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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.....JULY 21, 1883.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For the State Senate:
WILLIAM B. USILTON.

For the House of Delegates:
J. FLETCHER WILSON,
BENEDICT B. ADKINSON.

For State's Attorney:
MARION deK. SMITH.

For Sheriff:
DULANEY RASIN.

For Judges of the Orphans' Court:
WILLIAM S. WALKER,
R. BENNETT WILLSON,
WILLIAM A. HYLAND.

For County Commissioners:
CHARLES P. LOPER,
TILGHMAN SHAFER,
RICHARD C. SMYTH,
VICTOR HENDRICKSON,
J. CHARLES WHEATLEY.

THE TICKET.

In another column we give the result of the primary election on Saturday last, and the convention proceedings on the following Tuesday.—The ticket nominated will be found at the head of our columns.

With reference to the candidate chosen for the first office — that of State Senator — it would, of course, be indelicate for us to speak. He has been known in connection with this paper from his early youth—served here as an apprentice, worked as a journeyman, and for the past twenty-three years has been its junior editor. During all that time he has applied himself closely to business, and though taking an active interest in politics, has always heretofore refused to be a candidate for political position. The subject of his candidacy now was for a long time debated, and it was after the most earnest solicitation of friends in different sections of the county, and then only when he was assured that there would be no wrangle for the nomination, did he consent to become a candidate. Now that he has received the nomination, fairly and honorably, he hopes, and thinks he has the right to expect the support of every democrat. Indeed, he has had such cheering assurances from every quarter that he does not for a moment question the active sympathy of all, and has no doubt of a favorable issue in the election. His friends, throughout the county, have his sincere acknowledgments for their favorable consideration, and the interest they have taken in him.

For the House of Delegates, Capt. J. Fletcher Wilson and B. B. Adkinson have been selected. They are both well known citizens of the county, and of high personal character. Both are engaged in public business; Capt. Wilson is a son of the late Alexander Wilson, so long and favorably known in connection with the fishing interests and almost every other general public interest of the upper part of Kent. He was born in Cecil county in 1837, but in early life moved to Kent county, where he has since resided. He was for a number of years engaged in the boating business, and married a daughter of Capt. Andrew Woodall, an extensive land-owner, shipper, &c. He is at present interested in the fishing business, owning and controlling one of the largest fisheries in the State. He has amassed a considerable fortune and resides at Georgetown. He has never held any office.

Mr. Adkinson is a public-spirited citizen of the fifth district—wide awake and active—has an extensive acquaintance with the people of the county generally, but more especially of his own district, where he is identified in sympathy and interest with the masses. His acquaintance with the oyster interests and his thorough knowledge of the wants and wishes of those engaged in the oyster tonging business, will make him an invaluable member of the legislative body. Mr. Adkinson is a native of Kent, about 40 years of age, and has been for a number of years past engaged in merchandising at Edesville.

M. deK. Smith, Esq., candidate for State's Attorney, is also a native of Kent county; he was born in 1850, and moved to Chestertown with his parents when eight years old, where he has ever since resided. He was educated at Washington College and graduated in 1870; shortly thereafter he began the study of law under the tutorship of Richard Hynson, Esq., was admitted to the practice in the Kent county bar at the April term '73, and since then has applied himself closely to his chosen profession. Has been closely identified with politics for the last ten years—has been a member of the Democratic State Committee since 1879, and represented this county in the State Convention of 1880, but has never held an office of profit. He will no doubt make an accommodating public officer and an able and efficient State's Attorney.

Mr. Dulaney Rasin, the nominee for sheriff, is also "to the manor born," and has been a life-long democrat. For forty years he has been engaged in farming and lives in the third district near Worton Station. He is a warm-hearted, sociable gentleman, of extensive acquaintance, and has a large family connection.

The candidates for the Orphans' Court are gentlemen well known throughout the county. Mr. Walker is chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee. He was the only candidate that carried a sufficient number of districts to entitle him to the nomination, and the convention was no doubt governed in its choice of Messrs. Willson and Hyland by the fact that they had the largest popular vote.

The nominees for County Commissioners are all members of the present board except Mr. J. C. Wheatley of the fifth district, in place of Mr. T. R. Strong, who has served four consecutive terms and declined a renomination, the last two as president of the board. Mr. Wheatley is a young man of sterling worth, a farmer, and gives evidence of the necessary qualifications to make a useful member of the board.

A LITTLE MIXED.—Our usually reliable cotemporary, the Baltimore *Sun*, got names somewhat mixed in Monday's issue, in reporting the result of the primary in this county, as follows:

"Partial returns from the democratic primary election held in Kent county, Md., on Saturday, indicate the nomination of Wm. B. Usilton for Senator, B. B. Adkinson for the House of Delegates, J. F. Wilson for sheriff, and Dulaney Rasin for State's attorney. The contest for the House of Delegates between DeK. Smith and W. M. Slay is close."

MIXED SCHOOLS—*The Appointment of Dr. C. B. Purvis as School Trustee.*—A special dispatch to the Baltimore *Herald* under date of Washington, July 17, says:

The first step in the establishment of mixed public schools in the District has been taken by the commissioners in the appointment of Dr. C. B. Purvis as a school trustee. Commissioner Edmunds declared that this was the intention of the triumvirate in changing from Henry Johnson, who is acknowledged to know more about the public school system than any other half dozen men in the District. Dr. Purvis is nearly white himself, married a white woman and sends his children to white schools. No objection has ever been made on account of the almost imperceptible color of the children. But Purvis besides being thus a practical mixed educator, is strongly in favor of the theory of a mingling of the races and extinguishing the color line. The object of the commissioners will not be accomplished without much opposition from both white and colored people. A large number of the more intelligent negroes now profess to be proud of their race and to desire nothing better than a separate career from the Caucasians. They openly cite the Hebrews as a despised and persecuted race rising to great things, not only in spite of their isolated position, but largely because of it.

Commissioner Edmunds stated tonight that he was in favor of grading children by classes with cleanliness and intelligence as a basis rather than color. Dr. Purvis relied on Maryland law in force here making the status of children follow the color of matter.

POLITICS IN KENT.

The Democratic Primaries on Saturday—A Large Vote, Good Order and Good Feeling—Proceedings of the Nominating Convention—Addresses by H. W. Vickers, Esq., and Others—The Nominations Unanimous.

There was generally a very full turn out to the Democratic primary election last Saturday. During the past three or four weeks the contest has been warm between rival candidates, and on Saturday each candidate was represented at the polls by ardent workers. The resolution to accept no vote unless the voter was regularly registered in the poll books of the county, was adhered to. As a consequence some young Democrats were deprived of votes, but all things considered, the plan was undoubtedly for the best. The polls opened at 2 o'clock P.M. and closed at 6, at which hour the counting out of ballots began. In each district there was a considerable diversity of voting, and the counting out thus became no small process. Not until nine o'clock did returns begin to reach Chestertown, but before ten, a number of interested politicians from various districts gathered to learn the result. The vote in the five districts stood as follows:

	Districts				
	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th. Totl
SENATOR:					
W. B. Usilton	181	139	106	239	122 787
T. A. Hulme	64	94	83	111	175 527
HOUSE DELEGATES:					
J. F. Wilson	235	225	179	333	271 1243
B. B. Adkinson	225	210	180	341	280 1236
STATE'S ATTORNEY:					
M. deK. Smith	150	108	117	174	134 683
W. M. Slay	92	125	70	172	159 618
SHERIFF:					
Dulaney Rasin	31	42	156	194	228 651
F. H. Boulden	201	187	29	145	52 614
ORPHANS' COURT:					
Wm. A. Hyland	202	146	124	186	144 802
J. H. Hossinger	73	176	145	158	80 632
R. Nicholson	157	77	97	228	164 723
Wm. S. Walker	114	156	148	247	222 887
R. B. Willson	150	131	44	202	225 752
CO. COMMISSIONERS:					
C. P. Loper	219				
Tilghman Shafer	129				
Alday Clements	106				
R. C. Smyth	188				
V. Hendrickson	341				
J. C. Wheatley	299				

This vote, it will be seen, determined all the nominees, save two judges of the orphans' court. The primary was upon the district plan and Messrs. R. Nicholson, R. B. Willson and W. A. Hyland had each carried three districts. This result threw the final choice for two orphans' court judges upon the nominating convention. The contest for State's Attorney was one among the closest that has ever been known in the county. Messrs. Slay and Smith, the contestants, each carried two outside districts, and there was only a difference of two votes between them in the Chestertown district.

On Tuesday the nominating committees, composed of five delegates from each district, met in Chestertown, and organized by electing H. W. Vickers, Esq., as chairman, and Mr. John P. Nicholson, secretary. Mr. Vickers, on taking the chair, made some remarks, of which the following is the substance:

H. W. VICKERS' ADDRESS.

After thanking the committee for the honor conferred upon him, Mr. Vickers said that he was happy to announce that the duties of the convention were simplified. As there are no such contests before this convention, or any complications resulting from the late primaries that will not succomb to the voice of reason and the dictates of sound judgment.

After an active canvass of several months, unequaled, perhaps, in the zeal displayed by the masses of the Democratic party in behalf of favorite candidates, a primary election was held on Saturday last by direction of the Central Committee, and according to the registration of voters. A very large vote was consequently polled. A free ballot was had and a fair count of the votes cast was made, and we the delegates selected have assembled according to law in county convention to make a declaration of the vote and announce the candidates so nominated—who are the candidates of the Democratic party, regularly nominated and destined to lead the party to victory in November next. The gentlemen thus nominated are worthy and honorable citizens of this old county, and it is the duty of every man who calls himself a Democrat, or who participated in the primaries, to yield a hearty and cordial support to the nominees. There can be no halting between two opinions on this subject. The admitted regularity and fairness of the primaries leaves no middle ground for any man to stand upon. In the absence of fraud and corruption, reason and honor demand of every man who participates in the primaries to stand up like men and abide its results. I myself had the extreme misfortune to take a trip up Salt river on Saturday night in company with many esteemed friends, but we are all back in time to ratify the nominations of this convention.

Mark my prediction—the ticket nominated on Saturday, and this day proclaimed in convention, will be triumphantly elected in November.

Gentlemen of the convention, indulge a slight digression. The contest in Maryland in November is but the prelude, the skirmish line of the great pending national contest that is soon to follow and result in the triumphant election of a Democratic president, and in his inauguration. The Republican party is falling to pieces. It is the party of fraud and corruption. Gen. Grant secured his second nomination and election by the aid of the whiskey ring, which robbed the government of many millions. Some of the prominent men in Grant's second administration have since died in the penitentiary. In '76 the Republican party, not able to buy up the election, determined to steal the presidency, and to his honor be it said Mr. Tilden refused to ransom the high office from the returning boards that hawked it around for sale.

The great Star route robbers proclaim to the world that they supplied the money to purchase the election of Garfield, who in return offered to Dorsey, the chief robber of them all, the captain of the 40 thieves, a seat in his cabinet. The Republican party has been crushed to death under the weight of returning board fraud, whiskey frauds, Star route frauds, and coalition with repudiators in Virginia. They have lost the confidence of the country.

Let us of the Democratic party in Kent stand up like men, support the nominees who have been fairly nominated, that we may all be able to say that we took part not only in the great battle, but in the skirmish line of the great Republican Waterloo, which is next to follow.

A committee on credentials was appointed, and it reported the following authorized delegates:

1st district, J. Thos. Pennington, H. C. Hendrickson, C. S. Hurlock, John F. Ernest, F. P. Cochran.

2d district, Sam'l A. Merritt, C. W. Warren, John P. Hendrickson, Wm. T. Jones and Samuel Comegys as substitute for T. Rasin, absent.

3d dist., Dr. J. B. Merritt, L. J. Usilton, Dr. J. H. Hessey, W. W. Rasin and J. W. Howard.

4th district, H. W. Vickers, R. Groves, S. Lecates, S. B. Foard, J. T. Dixon.

5th district, John P. Nicholson, Thomas C. Maslin, Samuel Burgess, E. H. Strong and John Brice.

The balloting was *viva voce*, the delegation from each district voting according to the result of the primary in the district represented. There was no hitch until it came to voting for candidates for the Orphans' Court; the first ballot resulted only in nominating Mr. W. S. Walker, he securing four out of the five delegations. Messrs. R. Nicholson, R. B. Willson and W. A. Hyland had each three districts, and Mr. Jos. H. Hossinger two. This result necessitated a second ballot, which resulted in giving Messrs. Willson and Hyland each 15 votes, Mr. Nicholson 12 and Mr. Hossinger 9. Messrs. Willson and Hyland were then declared the nominees. After each candidate was nominated, the vote for his nomination was on motion made unanimous.

After the nominations were concluded a committee was appointed to wait upon the nominees and notify them of their nomination. Messrs. W. B. Usilton and M. deK. Smith were found, and escorted before the nominating convention. The presiding officer introduced Mr. Usilton as the nominee for the State Senate.

MR. USILTON'S ACCEPTANCE.

Mr. Usilton said, it needed no formal words from him to express his high appreciation of the honor conferred. It was a compliment the most exalted citizen of the county would value. The voice of the people as expressed in the ballot of Saturday, and the hearty acceptance of that voice by the members of the convention, awakened mingled emotions of pleasure and alarm; pleasure, in thus being the recipient of so marked an evidence of the confidence of the people, and serious concern lest he had gone too far in allowing himself to be placed in so responsible a position. The contest upon which we are entering will not be altogether a pleasant one, but he hoped no element of bitterness would be added by his candidacy. He did not rely upon his own qualities of leadership or personal merit for success. He had cheering evidence of the cordial support of a united party in Kent. No doubt many were disappointed in the results of the primary, but he was sure that none would allow unreasonable prejudice or selfishness to override a just principle and honorable claims; and he expected of those who had opposed him in the canvass just closed only such a support as he would have accorded his opponent had he been the chosen candidate. His canvass had been fair and honorable, and no word of disparagement had been uttered by him, consequently there could not be any personal animosities and wounds to heal in his behalf. He was not a candidate in the interest of any man or any set of men; he had never sought or held a political office; he had never faltered in his allegiance to sound Democratic principles, and had never failed to render an active support to the nominees of his party. He was a candidate now not of his own special desire, but at the call of the popular voice, and, being persuaded that he might be of service to the people, he accepted the trust reposed in him, and confidently relied upon the active support of all well wishers of his party for success at the polls in November. In closing, Mr. Usilton referred to the importance of the issues involved, and again declared himself in the interest of no faction or fragment of the party, and that, if elected, he would never fail to listen to the voice of his constituents, and would always take pleasure in consulting their interest and wishes in his official acts.

The speech of Mr. Usilton was loudly applauded at various points. The chairman then introduced Mr. M. deK. Smith, the nominee for State's Attorney.

Mr. SMITH'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Smith said—Mr. president and gentlemen of the convention, you, as the representatives of the democratic party of Kent county have today, in accordance with the wishes of that party as declared at the primaries on Saturday last, chosen the Democratic standard bearers for the coming campaign. I appreciate in the highest degree the honor you have conferred upon me in selecting me as the candidate for State's Attorney. In the coming campaign I pledge myself to the same activity for the success of the ticket in November next, as there was energy displayed by my friends in securing for me the nomination: I will stand shoulder to shoulder with the foremost and most active in the fight. Mr. Smith spoke of the contest in the several districts as having been conducted in great spirit and in entire fairness; of his late opponent he said he was a foeman worthy of any man's steel. Mr. Smith then accepted the nomination with thanks to the members of the convention and the Democratic party.

Mr. Smith's remarks were received with hearty applause. After he took his seat, there being no further work before the convention, it adjourned *sine die*.

A CLOSE CONTEST.

The primary election in Chestertown last Saturday passed off without the slightest disturbance, although great interest was taken in it and a larger vote polled than was ever known here at a primary. The most exciting feature of the contest was over the State's Attorneyship. Both candidates were popular and the voters seemed about evenly divided between them. During the counting of ballots an interested throng looked on and kept the tally, and every now and then reported the standing to the anxious throngs waiting about the court-house green. The difference between the two candidates was never more than five or six, and varied first in favor of one and then the other. Just before the count closed the returns were received from all the other districts and the interest in the result here was increased by the fact that each had carried two, making this the decisive point. When only two tickets remained to be counted the candidates tied. The anxiety to see the face of these two may therefore be imagined. When they came out for Mr. Smith his friends very naturally gave vent to their joy, and the friends of the defeated candidate were proportionately dejected. A recount was decided upon and had on Monday morning in the presence of mutual friends, the result being the same.

Mr. Smith well said before the convention, in accepting the nomination, that never did a candidate meet a foeman more worthy of his steel than he did in his contest with Mr. Slay. Though defeated he has made hosts of friends who will delight to do him honor for any position to which he may aspire.

PEACHES AND THE PACKERS.

Some of the early varieties of peaches in Kent have been going to market this week and have realized fair prices. It is impossible to estimate the crop in this county as there is a very great difference of opinion. The varieties depended upon by the canners—Crawford's Late and Smock—will not be as great in quantity as last year, but will be of fine size and quality. The Baltimore *American* of Sunday last states that the peach packers are preparing for work, and a few of them have already begun operations, though from all indications the supply this season will fall far short of last year. Mr. H. N. Taylor, of the Canned Goods Exchange, estimates the crop at about forty per cent. of that of last year, and Sam Lawder, the veteran dealer, thinks that it will be a little over half as large as last season's crop. These are gloomy prospects for the packers. The prices are likely to keep high during the entire summer, and there will probably not be a glut at any time, but rather is it possible that the supply will be unequal to the demand. A mistaken idea has gone forth and been published in some of the Eastern papers, to the effect that several large Baltimore packers have purchased orchards in Delaware and will hereafter raise their own fruit. The packers frequently purchase the crop of a large orchard early in the season, but do not buy the orchards. Among the Baltimore canning firms that have branch packing houses in Delaware and buy the crops of whole orchards are L. W. Counselman & Co., Miller Brothers & Co. and E. Schoenberg & Co., who have canneries in the neighborhood of Seaford, Houston and Milford, Del., and put up large quantities of peaches there. They buy the fruit directly out of the orchards. A Baltimore packer said yesterday that it was the custom of packers in the country to contract to take entire crops of peaches; but many of the city packers were opposed to this plan, and, on the contrary, depended on the daily market receipts of the fruit by the boats, which, in the height of the season, amounted to about 20,000 bushels a day. The early varieties of peaches are not good for packing purposes, and there promises to be a very fair crop this season, though Baltimore people are not likely to get many of them, as they will all be shipped North and West. The early and late Crawfords will be short, and these are the peaches that the packers, to a large extent, depend upon, though Smock are also very good peaches for packing. It is said that the canning companies will absorb more than one-third of the entire Delaware and Maryland crops of peaches this season.

KENT CO. FAIR.—The annual premium list of the Kent County Agricultural Association is out. The fair is to be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the 11th 12th and 13th days of September. The usual liberal premiums are offered in all the exhibit departments. The trials of speed will be on the first day the 2:45 class, purse of $200; and for 3:30 class, purse $100. On the second day, for 2:50 class, purse $150; colt race, purse $150; and 2:26 class, purse $300. On the third day 3 minute class, purse $150; wagon race for peninsula horses without record $50; and 2:24 class, purse $300.

WEDDING BELLS.—Centreville was enlivened on Thursday of last week by two marriages. At half-past seven o'clock A. M., Mr. Pere T. Forman very quietly led to the matrimonial altar Miss Elmer Rasin, daughter of Mr. J. O. Rasin. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, in the presence of the families only, at the residence of the bride's parents. The happy couple left for a bridal tour in the North immediately after the ceremony. The bride was the recipient of many useful and valuable presents from friends and relatives.

On the same afternoon Miss Alice G. Emory, daughter of the late Col. John R. Emory, was married to Mr. Harry B. Wilmer, of Chicago, at St. Paul's church.

BOAT RACE.—A number of Piney Neck and Kent Island boatmen have arranged a boat race for Tuesday, the 31st of this month. There will be only two classes of boats—first and second—and will start from the Beach farm, near the ferry. All boats of these classes are allowed to enter and are invited to take part. The course and prizes have not yet been made known.

A BALLOON VOYAGE.

Prof. Wise's Tolchester Air-Ship Sails over Chestertown and Centreville, and Alights in Caroline.

The "Tolchester" balloon, under command of Prof. John Wise, started from that popular bayside resort at 5 P.M., Wednesday, with two newspaper reporters. The air-ship, which was fully inflated, sailed skyward in the presence of an immense number of people, and as she gracefully arose from her moorings, hats and handkerchiefs were waved as an adieu to the intrepid voyagers. After a delightful trip the balloon made a safe descent near Denton, in Caroline county.

Prof. Wise reached Chestertown on the noon train Thursday and returned to Tolchester that afternoon. He starts that his ship, after going up, first made for the bay or mouth of Chester river, but soon struck another current and drifted off toward Chestertown, passing over the river about two miles below, and thence within a mile of Centreville. The landing at the point mentioned was without difficulty; the gas was turned off, the ship lowered, the drag thrown out and caught in a fence, and at 7 o'clock all hands were on land, making a forty mile sail in two hours. The balloon was seen from the streets of Chestertown, but a better view was obtained by many from the roof of the Voshell House.

FARM NOTES.—Mr. Herbert Lusby reports his yield of wheat on "Airy Hill," near Chestertown, at thirty bushels per acre. This is about the best yield in the neighborhood. The "Lusby boys" are noted far and near for their success in wheat raising. They seem to know all about that cereal, and upon their old home farm for years past have been producing such big crops as to lead to the impression that they are possessed of some hidden knowledge of cultivation, or special quality of soil. The fact above reported of Herbert shows that success is not confined to the old homestead.

Apropos to this, we may mention the fact that Mr. H. Clay Lusby has rented the "Willow Grove" farm of Judge Wickes, near town, which has been for the past thirty years in the tenancy of Mr. William Ford. The latter goes to his own farm near by, now tenanted by Mr. James Stuart. Edward Lusby remains on the home place. Thus our young friends will have larger spheres in which to exercise their talent and industry in agriculture, and we are sure will continue in the front rank.

The extremely wet season has greatly embarrassed farmers in saving their wheat. Some wheat is very badly shocked in consequence of over-ripening before being cut, and is now found to be sprouting. Great loss will be the result unless the present indications of good weather continue.

Corn has made a rapid growth and is looking well. The recent severe storm, however, has broken off many stalks.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING.—Miss Lena C. Hearn, sister of Mrs. Edward C. Faries, of Smyrna, Miss Emma F. Weldon, daughter of B. V. Weldon, and Miss Chambers, of Centreville, while on a visit to Rev. G. S. Conaway, at Rock Hall, last week came near having a serious catastrophe. On Friday in company with a half-grown boy and two of Mr. Faries' children they went out for a boat ride. They came up to the side of a schooner that was lying at anchor and the boy jumped aboard for the purpose of putting on a bathing suit. This oscillated the little boat and Miss Hearn seeing some water coming in over the gunwale jumped up to steady it, and in catching for the side of the schooner fell overboard. In the motion given the boat Miss Weldon also lost her balance and fell overboard.—Miss Chambers threw herself down in the bottom of the boat and screamed, which brought the boy from the schooner to the rescue. The hand of Miss Hearn came to the surface the third time, having already sunk twice, which he caught.—Miss Weldon had a tight hold on the dress of Miss Hearn and thus they were both drawn into the boat and saved from a watery grave.

PERSONAL.—Col. Geo. W. Spencer and Capt. Andrew Woodall, two of the most prominent and highly respected citizens of the first district, had quite a severe attack of illness last Sunday, but we are glad to learn that both are convalescing and able to be about again.

Mr. Walter H. Beck, who several months ago left Chestertown for St. Louis, is spending a part of his summer vacation with Kent county friends.

ACCIDENT TO THE TRUMPETER.—As the steamer Trumpeter, on the Sassafras route, neared Worton Point on her return trip from Baltimore last Saturday afternoon, the gib came out, and the piston, dashing into the cylinder, broke the cylinder-head. The Chester was summoned and came to her aid, took off her passengers and freight and carried them to their destination. On the return trip she towed the Trumpeter back to Baltimore. She was taken to Reeder's, where she will be repaired. The damage to the machinery, together with the loss of time, will amount to several thousand dollars. Henry Jones, a coal-passer, was slightly scalded by the escaping steam at the time of the accident.

FRUITS.—In the hurry incident to last week's operations we omitted to mention that Mr. L. A. Kendall had brought us several boxes of his celebrated blackberry. They were all that Mr. K. claims for them—large, smooth and of delicious flavor. His stock of plants are going off briskly but not yet exhausted.

Mr. Wm. W. Rasin, of Still Pond, left at our office on Tuesday a basket of pears of the Beaura Gifford variety. They are rather small, but nicely flavored, and bring good prices in the cities.

ANOTHER of those delightful Cape May Excursions will take place next Wednesday under the auspices of the M. E. Sunday School of Chestertown. The bathing is now excellent, and the refreshing effects of a tumble among the breakers will more than compensate for the small expense of the trip. The ride on the Delaware bay on the splendid steamer "Clyde" is an excursion within itself.

REAL ESTATE TO BE SOLD.—M. deK. Smith, as attorney, will offer to-day at Pennington's hotel Galena, the small farm of Geo. Steele and wife, near that village.

Messrs. Vickers & Rowley, attorneys, will offer at the court-house door in Chestertown, on Tuesday, July 31st, the Morgan Brown farm, situate in the fifth election district.

The sale of Wm. S. Culp's personal property has been postponed until next Saturday, July 28.

WYE CAMP in Queen Anne's commences July 31. About fifty tent sites have been taken and privileges have been awarded as follows: Bread tent, Michael Keating; boarding tents, Otho Bryan, Capt. E. Waters and John Connoly; photograph tent, Mr. Vane; barber shop, E. Nichols.

FESTIVAL.—Be sure to attend the festival at Galena next week. Enjoy yourself and help a good cause.

A NEW POSTOFFICE has been established at Willis Cross Roads to be called Melitota, with N. Lieberman, postmaster.

ORCHARDS SOLD.—The Easton *Ledger* states that many peach orchards in Talbot have already been sold at forty cents per basket net.

HEAVY ROBBERY AT A HOTEL.—Mr. Otis Cole, of Rochester N. Y., was robbed at an early hour Monday morning, in Guy's Hotel, Baltimore, of jewelry and money amounting in all to $1,500. On retiring to bed Sunday night he put his diamond stud, four valuable Masonic emblems which had been presented him, and a handsome gold watch, the gift of the thirty-third degree Masons of New York, in his vest pocket, along with $70 in money. He stuck the vest under his head and fell asleep. When he awoke in the morning the vest was missing from beneath his pillow. It was found in an adjoining room with the pockets rifled. A small hole had been bored in the door of Mr. Cole's room. It is supposed that through this opening the thief watched the movements of the occupant of the room.

A YIELD of fifty-five bushels of wheat upon a single acre in Talbot is reported by Mr. G. E. Hadaway, of the Easton *Ledger*.

TOWN NOTES.—Whaland Brothers have sold out their grocery store up town to Mrs. M. C. Rawleigh, who will conduct the business hereafter at the same stand. Mr. Thos. H. Whaland has secured a situation on the Kent Railroad, and Mr. A. C. Whaland proposes opening a first class day school in Chestertown, in which will be taught all the primary branches and preparatory college course. Prof. Whaland is a graduate of Washington College and will no doubt be successful if properly encouraged.

Store Improvement.—Mr. J. Burton Burchinal, one of our enterprising and successful young merchants, has finished the large one-story addition in the rear of his store, and occupied it. The floor of the front is now being lowered and when completed will give him a store-room 25x70 feet. He should perfect the work by putting in a glass front, and then he would have one of the finest rooms to be found.

A Fine Office.—C. T. Westcott, Esq., is giving the finishing touches to his office on Court street and expects to have it ready for occupancy very shortly. He has one of the neatest and nicely arranged offices on the Shore. The whitecoating is certainly a handsome piece of work, and was executed by Messrs. Chas. Taylor and Frank Towson, than whom there are few more skillful workmen to be found. The interior trimmings are finished in cherry and the outside cornish is olive ground with black and gold tinting. The painting was done by Mr. W. T. Sutton.

Sale of a Dwelling.—Mr. Samuel Register has sold the property on High street, occupied by Messrs. J. B. McIntyre and John Barnes, to Mrs. Martha H. Baker, for $1,000 cash.

THE STORM OF SUNDAY.—The heaviest storm of thunder and lightning that has occurred this season passed over this county last Sunday afternoon. The house on the Black farm, occupied by Mr. Walter H. Spry, as tenant, was struck by lightning about 7 o'clock and considerably damaged. The electric fluid passed down through the roof into the sitting-room and hall, putting a short stop to their supper. Mrs. Spry was sitting near the partition at the time, but was not very much stunned. The house did not take fire, but was damaged to the extent of perhaps $100.

Elwood Bowers, a young man living near Still Pond, took shelter under a tree in the field. An adjoining tree was struck by lightning and the young man knocked down, but he sustained no serious injury.

Two cows on Mr. G. W. T. Perkins' Hopewell farm, near Chestertown, were killed by lightning while standing side by side in an open field.

The steam thresher of Mr. C. C. Wood, which was at the farm of Jas. H. Edes, Esq., at Edesville, was struck by lightning and considerably shattered, and the stackyard was burned. Fortunately the wheat had been threshed and was saved. Several shocks of wheat in the field of Mr. Geo. Beck, in Broad Neck, were struck by lightning and burned. Numerous trees in various parts of the county were demolished, but we have heard of no loss of life or serious injury to person.

A PERILOUS RIDE AND NARROW ESCAPE.—On Monday morning last Allie and Louie Layman, aged respectively eleven and five years, children of Mr. H. C. Layman, of Chesterville, accompanied by Willie Medders, (also about eleven years old, and son of Mr. A. Medders, of the same village,) with horse and dearborn started for a drive of two or three miles. After proceeding a mile the net was about to fall off, when Allie halted the horse and mounted the shaft to adjust the net. In order to do this he unreined the animal, when the latter went to picking grass. The net being fixed the little fellow was about to fasten the check-rein, when the bridle caught in the shaft and pulled off. The boy was still on the shaft and the other two children in the dearborn. The horse is a gentle one, but finding himself without a bridle he at once turned around and started for home in a run. At this juncture Allie seized the horse's mane with one hand and the saddle ring with the other, still standing on the shaft. Looking back he told Willie to jump and Louie to sit flat down in the bottom of the dearborn. Both commands were obeyed, the speed meanwhile increasing. Upon reaching the M. E. Church the horse turned the corner abruptly, but did not upset. Here our young driver voluntarily dismounted with the hope, he said, of trying to head the runaway; but to no purpose; the horse tore around among the hitching racks and trees, demolishing some of the former and finally came to a halt against a post. All this time the little girl was in; but, strange to say, not one of the children was hurt, and no damage was done to horse or dearborn. Upon a final halt being made, a couple of stout-hearted ladies came to the rescue; the bridle was readjusted and without a thought of what might occur again, this brave little fellow put off alone, did his errand and returned home as if nothing had happened. The horse ran about a mile and probably made as good a dearborn record as has been made for some time. The little girl says she "don't wan't to go wi-den with them boys any more!"

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, July 17.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson.

The inventory and appraisement of the personal estate of Sarah Woodall was received.

Annie E. Bostic was appointed guardian to William H., Sarah E. and Alexander H. Bostic.

Chas. H. Baker, attorney for Jas. T. Lamb, filed the appraisement of the real estate of Wm. A. Turner, deceased.

Richard T. Turner, exec'r of Annie E. Bowers, returned the inventory and list of debts due.

DIED:

DEATH OF THOMAS MARSHALL.—In Philadelphia, June 29, THOMAS MARSHALL, secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was born in Philadelphia in 1827. He was a member of one of the first classes that went through the Central High School, about 1840.—For a number of years he was first assistant assayer in the United States Mint, under the late Jacob R. Eckfeldt, who held the position of assayer for a lifetime. Mr. Marshall united with the Eleventh, now the West Arch Street, Presbyterian Church in 1841 and had filled positions of usefulness and trust in the same organization continuously since that date. At the time of his death he was president of their Board of Deacons. During the past eighteen years he has been secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Philadelphia. The arduous duties connected with this position he has fulfilled with the utmost faithfulness and with untiring assiduity. He was a man of great perseverance, of well-balanced judgment, of hopeful disposition, of unflagging zeal, of even temper, of great kindness of heart. Many of the young men of this city will mourn deeply his loss, as will also the whole Christian community, in which he was widely known as the representative of the Young Men's Christian Association. A year ago Mr. Marshall was violently thrown from the platform of a Sanson street car by a man under the influence of liquor, who rushed past him and jumped from the car while in rapid motion. From the prostration consequent upon this fall he had never recovered and death only has relieved him from a year of great suffering. He leaves a wife and a large family. Mr. Marshall married Sarah C., daughter of the late Daniel Jones, of Kennedyville, Md.—*Phila. Times.*

FARM FOR RENT for 1884—
On the Sassafras River,
Apply to H. W. VICKERS.

TO RENT for 1884—the FARM now occupied by John H. Gibson, near Still Pond. Enquire of JAMES H. RAYMOND or WM. L. BOWERS, Still Pond P. O. jy14-3t.

CLERK WANTED—
A Young Man 16 to 18 years of age, of pleasant address, to do general store work. Good reference required.
Apply to J. H. SIMPERS,
je14-tf. Chestertown, Md.

FOR SALE CHEAP:
A TWO-SEAT JAGGER
in good order. May be seen at WAGNER'S Blacksmith shop, Edesville, Kent co. jy14-3t*

FARMERS will do well to cut the briars and sassafras bushes in August, 17, 18, and 20, and J. K. Aldridge's Bush Scythes will be sure to kill them.—Call and purchase before that time—at
July 25-tf. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

ENAMELED PRESERVING KETTLES, best quality and Cheap at
ja-25-tf. J. K. ALDRIDGE'S.

DIETZ Tubular, Hot Blast, Non-Explosive Oil Stove is a complete success. It will bake, fry and boil at the same time—for sale by
ja25-tf. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

FESTIVAL.
The Ladies of Galena M. E. Church will hold a FESTIVAL on the Parsonage green on the evenings of July 25, 26, 27 and 28. The proceeds to be applied to the benefit of the parsonage. 1t.

DEDICATION. GUINNESS & ABBEY'S NEW YORK CO. will Dedicate the NEW HALL at KENNEDYVILLE with a Grand Dramatic Performance Monday Evening Next, July 23. Admission only 25 cts. 1t*

LOST—On last Sunday morning, near Locust Grove, a Child's WHITE STRAW HAT, trimmed in blue ribbon. The finder will please leave it at Mr. Sparks', Locust Grove.
Jan. 21—1t*

FOR SALE.
A good Two-Seat CARRIAGE, and one Three-Spring Pannel Body Dearborn for sale cheap. J. K. ALDRIDGE,
July 21-tf.

NO. 2 AMERICAN *FRUIT EVAPORATOR* used only one season, for sale cheap,
WM. W. RASIN,
jan21-3t. Still Pond.

ROCK HALL M. E. CHURCH.
The repairs on the M. E. Church in Rock Hall will soon be completed. The church has been beautifully frescoed, and is to be repainted and refurnished. It is to be reopened Aug. 5th. REV. ENOCH STUBBS, of the Phila. Conf., formerly a member of the Wilmington, and pastor of Kent Circuit, is to preach at 10 A. M. and at 8 P. M. Children's meeting at 3 P. M.
Bro. Stubbs will also deliver a Lecture Monday evening, Aug. 6, at 8 o'clock. Admission fee to Lecture 25c. Everybody is invited.
jy21-3t. G. S. CONAWAY, PASTOR.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the estate of A. J. Hackett, dec'd, are hereby notified that unless they call and settle by note or otherwise on or before the 25th day of August, 1883, their accounts will be placed in suit.
JAMES M. SEVERSON,
jy21-4t. Adm'r.

FOR RENT.
My DWELLING HOUSE and premises, on High street, opposite M. E. Church.
ju7-tf. HARRISON W. VICKERS.

TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE.
THE subscriber will offer at public sale at the Voshell House in Chestertown, on SATURDAY, July 28, at 3 o'clock P. M., TWO BUILDING LOTS, located on Main street extended, near the depot. Each lot is 20 feet front and 90 feet deep. Terms cash.
ANNA A. GORE.
J. W. CARROLL, Auct'r. jan21-2t.

AT PRIVATE SALE
A FARM IN MORGAN'S CREEK NECK, containing 135 ACRES,
More or less, known as the Bosee farm, adjoining the lands of Messrs. Wilmer, Crow, McGee and others. For terms of sale and full particulars address JOHN K. BOSEE,
jan21-2m. 64 South st., Baltimore.

Public Sale.
WILL be sold at Public Sale in Kennedyville,
On SATURDAY, July 28, 1883
the following Personal Property:
1 6-horse power Engine and Boiler, 15 feet of 1 11-16 inch shafting, 3 hangers and a lot of Pulleys, 1 Carriage, 1 Set of New Carriage Wheels, 1 Blacksmith Bellows, Hoes, Forks, lot of old Iron, 1 Bedstead, 1 Crib and various other articles.
Sale commence at 2 o'clock P. M.
Terms made known on day of sale.
WM. S. CULP.
CHAS. W. WARREN, Auct. ju21-2t.

Marble Monuments, Stones, &c.
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