for removing snow from the public roads.

Joseph Hill, a Laurel, Del., octogenarian, a few days ran away and married a fisherman's fourteen year old daughter. Hill is wealthy.

The annual meeting of the Maryland State Teachers's Association will be held at the Blue Mountain House July 11 to 14, inclusive.

Reports to farmers' institutes are that peach trees are in fine condition and that prospects are for a good yield.—*Philadelphia Record.*

A big revival is going on in the Methodist Protestant Church at Harrington, and storekeepers are closing their places early.

Quite a number of our exchanges in various parts of the Peninsula think there is still a possibility of a good peach crop.

Rev. T. P. Revelle, a former member of the Maryland Annaul Conference, has been admitted to the bar in Seattle.

Farmers around Harrington who planted from two to four acres in peanuts have found them unprofitable.

Don't fail to see the line of mattings A. G. Saulsbury & Bro. are displaying. Prices from 12½ to 15 cents.

Canners of Kent county, Maryland, will pay only $6 per ton for tomatoes this season.

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Contest in Dorchester.

A Cambridge dispatch to the Baltimore *Sun* Thursday said: "The examination of ballot boxes and witnesses in the contested election case of Jackson vs. Smith was continued here today. Every election judge placed on the stand testified that no vote for either Jackson or Smith was rejected or any vote for either of them counted except by the unanimous vote of all the judges, and that the election was fairly conducted in every respect.

"The votes of seven districts were counted and without any material gain to either side from any point of view, except that in the Hurlock ballot box all the rejected and accepted ballots cast were found strung together instead of being assorted on separate strings, as directed by law. There was a Jackson majority of 25 according to the official returns, and Miles and Henry, counsel for contestee, objected to the ballots in that district being counted at all, as it was manifestly impossible to ascertain now which of the ballots were rejected by the election judges.

"But Towers and Andrews, counsel for Jackson, insisted upon continuing the count, whereupon their opponent recorded their objection and the reason for it and declined to participate in the count. Messrs. Towers and Andrews then proceeded to count, and when they tallied up the result it was found that by their count Smith had gained nine votes over Jackson. So that in either event, whether the whole poll is rejected or the present Jackson count is accepted by Congress, Smith must gain considerably. It is thought that Mr. Jackson's counsel will open the boxes of only one or two more districts tomorrow and will then take the testimony of a number of witnesses summoned for the purpose, who will testify that they would have voted for Jackson, but could not on account of their being illiterate and the law forbidding their receiving assistance.

"It has by this time become evident that this class of testimony is that on which counsel for Jackson will mainly rely, as it has become fairly well established by the uniform testimony of each Democratic and Republican election judge that the election was perfectly fair. It is therefore the law itself that must be attacked, and not the methods of its enforcement."

Farm Notes.

The warmer the animals can be kept without resorting to extra fuel (feed) the less expense. This can be done only with good shelter. It is inferred that barns are not the proper shelter, as they are well enough in their place, but cattle are turned out of the barns, or allowed in the barn yards, where they suffer severely. They dislike confinement, preferring the open air, and are more profitable when their wishes are gratified; but they should have a large open shed, or windbreak of some kind, to keep off the cold winds. Even the barns may contain cracks and crevices, which let in cold streams of air on the stock at night and chill them severely. These openings, though costing but little for their repair, entail not only discomfort to the animals but loss of product. More fuel must be used, and in extreme cases the animal heat is not sufficient to maintain life, especially with young stock. Liberal feeding will not take the place of shelter at all times, for not only are the animals chilled, but disease follows.

Economy in feeding is to sell all produce that brings a fair price in market and buy the cheaper by-products. Corn at 50 cents per bushel may be sold to advantage, if bran, middlings, linseed meal, cottonseed meal and gluten meal can be purchased at $15 per ton, as the corn will give a profit on such an exchange. A pound of linseed meal is worth more than two pounds of corn as food, as the linseed meal contains more protein and mineral matter. The same may be claimed for bran and middlings. They are more complete as foods than corn or oats, though corn and oats may also be added to the rations for some kind of stock. Where the farmer makes a large gain by the exchange, however, is in the increased value of the manure. The by-products, being in a fine condition, require no grinding, and when fed in connection with hay, straw or corn fodder, cut fine, they effect a saving in food and give a greater variety to the animals. Such foods may be used every month in the year.

Unless there is a convenient market for the sale of vegetables the garden should be no larger than is necessary to afford a full variety, and in abundance, for the family, as the keeping down of the weeds and grass in the garden is a matter that may require attention just at the time when the farmer is busy with his spring planting; but every farmer should have a garden, even if but a few kinds of vegetables are grown.

Navigation Opening.

The breaking of the greatest ice embargo for nearly fifty years was an event hailed with gladness by steamboat companies and business men generally. An ice embargo means practical suspension of business in many towns on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Denton, being a river town, was badly affected.

The *Herald* of Monday said: Heavy freights of clover seed and farming implements have accumulated at many of the wharves and city warehouses, and all of the tied-up boats will be put in commission at the earliest possible moment.

JESUS AT THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

From John 7: 37-38—The Sunday School Lesson Tomorrow.

A great many of our readers are interested in the international Sunday School Lesson. A synopsis of that for tomorrow follows:

"After the miracle of the loaves and fishes, of which we studied last Sunday, the people proposed to crown Jesus as king, whether He was willing or not; and in order to escape them He went up into the mountain by Himself, after having sent the multitude away and the disciples across the lake in a boat. Jesus remained on the mountain until evening (spending the time in communion with God), when He went walking upon the water to His disciples, who were having difficulty in getting back to Bethsaida, whither Jesus had bidden them return. There is an interval of six months between the last lesson and this one, and the incidents in the life of Christ during this time are many, as the student will note in reading Christ's Gospel as recorded by John between the last and present lesson. Jesus was faithful in attending all the legal feasts of the Jews. These feasts were of a religious nature, which fact induced all religiously-inclined people to attend them in masses. The feast in our lesson was the 'Feast of Tabernacles,' and lasted seven days, during which time the people lived in booths (Lev. xxiii 42), which was to remind them of the dwelling in booths and tents in the wilderness as they journeyed toward the promised land. Our lesson shows that the people held different opinions concerning Jesus. We also note that there was great opposition at this time from the rulers who sent officers to arrest Him. But when the officers listened to His words they were so much interested that they did not arrest Him, which fact disappointed the chief priests and Pharisees (v. 45).

"Verses 37-39.—The last day of the feast was distinguished by the drawing of water from the pool of Siloam and bearing it in a golden pitcher to the temple, where it was poured upon the altar of thanksgiving in commemoration of their deliverance from the deadly thirst in the wilderness. (See Num. xx, 5-11). It must have been just after this demonstration that Jesus with a loud voice called their attention to the 'living water' that washes away all pollution and satisfies and quenches the burning thirst of the soul. The anxiety of Jesus for the welfare and salvation of all the people is shown in verse 37, when He so earnectly invites them in a loud voice to come unto Him and drink. Remember, however, that those invited were only the thirsty souls that were willing to come (v. 37). The body at times becomes thirsty, and without clean, pure water it pines away and dies; so God made our souls with spiritual cravings, which become just as keen as the physical.

"Verses 40-46.—Here we note a division of the people, some believing in Christ, while others took Him to be an imposter. You are either for Christ or against Him. No one can be a Christian and remain in unity with the world, either in policy or in practice. The people of today act similarly to the Jews in the time of our lesson. The Jews divided into parties about Christ (v. 43), while today we have scores of religious sects, each claiming to be a branch of the Christian Church. It seems to us like a house divided against itself against itself, and we question whether God as pleased with such divisions. (Read Rom. xvi, 17; I Cor. i, 10; iii, 3-5; xi, 18). It is a fact to be lamented that divisions among God's people are preventing thousands from being saved. Read what Paul says in Acts xx, 28-30.

"Many of the people said of Jusus: 'This is the prophet,' since there was an expectation among some of the Jews that one of the old prophets would appear and precede the Messiah. The people in general were convinced that Jesus was more than an ordinary man, while others believed that the reference of the prophet in Duet. xviii, 15, indicated Christ, to whose coming the Jews were now in expectancy. The fact that Jesus came out of Galilee was one great difficulty in the way of accepting Him as the Christ. It was the great national belief that a Messiah was to come; even the Samaritans knew that (John iv, 25-29). Daniel prophesied of Christ as the 'Prince of princes' (Dan. viii, 25), and Isaiah (ix, 6) calls Him the 'Prince of Peace.' Whatever the opinion of the officers concerning Jesus may have been, they were spellbound by His words and so awed by the exalted character which shone in the face of Jesus, that they refused to arrest Him, giving for an answer: 'Never man spake like this man' (v. 46), which words are the Golden Text of our lesson. This lesson shows that Christ's words are full of power."

Will Be A Record Breaker.

The present winter has put the "old heads" to comparing notes anent the severity of past winters in order to find a parallel to that of 1904-05. Many recall the winter of 1856-57, and predict that the present winter will equal it if the severe cold weather and snow continue much longer.

The "old heads" never fail to refer to the winter of 1856 57 as a most memorable one. For seven or eight weeks snow covered the ground continually, affording fine sleighing all the time. The mercury hovered uncomfortably close to zero for days and the ponds and rivers were covered with ice 12 to 14 inches thick. There were during that winter frequent races on the ice between rival owners of fast trotters. Taken all in all, it is very generally agreed that the winter of 1856-57 was a record-breaker for severity.

Since then this section has suffered from severe cold and blizzards, notably in March, 1888, and in February, 1899, when the snowfall measured from two to three feet on a level. But there was not the long spell of intense cold weather as prevailed in 1856 57, and perhaps not as continuously cold as the present winter.

School Statistics.

The thirty-eighth annual report of the State Board of Education, recently issued, contains many things of general importance to all interested in the good cause of public education, as well as interesting local statistics. Superintendent Crouse, of Caroline, reports 74 school houses, with 101 rooms and teachers, 78 of the latter being white and 23 colored. There were 3,385 white pupils enrolled during the year, and 1,214 colored pupils, with an average attendance of the former of 1,684, and of the latter 553. There was an addition to Federalsburg school house at a cost of $833.25. The total receipts of the School Board were $33,-721.73, and the disbursements $33,-176.67, leaving a balance on hand of $445.06.

In Memoriam.

In loving remembrance of my dear sisters, Elva E. and Dorothea E. Smith, who departed this life one year ago—March 4th and 5th, 1904.

"Not dead, but sleepeth," saith the Lord.

Farewell, dear sisters, a sad farewell;
The loss to me no tongue can tell.
Your stay on earth was short but sweet,
I hope in heaven we soon shall meet.

—SISTER, I. L. S.