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executed with neatness and dispatch, and at reasonable prices.

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WILLIAM M. SLAY,
Attorney & Counselor at Law,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

COLLECTION OF CLAIMS or other Legal business promptly attended to. tf.

C. T. WESTCOTT,
Attorney & Counselor at Law,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

SPECIAL ATTENTION given to the collection of claims in the counties of Kent, Cecil, Queen Anne's and Caroline. y.

HINES & SMITH,
Attorneys & Counselors at Law
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
New Office Court St., opposite Court House.

Having associated ourselves for the practice of our profession, we will give prompt and careful attention to all Law and Chancery business placed in our hands.

Mr. HINES, though connected with other duties, will give special attention to the business of the firm.
JESSE K. HINES,
y MARION deK. SMITH.

SURVEYING.

THE undersigned offers his services as LAND SURVEYOR to the citizens of Kent. Orders left with C. H. Baker, Esq., Chestertown will be promptly attended to. Or address
COMEGYS BROWN,
mar24-6m. Chestertown.

JOHN W. PALMER,
CONVEYANCER
And SOLICITOR of CLAIMS
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
Office with Register of Wills.
Special attention given to all business entrusted to him. Sep. 9-y.

Baltimore Cards.

R. H. CLEMENTS & CO.,
Produce Commission Merchants,
Office No. 96 Light St. Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.

Having had several years' experience in the sale of Peaches and other Fruits, we would respectfully solicit a share of the fruit shipped from Kent & Queen Anne's counties, believing by strict attention to business and prompt returns that we can give general satisfaction to all who may favor us with consignments.
je30-3m. R. H. C & CO.

B. F. PARLETT & CO.,
92 Lombard st., near South, BALTIMORE,
Wholesale Dealers in
MANUFACTURED AND LEAF
TOBACCO.
Imported HAVANA and GERMAN CIGARS,
And Manufacturers of fine Havana, Principe and other Cigars.
y

JESSE WILSON. G. W. WILSON.
J. WILSON & SON,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of all kinds of
Country Produce, Grain, Peaches, Apples, Canned Goods, Vegetables, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, Fish, &c.,
Corner of Light and Camden Streets,
y BALTIMORE.

JAS. WARDEN. JAS. A. MERRITT.
N. A. GASSAWAY.
WARDEN, MERRITT & CO.,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FLOUR AND COUNTRY PRODUCE,
No. 8 SPEAR'S WHF,
y. *BALTIMORE, MD.*

ALONZO P. CREW. JAS. W. JEROME.
CREW & JEROME,
Commission Merchants
For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
92 Light Street Wharf, BALTIMORE.
Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered, y

WM. TOMLINSON. WM. T. TOMLINSON.
WM. TOMLINSON & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
For the sale of GRAIN, LIVE STOCK, and Country Produce generally,
No. 92 LIGHT ST. WHARF, BALTIMORE.
Orders for Groceries, Seeds, Fertilizers, Farm Implements, and other merchandise, will be promptly filled.
Consignments respectfully solicited.

GEO. Z. GREENWOOD. WM. H. RUTTER
AND. W. WOODALL.
GREENWOOD, RUTTER & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
And General Produce Dealers,
72 SOUTH ST., Corn Exchange Building,
y BALTIMORE.

ROAD NOTICE.

THE undersigned hereby give notice that thirty days from the date hereof they intend to apply to the County Commissioners for Kent county for a PUBLIC ROAD to Low Water Mark on "Scoone's Point" via Green Lane, in the Fifth Election District, with a suitable and convenient Landing at said Point.
Signed by S. A. J. WJCKES,
D. JONES,
G. E. LEARY,
S. G. COPPER,
S. CONSTABLE,
and 37 others.
By order, T. W. RUSSELL, Cl'k
je23-5t. to Kent Co. Comm'rs.

WHARF NOTICE.

THE undersigned hereby give notice that thirty days from the date hereof they intend to apply to the County Commissioners for Kent county to build a WHARF at or near Rock Hall, in the Fifth Election District. Signed by
T. B. WILLSON,
THOS. URIE,
JOS. DOWNEY,
GEO. LEARY,
JAS. H. EDES,
and 103 others.
By order, T. W. RUSSELL, Cl'k
je23-5t. to Kent Co. Comm'rs.

TO WHEAT
AND
Peach Growers!

HAVING completed arrangements for disposing of WHEAT DIRECT TO EUROPEAN DEALERS, enables me to give you the profit which the the middleman has heretofore been making.

☞ *Don't fail to come and see us when you are ready to sell.*

Complete Arrangements

HAVE BEEN MADE FOR SHIPPING PEACHES, &c., to Philadelphia, New York and Boston without breaking bulk. As the crop will be light, we believe the Fruit will net more in the above Markets. Will have competent men to take charge of the Fruit at Chestertown, Worton, Lynch's, Flatland & Nicholson's.

FOR SALE:
PEACH BASKETS AND CRATES
At Panic Prices—*Defying Competition.*

LIME AND COAL.

Wholesale Dealer in *Schuylkill, Chester Valley, Wrightsville and Baltimore SHELL LIME*; also, *Lehigh, Schuylkill and Bituminous COAL*, delivered at any Station on the Kent Co. Railroad, Queen Anne's and Kent County Railroad, Maryland and Delaware Railroad and Delaware Railroad.

OFFICE with Hubbard Bros., manufacturers of Hubbard's Standard Bone Super-Phosphate, Chestertown.
B. F. FLEMING.
June 16, 1877—tf.

S. B. FOARD,
Grain Commission Merchant
CHESTERTOWN.
Store, Main st., nearly opp. Voshell House.

Choice Brands of Flour, Pratt's Astral Oil, Hardware, &c.
Early Rose Seed Potatoes.
The highest cash price paid for Grain.
apr14-tf.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Emma J. Donnell, the mother and next friend of Frederick S. Donnell,
versus
FREDERICK S. DONNELL.

On the Equity Side of the Circuit Court for Kent county, July 3, 1877.

ORDERED, that the sale made and reported by GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee for the sale of the real estate of Fred'k S. Donnell, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 10th day of September next, Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 10th day of August next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $2,927.81.
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
July 7, 1877—4t.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Richard Hynson, exec'r Edward Comegys
vs.
Philip T. Simmonds.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county, In Chancery.
APRIL TERM, 1877.

ORDERED, that the sale of the real estate of Philip T. Simmonds made and reported by CHAS. T. WESTCOTT, Trustee, appointed by the decree in this cause be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the First day of September next,—Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county once in each of three successive weeks before the first day of August next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $17,308.37.
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True Copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
June 29, 1877—4t.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Richard Hynson, Executor of Edward Comegys, *versus* John J. Pearce.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity, April Term, 1877.

ORDERED, that the sale made and reported by RICHARD HYNSON, Trustee for the sale of the Real Estate decreed to be sold in this cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the first day of September next,—Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county once in each of three successive weeks before the First day of August next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $880.25.
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True Copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
June 30, 1877—4t.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

N. G. WESTCOTT,
versus
THOMAS PARSONS.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, that the sales of the mortgaged real and personal estate of the late Thomas Parsons, made and reported by CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, Trustee and Attorney by virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from said Thos. Parsons to N. G. Westcott, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 31st day of August next, Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 31st day of July next. The report states the amount of Sales to be $922.00.
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
June 30, 1877—4t.

Free Scholarship
—IN—
ST. MARY'S FEMALE SEMINARY

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and Superintendent of Public Schools for Kent county having received notice that the county is entitled to a *Free Scholarship* in St. Mary's Female College, located in St. Mary's county, Md., will on
TUESDAY,
THE SEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST NEXT, proceed to make the appointment under the Act of Assembly approved March 29, 1868, until which time applications may be filed with the Clerk of the County Commissioners.

The Scholarship entitles the appointee to Board, Tuition and Books.
By order,
T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk
to Kent Co. Commissioners.
June 23, 1877.

NOTICE.

ON AND AFTER AUGUST FIRST the undersigned intends to do a
Strictly Cash Business.

Come one, come all, and I will guarantee you will get the worth of your Cash. I shall use my utmost endeavors to accommodate every one that favors me with a call

I will allow the Highest Market Price for all kinds of PRODUCE in exchange for Goods.

I have on hand a New and Extensive Assortment of
Dry Goods and Groceries.
Also, a good stock of ALL KINDS OF GOODS generally kept in a country store.
C. H. J. SPARKS,
je16-2m. Locust Grove.

F. M. GOODING,
Druggist and Apothecary,
MILLINGTON, MD.
(SUCCESSOR TO E. B. BRITTON.)

HAVING completely refitted the store, I will continue at the Old Stand, in Millington, the DRUG BUSINESS, and would respectfully solicit a liberal share of patronage. A large and well selected Stock of Fresh and Genuine
DRUGS AND MEDICINES,
And a Good assortment of
PAINTS, OILS,
VARNISHES, DYE STUFFS,
WINDOW GLASS AND PUTTY,
have just been laid in.

A very Complete Stock of Fine and Common STATIONERY, Triple Extract, and other Perfumery, Toilet Soaps, Brushes, Combs, Fancy Goods and Notions, at very close figures,
FOR THE CASH.
PRIME LARD OIL at the lowest price.
WINDOW GLASS cut to order at short notice.

A Large and Varied Assortment of
Patent Medicines
Having been selected from the best and most popular in the Market, will be offered at Bottom Figures.

I expect to do a *CASH BUSINESS*, and will undertake to sell at such prices that will defy competition. *Give me a Trial and satisfy yourself.*
☞ COUNTRY PRODUCE taken in exchange for Goods.

Special Notice.
PHYSICIANS PRESCRIPTIONS carefully compounded at all hours.
F. M. GOODING.

GOODING'S SPECIALTIES.
BRITTON'S AGUE PILLS—a *sure cure* for Fever and Ague. Price 40 cts. per Box, or Three Boxes for $1.00. Will be sent by Mail on receipt of price.
LESLIE'S READY RELIEF—An Internal and External Remedy for all Pains and Aches. Try it once, and you will never be without it again. Price 25 cts. per Bottle, or 5 Bottles for $1.00.
I extend a ☞ of welcome to all.
F. M. GOODING.
June 23, 1877—tf.

1877! 1877!

J. H. Simpers & Bro.,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

RESPECTFULLY announce that they have just received a Large Stock of SPRING GOODS, bought since the late decline in prices, enabling us to offer greater inducements to cash buyers than ever before.

CALICOES, in beautiful styles, cheap.
BLACK ALPACAS,
Poplins, Ginghams,
Cassimeres, Cottonades,
Bleached and unbleh'd MUSLINS, &c., &c.
WHITE GOODS, Linens,
Victoria Lawns, Piques,
Nainsook, white and bordered Bed Spreads.

Shoes! Shoes!

We have the best selected and cheapest stock of Shoes for Gents, Ladies, Misses, and Children, that we have ever offered.

Gents' Box Toe Gaiters, Gents', Youth's and Boy's Congress Gaiters; Men's and Boys' Buckle and Lace Plow Shoes, Ladies' and Misses' Fox But. Gaiters, Ladies' and Misses' Lace Fox Gaiters, different grades; Child's Tan, Ankle and Tip Bal., Child's Goay Welt Button, Goat Heel Button and Pebble Button Shoes, Ladies' Kid Slippers, Ladies' and Gents' Goat Slippers, all at lower prices than ever before offered.

NOTIONS.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's white & striped Hosiery, Gloves, Popular makes of Corsets, Gents' White Shirts of good Muslin and Linen at $1.00. Gents' Linen and Paper Collars, Cravats, Brushes, Soap, Combs, Perfumery, Buttons, &c.

HATS.
SPRING STYLES.
WOOL AND FUR for MEN and BOYS.
CARPETS, Matting, Floor and Table Oil Cloths.

GROCERIES—Sugar, Teas, Coffee, Flour, Syrup, Coal Oil, Cheese, Sugar-cured Hams, Soaps, Soda, Spices, Tobacco, &c.

☞ We now offer the largest and cheapest stock of goods we have ever had, and will make to the interest of *Cash Buyers* to call and examine our goods and prices before making their purchases.
J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.,
Main St., opposite Stam's Drug Store,
April 21, 1877. *Chestertown.*

60 CTS. CASH will buy a Bushel of LIME OR HAIR, and $1.75 cts., cash, will buy a Barrel of Lime, at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

$3.00 will buy a full Nickle-Plated Seven Shot REVOLVER and a Box of Cartridges, at
may19. THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

WHITEWASH BRUSHES, all sizes at low prices.
mar10. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

EARLY ROSE POTATOES
And FRESH GARDEN SEED,
at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

WHITE-WASH BRUSHES,
Lime and Hair,
ap7 at THOMPSON'S, Up Town

IMPROVED CHURNS,
Butter Prints and Paddles,
For sale by J. K. ALDRIDGE.

LADIES' SLIPPERS, fine quality, at 80c. to $1.25, at Jos. H. Thompson's under the "Kent News" office. je2.

To the Peach Grower's Interest!
200,000
Peach Baskets
At Rates Never Before Known
CANNOT BE UNDERSOLD!

☞ All interested call before purchasing elsewhere, and satisfactory rates guaranteed. JOSEPH HANSON,
je30-3t* Middletown, Del.

BARGAINS
IN
PEACH BASKETS!
T. W. ELIASON, JR.
June 30, 1877—tf.

PEACH BOXES
For Sale at Buck Neck Wharf,
By SHUSTER & SONS.
June 30, 1877—2m*

ROMIE STRONG. EARLE R. STRONG.
1877.
Spring and Summer!
1877.

STRONG & BRO., AT THE CORNER.
STRONG & BRO., AT THE CORNER.
STRONG & BRO., AT THE CORNER.

STRONG & BRO., AT EDESVILLE.
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STRONG & BRO., AT PINEY NECK.
STRONG & BRO., AT PINEY NECK.
STRONG & BRO., AT PINEY NECK.

New Goods! Cheap Goods!
New Goods! Cheap Goods!
New Goods! Cheap Goods!

STRONG & BRO.,
Take pleasure in announcing to the public that they have a VERY LARGE STOCK OF GOODS at their
THREE STORES,
THREE STORES,
THREE STORES,
Which are being sold Very Cheap.

Calicoes, Dress Goods,
Fancy and Colored Lawns,
Brown and Bl'chd Muslins,
White Linen Table Damask,
Table Oil Cloths,
Black and colored Alpacas.
NOTIONS—a very large stock.

Farmers and Builders' Hardware.
Nails, Copper, Rivets, Plow Bolts, Wagon Bolts, Carriage Bolts.

BACON, FLOUR, LARD and MEAL,
SALT FISH,
PICKLES by the hundred.

White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,
White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,
White Wash LIME and BRUSHES,

DRUGS AND MEDICINES A SPECIALTY.
DRUGS AND MEDICINES A SPECIALTY.
DRUGS AND MEDICINES A SPECIALTY.

☞ Prescriptions carefully compounded and at the lowest prices.

COME ONE and ALL
☞ *No Trouble to Show Goods.*
Respectfully,
STRONG & BRO.
May 5, 1877.

KENNEDYVILLE
POST OFFICE!

I HAVE again renewed my stock and offer to my numerous friends and patrons a full assortment of new and
SEASONABLE GOODS,
which will compare in price and quality with any in the market.
Call and examine.
JOS. E. WEER.
April 21, 1877.

BEST SPRING PRINTS only 8 cents. A full assortment of Muslins, Flannels, Ginghams, &c., as low as the lowest.
By JOS. E. WEER.

NOTIONS, CLOTHING, Boots, Shoes, &c., lower than ever.
By JOS. E. WEER.

FRESH FRUITS, Confectionery, &c., by JOS. E. WEER.

GROCERIES, Canned Vegetables, Pickles, Dried Apples, Prunes
by JOS. E. WEER.

FLOUR by the Barrel, Nails by the keg, Cucumber Pumps, &c.,
by JOS. E. WEER.

HYLAND & CO.'S PLOWS and the Allen Cultivator. Bridles, Collars, Plow Traces, Back-bands, Whips, &c.,
by JOS. E. WEER.

LANDRETH'S Fresh Garden Seed,
by JOS. E. WEER.

DRUGS, Medicines, Paints, Oils, Turpentine, Varnish, Glass, Putty, &c.
A discount on Patent Medicines for the cash, by JOS. E. WEER.
☞ Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded by JOS. E. WEER.

CORN, Wheat, Lard, Eggs, &c.,
WANTED by JOS. E. WEER,
April 21, 1877. Kennedyville.

THE
VOSHELL HOUSE
IN CHESTERTOWN,

HAS again come into the possession and management of the undersigned, who will take pleasure in contributing to the comfort and convenience of those who may patronize the House. Especial attention will be given to all, whether permanent Boarders or transient Customers.

The subscriber has had varied and extensive experience in country and city, in conducting a Hotel, which will enable him to secure the approval of every one who may give him a call. The Bedding and Chambers will be specially attended to, and the Table will be equally so. Good order will at all times be preserved, and the Parlors will be kept open for the accommodation of guests.

There is probably no better conveniences for Horses and Carriages on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The public are invited to make him a call.
ma4-tf. JOHN C. VOSHELL.

A FULL LINE OF
Green, Black and Mixed Teas,
at T. W. ELIASON, JR.'S.

48 YEARS AGO.

THE FOURTH OF JULY, 1829.

Messrs. Editors:—The Fourth of July in 1829 was celebrated in Chestertown by the military company commanded by Capt. Joseph Wickes (afterward Colonel.) The Washington Guards, of Still Pond, commanded by Captain George (now Colonel) Gale, was specially invited. The dinner was at the hotel of Jacob T. Rasin. Toasts were read and artillery fired. Col. E. F. Chambers presided, assisted by Col. Frederick Wilson and Captains Wickes and Gale. The oration was previously delivered in the court house. Gen. Vickers, then a young man, full of military ardor and in the vigor of early manhood, was the orator of the day. The Declaration of Independence was read by Simon A. Wickes, then a student of medicine. By way of reminiscence we extract from General Vickers' address, which was published in the Chestertown *Telegraph*, edited by Nathaniel Mitchell, the following:

"We should encourage institutions for the dispensation of knowledge, for as intelligence and virtue are the fundamental basis of our government, so ignorance and the corruption of morals are the firmest guarantees of a tyrant's power. How did Greece, comprising only a small peninsula and a few islands, elevate herself among the nations of the earth? How did Rome carry her banners triumphant thro' the world? The answer is: "*The seat of knowledge is the centre of empire.*" In proportion as the structure of a government elicits the action of public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened, for ignorance is but the syren song of despotism, by which nations are lulled to the sleep of bondage. We should cherish a sacred veneration for the perpetuity of the Union—concede to the constitution a liberal construction—foster and promote every ennobling virtue, and every habit that prompts to good; preserve dignified moderation in elections, smooth the rugged ways of party, and blot out from our minds the stains of local prejudice and predilection. If we wish to perpetuate in its original beauty our republican form of government, there are duties which every man is imperiously called upon to perform; the proud recollections of the past; the unspeakable enjoyment of the present, and the loved voice of posterity speaking in accents of eloquence from the bosom of the future, all demand at our hands their zealous and faithful discharge."

The conclusion of the oration was as follows:

"Friends and countrymen, in conclusion let us draw aside the curtain of the future, and, looking through the vista of an age, behold the future destiny of the Republic. See the axe of civilization, cutting the wild forests of nature and of ignorance—the great wave of population rolling Westward, crossing the Rocky Mountains in its force, and spreading past Oregon to the Pacific; the sound of the hammer and the busy bustle of the arts heard where roam the savage and the wolf; learning patronized and education diffused; the thistle supplanted by the rose, and the lilly blooming where the hawthorne grew; towns covering the banks of the Columbia and cities lining the Pacific shore; commerce extending her empire upon the waving pinions of the wind to every river and through every sea; the oceans whitened with American sail; the star spangled banner carrying its glittering undulations to every port and exhibiting in its folds the proud eagle of liberty, basking in the transcendant fame of its country's glory. But even this is not all; the pre-eminent beauty of our country and its institutions will be placed in bold relief: freedom shall wing her flight from sea to sea and pole to pole; until the long established dynasties of potentates and kings shall be melted into less than air by the effulgent beaming of her rays; when the genius of universal emancipation shall throw his golden mantle around the nations of the globe and the convocated millions of its people, offering up their orisons in freedom's temple upon the altars of liberty, shall bear their mellifluent sounds from heaven re-echoed back with ten-fold melody."

We understand that this was the first public speech ever made by the General, who was then a student of law, an officer of the company, and fond of military practice.

A CITIZEN.

HANDY HELPS.

There are some things which a farmer wants but once a year, and there are others which he always should have ready. No tool comes oftener into play than a hammer, for example. Every new or old wooden tool should be oiled. Have a barrel, keg or can of crude petroleum always ready in your shop. Keep everything well anointed. The crude oil goes right into the pores, and makes any wood durable as cedar. Keep it constantly on hand. Again, save every piece of rope and leather strap. They will be useful for repairing. The next time you go to a hardware store, get fifty cents or a dollar's worth of copper wire and copper straps. Copper wire is a great deal better than iron wire, because it is much more flexible, like cord, and copper straps are capital for repairing any fracture in woodwork. It may be so easily wrapped around or nailed on with small nails.—Then again always have a pound or two of wrought or annealed nails of different sizes, that will clinch readily when you use them. (You will remember that in driving these or any other nails, into hard wood, they will go more easily by first touching the points with a little grease, but do not let the grease get on the face of the hammer.)

COOLING off suddenly when heated sends many of our farmers' youths to an early tomb. It is often a matter of surprise that so many farmers' boys and girls die of consumption. It is thought that abundant exercise in the open air is directly opposed to that disease. So it is: but judgment and knowledge of the laws of health are essential to the preservation of health under any circumstances. When over-heated cool off slowly—never in a strong draft of air. Gentle fanning, especially if the face is wet with cold water, will soon produce a delightful coolness.

A RECENT marriage notice ends with the singular expression, probably added by a waggish friend:—"May their future troubles be little ones!"

The Late Teachers' Institute.

BLUFF GLEN, July 3, 1877.

Messrs. Editors:—Being deeply interested in the cause of education, I made a visit to your town on Tuesday last, 26th of June. I was attracted there by the Teachers' Institute. It seemed strange that upon that day eleven years before I should have gone there for the same purpose. How many changes these years have brought! In place of the dilapidated old structure dignified by the appellation school house, we find that upon the same lot has been erected a neat, comfortable building more worthy the name. In this I found the teachers of Kent assembled. But alas! where are the familiar faces seen there in other years? Where is the talented Galligher, the sprightly Bates and Newman, running over with wit and humor? Upon inquiry I learn that these gay boys have become

"Weary lawyers with endless tongues."

And that Wm. Galligher, who would one day have been a bright star in the literary world, sleeps among the hills of his native State, Pennsylvania.

"To live in hearts we leave behind,
Is not to die."

Among the many teachers present there were but four who had been there eleven years ago—Messrs. Crosby, Copper and Crittenden and Miss Comegys. You could not give room in your columns for all the good things which I heard at the Institute, but allow me to tell you of a few. First came a lecture on botany by our old friend, Howard Meeks, Esq. It was both interesting and instructive, and was delivered in an unusually pleasant manner. The method of teaching the different branches was discussed by the teachers in a manner which proved that they were awake to the importance of their calling. Next in order came an essay on work, by Mr. Copper. One who has so long and so faithfully performed his work, may well write of it for the edification of others. Soon after the steamboat arrived in the afternoon there was a commotion among those near the door, and the eyes of the teachers beamed with pleasure as Prof. M. A. Newell entered. I thought it would be well for some one to play "Hail to the Chief," for he is their chief, their counselor and friend. His very presence seems to shed sunshine upon all. Sorry indeed was I that I could not be present at the evening session to hear the reading by Miss Mary C. Hurlock and the address by James A. Pearce, Esq. Second day we had the discussions by the teachers, which were quite interesting. The business like manner in which all the exercises were conducted was relieved by reading, either of original essays or of selections. Miss Annie Power read of a school-master in the olden time. As I have never seen the name in print I will not attempt to spell it, fearful that the young schoolmarm will laugh at me. I will only say I liked it.

Mr. Perkins had procured a piano and an organ to be used during the day. The Chestertown band very kindly played every evening. Some of the teachers are fine performers and some have fine voices. Their playing and singing was to me a source of great pleasure. Tennyson's Brook, so sweetly rendered by Miss Griffith, can never be forgotten. I think that the Benedick who escorted her to the piano the last time she sang was very much pleased, or his eyes do not tell the feelings of his heart. In the afternoon Miss Mary R. Taylor read a poem, the name of which I have forgotten, but I remember that she read it well. In the evening we had a beautiful essay from Miss Annie Leaverton. May she in her journey through life find the "bright side," with only enough shadow to make the beauty of the picture complete. This was followed by an address by Rev. Mr. Milby. Third day—regular business, interspersed by music and reading. Essay by Mr. Melvin—"Reading for Self-Improvement." It is as he says; many things we read only for the pleasure of the sight; we do not wish to retain them and this cultivates forgetfulness. "The Leper," by Mrs. Gilpin. I don't know why, but when I hear or read any of Willis' poems, I think of the writer. Then came an essay on Influence by Mr. Rodgers. How true it is that every one wields an influence for good or evil. In the evening Mrs. Cliff read a selection called "Spectaclet." Mr. Joseph Peterson was to have delivered an address this evening, but unfortunately he was taken sick and left for Baltimore. Prof. Newell kindly consented to take his place, and gave us the "Confessions of a Schoolmaster." It was full of truths told in a quaint, humorous manner. And his picture of the mist rolling away from the mountains and valleys of Switzerland when the rays of the sun fell upon them, is the most beautiful specimen of word painting I have met with for many years. On this, the last evening, the house was filled with the beauty and fashion of the town. Chestertown can boast of many handsome ladies, both married and unmarried. Not the least among the former is the charming Mrs. B.

"A form more fair, a face more sweet,
"Ne'er hath it been my lot to meet."

At the close of the lecture Prof. N. paid our Examiner a justly deserved compliment, and then bade the teachers a kind farewell. After the exercises were over they came around him to take a friendly shake of the hand. He has their friendship and esteem. With such a man at the head of school affairs in the State, a glorious future awaits her. And Kent, though she is one of the two smallest counties in the State, stands second to none in her public schools. To whom must we give the honor of placing her in the front ranks? While I highly esteem all those who have held the office Mr. Perkins now holds, I think he possesses a peculiar fitness for it. He has succeeded in awakening an interest in the public schools never before felt. Long may he continue in the office which he fills with so much honor to himself and benefit to those connected with him. It is an old saying, "That all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." The teachers as well as the children think this true, for on stepping into the parlor of the Voshell House one evening after the Institute had closed, I found twenty-five or thirty persons assembled there, many of the number teachers, some college students and some citizens of the town. First, there was music, both vocal and instrumental, and then a dance was proposed. In looking on I noticed one peculiarity never before seen in a company of dancers. Each face was as serious as if giving a lesson in Circulating Decimals to the dullest of pupils. I suppose they acquire the look in their schools, and it becomes habitual to them. How different the faces of the students. They knew nothing of care or sorrow. They think their paths through life will have as many flowers as are seen on commencement day. Dear boys, you will find many storms in your voyage on life's sea. One among the number particularly attracted my attention. His manner was so gentle, so refined.

"O, the day when thou goest a-wooing,
Philip, my King!
When those proudly curved lips are suing
And some gentle heart's bars undoing,
Thou dost enter, love crowned, and there
Sittest all glorified!—rule kindly,
Tenderly over thy kingdom fair;
For we that love, oh! we love so blindly,
Philip, my King!"

Fourth day—discussion by teachers. Reading, by Miss S. N. Slaughter—"Tom's Come Home," by Trowbridge. His poems have a beauty particularly their own. You will always find something in them that appeals directly to the heart. The picture of this tall, bearded man's return to his good mother; her joy at seeing him once more; the confidence with which she looks to him for comfort in her troubles, will bring the tears unbidden to the eye. Miss Florence Janvier played and sang "On the Danube River." As she sang I thought of a lady and gentleman whom I had seen standing in the moonlight the evening before, and I thought they might sing:

"Can I forget that night in June,
Upon the *Chester* River."

The time draws near when the exercises must close. Mr. Chas. G. Ricaud delivers the valedictory. All is still. The last word, farewell, though spoken in a low voice, is heard all over the house, and every heart feels sad to hear it. The friendship of these teachers for each other is strong and true. They are battling against a common enemy, and each comrade in arms is a friend. Mr. Perkins announces "The Institute stands adjourned." Kind good-byes are spoken, and the teachers leave for their homes; some for the hills of New Hampshire, some for the sunlit valleys of the South, and some for their quiet homes in our own and adjoining counties—where e'er that dearest spot of earth may be. Many a mother's heart will rejoice that "Tom's Come Home." NEMO.

A Female Detective.

A woman recently died in London, whose career furnishes incident enough for half a dozen sensation novels. For several years she served the authorities of Scotland Yard as a detective. Placing herself in relation with the parish doctor, she volunteered to nurse those families whose honesty was suspected by the authorities. As a nurse, she disarmed all suspicion, and did not fail to take careful note of all she heard. But little restraint was heard in her presence, and her reports forwarded to Scotland Yark, were thus rendered all the more valuable. While engaged in her duties, she extracted from her half-unconscious, and debilitated fevered patients the confession of some dark deed, and hints as to the whereabouts of confederates in crime. Such was the general plan of action observed by this extraordinary woman, but this was rather a slow process, and at times it was necessary to fall at once upon the wrongdoer. On one occasion, for instance the police received information, that there was a gang of false money makers in a certain street, but notwithstanding every effort, they were unable to ascertain in which house the coiners worked. The services of the female detective were therefore requisitioned, and she was dispatched to the street in question to see what could be done. Feigning violent illness, she persuaded a child, who issued from one of the suspected houses, to take her indoors for a moment. The sudden entrance thus obtained, enabled the detective to hear the metallic sounds proceeding from the coiner's workshop, before the latter were aware that any stranger was in the house. But they soon discovered their danger, and the chief of the gang in his fury, hurled a ladle full of molten lead at her head. Fortunately, the poked bonnet that she wore saved her life; the burns received were not fatal, though they destroyed her hair and its roots.—The police arrived in time, on hearing the alarm, to arrest eighteen coiners.—After this, she disguised herself as a boy, and penetrated many a thieves' den On one occasion she was discovered, and struck down with a blow that fractured her skull, before the police arrived to her aid. Still undaunted, with returning health, she resumed her dangerous occupation, often engaging in hand-to-hand fights, and armed with the magic whistle, rattle, and a number given her by the authorities, and which insured the assistance of every policeman, stranger or not, whose services she might find it necessary to call. Sickness at last subdued this turbulent spirit, and thieves no longer fear the female detective.

TOM HOWARD kept a gun shop. Tom was a first-class workman, but distressingly dilatory in the dispatch of business.—He would meet his patrons with a positive promise, which he would renew month after month, until at length his shop became an armory of unfinished rifles and fowling-pieces. One day his neighbor Smith, who had suffered repeatedly by Tom's habit of procrastination, entered his shop. "Tom," said he, "I want you to make a gun for my little boy—a small, well-finished piece, and as light in the barrels as will be consistent with safety." "O yes," said Tom, "I will make it immediately; you shall have it at once. But, by the way, how old is the boy?" "Well, as to that," replied Smith, "the boy is not born yet; but I thought I had better get the gun under way."

A TORTOISE WITH A RECORD.—In 1824, Mathias Hyson carved his name on a land terrapin on his farm near Elkton. In 1857, his son, Levi L. Tyson, carved his name beneath that of his father on the same turtle. Last week William Tyson brought the same terrapin to the Cecil *Democrat* office and exhibited him. The names are distinctly legible. William Tyson says he has seen the terrapin every year since his father first made a tablet of it.

Fish Canning in Oregon.

Oregon is the great fish canning State of the Union, and last season the value of the product of her salmon canning establishments alone, exceeded that of the immense yield of her grain fields. During the period named no less than 700,000 cases of canned salmon were put up and shipped to all parts of the civilized world and to fill these fifteen odd millions of cans, no less than three million of fish were killed. At this rate of destruction it would not be long before the salmon would become as rare in the waters of the Columbia river as it is now in the Eastern States. But the fish canners of Oregon, wise men as they are, do not propose by unskilful fishing, to ruthlessly exterminate the salmon, and thus, as it were kill the goose that lays the golden eggs. Hence they are determined to exercise the greatest care in taking only the largest fish, and to further keep up the supply by artificial propagation. With this object in view, the business men Portland and other centres of the Oregon fish trade have subscribed some $25,000 for the purpose of establishing hatching houses at various points on the upper waters of the Columbia. For the sum named, it has been estimated by pisciculturists on the Pacific coast that two hatching houses can be built, and that at an annual expenditure of about $5,000 they can be maintained in such a state of efficiency as will secure an annual outcome of five million young fish. With this large number thus artificially produced in addition to those hatched in the usual manner along the banks of the river, it is expected that all danger of a total exhaustion of the salmon crop of Oregon can be permanently averted, and that by these timely precautions fish canning can be permanently preserved as one of the great industries of the State.

One Cow a Mine of Wealth.

The history of the shorthorn cow, Dutchess 66th, which was sold in 1853, at Earl Ducie's sale, in England, to Col. Morris, of Fordham, for 700 guineas, or $3,675, is remarkable as showing the actual value of one good breeding animal. From this cow, which was calved in November, 1850, there may be traced in direct decent a number of animals which have sold for $500,000. Let it be admitted that as much of this value as may be is depending on fancy or rich breeders, and is not the intrinsic value of the beef and milk produced; yet no one can help admitting that an immense value, estimated in these alone, has accrued to the world from this cow; and in proportion to this value may be estimated the profit to a breeder from any superior animal he may produce. A line of breeding animals is brought into existance which spreads out fan like, and diverges year by year wider and wider, until we can no longer reach the bounds of the beneficial influence. It is in this line that the value of any good animal, and it is an unf