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SATURDAY MORNING..... JAN. 10, 1885.

COMPTROLLER TURNER has made his quarterly distribution of the public school tax to white and colored schools in the several counties and city of Baltimore, the drafts for the same being payable on and after the 10th instant. Kent gets $1,967.04 for white and $859.54 for colored schools.

A shock of earthquake was felt on Friday night week in Frederick and Montgomery counties, Md., in the District of Columbia, in Alexandria, Fauquier, Clarke and Loudoun counties, Va., and in Jefferson and Berkeley counties, W. Va. There was a slight vibration at Catonsville, Baltimore county, and the shock was also felt at Laconia, N. H.

U. S. GRANT, Jr., continued his testimony in New York Saturday in the suit of his father-in-law Jerome B. Chaffee, to recover securities entrusted to the firm of Grant & Ward. Witness said that on the day after the failure Ward in talking to him about the affair wept, and acknowledged that he had been a great rascal and had robbed every member of the Grant family.

In an interview in Chicago on Tuesday Mr. Hendricks expressed the opinion that the Southern States should be represented in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet. He said he had no intention of interfering with the President's purposes, political or otherwise. With reference to Mr. Cleveland's civil-service letter, he believed the removal of intensely partisan officeholders would satisfy the democrats.

In the statements published elsewhere in regard to the inhuman treatment of oyster dredgers are correct, and we have no cause to doubt their truthfulness, hanging would be too light a penalty to inflict upon the perpetrators. Perhaps the practice will never be relinquished until the crews retaliate. A good remedy would be for them to combine and throw overboard and drown their brutal tormentors.

WILLIAM TRAINOR and Leon or "Bud" Griffith, both of whom are about 19 or 20 years of age, have been committed for court on the charge of robbing passengers on a railroad train near Rising Sun, Cecil county, Md. They were looked upon as a pair of callow country youths, whose weak intellects have been misdirected by dime-novel literature, and who thought they were going to immortalize themselves by a gallant exploit.

DELAWARE claims to have the largest grapevine in the world. It is on the farm of Mrs. Chandler, in Christiana Hundred. The main trunk is about six feet high, averages in circumference sixty inches, and is sixty-seven inches around the largest place. Some half dozen branches issue from the trunk, each of which is as thick as a man's arm, and spreads itself for many yards over and through the branches of several large trees that seem to have reared themselves especially for the development of the great vine. The vine is of the raccoon variety, and produces between twenty-five and thirty bushels of grapes yearly.

Logan's Seat to Remain Vacant.

A Washington correspondent says that Representative Moulton, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the Illinois Senatorial election, says that he is convinced that there will be no election, and that the seat now occupied by Senator Logan will be vacant for the next two years. In relation to a statement credited to him a short time ago to the effect that if the Democrats would nominate him he could be elected, as a certain Republican would vote for him, Mr. Moulton says that there was nothing in it. "The Republican member referred to," said Mr. Moulton, "is my law partner, but he would not vote for me or any other Democrat, nor would I ask him to do so."

THE fifth annual report of the Baltimore Dispensary for Nervous Diseases has been made, and shows by the yearly increase in the number of patients the extending usefulness of the institution. During the year of the preliminary establishment 1,370 patients were treated. The number during 1884 was 3,422. Every form of disease affecting the nerves has been treated, including a large number of deformed and crippled children. There has been an increase of nervous diseases among school children, St. Vitus' Dance is a frequent disease, and headache, insomnia and neuralgia, heretofore considered to be troubles of adult life, are now often found among children. Dr. John Van Bibber, the writer of the report, says he has no doubt the tendency of the present system of education is to increase the development of nervous diseases in the younger pupils in the public schools. The number of studies and frequent examinations have an injurious effect on the more sensitive children of a class.

Gov. Cleveland Resigns.

Grover Cleveland resigned the Governorship of New York on Tuesday after two years' service, in which he has maintained the dignity and the high traditions of the place, challenged the respect of the people of his State and won the Presidency of the United States. No man in the history of this or any other country, says the Philadelphia *Times*, ever achieved such success in so short a period.

Three years ago, when he became Mayor of Buffalo, he was as obscure as any lawyer of character, ability and fair practice in a third-class city could well be. Drawn into public life against his own inclinations and distrusting his own power at every turn, he now finds himself at the age of forty-six, with greater responsibilities and more honors than he could ever have dreamed of four years ago. But while he knew little of the methods of the managers, Mr. Cleveland had always been active in politics. For twenty years prior to his nomination for Governor he was a ticket distributor at the polls in his precinct election day. In October, 1880, he marched on foot for four hours through a driving rain to prove his devotion to General Hancock and Democracy as unobserved as the most obscure torch-bearer. But when he became Mayor it soon became evident that he knew how to outwit and manage the managers. This fact of itself is enough to explain his popularity and his success.

Membership of the Next House.

John B. Clark, clerk of the House of Representatives, has prepared an unofficial roll of the membership of the House in the Forty-ninth Congress. That House will contain 182 democrats, 140 republicans, 1 greenback-democrat, (Mr. Weaver, of Iowa,) and 1 greenback-republican, (Mr. Brumm, of Pennsylvania.) A vacancy exists in the nineteenth congressional district of Pennsylvania. Of the members of the present House 187 have been re-elected. Arkansas, Delaware, Kansas, Maine and West Virginia have made no change in their Representatives; Colorado, Nevada and Oregon, each with one member, have changed their delegations. Of the territorial delegates in the present House only one, J. T. Caine, of Utah, is returned to the Forty-ninth Congress. Arizona and Wyoming, which are now represented by democrats, will send republican successors, while Idaho and Washington have elected democrats to succeed republicans.

OUR favored Eastern Shore people are complaining of hard times growing out of the low prices of farm productions. But the conditions are worse in sections not very remote. Mr. W. F. Gassner, who lives in Western Iowa, writes to his brother, the Rev. George S. Gassner, of Easton, "Christmas passed off quietly. Money is scarce, and everything is down to the bottom. Corn 15 cents a bushel, wheat from 40 to 50 cts., hogs $3.50 a cwt., cattle $3.50 to $4.50 a cwt. No money and not much stock."—*Ledger.*

A Trip to New Orleans Expensive.

As a number of our people contemplate visiting New Orleans this winter to witness the exhibits at the World's Fair, now in progress there, it will be well to heed what an exchange has to say upon the subject. The trip will prove an expensive one if the writer of the following article is posted. "The hotels and boarding houses are already crowded. Board ranges from $8 to $15 a day, according to quality, but if you wish to be economical, rent a room and take your meals when and where you please. You pay for what you order, and rest assured, you will have to pay enough. Board without a room ranges from $6 to $20 a week. Don't go to New Orleans unless you first occupy a position as cashier of a bank and possess the full confidence of the president and directors. The way they compel a victim to "shell out" is something awful. The custom is to eat two meals a day, but the charges for those two will soon bring stagnation to your finances."

A Wrong Righted.

The mail service between Baltimore and Norfolk, Portsmouth, Fortress Monroe, &c., which was transferred from the Bay Line Steamer route on the 1st instant to Cape Charles City route, via rail and tugboat, was restored to the Bay Line on Wednesday. By the change the Southern mail was frequently a day or more behind time in reaching Baltimore, and the business men and press of that city raised such a clamor over the matter that the authorities at Washington very soon ordered the change. The Baltimore *Sun* deserves great credit for its exposure of the apparent animus that led to the transfer of this mail from the direct line South to the "circumlocution route" via up the country and down the Peninsula. It is hard to believe that the department at Washington is controlled by such ignoramuses as to suppose that the general public would be bettered by the change, and so quite naturally the *Sun* reached the conclusion that sectional bias was the moving cause and lashed the authorities accordingly.

THE Baltimore county *Herald* thinks Henry Ward Beecher "is the greatest hypocrite and the most successful humbug of the age." Of Gov. St. John it says, "his newspaper organ, the Kansas *Prohibitionist*, has been sold by the sheriff. It had served its day, and is now thrown aside. Perhaps, if the same principle be carried out, we shall hear of the sheriff selling St. John himself. He wouldn't fetch a great deal."

The animus of the above flings may be inferred. John T. Ensor, Esq., the editor of the *Herald*, was one of Blaine's stumpers and expected to pocket the Baltimore Collectorship. We sympathize with him.

GEORGE W. CHILDS has owned the Philadelphia *Ledger* 20 years this month. When he purchased the paper it was a losing concern, but under his liberal and enterprising management it has become one of the most valuable newspaper properties in the country. He paid $150,000 for the paper and it now returns him an annual profit of over $400,000.

NEWSPAPER CHANGE.—Marshall S. Mutchler, Esq., has disposed of his interest in the *Caroline Democrat* to Mr. Charles W. Byrn. Mr. Mutchler is the law partner of Philip W. Downes, Esq., and also State's Attorney for Caroline county, and finds that his professional duties require his entire attention. We regret his withdrawal from journalism, which he adorned, and wish the new management abundant prosperity.

THE consecration of Bishop-elect Paret took place at Epiphany Church, Washington, Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock. Bishop Lee, of Delaware, who is the senior and presiding bishop of the United States, conducted the services. He was assisted by Bishops Stevens and Howe, both of Pennsylvania, Bishop Lyman, of North Carolina, preached the sermon.

THE Cecil county agricultural association have determined to hold a spring exposition this year as well as in the fall. There will be races at the spring exhibit.

THE tugboat Alexander Jones was sunk Tuesday by collision with the steamer Conoho near Sandy Point, Chesapeake bay.

THE thirty-eighth annual sale of sittings in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., of which Rev. Henry Ward Beecher is pastor, took place Tuesday night. The premiums realized aggregated $15,330. The rentals added to this sum makes the amount realized $27,256. Last year the sum realized was $34,839. The largest sum ever realized was in 1875, when the amount was $68,697. The highest bid Tuesday night was $800, as against $575 last year. The foremost bidders of last year were among the most prominent Tuesday night. Mr. Beecher seemed satisfied with the result.

ATTITUDE OF THE STATES ON THE PROHIBITION QUESTION.—The Philadelphia *Press* has been at the pains to gather from official sources information as to the action taken by the States of the Union in regard to the restriction of the use, manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors. Five States have prohibitory laws—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Iowa and Kansas. Thirteen are without general laws upon the subject, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin have tried prohibition, and finding it ineffective have had recourse to less drastic measures. Twenty States and Territories deal with the liquor question by means of a license or a local-option system. Local-option is the more popular system, as it concedes to communities the right to deal with the question according to the individual convictions or needs. Rural neighborhoods and populous cities may have different views and interests, and it is the merit of the local-option method that it provides for this possible difference.

The Delaware Legislature.

The Delaware Legislature met at Dover on Tuesday. Alexander B. Cooper, of New Castle, was elected Speaker of the Senate, and Chas. S. McFee, of Georgetown, clerk. In the House, W. A. Comegys was elected Speaker, and Clinton L. Williamson clerk. Mr. Comegys is a native of this county, and went to Delaware in 1873. The defeat of Dr. Swithin Chandler for Speaker of the Senate, and of Jno. F. Saulsbury for the House, is regarded as a heavy blow at Hon. Charles B. Lore's aspirations to succeed Senator Bayard. The election of Messrs. Cooper and Comegys for the respective places is a direct aid to the chances of Attorney-General Gray, who is regarded as Mr. Bayard's protege and choice. In other words, Senator Bayard and Gov. Stockley won a great victory over the Saulsbury-Lore element of the party.

MR. MOODY'S EMPHATIC DENIAL.—Mr. D. L. Moody commenced a series of religious meetings in Richmond, Va., last Sunday. He emphatically denied ever having said anything that could be regarded as an aspersion upon Generals Lee and Jackson. Mr. Moody also sent a message to the widow of Stonewall Jackson, who is visiting Richmond, denying the report that he had cast aspersions on the Confederate chieftains.

A GREAT BALL was given in Philadelphia on last Wednesday night by the Cadwalader family, which claims descent from the royal blood of England. St. George's Hall, where the ball was held, was decorated with a portrait of Queen Victoria and the Cadwalader arms. John Cadwalader, who is said to bear personal resemblance to Napoleon Bonaparte, led in the german which was danced at midnight. All the aristocratic old Philadelphia families were represented by the Binneys, Rawles, Biddles, Roshes, Shippens, Willings, Markoes, Adamses and many more. Everything was on a scale of great magnificence. Mrs. James P. Scott, wife of the son of the late Thomas A. Scott, who inherits most of his fortune, wore three diamond necklaces valued at $160,000. The old New York families, the Livingstons, and many more were represented.

DREDGERS OUT OF WORK.

A Number Idle at Cambridge—Drowning of a Colored Man.

A special dispatch to the Baltimore *Sun*, dated Cambridge, Md., Jan. 6, says: For several weeks about fifty unemployed oyster dredgers, all of whom originally shipped in Baltimore, have been living upon the charity of the citizens of Cambridge, begging food during the day, and by permission of the sheriff lodging in the jail at night. In the morning they file out the jail, apparently refreshed after a good night's sleep, and scatter to pursue their daily rounds. Some apprehensions of trouble are expressed by timorous citizens, and loud murmurings are heard from cooks and waiters. The calls are regular and frequent, and the relish for Eastern Shore fare is the keenest. It is intimated that the manner in which they are being provided for is placing a premium on idleness and defeating the true purposes of charity. As a rule the dredgers are comfortably clad, and so far as ascertained there have been no cases of actual distress or harsh treatment among them. Two sick men who were quartered at the jail, and who are convalescing, were provided with tickets and took passage for Baltimore last night. Inquiry among the unemployed dredgers and the owners of vessels places two phases on the matter. The dredgers say there is no system in the terms upon which they are hired. They claim that most crews are shipped for a single trip, and are paid only for the number of working days, and are then discharged, while few have permanent employment by the month. They further claim that they are unable to obtain employment owing to the late unfavorable weather for dredging. The owners of dredge boats say that there is a demand for dredgers, but that they ask from $25 to $30 per month, while they (the owners) cannot afford to pay more than from $18 to $20. Instances are cited where vessels were detained for several days last week before obtaining a crew at reasonable figures. A shipping master from Baltimore, who brought down a number of dredgers some days ago at $16, returned here from Baltimore yesterday with the intention of opening an office, but was threatened and intimidated and abandoned the idea. He, however, got out a warrant for the arrest of two of the alleged offenders, one of whom was arrested and in default of security was lodged in jail. The other party escaped on the steamer for Baltimore.

John T. Jolly, a colored dredger, was drowned this morning in the Choptank river while endeavoring to reach his vessel in a skiff from the shore.

Another Case of Cruelty.

Michael Schmidt, a German who has been dredging down the bay, was admitted to St. Joseph's hospital, Baltimore, on Monday, suffering with frost-bitten feet. Schmidt stated that he was working on board the oyster pungy Mary Cummings, Captain Frank Cannon, for two and a half months. At the expiration of the first month he became ill and begged the captain for his money. It was refused, and he was forced to work all the harder, and at times beaten and kicked. He managed to bear the hardships for a month and a-half longer, as there was no way of escaping from the vessel. About the middle of last week the boat landed at Cambridge, and seeing his chance he stole his way ashore and placed himself under the protection of the sheriff of that place, who, after hearing his pitiful story, paid his passage to Baltimore. The case has been reported to Commissioner Rogers.

Satisfied with Cleveland's Letter.

The New Orleans correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* writes: Southern men here commend Gov. Cleveland's letter to Mr. Curtis on civil-service reform. They say if he stands by his letter, Mr. Cleveland will remove most of the prominent federal officials in the South, for nothing is easier to prove than that nearly every one of them has systematically prostituted his office for political purposes, and that the large majority of them are outside adventurers, who will go back home as soon as they are turned out of office. In Florida, it is said, for instance, that only two of the presidential appointees are citizens of the State.

An Influx of Thieves.

The Baltimore papers say there has been an influx of thieves from the North into Baltimore this winter, and nearly a dozen of them have been arrested by Capt. Lennan and his men in the last few weeks and placed in jail awaiting trial or sent to the House of Correction. Deputy Marshal Frey says that there will be an unusual number of thieves in the city from now until after the presidential inauguration, as gangs of professionals are moving to the North from New Orleans, working the places through which they pass. Already a number of "mobs," as the gangs are called, have passed through the city on their way to the New Orleans Exposition, and have committed robberies in Baltimore and Washington. There will be a great influx of pickpockets, hotel thieves and sneak thieves towards the 4th of March, when there will be a host of professional criminals gathered at Washington, and who will follow their line of business as they move along. After March 4 a great many will go on from Washington towards New Orleans to operate among the crowds attracted to the latter city by the exposition.

QUEEN ANNE'S ITEMS.—We find the following in late Centreville papers:

The hotels did not change landlords, as it was supposed they would. Mr. Straughn remains at the Arlington and Mr. Connelly at the Frame.

A little child, son of Mr. J. W. Christopher, residing on Water street, Centreville, lost the sight of an eye on Saturday last by the explosion of a fire cracker.

J. J. Hall, cashier of the Centreville National Bank, came out on Wednesday last looking much improved. He has been confined to his house since October last.

Dr. Joseph Lane Finley, of Queen Anne's county, and Miss Margaret Patterson Grason, daughter of Judge Grason, of Baltimore county, were married Thursday in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

The Right Rev. H. C. Lay was present last Tuesday and invoked a blessing upon the new rectory of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church. The congregation was small owing to the very heavy rain.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Palmer Kesting entertained their young friends on Tuesday evening last. Dancing commenced about 6 o'clock and continued until 3. It was a handsome affair, excelled by none so far given in this place, and was highly enjoyed by all present.

The statements of the banks published in this issue do not indicate a plethora of money in this locality. The deposits in the Centreville National is $111,498.92 and in the Queen Anne's National $37,100.66, both together only making the modest aggregate of $148,599.58. Last winter the Centreville National alone had $199 991.22 on deposit in its vaults, being $31,-391.64 more than both together show now.

Mr. Wm. B. Earle, residing in Corsica Neck, this county, met with quite a severe accident on Saturday last. He was cutting hay with a revolving cutter propelled by horse power, and the implement getting out of order, he attempted to adjust it while running. In doing so he got his left hand caught in the cog wheels, cutting the middle finger off at the first joint and terribly lacerating the ring finger. Dr. Bordley set the several parts of the middle finger and thinks it will knit together. The accident was very severe, and Mr. Earle suffered greatly.

COMMERCIAL, and other travellers, visiting Baltimore would do well to give the "Maltby House" a trial. It is situated in the business centre of the city, convenient to places of amusement, churches and railroad depots, and its omnibuses meet all trains arriving at and departing from the city.

GOV. CLEVELAND says he thinks Mr. Evarts will win in the New York Senatorial contest.

The Fire Insurance Meeting.

The board of directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, Md., met at the court-house in Chestertown, Jan. 2, 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M. Present, Wm. N. E. Wickes, president; N. G. Westcott, A. J. Rees, T. W. Eliason, R. S. Emory, F. H. Harper, D. Hurlock and J. H. Baker.

Several losses, amounting to about $1,000, which had occurred since the last meeting of the board, were examined and ordered paid.

The following resolutions which were adopted in May, 1884, at the general meeting of the company, but were not to go into effect unless adopted at a subsequent meeting of members, after being referred to the present board of directors to report upon the expediency of the changes therein contemplated, were called up by Mr. Eliason, and read by the president:

Resolved, That by-law No. 27 be repealed, and that by-law No. 27 read as follows:

BY-LAW 27.—*Resolved*, That the amount to be kept to the net credit of any policy to make it self-sustaining or perpetual shall be gradually reduced by a ratable distribution of the excess of credits, not exceeding 6 per cent. each year, until it reach 70-100 of the amount of the premium note, and thereafter all policies which have a net credit of 70-100 of the premium note shall be deemed self-sustaining while such credit remains. That the words "of the premium note" in by-law No. 28 be stricken out, and the words "required to keep such policy perpetual" be inserted.

Resolved, That the words "of the premium note" in by-law No. 29 be stricken out, and the words "required to keep said policy perpetual" be inserted.

Resolved, That the foregoing by-law and amendments shall not go into effect unless it be adopted at a subsequent general meeting of this company, and that the same be submitted to a committee consisting of the present board of directors, who shall report upon the expediency of the changes, therein contemplated, to the next general meeting of this company.

After discussion by the board, and on motion of Mr. Rees, seconded by Mr. Eliason, the board of directors approved the resolutions and decided to report the resolutions to the policy-holders favorably, by a vote of 6 yeas to 2 nays. On motion the board of directors adjourned.

The annual meeting of the members or policy-holders of the Mutual Fire Insurance of Kent County, Md., was called to order by Wm. N. E. Wickes, president, at the court-house, January 5, 1885, at 11.30 o'clock. The secretary and treasurer made the following report:

Am't insured in perpetual policies		$ 718,146
Am't insured in other policies....		1,463,248
Whole am't property insured.....		$ 2,181,394
Premium notes perpetual policies.		$ 44,659.61
" " other "		108,153.00
Total premium notes.....		$152,812,61
INVESTMENTS:		
Stocks.....		$ 4,750.00
Judgments		2,488.21
Mortgages.....		93,500.00
In litigation		2,000.00
In bank		3,417.96
Total		$106,156.17

Mr. Eliason called up the resolutions, being amended by-laws No. 27, 28 and 29, which had been favorably reported to the meeting by the board of directors, and moved that the same be adopted and go into effect.

After some discussion, Mr. Pearce moved that the resolutions be laid over until the next general meeting of the company, which on a vote was defeated.

Mr. Rees seconded Mr. Eliason's motion to adopt the resolutions, and they were adopted by a vote of 12 to 5.

Mr. Rees moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the president and directors of the company be and they are hereby authorized and directed to subscribe for $5,000 or $6,000 par value of the capital stock of the Chestertown National Bank, which was unanimously adopted.

Messrs. Jas. A. Pearce, Wm. S. Walker and Columbus A. Leary, a committee appointed at the meeting in May, 1884, to ascertain the am't of property insured in Chestertown and to consider the expediency of taking further risks, made the following report:

To the stockholders of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, Maryland:

The special committee appointed at the meeting of stockholders May 31, 1884, in reference to the amount insured in Chestertown, and the increase of risks in town, respectfully report:

1st. That the amount now insured in Chestertown is $295,762.00, and that the average gross annual income from these policies since the formation of the company has been about $720.00. That during the thirty-eight years the company has been in operation the total losses in Chestertown have been $10,348.10, or an average per year of $272.32, leaving a net annual average income from the risks in Chestertown of $477.68; a result which the committee thinks warrants the conclusion that the company has always exercised proper prudence in taking risks, and that the risks in Chestertown is less rather than greater than in the country on account of the greater facilities for prompt assistance, in proof of which it may be stated that on no occasion have more than two houses in Chestertown been destroyed by fire at the same time. Especially is the risks diminished since the recent introduction of a system of water-works, with an ample supply of fire-plugs for the town uses. The present annual gross income from policies now in force in Chestertown is about $1,419.61, and there has been no loss within the town since 1876, when the houses of Charles H. Baker and John Smith upon High street were burned. The committee therefore see no reason for restricting the operations of the company in the town.

C. A. LEARY,
W. S. WALKER,
JAS. A. PEARCE,

which was read and adopted. Mr. Rees moved that the meeting now proceed to elect twelve directors for the ensuing year, which was adopted. Mr. C. T. Westcott moved that the old board of directors be re-elected by acclamation, which was carried unanimously. Mr. W. N. E. Wickes announced that he declined to serve longer as a director, and asked that his place be filled. The members declined to fill his place. On motion the meeting of policy-holders adjourned.

The newly elected board of directors met at the court-house; present, N. G. Westcott, Abel J. Rees, Thos. W. Eliason, Franklin H. Harper, James H. Baker, Robert S. Emory and David Hurlock.

On motion of Mr. Rees the following officers for 1885 were unanimously elected: Wm. N. E. Wickes, president; Nicholas G. Westcott, secretary and treasurer; Wm. N. E. Wickes, Nicholas G. Westcott, Thomas W. Eliason and George B. Westcott, finance committee; Charles T. Westcott, counsel to the board. On motion the board adjourned.

New-Year Ball.

The young gentlemen of Centreville gave a successful ball at the town hall on New-Year's night. The *Observer* says: "In numbers, style, beauty, grace and completeness it excelled anything of the sort before held here. About two hundred and fifty guests attended, and danced gracefully after the music by Charles' Monumental Band of Baltimore. Diamonds sparkled from pretty throats, handsome dresses gracefully enclosed shapely forms, wit, fun and merriment went hand in hand with beauty, style and noble manhood, and all went merry as a marriage bell. From nine until five they 'tipped the light fantastic toe,' only desisting long enough to partake of the splendid collation prepared by the young folks for the guests in the upper hall."

The following ladies and gentleman from this county were in attendance: Misses Nellie Walker, Hallie Beck, Effie Pearson, Madge and Mamie Wethered, Bertie Hines, Bessie Hines, Annie Cacy, Bessie Boyer, Flora Bean, Grace Martin, Miss Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Phil. Brooks, Dr. C. P. Gilpin, Lewin W. Wickes, W. Cacy, Dr. Jacobs, Richard S. Diehl, Chambers Perkins, H. H. Barroll, E. B. Emory, Chas. Massey and W. J. Hines.

A YOUNG MAN'S HEROIC ACT AT SEA.—A thrilling story of heroism at sea is reported in Philadelphia. At the risk of what appeared to be certain death, Capt. Edward Rice, of the schooner J. A. Griffin, was rescued by his son, who plunged overboard after him. Capt. Rice makes the following report of his rescue: "When our vessel was a little south of Henlopen it was struck by a terrific storm, during which I was knocked overboard. I sank into the sea thinking that my last hour had come, and I gave up all hope. Those of the crew who could see the accident were horrified. Without a moment's hesitation, my son, fastening a rope to the taffrail, jumped overboard with the coil in his hand. I was just aft the ship, rising from my first sinking. He swam out to me, though how he buffeted those waves in that cold water God only knows. A moment later he had me in his grip, and with a power that was almost superhuman, he kept himself afloat while he passed the rope around my waist. Then catching the rope himself and holding me up, for I was helpless, he signaled the crew to draw us in. They got us alongside and we were safe. I was pulled up first, more dead than alive, and my son was then hauled up. My boy is only 21 years old."

ARREST OF AN ALLEGED HORSE THIEF.—Vincent Reynolds, a respectable-looking white man, was arrested on Tuesday by Deputy-Sheriff Dugan, assisted by Officer Simpson, on a warrant from the Sheriff of Kent county, Delaware, on charge of stealing a horse from a man named Marvel, living near Leipsic, Del. They found Reynolds at the house of Mr. L. W. Ford, who resides on the Walmsley farm on the road between Chestertown and Millington. He made no resistance to arrest, and claimed to be innocent of the charge. Reynolds is very well known in this county as he at one time lived on a farm near Chesterville. He is about thirty-eight or forty years of age and is very pleasant and plausible in his address. F. M. Dunn, chief of the Kent county, (Del.,) protective association and constable Hutchins, of Dover, Del., came down on Thursday morning's train and returned in the afternoon with the prisoner, accompanied as far as Clayton by deputy-sheriff Dugan, of this county. Reynolds, who is a keen and sharp witted fellow, volunteered to return to Delaware without a requisition on the Governor of Maryland, and by so doing thought he was laying a nice scheme to effect his escape. He told a prisoner in the jail that he was "too sharp for these fellows down here," and that when he got up about Still Pond or Massey's he intended to refuse to go further without a requisition and the officers would be powerless in his case. This proceeding however was frustrated by deputy-sheriff Dugan accompanying the officers into Delaware, as above stated.

Bacchus—Lambert.

Chestertown was astir last Thursday noon over the anticipated marriage here noted. One o'clock P. M. was the hour fixed, and at that time the Methodist Protestant church was filled with people to witness the ceremony. Mr. JEFFERSON D. BACCHUS, one of our young coal merchants, was the groom, and Miss AVIS LOUISE LAMBERT, only child of Mr. James W. Lambert, the bride. As the notes of Mendelssohn's wedding march were first struck by Miss Minnie Usilton, the bridal party entered the church and proceeded to the altar accompanied by four ushers in the advance, viz: Wm. R. Aldridge, Chas. L. Dodd, Walter W. Chapman and Fred G. Usilton. Rev. George Q. Bacchus, of Caroline county, a brother of the groom, performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Webster M. Strayer, pastor of the church. The bride was attired very handsomely in a brown cloth dress trimmed with velvet and plush and cape of velvet and plush, and bonnet to match. The groom wore the conventional black. After the ceremony the bridal party returned to the home of the bride's parents on Mill street, and from there to the depot where the 1.45 train was taken for a trip to Baltimore and Washington—a few of the intimate friends of the happy couple sending after them a shower of rice for "good luck" as the train moved off. The bride was the recipient of a large number of handsome and costly presents, among them a beautiful clock from the Sunday school of which Miss Lulie has been for a number of years the efficient organist. The young couple are both highly esteemed in the community and have the best wishes of all for a blissful "honeymoon" and pleasant life-journey.

SCALDING.—Nettie, a little daughter of Mr. F. A. King, of Chesterville, upset a kettle of boiling water on the stove one day last week and scalded herself very badly from her waist down to her feet.

Merritt, three-year-old son of J. A. Spry, of the same village, on Sunday last, also upset a bowl of hot corn starch, which was setting on the table, and burned himself very severely from his throat to his stomach. Both patients are doing well.

CHESTER RIVER BUOYS.—The Baltimore *Sun* of Thursday says: Capt. Joseph W. Thompson, of Chestertown, was in the city yesterday in the interest of having the Chester river buoyed from Chestertown up as far as Crumpton, Queen Anne's county. At present the steamboat companies and sail-vessel owners have the channel marked with bushes. But as these are frequently carried away by the currents, there is need of permanent buoys, which the government is asked to place in position.

THOSE who wish employment as canvassers should look up R. G. Chase & Co.'s advertisement in another column. The firm has a good reputation.

THE Schooner W. S. Copes, of the Enterprise Transportation Company has been transferred to Mary E. Rossmark.

A MINISTER SURPRISED.—Rev. J. Hudson Riddick, pastor of Janes' M. E. Church, (colored), in this town, was visited by about one hundred of the members and congregation of his flock on Tuesday evening last. Singing "Hold the Fort," they filled his larder with groceries, preserves, fowls and dry goods. After singing "Together let us Sweetly Live," and prayer by the pastor, suitable remarks were made by Frederick Nichols and responded to by the pastor. Mr. Riddick was transferred from the Washington to the Delaware Conference by Bishop Fowler last June. He has the reputation of being an able preacher and zealous worker. He has received twenty-four persons into the church as the result of a recent revival, and collected $150 for benevolent purposes since September. He is popular with his race and has made many friends among the white people.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Jan. 6.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Josias Ringgold, were granted unto James A. Pearce and Josias Ringgold, Jr., who filed their bond in the penal sum of $40,000, which was approved and ordered to be recorded; and Enoch N. Roland and William Ford were appointed to appraise the estate.

Thos. C. Maslin, adm'r of George L. Maslin, returned his first and final adm. acc't.

Robert S. Griffith filed the last will and testament of Benjamin M. Stradley.

A STORE THIEF SHOT.—A thief after robbing the money drawer in a store in Cheneyville, Pa., one night last week, was shot dead by the watchman. He was a young man of previously good reputation.

THE BALTIMORE TELEGRAM issued a very handsome supplement in the form of an illustrated annual for 1885. James Young, Baltimore, publisher.

JOHN MCCULLOUGH, the actor, arrived in Philadelphia Wednesday week and dined with Lawrence Barrett. Thursday he wandered aimlessly about the city, and in the evening went to the Chestnut Street Opera House, where he met Manager Zimmerman, and insisted on playing an engagement with him in Chicago next week. He then went to the depot and bought a ticket for Chicago and attempted to board a train which was moving out. He fell, and would have been run over had he not been caught and pulled on the train by Cornelius Bowser, a colored employe of the Opera House, who had been sent by Zimmerman to look after McCullough.

New York Legislature.

This body met on Tuesday and Gov. Cleveland sent in his letter of resignation, as follows:

"To the Legislature: I hereby resign the office of Governor of the State of New York.

"GROVER CLEVELAND."

Lieutenant-Governor Hill at once assumed the duties of his office and sent in his message to the two houses. In it he says:

"It may be safely asserted that the administration of Gov. Cleveland for the two years past has more than met the just expectations of the people and made its lasting impression on the annals of the State. It has been brilliant in its sterling integrity, safe in its true conservatism, bold in its efforts for reform, faithful in its adherence to pledges, and vigilant in its opposition to corruption. Its straightforward and business-like conduct, united with an unquestioned honesty of purpose, has won for it and for himself the warm approval of his friends, the sincere respect of his opponents, and the unswerving and unselfish support of independent citizens everywhere. That he may meet with the same degree of success in the greater office to which he has been called is the earnest wish of all the citizens of this State and of every lover of good government."

A CHICKEN-THIEF RAID.—Mr. Shawn, who has just moved on Mrs. Dodd's farm, near Chestertown, had some unwelcome visitors last Tuesday night. His poultry-yard was raided by a thief and all his geese, most of his chickens and all his turkeys except one were stolen and carried off. The heads of the fowls were cut off and left lying in the yard. It is certainly a pity that Mr. Shawn was not aroused on that occasion to take part in the slaughter by putting a few balls "where they would do the most good."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The annual meeting of the Kent Co. Agricultural Association will be held next Monday, at which time the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

PERSONAL.—Judge Wickes has returned to Elkton, where he expects to be occupied the greater part if not the whole of the present month. The docket there is unusually heavy.

REV. J. D. KINZER, of Westminster, was the recipient of a very handsome present from his congregation last week.

THE Tolchester steamer has been withdrawn from the route, and will not be put on again until further notice.

IMPORTANT.—Subscribers in notifying us of a change of address will please state the old as well as the new office.

THE steamer Ford is now making her regular trips on the Chester River line.

MARRIED

On the evening of the 29th of December, 1884, at the manse of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, by the Rev. W. W. Reese, GEORGE W. STARR and MARY A. CALVIN, both of this county.

At the Episcopal Church in this town, on Tuesday night, January 6, 1884, by Rev. S. C. Roberts, MARION WEBB, of Queen Anne's co., to Miss BERTIE VERNON, of Chestertown.

On December 31, 1884, at St. James' Parsonage, by Rev. A. W. Mather, JAMES H. SHUSTER to Miss M. A. MAXWELL, both of this co.

At the M. P. Church, Chestertown, Thursday, Jan. 8, 1885, by Rev. Geo. Q. Bacchus, assisted by Rev. W. M. Strayer, JEFFERSON D. BACCHUS and Miss AVIS LOUISE LAMBERT, both of Chestertown.

DIED.

At the residence of her stepfather, Mr. Benj. L. Legg, Jan. 5, Mrs. IDA MORSE HUDSON, aged about 20 years, leaving an infant daughter to the care of a bereaved mother and husband.

At his residence near Fairlee, Jan. 2, 1884, CAPT. FRANKLIN WING, aged 60 years.

Captain Wing did not hold the same religious views as the majority of his neighbors and friends; but

Shall I ask the brave warrior who fights by my side
In the cause of mankind, if our creeds agree;
Shall I give up the friend I have valued and tried,
If he kneel not before the same altar with me?

H. M.

In Baltimore, Jan. 1, 1885, Mrs. MARGARET BELL, aged 79 years, wife of Anthony Bell, formerly of this county.

Near Chesterville, Nov. 23, ELSIE, daughter of John and Sallie Silcox, aged 1 month.

At Rock Hall, Dec. 20, 1884, after a painful illness, Miss. MARY E. BAILEY, beloved wife of George Bailey, aged 41 years.

We loved her; yes, we loved her well;
We loved her more than tongue can tell;
God loved her too, and He thought best
To take her home with Him to rest.

Amongst the blest in realms above
Where sorrows are unknown,
Oh, may we meet our sister dear,
No more to weep alone.

Then let our sorrows cease to flow,
God has recalled His own;
But let our hearts in every woe
Still say "Thy will be done."—BROTHER.

ORCHARD GRASS SEED

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RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Janes M. E. Church, Chestertown. Preaching tomorrow, (Sunday,) at 10.30 A. M., and 7.30 P. M. by the Pastor: "Jesus Preaching to the Saints in Prison," and "Freedom in Hell." Public welcome.

1t. J. HUDSON RIDDICK, Pastor.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Kent National Bank of Chestertown, that their regular annual meeting for the election of five Directors for the Bank for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House in Chestertown, THURSDAY, Feb. 12, 1885, at 11 o'clock A. M. JOSEPH PETERSON,

j10-tm. Cashier.

NOTICE TO FOX-HUNTERS and others.—All persons are hereby warned from Fox-Hunting or Trespassing in any manner upon the premises of the undersigned after this date. Positively the law will be enforced.

j10-3t*. PHILIP E. TREW.

LOST—Somewhere on Main Street, Chestertown, on the 10th of December, a Ladies' GOLD BRACELET, carved. A liberal reward will be paid the finder if left at the store of Mr. N. C. CROW, up town. Jan. 3—3t*

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Kent County Agricultural Association will be held at the Club Hall on MONDAY, January 12, 1885, at 2 o'clock P. M. A full attendance is desired, as the election of officers will then take place.

THOS. J. WILLIS, Pres't.
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