Kent News.

SATURDAY MORNING.......... Jan. 2, 1886.

The New Year was ushered in with one of the brightest and most beautiful days imaginable. All hail to 1886! Happy greetings to all the readers of the News!

The Citizens' Association of Baltimore county have decided in favor of annexing the Belt districts to the city.

The registration of applicants who wish to use the books of the Pratt Free Library was begun in Baltimore on Monday. About one thousand persons were present.

Last Sunday afternoon at Gainestown, Clark county, Ala., Alexander Reed, a negro, who brutally murdered Miss Carrie Boyer at that place on the 18th of December was chained to a tree at the spot where the crime was committed and slowly burned to death by a crowd of indignant whites and blacks.

Hon. A. G. Chapman has written Mr. J. B. Seth that he will not be a candidate for Speaker of the House of Delegates, but will support Mr. Seth. The probability is that Mr. Seth will be chosen without the formality of a caucus, and Senator Edwin Warfield, of Howard county, will have no opposition in his party for the presidency of the Senate. The Legislature will meet next Wednesday.

The Dorchester *News* estimates that the meats consumed in that county in one year will amount in value to one million dollars; that other articles of diet cost at least two millions more, so that Dorchester's grub bill foots up about three millions a year. All the land, houses, vessels, horses, cattle, and all and every kind of property in the county are assessed at about six millions, so it will be seen that in two years the Dorchester people eat up the whole county.

A huge Christmas tree, bearing all kinds of gifts for the patients and attendants at the county hospital, Chicago, and lavishly illuminated with wax candles, caught fire on Christmas Day while a hundred or more people were packed closely about it. The tree and its contents blazed so fiercely that the clothing of some twenty persons standing nearest to it caught fire. At least one hundred persons were injured, the greater part receiving bruises by being trampled on by their panic-stricken neighbors.

The Washington *National Republican* gives as a result of an exhaustive inquiry concerning the future decisions in the House of Representatives in regard to the unlimited suspension of silver coinage a table showing that 143 democrats and 51 republicans are against suspension and 39 democrats and 91 republicans in favor of it. The noticeable feature in connection with the matter is the division of the members upon sectional lines. The West and South are practicably a unit for coinage, while the East and Middle States appear to be almost as solidly in favor of suspension.

J. Granville Richards, member-elect of the next Legislature from Cecil county, residing at Porter's Bridge, in Rising Sun district, while returning from his store to his residence, about half a mile distant, on Saturday night, was attacked by two men and robbed of over $100. Mr. Richards made a good fight, knocking one of his assailants down. In the struggle he tore a handful of hair from the other man's head, but was himself knocked down with a club and then kicked in the stomach and sides. He was able to drag himself back to the store and give the alarm. His condition is reported to be precarious. He is unable to identify or describe the parties, except that they were white men.

An unfortunate shooting affair took place at the Oxford Military Academy on Sunday morning last, which resulted in the instant death of one of the students, a boy named Reinhard, from Rockport, Indiana, at the hands of another student from Michigan. The rules of the academy forbid the students to have firearms in their rooms, and in violation of the rule, on Sunday morning last, the two boys were playing Buffalo Bill with a pistol, which accidentally went off, the ball taking effect in Reinhard's spine, causing instant death. The body of the student was embalmed and shipped home to his father. Reinhard was a fine, manly boy and a great favorite with the other cadets. Judge Reinhard himself brought his son to Oxford at the beginning of the scholastic year. He seemed devoted to him, as he was a boy of fine promise.

The Easton Bishopric.—The Augusta *Chronicle* quotes the Rev. C. C. Williams, recently elected bishop of the diocese of Easton, as saying: "There is no demand for haste in the matter, for if I should decline they could not elect my successor until next October, at the meeting of the general convention of the church, or should I accept I could not be consecrated until then. This being the case, I shall wait until I get through with my Christmas services, which are now engaging my attention, and then make a thorough examination of the subject and all its bearings before giving my answer."

Sanguinary Fight in Accomac, Va.

A special to the Baltimore *Sun* dated Dec. 28 says: A bloody affair occurred in the northern part of Accomac county late Saturday afternoon. About ten white men from Sike's Island were at Messenger Bridge drinking freely, when three got into difficulty with a powerful colored man named Jeff Freeman, who drew his revolver and defied the crowd. George Parker Miles, one of the white men, attempted to advance upon Freeman, when the latter shot him down. The ball entered at the mouth and came out near the left ear. Freeman fled, hotly pursued by white men, until he reached a colored people's church, about a half a mile distant, where the colored people were holding Christmas festivities. As they reached the church some person fired into the pursuing party, severely wounding one of them in the abdomen. The pursuers rushed into the crowd and shot Freeman in the forehead, dragged him out and gave him a severe beating. The other people fled from the church. Freeman's wounds are thought to be fatal. The two white men will probably recover. The affair has created considerable excitement in the locality. Officers went up today to arrest those implicated in the affray.

A Terrible Blow.—So far as we have been able to obtain them, the following are the details of a tragedy at Potter's Landing, on Christmas day, that will probably have a fatal result. A lad named Dufrainoi, about 15 years old, and a number of companions, were having some sport down about the wharf, at the expense of a man named Lane, who had indulged rather too freely in Christmas toddy. The man became enraged, and seizing a stick of wood about two inches in diameter and several feet long, began a chase after the boys. Young Dufrainoi ran into Mr. Thos. F. Johnson's store, where Lane found him a few minutes later, and without a word of warning brought down this cudgel upon his head, crushing him senseless to the floor. The young man was picked up and placed upon the counter and medical aid summoned. Dr. Hignutt arrived in a few minutes and made a partial examination of the wound without determining whether or not there was a fracture of the skull bone. The doctor has no hopes of his recovery. Lane was arrested and lodged in Denton jail to await the result of Dufrainoi's injuries.—*Caroline Democrat.*

The bald head of Senator Isham G. Harris is a striking object to the visitor looking down from the strangers' gallery of the United States Senate. A deep scar running in a semicircle across the top of the skull marks the energetic effort of a Federal cavalryman to end the Southerner's career on the battle-field of Shiloh. Mr. Harris, as Governor of Tennessee, was with Albert Sidney Johnston throughout that two days' conflict, and it was in his arms that the Confederate leader expired.

A Fatted Goose.—The congregation of the M. P. Church at Centreville, presented their pastor, Rev. T. O. Crouse, on Christmas Eve, a lineal descendant of the famous goose that laid the golden eggs. So far forty-one dollars have been taken from this valuable bird and it looks quite as round and plump as ever.—*Observer.*

Death of Rev. E. B. Newnam.—Edward Beverly Newnam, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died about 6 o'clock Thursday morning of last week, at his residence, No. 236 North Carey street, Baltimore, aged 49 years. He had been unwell since July with malarial and complicated ailments. Mr. Newnam was born near Centreville, Queen Anne's county, where his father was a successful business man. He graduated at Dickinson College, and, entering the ministry, he about 1866 attached himself to the Wilmington Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church. In his pastoral work he was the minister in charge of congregations at Smyrna, Church Hill, Galena, Millington, Easton, Leipsic, Still Pond and Chestertown. He retired from the ministry in 1881 because of a throat trouble, and moved to Baltimore. He became interested in the Maryland State Temperance Alliance, and was one of their foremost public speakers. He frequently did pulpit service in the Methodist churches in Baltimore, but was not attached to the conference. Mr. Newnam had much reputation for pulpit eloquence in the Wilmington Conference. He was the owner of "Chesterfield," a fine estate adjoining the town of Centreville, and a farm in Corsica Neck. He leaves a widow and married daughter, Mrs. J. N. Sparks. His remains were taken over by steamer and the funeral services were held at the Centreville Cemetery on Saturday last. The following gentlemen acted as bearers: Wm. McKenney, John B. Brown, A. R. Weedon, James E. Bailey, George M. Smith, W. T. P. Turpin, R. M. Hopkins and Geo. S. Palmer. Rev. J. A. Arters read the funeral service of the M. E. Church at the grave. A large concourse of the friends and relatives of the deceased attended.

Rum and Rowdyism.

For the Kent News:

Messrs. Editors:—On Tuesday, the 22d inst., Mrs. B. being in Baltimore concluded to come over on the Pilot Boy to Tolchester. In the passage *Rum and Rowdyism* prevailed; fighting among both blacks and whites seemed to be the order of the day to the detriment of the passengers and perfect dismay and discomfort of the ladies. Cannot that company preserve better order? How long is the sober and Christian community to be subjected to this drunken rowdyism for the benefit of liquor sellers?

Yours, Daniel W. Bates.

[Note.—We are surprised to learn the above, as Mr. Eliason is well known to be very strict in his rules of order. No one could be more vigilant and earnest than he is in his efforts to maintain the high character of his boats and grounds for good order, and the entire exclusion of whiskey and disorderly persons. On the above occasion he must certainly have been absent, or both himself and officers were taken unawares.—Eds. News.]

Rock Hall and Piney Neck Sunday Schools. —A Sunday School "Jug Breaking" in Piney Neck Church on Monday night last yielded nearly twenty dollars. There was some fine singing by the Rock Hall choir, led by Mr. Jos. Downey—Miss Emma Reynolds presiding at the organ. The school has seventy-two scholars and is in a flourishing condition under Mr. John Beck, superintendent, and Mr. John H. Scott, secretary.

On Tuesday night a similar entertainment was held in Rock Hall Church with somewhat more elaborateness of detail. The rivalry among the little jug holders created great interest—premiums being offered the two having the largest amount. The total sum produced footed up nearly $50. Thompson Rollison, son of Mr. John A. Rollison, Jr., won the first premium, a Waterbury watch; and Emma Sewell, daughter of Capt. Thomas Sewell, the second premium, an album. Interesting exercises were had consisting of responsive readings, recitations and excellent music by the choir. Christmas presents were distributed. This is one of the largest schools in the county, having over 150 scholars upon its roll, and is superintended by Mr. Jos. Kendall. Rev. G. S. Conaway is the pastor of both the above charges. Revival services were begun Thursday night.

Sold.—The ice-house and hall of Wm. Perkins has been sold by C. T. Westcott, Esq., trustee, for $1,084, to the "Preachers' Aid Society" of the Delaware Conference M. E. Church. A committee consisting of Revs. Hooper Jolly, Wesley I. Parker, Abraham Brown, Nathan Young and Geo. H. Washington visited Chestertown and effected the purchase, and it is understood that arrangements have been made for the ice business to be continued as heretofore.

To be Concluded Today.—The vendue of the late J. N. Usilton's property near Chestertown was very largely attended on Wednesday, and was conducted by J. W. Corey, Esq., adm'r. On account of the large quantity of material to be disposed of the sale was not concluded the first day and Thursday being very inclement, it was postponed until today. It will open this (Saturday) morning at 10 o'clock, and all the remaining property will be disposed of.

Chesterville and Vicinity.

Messrs. Editors:—The holidays in this vicinity have passed away quietly but pleasantly. The Christmas air seems to have been full of good cheer, and old and young seem to have had their full share of enjoyment. One highly commendatory fact we have noticed is that we have not seen a man real drunk during the holidays, and very few under the influence of liquor. Musical and literary entertainments have abounded, and thus served up wholesome and palatable food for the public appetite.

On Christmas night the Chesterville M. E. Sunday school gave an entertainment which consisted of vocal and instrumental music, recitations by the children, etc. The church was nicely decorated, and appropriate scriptural texts covered the walls. A Christmas tree stood back of the pulpit, while on the sacred desk lay packages of candy which were distributed to the children. Near the close of the entertainment a most pleasant feature was the presentation of a handsome easy chair of embossed plush, with spring rockers, to the superintendent, H. C. Layman. The matter was gotten up so quietly that the superintendent was taken by complete surprise, he having no knowledge of the affair until the presentation was made. The school was assisted by Mr. F. M. Lloyd, of Lambson's; Mr. Samuel Moffett and Miss Gertie Moffett, near Chesterville; Misses Lou and Katie Moffett, of Millington; and Mr. Chas. B. Tracy, of Crumpton. The whole was under the charge of the pastor, Rev. George W. Townsend, with Mrs. H. C. Layman as organist. Those who are capable of judging say that the music was first-class, and the whole entertainment the best the school has ever given.

On Wednesday night the M. E. Church at Locust Grove gave its Christmas entertainment. It was in character similar to the one described above, with some interesting additions. The Christmas tree was such an one as we read about in the fairy books; the mottoes on the walls and decorations were superb, and the presents were numerous. A solo sung by Mrs. Charles Hill was excellently rendered, and with a voice which for mellowness and sweetness is difficult to excel. A solo by Miss — Kelly was also very well sung considering it was her first attempt before a large audience. Two recitations by Miss Rice, a visitor in the neighborhood, one entitled, "Robert of Lincoln," and the other "Jamie," a pathetic selection, were rendered with fine effect. In the first selection the notes of the Bobolink were so exactly imitated that even Bob himself would have been deceived; in the last piece her elocutionary powers were equally well displayed, and with such effect as to stir the deepest emotions. The young lady is a pupil of Bordentown Female Seminary, and shows marked talent as an elocutionist. Prof. Dave Quimby happened to be on hand, and assisted the bass on the occasion. As in the former case, Mr. Townsend was musical director, while Miss Maggie Hill was organist. The music was good and the recitations creditable to the children. The two presentations of the evening were a very handsome plush dressing case to the organist, and a silver fruit basket to Mrs. Townsend. There were several other presents from classes to teachers, we presume, but we did not ascertain what they were.

Rev. Geo. W. Townsend, the pastor on Galena circuit, finishes up his third year next March. He is a sound, clear, practical preacher, fully up with the times in his calling. He is wholly void of anything like the "spread-eagle" style, and in his sermons always gives food for reflection. He is not a man, however, to work on the emotions, and hence is not what is termed a "revivalist." He is skilled in both instrumental and vocal music, and is fond of it, thus adding to his usefulness. He is a good pastor, a first-rate preacher, and the circuit will reluctantly part with both him and his excellent wife, who is "just as good as he."

I wish to say that the above notice is without the knowledge or *consent* of the pastor.

Walter.

Personal.—Mr. Robert L. Usilton, a well known citizen of Worton, is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

John Wickes, son of the late Simon Wickes, now a student at Washington College, has secured the scholarship in Oxford Military School.

James D. Caton, Esq., a prominent member of the Alexandria, Va., bar, is visiting Rev. W. R. Graham of this town. His wife accompanies him.

A Surprise to Pastor Graham.—Rev. W. R. Graham, pastor of the Meth. Protestant Church of this town, was very pleasantly "surprised" on Christmas Eve. A number of representative members of his congregation invaded the parsonage during his absence at prayer meeting and landed a dearborn load of baskets and bundles for his family use. When the reverend gentleman reached home he was no longer surprised at the slim attendance at the prayer service but quite surprised at his house full of company. He was greeted in a few formal words by one of the party presenting him, on behalf of his congregation, with a purse of over fifty dollars as a slight token of the esteem in which he and his good wife are held by his flock. Mr. Graham responded in a few well-chosen words expressing his high appreciation of the visit and his one aim and effort among the people of Chestertown to faithfully perform the work of his ministerial office.

Seriously Hurt.—Joshua Davis, of this town, a man of advanced years, was found on Christmas night about 10 o'clock lying on the pavement in front of Judge Wickes' residence, foot of Main street. He was unconscious and bleeding profusely from the head and face, and was taken to Stam's drug store where Dr. Catlin dressed his wounds. His right jawbone was found to be broken and an ugly gash, as if by some blunt instrument, laid open one side of his face, while about his head were other wounds. He was taken to his home and has not since been able to give a connected account of his injuries. Evidence was obtained on the same night sufficient to justify the arrest of a colored man named Tom Floyd, and since then Bob Salter, another colored man has been placed under arrest, both of them charged with being connected in the perpetration of the outrage. A preliminary hearing was given them by Justice Burgess and they were committed to await the result of the wounded man's injuries. Mr. Davis is a blacksmith by trade and conducted business in the shop near the colored people's church on Princess street.

A Severe Accident.—Allie, youngest son of Mr. John W. Loud of Quaker Neck, met with a severe accident on leaving Bond Chapel last Monday night, where he had been helping to prepare for the Christmas entertainment. He found the horse had got his bridle off, and while endeavoring to put it on, the animal reared and threw him down and, dashing forward, the carriage passed over the young man's body. One of the horse's shoes struck him over the right eye, rendering him senseless and cutting his forehead severely. Other bruises were also sustained, but the young man's condition is improving and he will soon be out again. Dr. Perkins rendered medical assistance.

A Narrow Escape.—Mr. Wm. A. Biscoe, of this town, made a very narrow escape with his life last week. In the employ of Mr. Wm. A. Wheatley he was at work on a tinning job for Mr. David Smith, near Edesville, and when at the top of a thirty-foot ladder it broke square off in the middle, precipitating him to the ground. He fell with his head between two large stones but almost miraculously escaped injury except slight abrasions of the knuckles of one hand. "Al" is a two-hundred-pounder in weight and unless he is more careful in the strength of his ladders may get his neck broke yet.

The "wax-works" entertainment at Worton Station on Wednesday evening was a complete success as we predicted it would be. The house was full, the supper was fine, and the exhibition one of the best ever held in the neighborhood. Mrs. Bardeen, who personated Mrs. Jarley, could hardly be surpassed by that lady herself, and the "wax figgers" were admirable. The ladies of I. U. deserve great credit for the perfectness of every detail of the entertainment.

Valuable Town Property at Public Sale.—Marion deK. Smith, Esq., as trustee, will sell on Tuesday next the valuable property on the corner of High and Cross streets, known as the "Burchinal Building." This is one of the best located business properties in Chestertown and buildings are of a substantial character. It offers a rare chance for profitable investment.

The Thieves About.—The chicken thieves have opened their winter campaign. In Worton recently the hen-roosts of Messrs. Pere Beck, Robert Holdson and M. M. Rasin were robbed, and two sixty-pound shoats have been stolen from Mr. William Parsons. A little more of Mr. Geo. W. Harper's spirit is needed—that is, the determination to "go for" the thieves and hunt them down at all hazards.

Illegal Dredging. — Deputy-Commander J. B. Willson, of the oyster police sloop Mary Compton, has arrested the schooner Florence Lee, Capt. Wise, of Baltimore, charged with illegal dredging in the mouth of Chester river. Justice Rollinson, of Rock Hall, imposed a fine of $75 on the captain.

"A Very Welcome Visitor."—A subscriber remitting from New Jersey doubtless voices the sentiments of many other old Kent countians scattered throughout the country when he writes: "The News is a very welcome weekly visitor. Hope to have it continued as long as I live in New Jersey."

Farmers' Convention.—Mr. T. J. Shallcross, vice-president of the Maryland State Farmers' Association for this county, has issued a call for a meeting at the Court House next Tuesday, January 5, at 11 o'clock a. m., to select delegates to the annual meeting to be held in Baltimore on Wednesday, January 13, 1886.

A Little Shooting Affair.—On Christmas night at Golt's Station in the upper part of this county, a man named Jump was flourishing a pistol and it is said John Wood attempted to take it from him. In the scuffle that followed Wood was shot but not seriously injured.

Not Guilty.—Five or six colored people were arrested at the instigation of Mr. Simon Weich last week charged with the wanton destruction of property while his tenants. Justice Wheatley heard the cases and released the parties, there being no evidence to prove the charges.

James M. Whitby, an aged and honored citizen of Caroline county, died at his residence in Ridgely last week, aged 78 years. Mr. Whitby was a tailor by trade and in early life worked at the business in Chestertown.

The Philadelphia Times.—Attention is called to the prospectus of the Philadelphia Weekly Times in another column. The *Times*, both daily and weekly, are of national reputation and first-class character.

Disorderly.—Frank and Wm. Carpenter were arrested by officer Joiner on Christmas night for disorderly conduct on the street. Justice Burgess fined them $1 each and costs. Frank is still in jail for lack of funds.

An immense crowd of people attended the sale of Mr. John F. Whittington, near Masseys, last Tuesday. The numerous other sales in the county have generally been well attended.

Installation.—Amicable Lodge, No. 177, I. O. O. F., of Chestertown, will have a public installation of officers next Tuesday evening. The ceremony will take place at the court-house.

M. E. Sabbath School, Chestertown.

The simple, yet beautiful Christmas service, "The Son of Man," by G. N. Compton, was used by the M. E. Church Sunday School last Sunday evening, taking the place of the preaching service. At 7.30 o'clock the Church choirs opened the exercises with an appropriate and excellently rendered voluntary. The superintendent, Chas. H. Baker, Esq., then arose and made fitting remarks, after which the school sang, "Joy to the world, the Lord is come." While all were standing the Apostles' Creed was repeated in concert and prayer was offered by Mr. James Brice. The reading was led by Wm. R. Pippin. This part was a simple and beautiful Bible epitome of the birth of the Saviour and its announcement by angels. The school sang, "While shepherds watched their flocks by night," and Miss Fannie Brice led in the reading, which teaches the faith of the shepherds in the heavenly message; how Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man; why He came from heaven, and at what age He entered upon His mighty work. The school then sang "He speaks, and listening to his voice." Edward Lambert led the reading, which teaches where we learn all about Jesus. After singing, "To the name of our salvation," Miss Elsie Hill gave a choice and apt recitation. The last part of the reading was then led by Miss Emma Davis, which teaches us what the Bible says of Jesus, viz: that "He was made flesh and dwelt among us;" that "grace and truth came by Jesus Christ;" that "He taketh away the sins of the world;" that "He receiveth sinners," etc. After singing, "Saviour, blessed Saviour," the pastor made a short address, and then the whole congregation joined in singing, "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Very much credit and the sincere thanks of all are due the efficient corps of officers and teachers. It was in very truth an enjoyable service.

The Entertainment.

The Sunday school room was filled, to overflowing on Monday evening. It was the time for the school's Christmas tree. Instead of the tree the gifts were all beautifully boxed and so placed on the platform that they made a pretty display. Promptly at 7.30 the superintendent, C. H. Baker, Esq., took his place and made one of the best talks to the gathered company we have heard for some years. He talked and talked and talked, but "Old Cris" didn't come, so they called up the assistant superintendent to sing. He began and presently "Old Cris" walked in, made his bow and took his seat. Now the little ones were ready. Cris arose and said he was there to give all the scholars a present. The classes were called and every scholar given a box. All went off nicely, and just as soon as Cris was done with the scholars he called for the superintendent and his assistant, when he presented each with a basket of very choice fruits, &c. It was a merry-making time. All went off singing and glad. So we march on; and may we ever remember that we too were children.

The "Mum Sociable," held at the M. E. Parsonage last Wednesday evening, was in every particular a success. Long before 8 o'clock the house was filled to overflowing with eager and expectant visitors, all intent upon discovering the full purport of a "Mum Sociable," it having been the first occasion of such a gathering in Chestertown. During the hour from 8 till 9 no one was allowed either to laugh or speak without a forfeiture of 5 cents. Five pretty young ladies had been previously selected to collect the fines, who performed their duty marvelously well. A "grand bouncer" had also been appointed, whose duty it was to eject those who by any possibility should refuse to pay their fine. His office, however, proved a very superfluous one, as all cheerfully paid their forfeitures, especially when appealed to by a single *glance* of the fair collector. We nearly forgot to mention "Jumbo," who arrived about 8.30, weighing apparently nearly half a ton. He created a good deal of laughter and consquently proved a source of considerable revenue. All during the evening the crowd constantly surged to and from the refreshment room, where ice-cream, cake, &c., were supplied in abundance. On the whole the evening was brim full of mirth and enjoyment, attributable mainly to the kind hospitality and genial courtesy of the Rev. Mr. Kemp and his family. Let us add that it is a great pity that these social features of the church do not occur more frequently.

Withdrawn.—The steamer Corsica has been withdrawn from the Chester River Line until further notice. The Ford will run as heretofore.

The steamer on the Sassafras River Line has also been withdrawn until further notice.

Str. Pilot Boy made her last trip of the season to Tolchester on Friday. During the winter her boiler, engine and all other departments will be put in thorough order ready to resume her trips early in March.

The advertisements of all these steamers were printed on our outside before notice was received to withdraw them.

Removals in Worton.—Chas. H. Jewell has removed to one of the Cadwalader farms in Harford county, and Wm. and Joseph Duyer take the Churn Creek farm; Wm. Walker goes on J. W. Edwards' farm opposite Mrs. Wm. A. Taylor's; Frank Gettshall leaves Little Meadows for Hanesville; Will Travers goes to the Little Meadows; Purnell T. Jones to Morgan's Creek from Dr. Beck's, and George Simpson takes his place; Perry Rasin from the Reed farm to Still Pond, and Charles Jones fills his vacancy; Albert Jones takes the Parsons farm; Will Parsons, from the Grove farm to Mr. Reed's Catt's Corner place; Wm. French, Jr., takes the James Beck of Geo. place; Thomas Parsons gets the Parsons property lately vacated by J. F. Copper, who goes on his own property in Morgan's Creek Neck; Capt. Wm. Holdson remove to Baltimore; Sam'l H. Crawford has rented his property to Jas. E. Newcomb and removed to Fairlee.

He Was Drunk.—Levi Lively, a colored man in the employ of Mr. Hiram Brown in Quaker Neck, was in town on Saturday, the 19th ult., and got drunk. Mr. Cantorwitz, one of our town merchants, on that day missed a cloak from his store door. On Christmas Eve, a week after, he recognized the lost cloak on a colored woman—Louisa Lindsay—as she stood in front of his store, and had her arrested. She said she bought it of Levi Lively for $2.50, and thereupon Lively found himself in a scrape. He says if he stole the coat and sold it as aforesaid he was drunk. Justice Wheatley held him in $250 for court.

A Pretty Christmas Tree.—Mr. G. H. Glantz, who keeps a store at Rock Hall—having removed there from Baltimore some four months since—is reported to have made the finest display in the shape of a Christmas tree of any one yet reported. The tree itself is said to be very beautiful and about it is a unique farm-yard, with dwelling, poultry house, duck ponds, &c. To make the affair doubly attractive Mr. S. distributed gratis over a hundred bags of confectionery to youthful visitors on Christmas morning. The tree will not be taken down until Monday evening.

Important.— Subscribers in changing their address will please name the office to which the paper has been going as well as the one to which they want it sent.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, Dec. 22.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Letters of adm. on personal estate of Louisa Morgan were granted unto Thos. J. Shallcross, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $300; G. M. Beaston and T. B. Sutton were appointed to appraise personal estate.

Letters of adm. on personal estate of Ann E. Kendall were granted and committed unto C. T. Westcott, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $5,000.

C. J. Scott was appointed guardian to M. E., F. E. and L. A. Scotten, bond $1500.

J. F. Wilson, executor of J. H. Clinton, filed an account of sales of personal estate.

A Fine Entertainment.

A beautiful Christmas cantata entitled "A Medley" was rendered at the Meth. Prot. Church in Chestertown on Thursday evening by members of the Sunday-school of that church. A full house witnessed the exercise and enjoyed it highly. The cantata as its name indicates is made up of a variety of Christmas hymns, recitations, tableaux, marches, &c., and the excellent manner in which it was rendered by the company on this occasion gave a delightful entertainment to old and young.

The tableaux were all good, but probably the most novel and interesting was that in which two pretty little misses appeared with a real live baby, eight months old. As one of the little girls sat holding the little one in her lap the other knelt caressingly by her side, and in this position the two recited their parts in the most perfect childlikeness—the baby performing his part all the while as though he was "up to the importance of the occasion."

The opening address was by Paul Graham, a manly little fellow, who did his part well, and this was followed by the "Banner Song"—fifteen girls carrying banners, marching and singing, and closing with the display of letters to spell the words "A Merry Christmas;" as they closed their song the balance of the company appeared from behind the curtains singing "Let every heart a tribute bring," and as the last verse was softly repeated, ending with the chorus "Be peace on earth, good-will to men," another curtain at the back of the stage was drawn revealing a brilliant star in a black ground and under it in beautiful colored letters the motto of the chorus, while the whole company were in a kneeling posture. The curtain was here drawn amidst the blazing of the red lights. The balance of the program was as follows:

Duet and chorus, Minnie Usilton, Mollie Parks; recitation and invisible chorus, Maggie Sappington; recitation, Amy Russell, Harry Sappington; tableau, the Christmas Dream; recitation and chorus, Hydie Thompson; tableau, a widow and children in thankfulness; recitation, with a live baby, Katie Benjamin, Mabel Graham; bell ringing song, 24 boys and girls; recitation by "A Boy," Will Russell; recitation, Lizzie Fowler, Lottie Russell and Effie Taylor, with chant of the departing year, quartet, Mollie Parks, Annie Bennett, W. Melvin, W. A. Biscoe; tableau, the old year departing, Jas. Chapman, the New Year—Lulie Willis—with the seasons, Marian Lusby, Mary Elliott, Mamie Hopkins, Lizzie Sappington; tableaux, the boy and the crow, the boy and the giant, and the boy sick in bed and being dosed; solo and chorus, Lizzie Benjamin; tableau, the cross and crown; recitation by the Widow Gray, Miss Nettie Russell, and march song to close.—Mrs. Lulie Bacchus presided at the organ; Mr. J. N. Dodd, cornetist.

School Matters.—Miss Jeannette Gooding has been appointed to the position of first assistant in the Chestertown school vacated by Miss Leaverton. Miss Gooding is a native of Kent, was educated in the public schools of the county, afterwards spending two years at and graduating from the State Normal School. She brings an experience of six years as a teacher in this county.

Miss Lina Moffett, formerly a teacher in the Chestertown school, has resigned her position at Lynch's and the vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Miss L. B. Bramble.

The public schools reopen next Monday.

To our Town Patrons.—Early in the coming week we shall call, as usual, upon the town patrons of the News for annual settlements. We give this notice that all may be ready for us. For twenty-five years we have pursued this course, without a single intermission during that time. It has proven a very satisfactory method both to ourselves and those with whom we have done business; with very rare exceptions we have found great pleasure in the prompt response to our calls.

S. S. Entertainment at St. James'.—An entertainment of an interesting character was given Monday evening at St. James' M. P. Church by the Sabbath school attached to the church, Mr. Wash. G. Skirven, superintendent, consisting of recitations and singing. Each of the children belonging to the school was presented with a well-filled bag of confectionery. It was a joyous occasion and will long be remembered by the children.

Closed Out.—The barber shop adjoining the News office closed business New Year's morning. It was about time, as the habits of the proprietor had rendered the shop anything but a desirable institution in the neighborhood.

FINAL NOTICE.

TAX PAYERS of the FIFTH DISTRICT!

All Tax Payers in arrears to me for Taxes are hereby notified that unless the same are settled on or before the 10th of January, 1886, I shall proceed without regard to person to advertise and sell. This notice is final.

NATHANIEL VOSHELL,
d26-3t. Late Collector.

GOOSE HILL MILL.

I HAVE RENTED THE WELL KNOWN *"GOOSE HILL" GRIST MILL,* and put everything in complete order for First-Class Work, and, giving my personal attention to the business in every detail, I am sure of my ability to please the community. I therefore earnestly solicit a liberal share of the public patronage.

MEAL, FLOUR, CHOP and all kinds of FEED will be kept on hand.

j≥2-1m* W. A. SAPPINGTON.

C. C. BROWN, Pomona, Md.,

BREEDER OF HIGH CLASS POULTRY

offers for sale Plymouth Rock (Conger strain), Wyandotte (Hawkins strain), Langshans, White Leghorn and Pekin Ducks.

N. B.—Can furnish birds not akin to those sold last season. d12-6t.

FOR SALE:

20 NICE SHOATS (14 Pure Bred Poland China and 6 Chester White.) Have had no cholera this season.

C. C. & HENRY BROWN,
d26-3t. Pomona, Md.

NOTICE.

I have placed my fee bills as Register of Wills in the hands of Wm. M. Slay, Esq., attorney, for Collection. Please call and settle same.

d19-3t. J. C. SLAUGHTER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the regular Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the CHESTERTOWN NATIONAL BANK for the election of Five Directors for the Bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank House in Chestertown TUESDAY, January 12th, 1886, at 11 o'clock a. m.

d19-3t. JOSEPH PETERSON, Cashier.

NOTICE:—The Annual Meeting of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, of Kent County, will be held at the Court House in Chestertown, on MONDAY the 4th day of January, 1886, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the election of Twelve Directors of said Company, to serve the ensuing year.

N. G. WESTCOTT,
d19-3t. Secretary.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby warned not to trespass with dog, gun or otherwise upon my farm known as "Bay Side," at Betterton, tenanted by John Young, under penalty of the law. MATILDA CANBY.

Oct. 31—3m.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trespassing upon the farms known as Camelsworthmore, The Skirven Farm or Merritt Farm after this date, with dog, gun or otherwise. The law will be strictly enforced.

Oct. 17—3m. WILLIAM R. GALE.

SALT! SALT! SALT!

During the next thirty days we will sell you a Four-bushel sack of Extra fine SALT at $1.50 cash.

n15. THOMPSON, uptown.

MARRIED.

In Philadelphia on Dec. 30, 1885, by Rev. E. Stubbs, A. NEWTON EBAUGH, of Baltimore, and Miss ANNIE E. LEAVERTON, of this town.

On the 23d ult., in the M. E. Church, Rock Hall, by Rev. G. S. Conaway, GEORGE R. SEWELL to Miss MARY C. THOMAS, all of Rock Hall.

At St. James, Dec. 22, 1885, by Rev. A. W. Mather, CHARLES MENCH to Miss KATE GUISER, both of this county.

At St. James, Dec. 23, 1885, by Rev. A. W. Mather, ALFRED L. BAKER and Miss IDA L. SPARKS, both of this county.

At the M. E. Parsonage, Chestertown, Dec. 17, 1885, by Rev. John D. Kemp, WILLIAM R. SHUSTER, of New Jersey, and Miss ANNIE E. APSLEY, of this county.

Dec. 23, 1885, by Rev. R. L. Lewis, BENJAMIN F. MIDDLETON and Miss KATE AMELIA GARDINER.

Dec. 26, 1885, by Rev. R. L. Lewis, WALTER W. GALE and Miss LULIE M. MASLIN.

At the M. E. Parsonage in this town on Dec. 22, 1885, by the Rev. John D. Kemp, JAMES MARTIN and EMILIE J. WINCHESTER, both of this county.

At the M. E. Parsonage in Chestertown on Dec. 23, 1885, by Rev. John D. Kemp, WM. H. CREW and LAURA L. CREW, both of this co.

At St. James M. P. Parsonage on Dec. 29th, 1885, by the Rev. A. W. Mather, THOMAS S. PARSONS and Miss MARTHA A. MILLER, both of this county.

DIED.

Fell asleep in Jesus, in full hope of a blessed immortality, on Dec. 23, at 6.15 a. m., Rev. E. B. Newnam, aged 49 years.

In Queen Anne's county on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1885, JAMES, son of Jos. J. and Sarah E. Kendall, in the 10th year of his age.

Near Galena, Dec. 26, after a long illness, MARY PIERSON, wife of Robert Pierson, aged about 35 years.

Near Buck Neck, December 24, of pneumonia, EMMA, daughter of Benjamin Nicholson, aged 4 years and 24 days.

Near St. Paul's, December 28, of pneumonia, HANS CHRISTIAN COSDEN, aged 66 years.

FOR SALE:

A FEW FINE DELAWARE BRONZE TURKEYS, for breeding purposes.

B. CAMP,
jan2-3t. Lankford, Kent Co., Md.

FOR RENT—

A DWELLING HOUSE suitable for a small family adjoining L. K. Stam's Furniture Store. The store in front will be occupied for Wholesale Tobacco business. For further particulars apply to

j2-3t* W. J. McFEELY.

FOR RENT

FOR THE YEAR 1886:

A PROPERTY finely located on High Street—STORE HOUSE and DWELLING under same roof. For terms apply to

THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, December 31st, 1885. 4t.

FOR SALE.

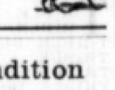
The KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS HALL, 20x40 feet, at Rock Hall Cross Roads, owned by Chesapeake Lodge No. 68, will be sold for less than half cost; suitable for dwelling or other purposes. Apply to

d19-3t.* JOHN DICKINSON, K. R. & S.

FOR RENT for the year 1886.

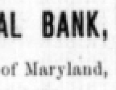
DWELLING HOUSE on Princess Street in Chestertown, in complete order.

sept5-tf. Apply to H. C. CHASE.



STRAYED to my premises near Lambson's Station TWO HOGS, Sows, no marks. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away.

d19-3t. JOHN F. VOSHELL, Galena.



HORSE FOR SALE—very cheap, on easy terms. Apply at News office.

Report of the Condition

OF THE

CHESTERTOWN NATIONAL BANK,

At CHESTERTOWN, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business Dec. 24, 1885.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	$125,508.49
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Due from approved reserve agents	115,529.53
Due from other National Banks	183,998.63
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	4,000.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	2,234.16
Premiums paid	1,437.50
Checks and other cash items	228.71
Bills of other Banks	1,211.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies	135.27
Specie	25,463.35
Legal tender notes	8,594.00
Total	$480,840.64
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	$50,000.00
Surplus fund	300.00
Undivided profits	7,768.24
Individual deposits subject to check	417,393.42
Certified Checks	2,985.85
Due to other National Banks	2,172.70
Due to State Banks and bankers	220.43
Total	$480,840.64

State of Maryland, County of Kent, ss:

I, Joseph Peterson, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH PETERSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of Dec. 1885.

VACHEL BURGESS, J. P.

Correct—Attest:

CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
N. G. WESTCOTT,
THOS. B. HYNSON,
1t. Directors.

T. JEFF. JOINER,

Practical Paper Hanger & Decorator,

CHESTERTOWN. MD.

I can furnish paper at the following prices: Plain Blanks, 10c.; Gold, 32c.; Embossed Gold, 50c.; Brown Back, 6c. Fresh samples can be seen at M. A. Toulson's Drug Store and all orders left with him will receive prompt attention. We defy competition in price of paper and quality of work. For quality of work would refer to the new houses lately papered by me for J. Burton Burchinal and E. W. F. Simpers.

THOS. J. IRVING & CO.,

MANUFACTURERS OF THE

DUPLEX ELLIPTIC YOKE SHIRTS!

ST. PAUL & FAYETTE STREETS,

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

True Fit, First-Class Goods, Low Prices.

Dec. 19-6m.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON MORTGAGE.

Apply to T. W. ELIASON.

Nov. 21, 1885—tf.

MONEY TO LOAN.

LARGE or SMALL SUMS on good farms in this county for five years or shorter periods. Interest 6 per cent.

THOMAS HILL,
n21-3m. Fayette & St. Paul Sts., Balto. Md.

$30,000 TO LEND in Large or Small sums on mortgage at LOW RATES

oc17-3m. CHAS. A. FISHER,
Real Estate Broker, Firemen's Building, N. E. corner, South and Second streets, Balto., Md

30,000 Peach Trees of all the leading market varieties, choicest selection of fruit, also all the desirable new varieties. Send for our descriptive list of Choice Mammoth Peaches. Early orders solicited. Fine, hearty, smooth stock. Call and examine it.

WM. K. JUDEFIND & CO.,
d26-3m. Edesville, Md.

DON'T PAY TWO PRICES FOR CARRIAGES when you can buy the Finest Buggies, Phaetons, Family Carriages and Spring Wagons with the Patent Safety Coupler, that prevents accidents. Receives first premiums wherever exhibited. Try us and save money.

Address Wm. K. Judefind & Co.,
d26-y. Edesville, Md.

A LOT OF SUPERIOR WHITE PINE RABBETED BARN WEATHERBOARDING for sale by T. W. ELIASON, Jr.

VENDUE!

BY VIRTUE of a bill of sale from W. H. Brooks and Rachel J. Brooks, his wife, the undersigned will sell at public sale at the hotel of Mr. John H. Thomas in Millington, on

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 6th, 1886,

the following property:

4 HEAD of HORSES,

including two Mares and one Stallion, four yrs. old; one of the Mares in foal;

2 Last Spring's Colts;

8 Head Cows & Heifers,

And Farming Utensils Generally.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock p. m.

TERMS:—Sums of $10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of Six Months on note with approved security, payable at the Chestertown National Bank, interest added.

WM. E. JARRELL.

Note.—The above sale is made at our request. We have discontinued farming and desire the sale of all the above property.

WM. H. BROOKS,
jan2-ts. RACHEL J. BROOKS.

Public Sale!

THE undersigned, agent for owners, will offer at Public Sale,

On TUESDAY, Jan. 6th, 1886,

at 2 o'clock p. m., in front of the Voshell House,

ONE BILLIARD TABLE

—ALSO—

One Pool Table,

and entire Fixtures in room under the Voshell House.

The Tables are of the H. W. Collender Co., of New York, manufacture. An excellent opportunity for a live man to engage in a permanent business.

Parties purchasing the Tables will have the privilege of the rent of the Billiard Room as long as desired.

TERMS:—Nine Months credit with a note negotiable and payable at the Chestertown National Bank with approved security. Sale peremptory.

GEO. W. HYNSON,
jan2-ts. Agent.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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

ANN E. KENDALL,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 9th day of July, 1886, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 29th day of December, 1885.

CHAS. T. WESTCOTT,
jan2-4t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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

LOUISA MORGAN,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

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THOMAS J. SHALLCROSS,
jan2-4t. Administrator.

Wheat 95c., Corn 37c.

How Are You Going to Stand It?

There is only one way and that is to buy your Goods from

F. A. ROEDER & BRO.,

Kennedyville, Md.

Our goods are all new and bought for the cash and can be sold at wonderfully reduced prices. A full line of

CHRISTMAS GOODS!

of every kind so low in price that you cannot help buying if you see them. Our stock also includes a full line of

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,
GROCERIES, BOOTS.
SHOES, HATS, CAPS,
CHINA AND GLASSWARE,

in fact everything that a well stocked store should contain. Our motto is: "Buy cheap and sell cheap."

d19-3t. F. A. ROEDER & BRO.

New Store Up Town.

BLACKWAY & BRO.,

have just opened a full line of

GROCERIES

—AND—

PROVISIONS,

which they offer to the public at lowest prices for Cash. We quote no prices but ask you to come and see us and we are sure you will come again.

COUNTRY PRODUCE SOLICITED.

We will thank you for a portion of your patronage. Yours, resp'y,

J. E. BLACKWAY & BRO.,

N. E. corner High Street and College Avenue, Chestertown. d19-y.

REMOVAL. BARTLEY, the Carpet Man, has removed to Cross Street, adjoining C. B. Rasin's Livery Stable. Plenty of Carpet and cheaper than ever. Our motto: "Good Work and Honest Measure." To my Patrons and the Public: Those intending to have Carpet made will please send in their orders early so as to avoid the rush later in the season. Thankful for past favors I am yours very resp'y,

JOHN BARTLEY,
sept26-3m Chestertown, Md.

TRUSTEES SALE

OF VALUABLE

REAL PROPERTY

In Chestertown.

THE undersigned by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county in equity will offer at public sale, on

TUESDAY, January 5. 1886,

At Eleven o'clock A. M.,

At the Voshell House in Chestertown, Maryland, ALL THAT

LOT or PARCEL of LAND

situate and lying at south corner of High and Cross streets in Chestertown, having a frontage on said High street of fifty feet and a depth of even width along Cross street of one hundred and fifteen feet.

THE IMPROVEMENTS

CONSIST OF A

THREE-STORY

BRICK HOUSE

COMMONLY CALLED THE

Burchinal Building

which fronts on High street, with Brick and Frame BACKBUILDING, fronting on Cross Street. The whole contains

SIX STORES,

on the First Floor, with SIX LARGE ROOMS ABOVE, SUITABLE FOR OFFICES AND LODGE ROOMS.

It is situated in the centre of the business part of the town where Stores are in great demand and command good rents.

This property offers a rare opportunity to any person desiring to make a safe and profitable investment in real estate, having a yearly rental value of $1300.

THE TERMS OF SALE:

The terms of sale as prescribed by the decree are one-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof, at the option of the trustee, and the balance in two equal installments in one and two years from day of sale, the credit payments to bear interest from day of sale and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with sureties to be approved by the trustee.

MARION deK. SMITH,
Trustee.

Chestertown, Dec. 12—ts.

Tax Collector's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of authority vested in me as Collector of State and County taxes, I have seized and taken in execution and will sell at Public Sale, on

TUESDAY, January 19, 1885,

At 12 o'clock M.,

In front of the Court House door, in Chestertown, all that

LOT OF LAND,

situate and being in the Fifth Election District of Kent county, Md., in the Swamps, adjoining the land of George B. Westcott and C. W. Stevens, containing

SIX ACRES of LAND,

MORE OR LESS,

being the same Lot which was conveyed to Henry Ward by William Shaw and wife by deed dated January 5th, 1846, and recorded among the Land Records for Kent county in Liber J. N. G., No. 10, Fol. 401, &c. Said Lot is assessed to Henry Ward and will be sold to pay $1.13 taxes due for the year 1884, together with interests and costs due and to become due thereon. Terms—cash.

NATHANIEL VOSHELL,
d26-ts Coll. taxes 5th Dist.

Tax Collector's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of authority vested in me as Collector of State and County taxes, I have seized and taken in execution and will sell at Public Sale, on

TUESDAY, January 5, 1886,

At 2.30 o'clock P. M.,

In front of the Court House door, in Chestertown, all that

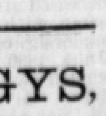
LOT OF LAND

in Chestertown, situated on Spring Hill, back of Maple Avenue, and adjoining the properties of Louis K. Stam and Thomas Jones. It is assessed to Richard Boyer.

The Improvements

on the lot consists of a

ONE-AND-A-HALF STORY



Frame Dwelling.

To be sold to pay taxes due for the year 1884, together with interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

Terms—cash.

GEO. S. BIDDLE,
Coll'r Taxes 4th Election District.

Dec. 12, 1885—ts.

E. T. COMEGYS,

GRAIN

Commission Merchant,

CHESTERTOWN, Md.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE PAID FOR WHEAT AND CORN DAILY.

I also have J. H. IRELAND at Locust Grove buying for me.

All communications by telephone will be promptly answered. Telephone call No. 64.

The Wm. Lea & Sons Company

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For Sale by the Wholesale or Retail.

Terms Positively C. O. D.

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