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Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.....JUNE 28, 1884.

THE Democratic National Convention to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President will be held at Chicago on the 8th of July.

A SUIT has been brought in the United States circuit court at Baltimore for the appointment of a receiver for the Chesapeake and Ohio canal and its sale.

THE pool-sellers, six in number, who sold pools for the Pimlico races last May, have been indicted by the grand jury of Baltimore city under the gambling laws of the State.

SAMUEL J. TILDEN is again being brought to the front as a presidential candidate notwithstanding his late letter declining the position. A meeting has been called in New York for July 1st to give a prominent impetus to the movement.

ADVICES from Rome state that the dynamiters have threatened the life of the Pope, and that extra guards are now on duty at the Vatican to prevent his assassination. The feeling against him is attributed to his recent manifesto against secret societies.

THE general opinion among Senators and Representatives is that Congress will adjourn on July 5th. This date is agreeable to the majority in both branches, and the belief is that all the appropriation bills and the necessary measures can be disposed of by that time.

ACCORDING to the New York *Tribune* the Blaine men at Chicago were delighted at the defeat of their candidate for temporary chairman. If that be true it is difficult to imagine what the degree of their hilarity will be when their nominee is defeated next November.

LEVIN L. WATERS, Esq., of Somerset, is looming up prominently in connection with the democratic nomination for Congress in this district. Mr. Waters was one of the democratic electors in 1880, and was formerly clerk of the circuit court for Somerset co. He is a lawyer by profession.

JOHN S. CROUCH, teller of the Citizens' National Bank of Middletown, Del., has been promoted to the cashier's desk, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the defaulting and absconding cashier, J. R. Hall. Lee Darlington was made teller, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Crouch's promotion.

THE heavy rains flooded Hagerstown, Md., on Thursday. The sewers were insufficient to carry off the water and it backed up to the depth of six or eight feet. Hogs were taken out of pens and cows and horses out of stables to prevent their drowning. Families were compelled to remove from their houses.

JOHN H. EMERSON, editor of the Denton *Union*, retires from journalism after forty years of hard, effective and, we hope, profitable labor. The new manager will be his son Eldridge W. Emerson, who is a practical printer and has long been connected with the paper. The retiring editor, who cannot be called an old man, has our ardent wish for yet many years of health and prosperity.

THE Mexican pension bill passed the Senate on Tuesday, but it was so weighted by amendments in the shape of increased pensions to federal soldiers that it received but four democratic votes. The bill now goes to the House, where it will doubtless be defeated, as it should be, by a large majority. It is estimated that the Mexican pensions would cost the country about $5,000,000, while the bill as passed would run the figures up to $100,000,000 or more in addition to the enormous sum already paid for pensions.

GEN. WARD B. BURNETT, of New York, after a lingering illness of several years, died in Washington on Tuesday morning. He was a veteran of five wars, and the oldest living graduate of West Point who became a general in the Mexican war. He was awarded by a vote of his companions in arms in that war the gold box presented by the city of New York to Gen. Jackson for distinguished military services, and bequeathed by him "to that patriot of New York city who should be adjudged by his countrymen to have been the most distinguished in defense of his country and our country's rights."

THE committee of one from each State and territory, of which Hon. John B. Henderson is chairman, appointed by the convention to officially notify Mr. Blaine of his nomination as the Republican candidate for the presidency, proceeded to Augusta, Maine, and performed the duty personally on Saturday last under a big elm tree in the lawn, in the presence of a large crowd of spectators. Mr. Blaine responded, accepting the nomination, but promising hereafter to make a more formal acceptance. Mr. Henderson's speech was profuse in eulogium of the Republican party.

HEAVY defalcations have recently been unearthed in several of the Departments at Washington. The correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* writes: Surprise and consternation at the heavy defalcations in the Navy and Postoffice departments have not had time to subside before the public mind is again startled with the news of a "shortage" in the State Department, the department which of all others was supposed to be hedged around with the strictest and most extreme conservatism. The question now is, who will be the next official discovered to have gone wrong? Belief is becoming deep-settled that additional and heavier defalcations of department officials exist, although the attempts made to cover them up may postpone for a time the inevitable disclosures. It has long been the opinion of experienced public men that the true condition of affairs could never fully be brought to light while the party which has had control of the government for twenty-four years remained in power. There are many other officials beside Mr. Burnside, who, without private means, are known to be living at a rate largely in excess of the pay received by them. Democratic statesmen cannot fail to take advantage of the opportunity afforded to make political capital by the dishonesty of high officials in appropriating to their own use the public funds, but apart from all considerations of a political character the people of the country are apt to ponder whether it is wise to entrust such a long lease of absolute power over all the vast interests of this government to any one dynasty. The doubt presented is doubly important at this juncture, when it is proposed to perpetuate for another four years this same dynasty, under the rule of one whose very name is a synonym for public and private jobbery and everything that is loose in public morals.

THE PACIFIC RAILROADS TO PAY THEIR DEBTS.—One of the most meritorious pieces of legislation of the present session is the bill passed last week by the House requiring the Pacific railroads to make provision for the payment at maturity of the principal and interest on the bonds issued by the government in 1862 to aid in their construction. The amount of United States bonds loaned to the Central Pacific, the Union Pacific, Kansas Pacific, the Sioux City and Pacific and the Central Branch of the Union Pacific was $64,623,512. Adding the interest accrued to June 30, 1883, which has not been repaid by services rendered to the government nor by cash payments, the balance in favor of the government (but not due until maturity of principal between 1895-'99) is $103,376,313. No sufficient provision has been made by the Pacific railroads for the creation of sinking funds to meet this enormous debt at maturity, and it is the object of this bill to enforce such provisions. The Thurman act of 1878 was in this direction, requiring certain of the above roads to pay into the treasury 25 per cent. of their net earnings. This being insufficient, it is now required that all of the roads mentioned above shall pay 35 per cent. of their net earnings into the treasury.

THE democrats of New Castle county, Del., have nominated Thomas Ford for sheriff and Bayard Widdoes for coroner.

WITH the aid of Mr. Sherman and a half-dozen Eastern republican Senators the democrats on Monday voted down the scandalous arrears of pensions amendment to the Mexican pension bill, by which it was proposed in view of the approaching election to add at once $246,000,000 to the government's liabilities, and open the way to a vastly larger waste of the public money in the same way in the near future. It is noticeable that at least three Senators—Sherman, Edmunds and Hawley—who were Blaine's rivals at Chicago, voted against this reckless campaign expenditure. There is significance in the fact that the breach between the East and the West is still further widened by bills which, like this arrears bill, are too strongly partisan and unwise for the Eastern republican.

COLLEGE CATALOGUE.—One of the neatest college catalogues we have seen is that of the "Western Maryland," printed by W. J. C. Dulany & Co., Baltimore. It shows the number of students enrolled during the year to be 110—65 males and 45 females. This school is one of the best conducted to be found anywhere, and the location of the college buildings is highly advantageous as regards health—being nearly one thousand feet above tidewater, upon a commanding eminence overlooking the flourishing city of Westminster. Rev. Dr. J. T. Ward, a most estimable christian gentleman and thorough scholar, is the principal.

THE Ohio Democratic State convention, to select delegates to Chicago, was held at Columbus on Wednesday. The significance of the day's work is that Ohio is now for Thurman and strongly opposed to Payne and the influences which elected him to the Senate. The Ohio democracy, however, would have sent a unanimous Tilden delegation if there were a possibility of his accepting.

THE record in the case of Frederick, alias Bug Cephas, the convicted murderer of Mrs. Celia Bush-Murphy, near Williamsburg, Dorchester county, has been transmitted to the Governor. Cephas has not yet confessed the murder or made any disclosures in regard to the case. Gov. McLane has fixed Friday, August 1, as the date of his execution.

MR. FRANCIS VINCENT, author, and a prominent politician and journalist of Delaware, died on Monday at Wilmington. Mr. Vincent had a plan for uniting all the Anglo-Saxon nations of the earth into one vast confederation. He received a gold medal from the Cobden Club, of England, for his elaborate essay on this great scheme. He also wrote and published a history of Delaware.

THE Secretary of the Treasury has appointed John B. Ramsey to be bank examiner for the district of Maryland and Delaware, vice Orson Adams, resigned. The appointment was made on the recommendation of the comptroller of the treasury.

THE American Prohibition party met in national convention at Chicago last week, and after adopting a prohibition platform, nominated ex-Senator Samuel C. Pomeroy, of Kansas, for President, and John A. Conant, of Connecticut, for Vice-President.

CESAR A. RODNEY, of the Vulcanized Fibre Company, of Wilmington, Del., committed suicide Monday morning about 11 o'clock by shooting himself. He had been ill for some time, but was reported that morning as being much better. He was about forty-five years of age and unmarried, and was a descendant of Cesar Rodney, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. He was a man of means, and was largely interested in the Vulcanized Fibre Company, one of the most important industries of that city. It is reported that Mr. Rodney was to have been married shortly to a daughter of the Right Rev. Bishop Lee, widow of the Rev. Charles E. McIlvane, a son of Bishop McIlvane, of Ohio. But little definite information can be obtained as to the probable cause of the act, but the universal feeling is one of profound regret.

GEN. GRANT BREAKING DOWN.—A personal friend of General Grant who saw him in New York last week tells that his experience in Wall street has cost him not only his fortune, but ten years of his life. He seems broken in body and mind. He is not allowed to read the newspapers, so that he probably does not know half that the rest of the world now knows about the firm of Grant & Ward. But he knows enough to give him a keen sense of his humiliating position. He thinks that he has earned the condemnation and contempt of his friends, forfeited the confidence of the country and tarnished his hard won fame. He is a wretched old man. He takes no interest in politics or in anything else except his ruined fortune. All his thoughts are given to plans for their restoration in such a way that in his latter years he may have peace with honor.

A BIG FAILURE.—Commodore Garrison, who has occupied a somewhat prominent position in New York as an enterprising millionaire capitalist, has made an assignment of his property, of an estimated value of some $15,000,000, for the benefit of his creditors, to whom he is indebted to the extent of about $5,000,000. His embarrassment is traced to unproductive railroad properties whose liabilities he had guaranteed. His inability to realize speedily on his assets without excessive sacrifices made it expedient for the Commodore to take the method of an assignment and gradual liquidation. After paying all his debts he will, it is thought, be still a millionaire. Though not directly connected with Wall street, some effect of his failure is perhaps to be seen in the phenomenal and continued decline in stocks.

GENERAL LOGAN is usually in his seat in the Senate or in his committee room, attentive to his duties. At times, says a writer in the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, when he desires to listen to discussion without taking part he retires to the pleasant smoking-room to the right of the middle entrance of the chamber, often emerging suddenly from his retreat to take a hand in the debate. He loves a warm discussion, is not averse to getting into a dispute, and always bears down heavily on his antagonist, yielding nothing and fighting every inch of ground with such vigor that the other is usually glad to retire in the best possible order. While Logan dresses neatly, there is a certain air of negligence about the fitting and style of his coat and vest and flaring necktie which suggests that his costume occupies little of his mind. He wears a black, frock coat, a low cut vest, and black trousers which are a compromise between the extremes of fashion and therefore always in good form without material change of model. The ample shirt-bosom displayed is always smooth and fresh, which cannot be said of other Senators, some of whose shirt-bosoms suggest the use of only one garment a week and a necessity for the constant employment of a napkin about the neck.

THE FUNERAL of the late Bishop Simpson took place in Philadelphia last Tuesday afternoon. Brief services were first held at the residence, at which none but the family, the guard of honor and the intimate friends were present. The body was then borne from the house by Gov. Pattison, of Pennsylvania; ex-Gov. Evans, of Colorado; ex-Secretary of the Interior, Harlan, of Washington, D. C.; Alexander Bradley, of Pittsburg; J. B. Cornell, of New York; General Clinton B. Fiske, of New Jersey; James Long and Charles Scott, of Philadelphia. The funeral cortege entered the church preceded by the bishops. The sermon was preached by Bishop Randolph S. Foster, of Boston. Bishops Fowler and Bowman also delivered brief addresses. At the conclusion of the exercises a large canopy was placed over the coffin, and the church was kept open to give all an opportunity to look for the last time upon the remains. The body was not taken from the church until Wednesday morning, when it was interred in South Laurel Hill Cemetery.

MR. MOODY'S SUCCESS.—A dispatch dated London, June 24, says: Mr. Moody says that his revival campaign has been eminently successful. Something like 400 meetings have been held in eleven districts. Thirteen different meetings were held every week. He was absent only one day during the whole season and that was owing to illness. He estimates that over a million and a half persons had been present at his services. All classes of society have been reached and influenced. Peers and paupers have sat side by side drinking in the same message of salvation.

GEORGE GILLARD, 18 years of age, employed as watchman on the steamer Highland Light, and a nephew of Capt. Samuel Crosby, of that steamer, was drowned in the Choptank river, at Denton, last Saturday afternoon, while bathing. The body was recovered during the afternoon. Young Gillard, who could not swim, stepped from shallow water into water over his depth.

BIG WHEAT.—We have heard of a number of big crops of wheat raised this season. A fifty acre field of Mr. Eugene M. Bonwell, in Still Pond, on the Betterton road, it is said was really "a sight to behold," so wonderful was it in height and thickness. Several self-binding reapers were broken before one was found competent to harvest it, and several men had to follow close up in order to keep the machine clear of the ponderous sheaves! We shall wait with some interest to learn the yield of this field per acre, and hope Mr. Bonwell will give us the information when it is threshed. Knowing that farmers generally would be curious to know something of the fertilizer applied to this crop we have succeeded in getting Mr. Bonwell's formula and here give it. He purchased the ingredients himself and mixed it according to the following proportions:

800 pounds Dissolved Animal Bone.
300 " Bone Tankin.
200 " Muriate Potash.
700 " Dissolved South Carolina Rock.

The cost of this mixture complete is about $30 per ton. This is for clover lay. When used after corn or wheat stubble the proportion would be changed to 400 pounds Bone Tankin and 600 Dissolved South Carolina Rock. In the above case the application was at the rate of four hundred pounds or more to the acre.

Mr. J. M. J. Byron, tenant on the farm of J. A. Pearce, Esq., near town, also has a very fine field of wheat, which Mr. P. thinks will be hard to beat in the yield per acre, as the straw is not only abundant, but the head is remarkable in size and number of grains. As many as sixty-five grains were counted in a single head.

Mr. Jas. Bramble, on Mr. Geo. B. Westcott's 'Deep Point" farm, in Quaker Neck, has a field of wheat which it is thought will yield forty bushels to the acre—a good crop.

HANDSOME IMPROVEMENTS—*Glass and Gas.*—Chestertown has taken a good stride forward within the past few years in the way of building improvements, but in no way has the appearance of things for the better been changed than in the remodeling of business properties upon the Main street. A number of these we have heretofore noticed. Others now about completed are worthy of special mention.

Mr. J. K. Aldridge has completely transformed his main store room and has now one of the largest and finest rooms in the town, 26 by 80 feet. The whole front is of glass comprising two large windows and double doors. The latter are 5 feet wide and 9½ high, reaching from floor to ceiling, with glass 22 by 56 inches. To give some idea of the character of the windows it is only necessary to state that two of the panes are 6x8 feet in size, ¾ of an inch thick and weigh 191 pounds each. The cornicing will be colored oak and gold. The back of the store has also very large windows and doors, so that the room has abundance of light; and so clear and pure is the French plate glass of the front, that, standing in the centre of the room, one can hardly distinguish any obstacle between himself and the street. In the rear of the store Mr. Aldridge has also had partitioned off a snug little office, in which he can transact clerical business free from the interruptions of the store. Another very important improvement Mr. Aldridge intends to make before considering his store arrangements completed, and that is to have it properly piped and lighted with gas. For this purpose a gas generator will be located in the lot back of the store, and the air pump in the workshop—a building now in course of erection a few feet in the rear of the store—so that in a little while the store room and workshops will all be brilliantly lighted with gas equal to city establishments. Mr. Aldridge is an enterprising business man, and by perseverance and industry has built up a very large trade in the hardware and stove line, and we heartily congratulate him upon his success.

Another business improvement on Main street is that of Mr. M. A. Toulson, druggist. He has had the old Canady property, which he recently purchased, enlarged by the addition of a two-story brick back building, and a handsome glass front put in. The store room, which Mr. T. proposes to occupy for his drug business, is large and airy, and could not be more advantageously located. He expects to get into his new quarters within the next thirty days.

"Up-town" is not disposed to be outdone altogether in the glass front line neither. A marked improvement is being made in the store occupied by Mr. W. C. A. Thompson, and owned by Mrs. Sarah J. Rawleigh. A two-story frame addition is being erected in the rear and a new glass front put in, so that when completed Mr. Thompson will have a store room so much larger and brighter than formerly that he will hardly know himself. His business fully justifies—indeed necessitates—the improvement.

At the commencement of the College of St. James Grammar School, Washington county, Md., on Wednesday, the scholarship gold medal, by the late William G. Harrison, was awarded to Richard Wallis, of this county, and the principal's gold medal, by the principal, to Harry Webster Keating, of Queen Anne's county.

"THE HOUSEMAN'S POCKET BOOK" is the title of a neat little publication by Rev. S. T. Gardner, No. 213 East Eighth street, Wilmington, Del. The object of this little book is to show just how to break any horse by the most humane treatment, and make him a most docile and obedient creature. It should be in the hands of all horsemen, as well as persons having colts to break.

PEACH BOXES.—Another peach box manufactory is advertised to be under way at the depot near Chestertown this season. It will be conducted by Perry, Houston & Co.

Bacon & Thorington, at Buck Neck, advertise 100,000 peach box patterns for sale.

THE Oxford, Md., Meth. Prot. Church will be re-opened tomorrow, and Rev. J. W. Charlton, the pastor, will be assisted by Revs. D. L. Greenfield and Robt. S. Rowe, of Baltimore.

INSECTS IN FRUIT—*The Remedy.*—The Milford *Chronicle* gives the following for the destruction of insects in peach orchards, which is noticeable at this time:

Insects which attack the fruit on trees may be largely kept in check and much of the injury they do be averted, by turning swine or sheep into the orchards. These animals eat up the wind fallen fruit which always contains the grub which causes the fruit to fall, and so prevents the increase of the insects, by destroying them in their young state. Swine are very fond of the larva of insects and go rooting about and upturning the soil to get at them. Whenever you find hogs rooting freely in the land you may be certain that there are plenty of the larva of destructive insects in it. Poultry are also great insect destroyers, especially in cultivated grounds. Frequent working of the soil with the cultivator or hoe also destroys immense quantities of the larva by upturning them and exposing them to the drying action of the winds and hot sunshine. Market gardeners in the neighborhood of our large cities are seldom seriously troubled by insects, owing to their keeping the ground so constantly stirred.

THE working of the county roads in Caroline county by contract has been stopped in four election districts, where S. Pennock's Sons & Co., of Pennsylvania, were engaged to do the job at $15 50 per mile. Patent road-machines were used, the county paying for them. The company worked about 125 miles of the 300 miles embraced in their contract, and quit on account of disagreement as to the bond for faithful performances. The company will demand payment for work already done.

JEFF HOFFECKER, son of Mr. A. Hoffecker and brother of Rev. E. L. Hoffecker, near Church Hill, was cutting wheat with a self binder walking and driving the horses, with the reins wrapped around his hand, when the reins caught in the pitman wheel pulling his hand in. The first joint of the thumb was broken, the index and middle fingers being pulled out about an inch, and the ring and little finger being crushed badly. The fingers fell on the back of the hand when raised. When the hand was drawn in the pitman wheel the force stopped the machine. Mr. Hoffecker suffered very much from the accident and may lose his hand.—*Observer.*

Two Italian laborers were drowned while bathing in the Northeast river, Cecil county, Sunday afternoon. The bodies were recovered and buried in St. Mary's Cemetery on Monday.

THE WATER WORKS.—The call for a meeting of those in favor of a home company to procure a system of water works for Chestertown, for last Monday evening, demonstrated the folly of a longer delay in this matter to accommodate local capitalists. Very few persons attended and nothing was done. The town commissioners have propositions from a number of persons from a distance to furnish the capital and put in the works, and they hope to make a satisfactory contract at an early day, so that we may have the works in full operation before the close of the present year.

WARM WEATHER.—Last Saturday and Sunday were the warmest days of the season so far. The thermometer in the coolest part of our office ranged as follows at 2 P. M., on the days named: Thursday 19th, 90°; Friday 91°; Saturday 94°; Sunday 94°; Monday 91°; Tuesday 91°; Wednesday 90°; Thursday 65°. A northeast storm set in on Wednesday night, heavy rains fell in different sections of the county, and a high wind prevailed all day Thursday.

SPRAINED HIS ANKLE.—Mr. Allan Harris, the popular purser of the steamer Corsica, sprained his ankle on Friday afternoon of last week, by making a misstep in going up the gang-plank of the boat as she lay at her wharf in Baltimore. The limb was badly swollen for several days and he will be unable to resume his duties for some weeks. He is now at his father's residence, near Grey's Inn.

WITHOUT A LICENSE.—Amaut C. Wolf was arrested by deputy sheriff Dugan a few days ago upon the charge of peddling jewelry without a license. Esquire Wheatley gave the accused a hearing. He said he thought he had the right to sell goods of his own manufacture without a license, and represented himself to be a member of a manufacturing firm in Philadelphia. The 'Squire examined the peddler's stock and concluded that the variety was most too extensive to come under any one firm's manufacture, and gave the accused the choice between holding over for court or procuring for himself a peddler's license. He chose the latter and left $50 in Dr. Beck's custody for the use of the State.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE.—Daniel Brattan, Esq., State's attorney for Cecil county, will deliver the annual address before the Mt. Vernon Literary Society, on the evening of July 8 proximo, at the court-house in Chestertown. The commencement exercises of the college will be held at the court-house on Wednesday, July 9, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. There are three members of the graduating class, viz: W. D. Straughn, Wm. B. Vane and Charles W. Perkins.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.—M. Bannon, Esq., as trustee, will offer for sale at the hotel in Millington, today, at 1 o'clock P. M., the valuable real estate of which the late Richard Moffett died possessed. It is divided into three improved tracts.

M. B. H. Gardner will offer at public sale on Tuesday next at the Voshell House, four brick houses, located on the corner of High street and College avenue, in this town.

Thomas Hill, Esq., advertises the farm of the heirs of Charles T. Eareckson, on Kent Island, at private sale.

Chesterfown Public School.

The Chestertown public school closed for vacation yesterday. The reports were distributed and the following received an average percentage of 80 or more at the annual examination:

2-7th Grade—Maggie Wroth 97, Lela McFadden 92, Fannie Stuart 90, Lily Constable 90, Mary Chapman 89, Lottie Russell 87.

1-7 Grade— Laura Thomas 96, Lizzie Fowler 96, Elsie Stephens 95, Annie Leaverton 94, Mary Beck 87, Willie Russell 84, Lily Hynson 84, John Aldridge 82, Thomas Bowers 81, Rubie Corson 80, Walter Perkins 80.

2-6 Grade—Effie Taylor 87, Anna Wickes 86, Alwyn Culp 85, Willie Beck 84, George Perkins 81, Webster Strayer 80.

1-6 Grade—Mary Thomas 86, David Perkins 83, Harvey Culp 82, Clarence Perkins 82, Willie Usilton 82, Groome Ringgold 82.

2-5 Grade—James Chapman 89, Mamie Catlin 89, Benny Perkins 87, Lily Aldred 86, Charley Howard 85, Stella Jacobs 84, Maggie Hendrickson 84, Ida DeFord 84, Charlie Worrell 81, Dora Hodgkins 81, Anna Rasin 81, Hidie Thompson 80, Gertie Stewart 80, Annie Estes 80, Katie Smith 80.

1-5 Grade—Mary Sutton 89, Sadie Pearce 88, Laura Anthony 83, Etta Usilton 83, John Carroll 82, Frank McFadden 82, Gale Usilton 81, Mamie Lambert 81, Robert Ringgold 81.

4th Grade—Annie Russell 95, Clara Usilton 92, Allie Shuster 92, Tom Perkins 90, Frank Davis 89, Cora Thompson 88, Hettie Greenwood 88, Carl Westcott 88, Gussie Rockwell 87, Harry Simpers 87, Frank Fowler 87, Alfred Hall 87, Annie Hampton 86, Norman Perkins 86, Annie Zeizil 85, Katie Benjamin 85, Estella Jones 85, Annie Hickey 84, Sam Beck 84, Frank Sparks 82, Charlton Strayer 83, Fannie Baker 82, Willie Sutton 81, Mary Elliott 80, Nettie Dill 80, Grace Needles 80, Harry Sparks 80.

3d Grade— Herbert Perkins 92, Emma McFeely 92, Harry Cannan 89, Effie Crouch 89, Alice Thompson 89, Palmer Carroll 89, Hallie Lambert 89, Sue Lambert 87, Mamie Joiner 86, Emily Cooper 86, John Sparklin 86, John Cannan 86, Allie Thomas 85, Willie McIntyre 85, Nellie Stewart 85, Everett Downing 84, Weston Welch 83, Mamie Taylor 83, Willie Clayton 81, Georgie DeFord 81, Ella Thompson 81, Florence Downing 81, James Hall 80, Tom Quimby 80, Preston Usilton 80.

2-2 Grade — Howard Fowler 94, Violet Beck 93, Mill Davis 91, Bessie Stewart 91, Addie Hampton 89, Mary Anthony 88, Gracie Hampton 89, Nora Willis 87, Anna DeFord 85, Ida Joiner 85, Eddie Boston 85, Earle Usilton 83, Harry Thompson 83, Vevia Hendrickson 82, Seibert Strayer 81, Allie Wright 80, Walter Needles 80, Willie Sparks 80.

1-2 Grade—Amy Russell 89, Mamie Thompson 88, John Harris 84, John Willis 83, May Fallowfield 82, Minnie Peregoy 82, Allie Russell 80.

2-1 Grade— Pearl Coleman 85, Benjamin Elliott 84, Pearl Shuster 84, George Garrett 82, Sadie Joiner 81, Maud Stewart 80, Julia Elliott 80. 1-1 Grade—Mamie Chapman 81.

Interesting closing exercises were held last evening, an account of which we will give next week.

SCHOOL ROOM, June 26, 1884.

Editors Kent News:— Please find reports of those of our pupils averaging 80 and above. If not contrary to your rules, please insert in your valuable columns.

J. A. GREENWOOD,
Tea. Sch. No. 2, 4th E. Dist.

Fannie Wilkins, 6th grade, 90; Jennie Wilkins, 5th grade, 87; Bell Emory, 5th grade, 80; Robert Emory, 4th grade, 90; Clarence Greenwood, 4th grade, 82; Phonie Watts, 3d grade, 84; Arthur Merritt, 3d grade, 89, Geo. Roland, 2d grade, 86; Minnie Culley, 2d grade, 81; Oliver Jones, 1st grade, 82; John Patten, 1st grade, 81.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Baltimore *Sun* has the telephone idea to this extent: "In travelling through the country as a 'drummer' I notice a vast increase in the amount of wire used for fencing, and the thought has often struck me what a grand telephone exchange could be established for the benefit of the farmers of our country by means of these very wires. It would be a very simple matter to insulate one of the wires in a fence, carry one end to the farm house, and with the perfect network of these fences that already exists, the extra cost of wires to complete the connection would be very slight when compared with the great benefit conferred."

A DELAWARE YOUNG MAN, whose girl went back on him and yet refused to give up the engagement ring, sued for it, whereupon her father sued the young man for the fire-wood and coal oil that were burned in the parlor while the love-making was going on, for meals the young man ate at the house during his courtship, and for the corn and fodder that was fed to his horse during the same time. The case was decided in the old man's favor. The young man will doubtless do his courting in a dark room and on an empty stomach hereafter.

THE Maryland delegation to the International Sunday School Convention at Louisville returned home last week. Maryland bore off the palm at the convention for having the best State organization, the largest per cent. of population in Sunday school, and the largest amount of money per capita raised for the State work.

AT the Chicago Driving Park, Saturday, Baldwin's two-year-old colt Verano, by Grinstead, won the first race, the Nursery stakes, one mile, in 1.44½, carrying 105 pounds. This is the best two-year-old performance for the distance at the weights.

JUDGE NIBLACK, of Indiana, is very favorably mentioned for the vice-presidency. It is said that he is much stronger in that State than McDonald.

MR. I. FREEMAN RASIN, clerk of the court of Common Pleas, has brought suit against the Third National Bank for $25,000 damages.

JACKSON GROVE camp will commence July 30 and close Aug. 13. Tent sites will be selected July 2.

PERSONAL.—Mrs. Strayer, wife of Rev. W. M. Strayer, who has been seriously ill and under the care of physicians in Baltimore for two months past, reached home last Saturday greatly improved in health.

Rev. G. W. Townsend, of Galena circuit, preached two excellent sermons at the M. E. Church in Chestertown last Sunday. The congregations were deeply impressed by reason of the eminently practical and forcible manner in which he presented to them the plan of salvation.

Rev. W. M. Strayer, of Chestertown, and Rev. T. O. Crouse, of Chesapeake circuit, will exchange pulpits tomorrow.

Thomas Perry, Esq., a graduate of the class of '76 of Washington College, and now the public school examiner of Wicomico county, is visiting Kent and will combine business with pleasure during the "vacation days" by engaging in the peach box business.

Mr. Frank T. Benson, a graduate of Western Maryland College at the recent session, and Miss Mary E. Nicodemus, of Frederick county, are visiting Miss Carrie Price at her father's, Jos. W. Price, Esq., Lankford.

Rev. W. S. Hammond and family, together with Mrs. Reed and Edgar, widow and son of the late Rev. J. E. Reed, were at Tolchester last Tuesday, and met a number of their friends from Chestertown.

NOT GRANTED.—The County Commissioners, at a full meeting of the board last Thursday, considered the petition of sundry citizens of Chestertown asking for the purchase of the old churchyard grounds in the rear of the Court House for public school purposes, and decided against the purchase. The commissioners thought the site an unsuitable one for a public school even if it shall be found necessary in the near future to remove the buildings from their present location. It was decided to purchase enough of the land for jail purposes, and finally act upon the whole matter next Tuesday.

PEACHES.—Messrs. W. M. Peters & Sons write us that the fruit crop is larger in Worcester county than it has been for years. The crop in Kent still bids fair to be a large one, though some orchards have been greatly depleted of fruit by the "June fall." Some near Chestertown will not have one-third as many as last year, and on East Neck Island—a section noted for its fine fruit—the prospect is said to be bad, many orchards failing altogether this season. Other sections, however, are expected to be so prolific as to make up for all deficiencies in the localities named.

A DELICATE OPERATION.—An intricate and successful operation for *fistula in ano* was performed by Dr. J. W. Latimer, of Galena, on the person of Mr. Philip F. Rasin, on Sunday morning last. Dr. W. G. Phelps, of Galena, etherized the patient, while the doctor handled the surgical instruments with a most skillful hand. The operation was a very delicate one to perform, and likely to prove a great relief to Mr. Rasin, who is doing quite as well as could be expected.

THE FOURTH.—A boat race will take place on the fourth of July— next Friday—from Quaker Neck wharf. Mr. R. J. Ruth, of Baltimore, will present two handsome and valuable silver cups, one to the winning boat of the first class, and the other to the winning boat of the second class. Mr. E. W. Emory, at Quaker Neck wharf, has the cups, and will give particulars to any one who may desire to enter the race.

In Chestertown there will be no public observance of the day, but the stores and other places of business will be closed as usual.

A CURIOSITY.—The lovers of the curious, in the neighborhood of Kennedyville, are very much interested in one of nature's unaccountable freaks. The object of this interest is a child or children (?) with two heads, four arms and four legs, but only one body — unfortunately they were stillborn. They are now in the possession of Dr. J. K. H. Jacobs, who had charge of the case.

THE entertainment at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening by Messrs. Strayer and Catlin, two of our young townsmen, was very slimly attended. Those who were there, however, were highly pleased with the numerous pictures thrown upon the canvas, and regretted that a full audience was not present to enjoy the entertainment and encourage the young managers in their worthy undertaking.

FESTIVALS.—Galena M. E. Church, July 2 to 5. Picnic and Festival at J. H. Raymond's, between Still Pond and Kennedyville, July 9. Piney Neck M. E. Church, July 10th & 11th. Dance and Festival in Broad Neck, July 12.

KENT COUNTY RAILROAD.—On and after Monday, June 30, 1884, the train will leave Chestertown at 6.45 A. M., instead of 8 A. M. This will put passengers in Philadelphia at 10.52 A. M. See schedule next issue.

THE FIRST.— Mr. H. A. Sparks exhibited the first watermelons of the season last Wednesday. They were from Georgia and retailed at 40 cents each for medium size.

THE stores of Easton, after July 1st, will close at 7.30 p. m., except Saturdays.—*Ledger.*

Now let Chestertown follow suit. There are not goods enough sold after that hour to pay for the oil that is used.

A MATCH GAME of base ball will be played tomorrow between clubs from Centreville and Chestertown upon the grounds of the latter.

WHAT the wild waves are saying: "Terms from twenty to fifty dollars a week."

MARRIED.

In Galena, on the 18th inst., at the M. E. parsonage, by Rev. G. W. Townsend, NICHOLAS H. RASIN and Miss KATE GARMAN, all of this county.

DIED.

Departed this life on the 19th instant, at the residence of his son-in-law, Richard Crouch, in Pine Neck, WASHINGTON GRANT, in the 78th year of his age. He leaves three daughters, two sons, many grandchildren and nearly thirty great-grandchildren. Sweetly rest my old friend.

J. K.

In Church Hill, at the residence of her sister, June 13th, Miss HENNIE CLOUGH, beloved daughter of Noah and Harriet Clough, in the 23d year of her age.

On Sunday evening last, at her late residence in Swan Creek, Mrs. M. F. BECK, relict of George W. Beck, aged 57 years.

In Centreville, on the 9th inst., Mrs. ANN K. HUGHEY, relict of Thomas Hughey, in the 77th year of her age.

At Centreville Landing, June 17th, 1884, in the 50th year of her age, Mrs. BELLE OZMON, wife of Capt. John H. Ozmon.

FOR SALE:

20 Choice Chester White PIGS.

Apply at once to ALDAY CLEMENTS,
Crumpton, Md.
je28-4t.

STRAYED from the subscriber on the 22d inst., a BLOOD-RED COW, about 8 years old, with very sharp horns, nearly white belly and bag with little white in flank. A liberal reward will be paid for her recovery and delivery at the Walmsley farm, or for information leading to her recovery. JAMES S. FORD.
jn28-3t.

FESTIVAL.

The ladies of the GALENA M. E. Church will hold a FESTIVAL on the Parsonage lot on the evenings of July 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th. The public is invited. 1t.

FESTIVAL.

A Festival will be held on the grounds belonging to Piney Neck Church, on Thursday and Friday, the 10th and 11th July, for the benefit of the Church. Ice Cream, Cake, Confectioneries, &c., will be had in abundance. All are invited. je28-2t.

MORE FUN—JULY 12th.

A DANCE and FESTIVAL will be held opposite the School House Green in Broad Neck, SATURDAY EVENING, July 12. If not favorable, the Monday following, July 14. All kinds of refreshments and delicacies of the season. A band of good music and platform. Come and have a good time.

J. V. KILBOURN.
jn21-3t.*

Grand Concert!

A Grand Vocal and Instrumental Concert Will be given in the Town Hall, Chestertown,

TUESDAY EVENING, July 15,

At 8 o'clock.

Prof. Perry C. Orem, of Baltimore, and others, will assist. The concert will be under the management of Prof. T. D. GAMBRILL.

Tickets 50 and 25c.; no extra charge for reserved seats. For sale at the usual places.
June 28—3t.

GRAND PICNIC.

The 2d annual PICNIC and FESTIVAL will take place WEDNESDAY, July 9th, at J. H. Raymond's, Esq., between Still Pond and Kennedyville. The same managers will conduct it as last year, and will spare no effort or expense to render it the success of the year. The Supper Table will be supplied with the usual delicacies of the season. Music will be furnished by an orchestra from the city. The lakes will be illuminated by artificial lights. Admission 50 cts.
June 21-3t.

STORK'S First and Only TOUR for This Summer!

Just the Tour for Ladies Travelling Alone!

The Trip for Health, Pleasure and Comfort!
Grand Ocean Trip to Boston and Pleasant Sojourn in that cool city!
A quiet rest at Isle of Shoals!
The favorite Home of the Ocean!
A Visit to the White Mountains!
Ascent of Mt. Washington!
Through Crawford Notch!

Newport, R. I., and a voyage on palace steamer of Fall River line, New York. Party leaves Baltimore July 14. For descriptive guide and all information address W. L. STORK, Y. M. C. A. Building, Charles and Saratoga sts., Baltimore, Md. je21-4t.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE

THE ANNIVERSARY ADDRESS
BEFORE THE
Mt. Vernon Literary Society,

Will be delivered in the COURT-HOUSE,

TUESDAY Evening, July 8th,

at 8½ o'clock, by

DANIEL BRATTON, Esq.

Subject: "THE PROBLEM OF LIFE."

The public are invited to attend.

W. D. STRAUGHN,
Pres't Mt. Vernon Lit'y Soc'y.
je28-2t.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE

THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Will be held in the COURT-HOUSE

Wednesday Morning, July 9th,

AT TEN O'CLOCK.

Addresses will be delivered by members of the graduating class, and the Baccalaureate Degree conferred.

The public are invited to attend.

WM. J. RIVERS, Principal.
je28-2t.

PEACH BOXES!

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WE desire to call the attention of the Peach Growers of Kent County to the fact that we have opened a Yard in Chestertown at the Depot, and are prepared to furnish

PEACH BOXES

in large or small quantities, nailed up or in the pattern. We have no middle men consequently can furnish them

At Manufacturer's Prices.

Mr. PERRY, a member of the firm, with whom parties can contract, will be found at the Yard at any time.

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