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PROCLAMATION:

STATE OF MARYLAND,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
ANNAPOLIS, Nov. 8, 1878.

With the advent of this season should come the humble acknowledgment of a grateful people, that another year of health and happiness has been accorded to us.

In recognition of our dependence upon the constant favor of Almighty God, I therefore recommend that

THURSDAY,

The 28th day of November,

be set apart by the people of this State as a DAY OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER.

(SEAL) Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, at the City of Annapolis, on the 8th day of November, 1878.

JOHN LEE CARROLL.

By order of the Governor,
R. C. HOLLYDAY,
n16-2t. Secretary of State.

LAW CARDS.

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.
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JESSE K. HINES,
y MARION deK. SMITH.

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Attorney at Law,

HAS RESUMED his Profession, and offers his services to the public.

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THE undersigned offers his services as LAND SURVEYOR to the citizens of Kent and Queen Anne's counties. Special attention given to laying out and dividing land and drawing plots. Orders left with C. H. BAKER, Atty'y at Law, Chestertown, Md., will be promptly attended to. May be seen in Chestertown Saturday afternoons.

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FULL Corps of Experienced Teachers. Modern facilities. Fine building, furnished with heat, gas, bath, etc.

Board and tuition $200 per year. Heat and gas in private rooms extra. Separate building for lady boarders. For catalogue address the Principal.

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WILMINGTON, DEL.

AT the opening of the Fall term, Sept. 9, 1878, there will be a NEW President, NEW furniture, NEW repairs throughout the buildings, NEW pianos, the modern conveniences newly introduced to add to the comfort of the young ladies, both in the public and private rooms, and all this at the old prices. For catalogues address the President, Rev. J. W. WILLIAMS, A. M. jly6-6m.

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JAS. A. MERRITT
WITH
I. M. PARR & SON,
Commission Merchants,
And Proprietors of the Canton Elevators
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Possessing unsurpassed facilities for the proper handling of Grain, consignments are respectfully solicited and liberal advances made. o19.

WM. TOMLINSON, Sr.,
WITH
JOHN A. STEPHENS & SON,
Grain, Fruit and General Produce
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For the sale of GRAIN, FRUIT AND PRODUCE GENERALLY,
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Consignments respectfully solicited.
Correspondence cheerfully and promptly answered. x

W. H. RUTTER,
Late of the firm of Greenwood, Rutter & Co.,
Commission Merchant,
For the sale of GRAIN and PRODUCE,
No. 96 Light st. Wharf,
BALTIMORE.
Consignments solicited. a6.

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And General Produce Dealers,
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Manufacturers of all styles
CHEWING TOBACCO,
AND DEALERS IN
LEAF TOBACCO, SEGARS, PIPES and SNUFF.
No. 92 Lombard, and 5 Water Streets,
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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

Town Property.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County as a Court of Equity, the undersigned as Trustee will expose to public sale to the highest bidder, on

TUESDAY,

The 3d day of December, 1878

at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, commencing at 11 o'clock A. M., the following property of the late John K. Willis, situate in the said town, to wit:

No. 1—A Dwelling House

and premises on Queen Street, at present occupied by Mrs. Sarah E. Skirven.

2—A Double Frame Dwelling

and premises on Queen Street, divided and made suitable for the residences of two families, and at present occupied, the one-half by H. Rickey, Esq., and the other half by Capt. Wallace Clayton.

3—A Large One-story Frame

Dwelling House, at the corner of Queen and Fish Streets, occupied by the families of several colored persons.

4—A Small Frame House

on Queen Street, adjoining the above described property, No. 3, and occupied by Lewis White.

5—A Frame House

on Fish Street, adjoining the property of Mr. Wroth and W. Perkins, and occupied by McWilliams and Adam Anderson.

6—A Frame House

on Fish street, occupied by John Benton and others, and a Carriage Shop and Stable adjoining, occupied by Mr. U. A. C. Garrett.

7—A Small Frame House

on Cannon St., occupied by Sarah Jones.

8—A Vacant Lot

at the upper end of Chestertown, on High street, adjoining the lands of Mr. John N. Usilton, containing 3 ACRES, 1 Rood, and 17 perches, more or less. It is proposed first to offer this property in Lots suitable for building purppses, and afterwards as a whole, and sold as may be considered expedient.

THE TERMS OF SALE,

As prescribed by the Decree are:—one-fourth of the purchase money in sixty days from the day of sale; one-fourth in nine months from the day of sale; one-fourth in eighteen months from the day of sale; one-fourth in twenty-four months from the day of sale. The interest to commence on the first day of January next; and the whole to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with security to be approved by the Trustee. Sale to be clear of Dower, and the rents of the property for the present year to be reserved from the sale.

GEORGE VICKERS, TRUSTEE.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct'r.
Chestertown, Nov. 9, 1878—ts.

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FALL TRADE.

Dry Goods.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

WICKES & BROTHER

beg leave to inform their acquaintance that they have just bought and opened an extensive line of Goods in the departments named above, selected with care and at close cash figures, enabling them to sell at prices in keeping with the temper of the times, and encounter successfully the fiercest competition in the Trade.

These purchases form with Goods already on hand, a large and varied stock of merchandise, which they believe worthy the attention of close cash buyers or prompt paying people.

Their stock of Ready Made CLOTHING and RUBBER GOODS will be found unusually attractive.

Chestertown, October 9, 1878.

Fall Trade, 1878.

NEW GOODS!

J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Have received and have on sale their regular Fall purchases of

NEW AND DESIRABLE GOODS.

DRY GOODS—Dress Goods, Cassimeres, Kerseys, Repellants, Flannels, Calicoes, Muslins, &c.

NOTIONS—Shawls, Skirts, Underwear, Gloves, Hosiery, &c.

OUR STOCK OF

Boots and Shoes

is more complete than ever, and prices to suit the times.

HATS and CAPS

of the latest styles, for Men and Boys.

GROCERIES, WOODENWARE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c.

We have a large, clean stock of goods, and are determined to sell at the lowest prices. Will make it to the advantage of cash buyers to give us a call.

Oct. 12. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.

BOATING, FREIGHTING.

To the FARMERS
And PUBLIC GENERALLY.

I take this method to inform you that I am in the market BUYING ALL KINDS OF GRAIN, for which I will pay the very highest cash price the market will afford, delivered at my warehouse or on the public landings.

All Grain FREIGHTED at 4c. per bushel, and all other Freights carefully handled & carried at extremely low rates. Give us a call. Resp'y,

oc26. CAPT. JAS. H. THOMPSON.

VENDUE!

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will offer at his residence Skinner's Neck, on

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 27th,

The following property, to wit:

3 Head of HORSES

1 HEIFER, 1 HORSE CART, 1 DEARBORN, 1 CARRIAGE & HARNESS, 1 FAN, 1 CORN SHELLER, 1 HORSE RAKE,

FARMING UTENSILS,

Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Forks, Hoes, Shovels, &c.

5,000 weight of Corn Blades, and lot of *Household and Kitchen FURNITURE.*

☞ Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a.m.

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums under $10 cash; over that amount 10 months credit on note with approved security.

n6-ts* JAMES KELLY.

Ratification Notice.

Charles T. Westcott,
versus
William Dunn and Caroline Dunn.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity, November 11, 1878.

ORDERED, that the sale of the Real Estate of William Dunn & Caroline Dunn, made and reported by CHARLES T. WESTCOTT, mortgagee under the power in the mortgage from said Wm. Dunn and wife to said C. T. Westcott, dated Nov. 29, 1875, and recorded in Liber D. C. B., No. 1, fol. 589, &c., be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 18th day of January 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 eighteenth day of December next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $400.00.

D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True copy,—Test:
n16-4t. D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.

Ratification Notice.

Margaret S. Kennedy, Edwin Moore and Jacob Highley,
versus
M. M. Ellis and wife, N. D. Cartwright and wife, and Moore C. Kennedy.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity, October 28, 1878.

ORDERED, that the sale of that portion of the Real Estate of John Kennedy, deceased, made and reported by Margaret S. Kennedy, Edwin Moore and Jacob Highley, Trustees under a deed of trust from the heirs at law of said John Kennedy, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 28th day of December 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 28th day of November next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $25,857.14.

D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
True copy,—Test:
D. C. BLACKISTON, Clerk.
Nov. 2, 1878—4t.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

SAMUEL MANDER, colored,

late of Kent county, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 10th day of June, 1879; otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 12th day of November, 1878.

THOMAS R. QUIMBY,
Nov. 16, 1878—4t. Adm'r.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

ESTATE of JOHN T. BRAMBLE.

On application ordered, that C. H. BAKER, administrator of Jno. T. Bramble, late of Kent county, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that a final dividend of the personal estate of said deceased will be made in this Court on TUESDAY, Dec. 3d, 1878.

Test: WM. STEVENS,
Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—The Creditors of John T. Bramble are notified and requested to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Register of Wills, on or before Tuesday, the 26th of Nov'ber, 1878, or they will be excluded from the dividend in the personal estate.

C. H. BAKER, Adm'r.
Nov. 16, 1878—4t.

Notice!

THE subscriber has this day taken his Son as a Partner in the LUMBER BUSINESS, and he desires all unsettled accounts and over due notes settled up to the above date; if there are any persons so indebted to the subscriber, who have not the money, a settlement may be made by a confession of judgment for the amount due. By complying with the above request speedily, they will much oblige and save me the unpleasantness of compelling by legal process.

GEO. E. LEARY,
Leary's Factory, Grey's Inn.
Oct. 26, 1878—tf.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

STATE OF MARYLAND,
KENT COUNTY, TO WIT:

I hereby certify that J. P. Sutton, of Kent county, brought before me, the subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said county, this 12th day of November, 1878, as estrays trespassing upon his enclosures, the description of FOUR HEAD OF CATTLE, as follows: One red and white Heifer, crop off right ear; one red Steer, with white back, crop off right ear; the other two dark brindle, without mark, all about two year old.

Given under my hand.

C. W. C. JOHNSON, J. P.

NOTICE.—The owner of said Cattle are notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away.

J. P. SUTTON,
n16-3t. Swan Creek.

NOTICE!

We have purchased our stock of *FALL & WINTER BOOTS,* at lowest cash prices, and are prepared to offer inducements to buyers. We guarantee every pair of our best Boots. Call and see them at

aug24. J. B. SAPPINGTON'S.

TOBACCO AND CIGARS.

The finest grades of Tobacco and the choicest Cigars may be found at the Corner Drug Store.

July 6. C. F. STAM.

THE BEST 5c. CIGAR IN TOWN. Chewing Tobacco all grades, at low prices, at KENNARD'S.

CAUTIONS to GUNNERS.

CAUTION to Gunners. All persons are hereby notified not to come upon the Farm and premises occupied by me with dog or gun.

R. KEMBLE,
n16-3t. for self and proprietor.

GUNNERS are cautioned against trespassing on "The Grove Farm" with dog, gun or otherwise.

Nov. 2—3t* W. ELIASON.

CAUTION.—Gunners and all others are forbidden to trespass upon my premises after this date. All who disregard this notice will be prosecuted.

n2-3t.* H. W. CARVILL.

CAUTION.—All persons are cautioned against trespassing on the Alms House Farm with dog, gun or otherwise, after this date. The law will be rigidly enforced. By order of Trustees.

JOSHUA COPPER,
Nov. 2, 1878—3t. Steward.

ALL PERSONS are hereby warned not to trespass upon the farms and premises occupied by the undersigned with either dog or gun.

J. C. H. Maslin. Geo. B. Westcott's
Robt. Hadaway, Comegys and Curry
James Cully, Farms,
Jas. H. Baker, George H. Walbert,
Francis Baker, Thomas H. Hague,
J. T. Maslin, Wm. S. Leaverton,
Joshua Walbert, Shirley & Miers.

Nov. 2, 1878—3t.

FOR RENT.

TO RENT,

A good Comfortable HOUSE, with one Acre of Ground, at Fairlee. Possession given 1st December.

n6-3t. C. H. BAKER, Atty.

TO RENT for 1879.

The DWELLING and DRUG STORE in Millington, now occupied by Frank M. Gooding. For terms apply to subscriber N. E. cor. Broadway & Pratt sts., Baltimore, or to Thos. J. Britton, Millington.

oc26-tf. EDGAR B. BRITTON.

TWO HOUSES FOR RENT

On Cross st., opposite Sappington's store, for many years occupied as a hotel and store, suitable for any kind of business. Apply to Mr. S. WELCH, Chestertown, or to Mrs. CHANEY, No. 75 N. Liberty st., Baltimore. oc12-6t.

FOR RENT, For 1879,
DWELLING HOUSE,

10 rooms, large halls, every convenience a Pump of good water at kitchen door; pleasantest in town. Carriage House and Stable on back lot.

Apply to J. B. SAPPINGTON,
sep28-tf. Chestertown.

CHESTER RIVER
PURCHASING AGENCY
And PACKAGE DELIVERY.

The undersigned having been authorised to travel on the Steamer B. S. FORD for the purpose of purchasing goods in the city by order or sample, persons wishing to take advantage of this manner of obtaining goods direct from the city at lowest prices can see me at the different landings on the route, where I will receive orders and execute them with promptness. I will also deliver letters and packages to any part of the city. Charges nominal, from 10c, to 25c. according to service.—The cash must always accompany the order. Very resp'y,

oc19-3m* O. A. GODWIN.

SPECIAL NOTICE to the LADIES!

DRESS MAKING.

Plain and fancy, done in the latest styles and neatest manner.

MISS LUCY PARSONS, having had considerable experience as a Dress maker, is prepared to do work at shortest notice.—Will be found at her home opposite Catholic Church. Prompt attention given to all. oc26-tf.

SEWING. MISS ANNIE CRADDOCK and MISS MARY M. ZIESEL beg leave to inform the ladies of Chestertown and the public generally, that they have engaged rooms at Miss J. E. Redue's on Water st., where they are prepared to do all kinds of plain and fancy Sewing, promptly and at the lowest prices. A liberal share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

Oct. 19, 1878.

MRS. S. C. JOINER continues the MANTUAMAKING business in all its branches. Store on High street, opposite residence of Senator Vickers.

Oct. 19, 1878—tf.

JOS. H. THOMPSON has just opened a large stock of new BOOTS & SHOES, which he will sell at very low prices. Attention is called to his Improved "Patent Kip Boot" for Men and Boys; from $1 75 to $2 25 for boys, and $4.25 for Men. Other make of Boots from $2 to $3 25.

Ladies' Button Gaiters $1 25 to $2 75.
Women's Lace Boots from $1 to $1 25.

☞ Don't forget the place:

THOMPSON'S,
sep28. *Under "Kent News" Office.*

Oh! What Bargains

YOU CAN GET AT

ELLIOTT'S

UP TOWN!

Such as DRY GOODS,
Notions, Groceries, Provisions,
Boots, Shoes, Tobacco, Cigars,
Tinware, Hardware,
Glassware, Crockeryware,
Groceries,

and in fact a little of everything, which we are selling at City prices.

Best Calico 5c. per yard; Muslins 5 to 18c.
Fine Cassimeres at 12½c.
" Dress Goods at 12½c. & Poplins 15c.
Men's Dress Pants 90c.
" Fine Box Gaiters $1.50.
" Heavy Plow Shoes 1.25; Boots 2 to $5.
" Oyster Boots, 23 in. long, $3.50.
Ladies' Button Gaiters $1.50; Lace $1.25.
Children's Shoes at all prices.
A good lasting Gaiter 90c.
Flour by bbl. or bag.; best Family Flour per bag 80c.; Green Coffee 19 to 23c.; roasted Coffee, best, 25c.; Teas 35 to 80c. per lb.
Sugars 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12½c.
Best Chees at 12½c. per pound.

We try to make our prices to suit the times and all we ask is a call and we will make it to your interest. No trouble to show goods. Remember you can save 5 per cent by stopping at

oc26. ELLIOTT'S, Up Town.

Best and Cheapest

ORGANS and PIANOS in the WORLD.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, &c., furnished at special reduced prices and on accommodating terms. The Beautiful Dulcet Organs are specially adapted to *Schools*, &c. Refer to Rev. Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, Baltimore, who has one in use. Each warranted for six years; shipped direct from Factory in N. Y. Illustrated catalogues free. Address

WM. K. JUDEFIND,
General Agent,
n2-tf. Edesville, Kent co., Md.

Agricultural Interests.

THE WORTON CLUB—DISCUSSION OF VARIOUS INTERESTING SUBJECTS.

Club Room, Nov. 11, 1878.

MESSRS. EDITORS—Dear Sirs: Some of the members may not be aware that the regular Monday afternoon meetings of the Club are not only continued, but are interesting and profitable. On the 4th the subject was the value and care of sweet potatoes, and much valuable information as to its character, qualities and keeping was elicited. The white potato is a tuber growing at the end of a well defined stem, but the sweet potato is a true root, and by long and careful cultivation the tendency to enlarge has become fixed. This, with many other interesting facts, made the discussion very attractive.

To-day, Nov. 11, an attempt was made to have all the essays, original and written by the readers, but was unsuccessful, as some of the members were not satisfied of their ability; but I think, Messrs. Editors, a little indisposition to the effort had more to do with the rejection of the motion than any lack of abilities; but if we would make the association profitable the members should be as willing to give as receive.

In the discussion of the regular question, "Is it better to haul and stack corn fodder or to use it from the field as needed?" an innovation was attempted by the President appointing four members to take the side of hauling and stacking and four others the side of using from the field. Not only was a new and interesting feature added to our meetings, but the points were more fully developed, as the members were appointed indiscriminately. Some were compelled to argue against their own practice, and although considerable fun resulted, it certainly was profitable. Breadth of thought compels the considering of all sides of a question, and some of the members who haul and stack their fodder made a strong case against themselves, and vice versa; but on a vote being taken as to the merits of each method, hauling and stacking found most favor.

Next Monday, Nov. 18, the same method of discussion will be continued. The question, "In the application of lime for corn is it better to apply the lime to the sod in the fall or to put it on the plowed ground in the spring?" being well adapted to such treatment; and I am sure, Messrs. Editors, if you should favor us with your presence you would hear more and better reasons for either way of using lime than you ever even dreamed of, many of them in direct opposition to the practice of the speakers.

"What constitutes a good farmer and good farming?" is the subject for November 25. Doubtless many will leave the meeting conscious of not filling the bill; a sense of inefficiency is a powerful incentive to better effort. From the intelligence, good sense and practical character of the member appointed to introduce the subject, I am anxious to hear his definition; but am afraid he will place the standard too high for me ever to attain to, yet the aspiration of every farmer should be to be a good farmer.

A prominent member proposed to read an original essay before the association, provided a good audience could be assembled. Presuming on your past kindness, Messrs. Editors, I told him that a notice of the time of reading the essay would be placed in every home whither the *Kent News* was sent, and that he could name the day; but, being quite modest, he declined, and the Club appointed November 25, with the understanding that if that should not be time enough, it would be extended, of which I will try and give you due notice.

We mean business this fall and winter, Messrs. Editors, and want the earnest, intelligent and active co-operation of every member, for his own good and that of the association. PARTICEPS.

Amusements for an Evening.

Obtain a yard of "magnesium tape" or "magnesium wire;" sold very cheap by most druggists. Cut a length of six or eight inches; bend one extremity so as to get a good hold with a pair of forceps, or even with a pair of ordinary scissors, or attach it to the end of a stick or wire. Then hold the piece of magnesium vertically in a strong flame, such as that of a candle, and in a few seconds it will ignite, burning with the splendor of sunshine, and making night seem noonday. As the burning proceeds, a quantity of white powder is formed. This is pure magnesia. While performing this splendid experiment, the room should be darkened.

CADAVEROUS FACES.

This is an amusing contrast to the lighting-up by means of magnesium: Again let the room be nearly darkened. Put about a tea-cupful of spirits of wine in a strong common dish or saucer, and place the dish in the middle of the table. Let every one approach to the distance of about a yard. Then ignite the spirits with a match. It will burn with a peculiar yellowish-blue flame, and in the light of this the human countenance, and all objects of a similar color lose their natural tint, and look spectral. The contrast of the wan and ghostly hue with the smiling lips and white teeth of those who look on, is most amusing. The effect of this experiment is hightened by dissolving some common table-salt in the spirits, and still further by putting into it a small quantity of saffron. Let the spirits burn away.

CURE FOR CHILLS AND FEVER.—The West Chester, Pa., *Jeffersonian* says:—One of our lady readers, who was once a sufferer from chills and fever, and consequently has great sympathy for other people affected with the malady, sends us the following receipe for the cure of the disease, which she assures us has proved singularly effective in her case:—"Take a double handful of the roots of the common orchard plantain and steep in a quart of hot water; whenever the patient feels the approach of the disorder, drink a portion of the liquid and repeat the dose from time to time, renewing the medicine as it is used, until the disorder has disappeared." This recipe is simple and harmless, and if effective will prove a blessing to many a sufferer.

"THERE'S no place like home"—unless it's some nice young girl's home, when the old folks are at class meeting, and the match-box is empty.

Meth. Prot. Semi-Centennial.

CELEBRATION IN CHESTERTOWN LAST SUNDAY—SERMONS BY REVS. J. B. JONES AND C. B. MIDDLETON—THE SABBATH SCHOOL EXERCISES—ADDRESSES BY MESSRS. J. W. COLLINS, J. S. BOWERS AND PROF. W. H. ZIMMERMAN.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Methodist Protestant Church was appropriately observed at the church of that denomination in Chestertown last Sunday. The interior of the edifice was appropriately adorned with beautiful flowers of varied hue, and over the facing of the pulpit recess were placed mottoes as follows: "Hitherto the LORD has helped us;" "1828—Mutual Rights—1878." Notwithstanding the threatening weather good congregations were present at all the services.

In the morning Rev. C. B. Middleton, the assistant pastor on the circuit and a young man of remarkable talent, preached an able discourse from Habak. 3:4: "And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of his hand; and there was the hiding of his power."

In the evening Rev. J. B. Jones took his text from 2d Kings, 7:4: "If we say, we will enter into the city, then the famine is in the city, and we shall die there; and if we sit still here we die also." The sermon was a review of history and incident pertinent to the occasion celebrated; it was ably handled and in a manner characteristic of the distinguished speaker.

The afternoon exercises in the Sabbath School were of a very interesting character. Besides the inspiring music of children's glad voices in the beautiful songs selected, and other interesting features, addresses were delivered by Messrs. J. W. Collins, Prof. W. H. Zimmerman, of Washington College, and Mr. J. S. Bowers, formerly a member of the school and now engaged in teaching in the public school at Masseys. Mr. Collins referred to the early days of the church's history; when and where organized, &c. Prof. Zimmerman very happily entertained the audience, old and young, for over a half-hour with word paintings grandly descriptive of the heavenly bodies—the sun, moon and stars—the greatness of HIM who made and controls the worlds in being and to be; the perfect harmony of all true science with true religion; and the home gathering in the hereafter of the saints of the Most High—the denominations of every name in all the earth contributing to swell the number of that happy throng.

ADDRESS OF JOHN S. BOWERS.

There is something strikingly impressive in the setting sun of a day of busy activities and earnest labor. Gazing into the western sky with thoughtful hearts we behold him gradually sinking to rest; and he, seeming to understand our discomfiture, stretches out his last lingering rays, as if wanting to bid us good-night, telling us that work is done. We are not alone in our loneliness. The earth, saddened by her loss, yields herself to "Night's sable goddess, who, from his ebon throne, in rayless majesty stretches forth her leaden sceptre o'er a slumbering world." All business is suspended. Our activities cease—the busy earth is silent! But scarcely to our consciousness has he gone beneath the horizon when he appears again. He is rising. How inspiring! All nature greets him with a smile. The hills and highlands rear their mighty heads high above as if standing on tip-toe, anxious to get the first morning kiss. The little sunbeams are straying everywhere and whisper to us, "Day's returned—be up and doing; we are speeding fast away." We heed their admonition, taking up again the burden of life. The plans of the past day are carried out—its blunders corrected—and our prospects brightened. How striking is the figure! As Methodist Protestants the work days of 50 years have closed around us. Their activities have ceased; but they have left a record, and, viewing that, we catch an inspiration and hail the dawn of better days with thanksgiving and praise. Then how impressive and inspiring is the occasion. 'Tis related of Napoleon Bonaparte as he with his vast army was crossing the great African desert, that his men became footsore and weary. Conscious that to stop would be his ruin, he endeavored to cheer his men, but all in vain. Suddenly he descried away in the distance the pyramids, and despite their weariness he determinedly pressed on, and when the whole army had drawn up in full view of those massive structures rearing their summits high up in the heavens, he gave vent to this expression: "Men of France! Forty centuries look down upon you!" They at once caught the inspiration of his words, forgot their weariness and pressed on with increased earnestness. Just so it is with us to-day. We are on the march against a dreadful foe. We halt; a monument, as it were, appears—a festal day, a day of celebration, and we hear the voice of our well known commander, saying: "Soldiers of Christ! Fifty years of religious prosperity look down upon you. Gird on the Gospel armor, the helmet of salvation, and fight manfully under the banner of your King. Taking a retrospective view of the past, we remember faces familiar which to-day we do not see. Looking around us on this side and on that we remember the places they used to occupy. We wonder and exclaim: "Our fathers! where are they?" We are hushed into silence by the melancholy consciousness that they are gone—forever gone from life's activities. We behold the work of their hands. How they labored to support the church of their choice. How earnest and persevering they were. In 1828, when she was but a tender shoot, they nursed her with tenderness, lest the strong blasts of adversity should uproot her. Confident that success would crown their labors, they lent her their fostering care, ever pressing onward, and 1878 finds her a staunch tree, shooting out her branches in every direction and adorned with luxuriant foliage. Scattered throughout the country are temples erected through their industry. Such was the work of their hands. Noble work! But they are gone! They rest from their labors and are reaping a rich reward. And shall the cause which they so fondly loved and for which they so earnestly labored die with them? Nay, methinks not. Let ours be the burden to bear—ours the cause to love and cherish. And oh, that the mantle of the fathers may fall upon their children. Then what can we predict for the future? At this we hesitate and pause. Our weakness, our incompetency, our nothingness loom up before us and we are ready to exclaim, "The burden is greater than we can bear." But where, oh where are we to look for aid? Aye, we have a refuge. The God of our fathers is our refuge—Omnipotence is our defence. Placing implicit trust and confidence in His gracious word we shall go forth "conquering and to conquer."

"To patient faith the prize is sure,
And all that to the end endure
Eternal life shall gain,"

Let unity of purpose characterize all of our workings. "In unity there is strength" has been sounded in our ears from the earliest moments of our consciousness to the present time. All feel its importance. Who does not remember the bundle of reeds? Taken one by one, how easily they are snapped asunder; but when bound compactly together, how futile are all our attempts to break them. So it is with us as a church. When driven asunder by dissentions and other injurious causes, how easily we are jostled about and our faith shaken! But when bound together by the chords of love, each bearing the others burdens, working as it were but one man, how impenetrable will be our ranks! How irresistible will be our attack! Let us be humble, loving, generous and kind—earnest workers—and whatever our hands finds to do do it with our might. If

"Only an armor bearer then let us proudly take our stand,
Waiting our orders at the King's command;
Marching, if onward shall the order be,
Standing by our Captain, serving faithfully."

How glorious is our work! The invitation is to all: "Come and go with us and we will do thee good." The smallest scholar in this school is not too small. How many little boys and girls remember the story of the little Hindoo girl, who, with only this sentence on her lips, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life," sent a ray of light into that poor Brahma woman's heart? And how many parents have been brought to the foot of the cross by the loving entreaties of fond children. Then, as Sunday school scholars, we appeal to you today, come join our ranks. "Onward, ever onward," are our orders. We are marching, marching on to victory. Aye, we hear the words: "Them that put their trust in Me I will in nowise cast out," and "they that endure to the end shall inherit all things." Then let us

"Watch and fight and pray,
The battle ne'er give o'er;
Renew it boldly every day,
And help divine implore."

The world is our battle field, souls are our hire, eternal life our reward, and Heaven our home.

"Let us then be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait."

'Tis said "the rest of a laboring man is sweet." We know something of that, but how little we know of that eternal rest awaiting the people of God. Day by day we are hastening on to riper years and by and by our heads will all be silvered o'er with age. The ploughshare of time will run great furrows in our cheeks. We are growing weary of life. Nearing home! Then shall we hear the voice of Him whom we have served in tenderness saying, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

"There we shall bathe our weary souls
In seas of heavenly rest."

All our tears by one kind hand shall be wiped away; we shall sorrow no more, neither die any more, for the former things have passed away. We shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the Paradise of God, and praise Him forever in that church triumphant, that building of God—that "house not made with hands eternal in the heavens."

Plain Talk to a Girl.

Your every-day toilet is a part of your character. A girl who looks like a "fury" or sloven in the morning is not to be trusted however finely she may look in the evening. No matter how humble your room may be, there are eight things it should contain: a mirror, soap, water, towel, comb, hair, nail and tooth brushs. They are just as essential as your breakfast before which you should make good and free use of them. Parents who fail to provide their children with these appliances not only make a great mistake but commit a sin of omission.

Look tidy in the morning; and after your dinner work is over improve your toilet. Make it a rule of your daily life "to dress up" in the afternoon. Your dress may be nothing better than a calico, but with a ribbon or flower or some bit of ornament, you can have an air of self-respect which invariably comes with being well dressed.—*Amer. Rural Home.*

THE moustache is the object of singular official regulation in France. Recently the clerks in the Bank of France have been forbidden to wear it. In 1822 the infantry, grenadiers, carbineers and voltigeurs were allowed the coveted ornament, as well as all officers, and in 1832 its wearing was made obligatory. In the French Navy the moustache is forbidden, as likely to arrest saline particles and ulcerate the lip. The decrees of 1810 and 1822, regulating the costume of the lawyers, is silent as to the moustache, but any advocate who should appear in court wearing one would in all probability be refused a hearing.

A FUNNY CUSTOM.—That was a funny custom in olden times when a young Prince was being educated. A boy was taught with him whom they called the "whipping boy." When his highness was idle, did not know his lessons, forgot his Latin verbs, spilled the ink on his desk, or made caricatures of his master, then the poor boy was whipped and scolded for his misdemeanors. They thought it would punish the Prince sufficiently to see an innocent boy punished for the faults he himself had committed, besides no one would dare lay violent hands on a prince.

OVER three hundred oyster dredgers' licenses have been issued by the Comptroller up to date.

SEPARATION.

A wall grown up between the two—
A strong, thick wall, though all unseen;
None knew when the first stones were laid,
Nor how the wall was built, I ween.
And so their lives were wide apart,
Although they shared one board, one bed;
A careless eye saw naught amiss,
Yet each was to the other dead.
He much absorbed in work and gain,
Grew soon unmindful of his loss;
A hard indifference worse than hate
Changed love's pure gold to worthless dross.
She suffered tortures all untold;
Too proud to mourn to strong to die;
The wall pressed heavily on her heart;
Her white face showed her misery.
Such walls are growing day by day
'Twixt man and wife, 'twixt friend and friend,
Would they could know, who lightly build,
How sad and bitter is the end.
A careless word, an unkind thought,
A slight neglect, a taunting tone—
Such things as these, before we know,
Have laid the wall's foundation stone.

ROLLER SKATING.

OPENING OF THE BIDDLE STREET RINK.

Skating upon the ice for exercise and amusement is of very ancient origin. In Old Fitzstephen's description of London we are told "when the great fenne or moor is frozen many young men play upon the yce; some striding as wide as they may, doe slide swiftly, a some tie bones to their feete and under their heeles, and shoving themselves by a little piched staffe, doe slide as swiftly as a bird flyeth in the air, or an arrow out of a cross-bow." From these rude instruments to the skates, the march of civilization improvement is as well marked as that from the sickle to the reaping machine. Skating upon the ice, with all its pleasures, had many drawbacks which every lover of the amusement will readily recall—frost bitten ears, fingers, and toes and the undesired bath are too often among the penalties which the pleasure inflicted. These may all be escaped without any diminution of the pleasure, and even in the hottest weather the delightful amusement continued by the invention of Mr. Plimpton of the roller skate for indoor exercise and amusement. The roller skate is an American idea, invented by a consumptive, for whom ice skating was too severe and exposing, but for whom the exercise was necessary and beneficial. The invention of the guidable, circular running roller skate required a prepared floor, and hence the construction of the rinks with suitable floors followed, and thus the amusement winter was continued to the summer, while all the dangers of colds were avoided. This American idea spread to London and to the continent. In the former there are now 43 rinks, which are patronized by the best people of the city, and found to conduce greatly to the health, pleasure and profit. So there is no exercise or recreation so well suited to the