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Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN:
SATURDAY.....APR. 7, 1888.

SENATOR GORMAN expresses himself as confident of the passage of a tariff-reform bill by Congress. He says tariff reform will be the issue of the presidential campaign. Congressman Scott, of Pennsylvania, also speaks encouragingly of the tariff outlook.

GOVERNOR JACKSON's reception to the Maryland editors last Thursday week was in every way creditable to the gubernatorial mansion. The Governor honored himself in thus honoring the press of his State, and his noble wife and accomplished daughter were as pleasant and attractive as the most lavish pen pictures have presented them.

THE EDITORIAL BANQUET, at the Maryland Hotel in Annapolis last week was one of the most brilliant affairs of the kind ever held in Maryland. Over thirty editors were present and invited guests to the number of nearly a hundred. Geo. T. Melvin, Esq., of Annapolis, presided, with Col. W. Scott Roberts, of Centreville, and Col. L. V. Baughman, of Frederick, as his right and left supporters.

IT is very much to be regretted that the House of Representatives on Monday defeated Representative Crain's joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment changing the date of the beginning of Congressional sessions to January 1 succeeding a Congressional election and the date of the Presidential inauguration from March 4 to April 30. The present system is illogical and absurd, compelling a short session of Congress every two years, at which nothing of importance is likely to be done. A further objection to the present system is that a Congress is elected nearly a full year before it convenes, thus depriving the promptly upon the issues upon which they people of a body of lawmakers ready to act may have been elected. Mr. Crain's proposition was a good one and should have been sustained.

A Tariff Bill at Last.

A tariff bill was reported to the House on Monday, but it is not precisely the measure given to the public some weeks ago. It was modified slightly before being fully agreed upon in the committee on ways and means, and it has since been altered to a small extent in consequence of conferences with various interests. The bill has been framed to pass, and not to accord with the idea of any particular class of tariff-reformers. The programme of the majority of the ways and means committee was to approach as nearly to an ideal tariff measure as the exigencies of the situation would permit. They must conciliate votes, else their bill could not command a majority during the present session. Still they have succeeded in producing what the country has pronounced a useful measure, and one that would afford relief to the taxpayer and at the same time reduce the government's revenue to the proper proportions. The most noteworthy recent change in the committee's bill is the restoration of the old classification of sugars and a uniform reduction of 20 per cent on each grade. On the lowest grade the duty is reduced to 1.12 cents per pound; on the next higher grade to 2.20 cents; on the third grade to 2.40 and on the fourth to 2.80. The bill will, it is stated, soon be called up for consideration in the House.

THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL.—The Women's International Council at Washington closed with a "symposium" Sunday night. It has been a pleasant reunion of women, and their rights and wrongs, their aims and purposes, have been discussed in a very interesting way. The field of woman's work has been very much broadened within the past quarter of a century. Their condition has been greatly ameliorated by legislation and particularly in Maryland, which is in advance of most of the States in protecting the rights of women with respect to holding of property and in their marital relations. In social and industrial matters there has been a vast improvement. Their influence in social questions is every year more and more strongly felt. It is, moreover, in these that, as they affect the home, they are specially within the exercise of their right. The old laws that subordinated in all things the wife to the husband are becoming obsolete, and the independent possession and disposal of her own property has in quite a number of States been assured to her. What remains of unjust restrictions will be abolished in time, and a closer equality between the sexes, which should be the complement of each other, will ultimately be established. Mrs. Mary E. Brown, of Chestertown, was in attendance upon the council for several days and was much pleased with what she saw and heard.

Centennial Celebrations in Ohio.

On the 15th of July next a series of public services will begin at Marietta, O., in commemoration of the establishment of the first civil government of the Northwest Territory a hundred years before. On the 7th of April, 1788, a band of surveyors and others from New England, under the leadership of General Putnam, landed at the present site of Marietta to prepare the way for the colonists that were to establish themselves there under the auspices of the Ohio company. These colonists were composed of soldiers of the Revolution, to whom Continental Congress had granted lands in the then wild region of the Northwest Territory, part of which had originally been claimed by Virginia, but was ceded by her to the federal government, and became thenceforward public domain. That part of the Territory known as the Western Reserve was claimed by Connecticut, and Massachusetts and New York also had set up claims under their several grants, but they all united in transferring to the federal government whatever rights they may have had and under the ordinance of 1787 a civil government was established for the territory northwest of the Ohio river and Gen. Arthur St. Clair appointed the first Governor in July, 1788. In December of the same year a settlement was made on the present site of Cincinnati. As Marietta had precedence of all other settlements it was proper that the centennial celebration of the founding of Ohio should take place there. The celebration promises to be a great affair. The exercises will include an address of welcome by Governor Foraker, an oration by Senator Hoar, Massachusetts, an address by ex-President Hayes, an oration by Hon. J. Randolph Tucker, of Virginia, and addresses by Senator Saerman and others, closing with a general reception at the city hall. It is proposed to give the event a national character, and to carry it out with imposing ceremonies.

BENJAMIN HARRIS BREWSTER, Attorney-General of the United States during President Arthur's administration, and during whose term of office the famous star-route cases were prosecuted, died early Wednesday morning at his home in Philadelphia, aged 71 years. He had been suffering during the entire winter with disease of the kidneys, but his condition did not become serious until about a month ago, since which time he has been confined to the house.

EASTER SUNDAY.

FINE MUSIC AND BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS IN ALL THE CHURCHES.

All the churches in Chestertown were largely attended, both morning and evening, on Easter Sunday, and services appropriate to the day were observed in each. Pulpits and chancels were handsomely dressed with floral decorations. At the M. E. Church in the evening the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to a large number of communicants. The music was as follows: Morning—"Christ our Lord is Risen To-day," by Kenser; "Easter Anthem," Kinsey; "Praise the Lord in Songs of Joy," Stewart. Evening—"Christ our Passover," Emmerson; "Jubilatte Deo," Bartlett; "Sanctus," Bennett; "Hark the Song of Jubilee," Chase; "Break Forth into Joy," Glenn; the latter sung by request. The choir is composed as follows: Prof. R. K. Pippin, leader; Miss Belle Pippin, organist; Misses Emma Lambert, Florence Cavender and Sue Lambert, sopranos; Miss Anna Lambert and Frank Davis, altos; M. W. Thomas, Edw. Lambert, Thomas S. Bordley and G. Hines Thomas, tenors; J. W. Bordley, Harry Brice, R. Snowden Thomas, bass; J. W. Crouch, Walter T. Pippin, baritone; W. C. Orrell, cornetist. In the morning the pastor, Rev. R. W. Todd, preached an appropriate sermon.

At the Catholic Church selections were sung from Concone's, Peters' and Bordese's masses, and the English hymn, "Strike the Cymbal," by the following choir: Mrs. Marian Rogers, Mrs. Jas. T. Dixon, Miss L. Duyer, Mrs. Sweeny, Miss Elma Massey, Messrs. L. K. Stam, F. H. Anderson and John Sweeny. Rev. Father Murphy's sermons were able and appropriate.

The P. E. Church choir in the morning rendered "Christ Our Passover," by Fred. Schilling: "Te Deum," Mrs. Gen. Hancock; "Jubilatte Deo," unknown; "Lift Your Glad Voices," Williams. At night the chants "Cantate" and "Benedic." The choir is composed as follows: Miss Hallie L. Beck and Miss Lucy Robertson, sopranos; Miss Mary I. Beck, alto; Prof. E. J. Clarke, basso; Horace W. Beck, tenor; organist, Miss Mary Hurtt. Rev. Mr. Roberts, the rector, improved the occasion by admirable discourses morning and evening.

At the M. P. Church sermons appropriate to the occasion were delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Graham, and the choir sang the following fine selections in addition to pieces from the regular church hymnal: Morning—"Holy, holy," Perkins; "The Pallid Dawn is Stealing," Sweeny. Evening—"Lift Your Glad Voices," Wiske; "He Lives," Danks; "Christ Our Passover," Fred Schilling. Mr. Walter W. Chapman was the musical director and Miss Mary Chapman presided at the organ, and the following composed the choir: Mrs. Thos. S Dodd, Mrs. Wm. R. Aldridge, Misses Clare Vannort, Etta Usilton, Anna Robertson, Lizzie Sappington, sopranos; Misses Mollie Parks, Coe Thompson, Marian Lasby, altos; T. D. Bowers, H. L. Dodd, tenors; A. A. Biscoe, Fred. G. Usilton, Thos. S. Dodd, bass. The solos by Mrs. Dodd, Mrs. Aldridge, Miss Parks and Mr. Biscoe were most charming features of the music at this church, though all the parts were grandly taken.

The Peach Exchange.

In another column we give the proceedings of the meeting held in Baltimore last Monday by fruit growers and others looking to the establishment of a fruit exchange. Kent seems to have been well represented and is honored with the most important officers in the new organization. What will be the outcome of the movement remains to be seen. Possibly it will be a grand success and provide the peach grower a market for his fruit when the great crop comes on. But more probably it will fail to meet the expectation of its friends, at least for a year or two. The prophets of evil will hamper it. Its avowed enemies will strangle it—if they can. And worse than all, those who know the great advantages that might be realized *will not sustain it*. Not that these latter do not want it sustained; indeed they are very desirous that it should be, but somebody else must do the sustaining if it is to cost anything either of time, labor or money. It may require one or two seasons' sad experience to secure the requisite support for any systematic movement of peach growers in their own interest.

M. P. Conference.

The Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church assembled in Broadway Church, Baltimore, last Wednesday. Rev. Wm. S. Hammond was re-elected president for a third term, and Rev. W. R. Graham secretary, who re-appointed Rev. J. W. Kirk as his assistant. The president's report showed great progress in all branches of church work during the year. Over 2,400 members have been admitted to the church, and the money expended for material improvements or the payment of church debts during the year amounts to over one hundred thousand dollars. The number of churches and chapels finished during the year or now in course of erection, 23; number of churches improved, 21; parsonages built or bought, 5; parsonages improved, 14. Among the important items of business to be transacted is the election of delegates to a General Conference of the church, which meets in Adrian, Michigan, the ensuing month. The Conference session will close next Tuesday or Wednesday.

CANNING HOUSES.—Mr. Charles F. Chase, of Baltimore, of the firm of Hemingway & Co., who are largely engaged in the canning business, paid Chestertown a visit last Saturday and took a look at its surroundings with a view to its eligibility for a canning house. He was much pleased with our town and the adjacent county, but returned to the city without definitely determing upon locating a branch house here.

Messrs. McVay & Bellingham were also in town again this week and went from here to Worton Station, where they may locate a canning house. They have already arranged to open an establishment at Lynch's.

In conversation with Mr. Chase we learned that the market is more nearly bare of canned peaches now than for many years past, which gives assurance of a heavy demand this season for fruit. He states that he recently sold the last of his '82 pack, and believes the growers will realize fair prices for peaches even though the crop may be large—that is if proper care is exercised in handling the same. Growers stand in their own light—especially when fruit is plentiful—in shipping unfit qualities to market.

THE first State election of 1888 was held in Rhode Island on Wednesday for Governor, other State officers and members of the Legislature. The returns show the success of the republican ticket by greatly reduced majorities.

THE Centreville *Observer* mentions Chief Judge Robinson of this circuit as a suitable person to fill the vacancy in the Supreme Court of the United States, and the Cambridge *News* recommends Senator Wilson for the same position.

A Brilliant Reception.

A notable event in Chestertown social circles was the reception given last Thursday evening by Hope H. Barroll, Esq., and bride, they having recently returned from an extended wedding tour through portions of the South and West. The Mecteer homestead, on Front street, was magnificently furnished for the future home of the newly wedded pair and upon their return they took possession of the same, and it needed just such a reception as was given on the evening named to give their numerous friends an opportunity to welcome them and inaugurate the new home life upon which they have just entered.

The reception began at 8 o'clock and it was half-past twelve before the last of the guests departed. The happy groom was his own "best man" and his lovely bride her own "best lady," and did the honors of the evening with that charming ease and grace with which both are so fully endowed. The groom was assisted by Mr. W. W. Hubbard and Dr. C. P. Gilpin, two of the efficient ushers at the wedding ceremony, while the bride was supported by a group of pretty young ladies, as follows: Miss Stone, of New York; Miss Horwitz, of Baltimore; the Misses Dever of Harper's Ferry; Miss Ethel Crisfield, of Washington; Miss Pratt and Miss Causey, of Milford, Del.; Miss Mamie Wethered, Miss Josephine Wickes, Miss Lizzie Roberts and Miss Addie Kennard, of Chestertown. All were in full evening dress, the bride in heavy brocade silk looking even more attractive than in her brightest hours of "single blessedness."

The old homestead never was so brilliant as upon this occasion. The new and rich furniture and handsome walls and ceilings were seen to peculiar advantage in the brilliant light from gold and silver candlesticks and beautiful shades. The table in the dining room, to which the guests were invited, after a pleasant sojourn in the parlors, was unsurpassed in its dressings of pleasing things for the eye and taste. In the centre stood a pyramid of smilax and Marechal Neil roses, while confections and ices in unique shapes were interspersed with dishes of salads and other edibles. Some of the forms in which the ice-cream of a half-dozen different kinds appeared were certainly a wonderful achievement of cuisine skill; watermelons, cantaleupes and even boquets of flowers were represented. Mrs. Barroll, the groom's mother, and her sister, Mrs. Mecteer, had charge of these table decorations and certainly deserve this mention for their success and wonderful artistic accomplishment.

About one hundred and fifty guests were present during the evening and everything passed off splendidly. Among those from a distance besides those above named were the following: Oscar M. Purnell, Esq., of Snow Hill; E. T. Comegys and wife, of Locust Grove; Mrs. Emory and Miss Anna Casey, of Masseys; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rasin, of Lankford; Mr. Hiram E. Mitchell, of Oregon; Pearce Crisfield, of New York, and J. Leeds Barroll, Esq., of Philadelphia.

Our County Fair.

The agricultural association discussed the subject of another Kent county fair at the meeting last Monday, when the sentiment was decidedly in favor of holding a fair next fall. Our correspondent's letter will be found in another column. The question of a fair will come up again and be finally disposed of next Monday, week. It is hoped there will be a large attendance at that meeting.

DAILY TRIPS.—The Chester River Line will begin round trips next Tuesday. The Emma A. Ford leaving Chestertown and the B. S. Ford leaving Centreville daily at 7 A. M., and reaching Baltimore at 11.00 will give several hours time for business or pleasure in the city and return the same day. All the officers of the line are clever and accommodating; the boats are first-class in every respect and no company could strive more diligently to accommodate the community than the Chester River Line. Returning, leave pier 7 at 2.45 and 3 P. M. This is the same schedule that was so popular on the route last year and will no doubt prove equally so this season.

CAROLINE COUNTY COURT.—The April term of the circuit court for Caroline county began Monday. Judge Wickes presided alone, Judge Stump not having fully recovered from his recent attack of pneumonia. The call of the docket showed only nineteen appearances, the smallest number for years. Among the cases to be tried is a removed suit from Talbot county, in which Samuel H. Fluharty sues Thomas Rowens for slander, claiming $10,000 damages.

MARBLE YARD.—Mr. A. J. Hynson, successor to Chas. H. Moore, gives notice in another column of the future conduct of the "Chestertown Marble Yard." Mr. Hynson has employed the best skilled workmen and will give his personal attention. He has some beautiful specimens of marble on hand for monuments which he will sell very low in order to reduce his stock. Call and see him at the old stand, opposite Armstrong's hotel.

THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN POISONED.—Louis Ware, a thirteen-year-old son of Captain Thos. Ware, of Crumpton, was taken suddenly ill on Wednesday evening of last week and on Thursday morning died. It is is the opinion of some of the physicians of Crumpton that he died from the effect of poison. It is supposed he ate poisoned food intended for a rat or dog. He was buried Friday afternoon at Chesterville cemetery.

"QUEEN ESTHER" IN CENTREVILLE.—A half dozen young men from Chestertown went to Centreville last Tuesday evening to see "Queen Esther," under the management of Prof. Wyatt. They were delighted, of course. The professor has made many additions to the piece, and though this is the third time it has been played in Centreville, full houses greeted the company each evening.

SUSPENDED.—The *Kent Independent*, a new paper started here about the first of the year, has suspended with its affairs in very bad shape. The reputed owner has moved away and its printers are left unpaid, while the subscribers and advertisers who made advance payments are the victims of misplaced confidence.

RESOLD.—The fruit farm of Dr. Price at Lankford, reported last week as having been sold to Mr. Joseph Price, was subsequently resold to Mr. Richard Groves, of Quaker Neck, at the same figure at which it was bid in by Mr. Price.

A JUVENILE MINSTREL SHOW, exclusively by home talent, will be given next Friday evening in Chestertown. Admission 15c. and 10c. A full house should greet the little company.

THE UNDERTAKING BUSINESS.—Mr. Jas. E. Blackiston, Edesville, and Wm. T. Hicks, Galena, are engaged in the undertaking business, and are prepared to attend funerals at short notice.

Francis Baker.

One by one the old citizens are passing away. Last week we announced the demise of Isaac Parsons. In this issue Francis Baker's name appears in the death column. He had suffered for a long time and was tenderly cared for by his children, making his home with first one and then another. He was the last of five brothers—Samuel, Thomas, William and Captain Richard Baker—and two sisters. His fourth wife survives him. He also leaves five children, namely: James H. Baker, a member of the recent House of Delegates; Mrs. Thomas Toulson, Mrs. Dr. Maxwell, Mrs. Harry Price and Miss Georgie Baker. The remains of the deceased were interred in Chester cemetery last Tuesday, the religious services being conducted by Rev. J. D. Reese, pastor of Pomona circuit. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Benj. F. Beck, John A. Groves, Arthur Kendall, Wm. H. Ayres, John H. Redue and S. W. Brown.

BALL AT CENTREVILLE.—The young men of Centreville gave a ball on Thursday evening, which is represented as a very brilliant affair and numerously attended. A handsome collation was served during the evening and it was after four o'clock in the morning when the company dispersed. The following young ladies were present from Chestertown: Misses Hallie and Mary Beck, Nannie and Jennie Hines, Nelie Walker, Mollie Alrich, Emily Ringgold, Belle Aldridge, Emma Gilpin, Lillie Hynson. Also the following gentlemen: Messrs. R. D. Hynson, Horace W. Beck, L. W. Wickes, S. T. Wickes, Jno. D. Welch, Wm. S. Walker, Jr., Wm. Hines, Stevenson Constable, Jr., Wm. H. Cacy.

DREDGERS ARRESTED.—Captain William T. George, of the police sloop Mary Compton, arrested on March 29th the schooner Amelia, Capt. Thomas Price, for dredging in Chester river on the 13th and 14th of February; were taken before Esquire Davis at Rock Hall, and trial postponed until April 5th. This vessel is one of the number that Captain George got charges against while his vessel, the Compton, was in the ice in Chester river at the time the violation was committed, Capt. George having taken three other vessels on the same charges. The schooner Amelia is owned by E. Strong and T. Crouch, of Piney Neck.

THE KENT GUARDS.—Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. Woolford, of Cambridge, was in Chestertown on Wednesday night and inspected the Kent Guards and found the company in good condition. The members of the company who went to the militia encampment at Hagerstown last summer will be paid in a few days, an appropriation having been made by the late Legislature for that purpose. Captain Calder has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted, and a new captain will be elected about the first of May.

A DONATION PARTY.—The congregation of the P. E. Church, Chestertown, called in a body on the pastor, Rev. S. C. Roberts, on Tuesday evening last and spent a very pleasant social evening. A great number of handsome presents accompanied the guests, expressive of the good-will and esteem in which the pastor is justly held. Among the presents were a handsome Brussels carpet with velvet rug, and more than $150 in money.

GRAND JURY WITNESSES.—The new act of the General Assembly requiring witnesses before the grand jury to be sworn before the foreman, or some member designated by the foreman for the purpose, instead of by the clerk, takes effect from the date of its passage, and having been approved by the governor is therefore now the law, and will be applicable at the April term of court.

THE FINE SPRING WEATHER the present week has had a magic effect upon wheat and grass, and the peach buds will soon be bursting open. Another week of favorable weather will bring the orchards out in full bloom, which will be at least two weeks earlier than last spring. The outlook for fruit was never more favorable in Kent than at the present time.

FRESH FISH are plentiful in our market. Herring are of remarkable size and cheap. The first Maryland shad were taken to Baltimore last Monday on the steamer Gratitude; they were shipped by Mr. Geo. W. Rollison, of Long Cove. The best shad brought $1 per pair in Baltimore on Wednesday, while herring could be had as low as fifty cents per barrel!

VACANCY FILLED.—At the regular quarterly meeting of the directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county held last Monday, Mr. Robert G. Nicholson was elected a member of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Isaac Parsons.

THE fair and festival held by the young people of the P. E. Church, Chestertown, last Monday evening, yielded the handsome net profit of $107. The lecture room in which the affair was held is entirely too small for so popular an enterprise.

THE new track at Chestertown is now being graded and will be in condition for driving in a few days. Any persons who may have horses to develop can address Mr. Jas. M. Startt, at Chestertown, where he will locate for this season.

NURSERY STOCK.—Mr. Jas. T. Shallcross, of the Diamond State Nurseries, Middletown, Del., advertises 50,000 first-class peach trees in lots of 5,000 or more at $30 per thousand.

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY.—Mr. C. M. Lucas has sold to Mr. J. R. Clements for $1,780 the house on High street, in Chestertown, now occupied by the latter.

STEDMAN T. WICKES, Esq., attorney, advertises six farms in Kent county at private sale—all desirably located and well set in fruit.

THE concert advertised for April 10th at Stam's Hall has been abandoned for the present.

JUMPING FROM A HEIGHT OF 10,000 FEET.—An *Evening Journal* special from Jackson, Michigan, dated April 4, says: "Professor Hogan made a magnificent leap from his balloon shortly after noon today. The first attempt at an ascension was a failure, but the second effort was a success, and the air ship soon reached a height estimated at nearly 10,000 feet. At this elevation the balloon seemed to stand still, and by the aid of glasses Hogan could be seen edging over the side of the car. Suddenly a cry went up, "He's jumped," and the crowds craned their necks to see the man dash himself to pieces. The parachute failed to work at first, and the daring aeronaut was seen diving to earth with lightning speed. A moment later, however, the umbrella-shaped life-preserver opened its wings, and Hogan's rapid descent was checked. From that point he dropped slowly and reached the earth safely in four minutes at a point about 1½ miles from the city. The foolhardy man dropped 500 feet before his parachute opened."

IT is rumored that the Hon. Charles H. Gibson intends to become a benedict. His many friends will rejoice greatly thereat. All Charley needs to make him perfect is a good wife.—*Boston Democrat.*

PERSONAL MENTION.

O. M. Purnell, Esq., of the Snow Hill *Messenger*, and Hiram E. Mitchell, Esq., a son of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, who were in Chestertown to attend the reception of H. H. Barroll, Esq., and wife, paid us a call yesterday morning. Mr. Purnell publishes one of the live papers of the peninsula. Mr. Mitchell is a gentleman of fine parts intellectually and socially and appears favorably impressed with this section of the country and especially with our "fair ones," to whom he paid the compliment of saying that he had heard before he came of our pretty ladies and found them as beautiful as rumor pictured them.

John Y. Todd, Esq., local editor of the Annapolis *Republican*, is quite popular, as he deserves to be, in "ye ancient city." Many of our citizens will remember him for his many estimable characteristics when a student at Washington College.

WM. I. Duncan, Esq., editor of the Baltimore County *Democrat*, was one of the best speakers in the House during the recent session. He is also a good lawyer.

Mr. C. H. Moore has sold his interest in marble works here, together with the house and lot used in the conduct of the business to Mr. A. J. Hynson, and has removed to Vermont where he owns an interest in a valuable quarry.

Rev. W. M. Strayer spent a full week in Annapolis, with other prominent city temperance workers, in the interest of the prohibition amendment. The defeat of the measure was no doubt a sad disappointment to its advocates.

Miss Emma Cunningham, of Baltimore, is visiting at Mr. Wm. J. McFeely's, Chestertown.

Prof. T. N. Williams, of Washington College, has been elected superintendent of the M. E. Sunday school, Chestertown, vice Jas. E. Mirch, resigned. He took charge of the school on last Sunday. The professor has had much experience in Sunday school work and will no doubt make an efficient superintendent.

The following lay delegates from charges in Kent county, are attending the M. P. Conference now in session in Baltimore—Chestertown, Wm. J. Vannort; St. James, Samuel Vannort; Wesley Chapel, Samuel Burgess; Kennedyville, Wm. J. Hurlock; Sassafras, W. H. Spry.

Robert W. Bramble, of Cambridge, son of the late Andrew Bramble of this county, died on the 24th ult., leaving a widow and six children. He was about 43 years of age and had been in the nursery business in Dorchester for the past eight years. His wife was a daughter of the late Gilbert Wood.

Mr. Hiram G. Dudley, a native of Queen Anne's county and a prominent commission merchant of Baltimore, has been appointed one of the democratic members of the board of Supervisors of Baltimore city.

Col. R. C. Johnson and son, Stonewall J. Johnson, tender their thanks to their neighbors for services rendered at the recent fire which destroyed the dwelling of the latter in his absence.

Mr. Harry S. Francis, the clerk to the Engrossing Committee of the House of Delegates, was presented on Tuesday with a handsome silver pitcher by his associates.

Mrs. M. E. Catlin, for the past several years a resident of Centreville, removed to Chestertown last week.

Governor Jackson has appointed Colonel Wm. McKenney as one of his staff with the rank of brigadier-general.

Mrs. S. P. Kirwin, of Baltimore, is visiting friends in Chestertown.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Apr. 3.—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett.

C. J. A. Scott, adm'r of Jos. P. Ireland, filed inventory of personal estate of deceased and obtained order of sale.

W. E. Keyser and Vincent Lee returned appraisement of rental value of estate of Perry Chambers, dec'd.

A warrant was issued to Thos. H. Horsey and Geo. M. Beasten to appraise the rental estate of Jos. P. Ireland.

Letters of admin. on the personal estate of Joshua Vansant were granted to Hope H. Barroll.

Wm. D. Carter was appointed guardian to Clara, Robert N., Sallie and Effie Rash.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met Tuesday.—Full board present.

The commissioner from each district reported and nominated road supervisors for his district, which were appointed by order of the board.

The board also adopted sundry duties for regulation of general janitor for court house and grounds, and appointed Mr. Samuel Shuster at a salary of $150 per annum.

Board was further engaged in transferring property and in examining, approving and passing accounts for levy.

SHAD from the Chesapeake bay made their appearance in our market on Tuesday. Herring are unusually large this season.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY is advertised by Miss Anna W. Hartley.

A STOCK FARM NEAR ELKTON.—Mr. Wm. M. Singerly, proprietor of the Philadelphia *Record* and the *Record* pulp works near Elkton, who recently purchased the "Holly Hall" property near the latter place from the heirs of the late J. E. Barroll, proposes to convert it into a stock farm and has sent Mr. R. T. C. Crouch, his trainer, to Lexington, Ky., to bring on about fifteen trotting horses. The horses will be kept on the grounds of the Cecil County Agricultural Society for the present.

IN the midst of crowds of passengers, coming and going, Tuesday afternoon a vicious black bear snapped the iron bars of her cage like match sticks and leaped angrily on to the platform at Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. But for the coolness of an attendant of the Zoological Garden, who had her in charge, the beast would have made a death record. As it was, she was recaptured, after creating lots of excitement and clawing her keeper unmercifully.

LOCAL OPTION IN CECIL.—The recent grand jury of Cecil upon adjournment last week made the following reference to the local option law in their report:

"Our investigations have proved to us conclusively that no citizen of this county within the pale of respectability is at this time engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquor, and it is with pleasure and pride that we invite the attention of your honorable Court to the fact that the whisky monster in Cecil county is at last groveling in the dust."

CLAUS SPRECKELS has determined to build his sugar refinery in Philadelphia.

MARRIED.

On Wednesday evening, March 28, 1888, at the Methodist Protestant Church, Oxford, Md., by Rev. J. W. Keepler, assisted by Rev. Alfred Smith, Rev. J. W. KIRK, of the Maryland Conference, M. P. Church, to Miss GERTRUDE BRATT, of Oxford, Talbot county, Md.

DIED.

Near Masseys, March 30, 1888 GEORGE B. GARRETT, in the 70th year of his age. [Centreville papers please copy.]

On the 1st instant, in Quaker Neck, at the residence of his son-in-law, Thos. W. Toulson, FRANCIS BAKER, aged 74 years.

In Cambridge, Maryland, on the 24th ult., ROBERT W. BRAMBLE, in the 43d year of his age.

PREACHING.—REV. J. L. KILLGORE, D. D., of the Maryland Conference, will preach in the M. P. Church, Chestertown, to-morrow (Sunday) morning and night. It.

BISHOP ADAMS, of the Diocese of Easton, will make his Spring visitation to Emmanuel Church, Chestertown, Tuesday night, April 17, at 7½ o'clock; St. Paul's, Wednesday morning, April 18, at 10½ o'clock; I. U., Thursday morning, April 19, at 10½ o'clock; Shrewsbury and Galena, April 20; Masseys, April 21; Millington, April 22. apr7-2t.

LOST.—50 CENTS REWARD.—A letter addressed to J. D. Davis, being an explanation from Chas. H. Moore of his leaving town indebted to me. The letter is useless to anyone but myself, and I will pay the above reward if it is returned to me at the Voshell House. CLYDE DAVIS.

NOTICE.—The YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, of Chestertown, will meet weekly on Tuesday Evening at 8 o'clock, until further notice. JNO. W. PALMER, SEC'Y.

IT IS SPLENDID—"A SHAKER." mar24-tf At McDONNELL'S Bee Hive Store.

MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGES.
$1,000, $2,000, $3,000, $5,000, $10,000 and $15,000 to loan on Mortgages at 6 per cent.
Apply to HOPE H. BARROLL,
mar31-3t. Att'y-at-Law, Chestertown, Md.

WANTED.
A GOOD FRESH COW, aged about six years.
ma24-3t. T. W. ELIASON, Jr.

AT PRIVATE SALE.
A FINE COUNTRY STORE, doing a good business, in a thriving, prosperous village in the best section of Kent county, carries a stock of $2,000; on easy terms; first-class business chance for a pushing, energetic man.
Apply to HOPE H. BARROLL,
mar31-tf.* Att'y-at-Law, Chestertown, Md.

CARD OF THANKS.—Our sincere thanks are hereby tendered our friends and neighbors who so diligently labored to suppress the fire and save the furniture, on the 28th ult., when the dwelling of S. J. Johnson was consumed in his absence.
RICHARD C. JOHNSON,
April 7—3t. S. J. JOHNSON.

FARMS FOR SALE.
I have for sale SIX FINE FARMS, located in the best portions of Kent county, ranging in size from 250 to 600 acres. Terms of sale can be made to suit the purchasers.
STEDMAN T. WICKES,
apr7-4t. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Chestertown, Md.

FOR SALE:
50,000 FIRST-CLASS PEACH TREES at $35 per thousand, 10 per cent. discount for cash, in lots of 5,000 or more $30 per thousand. For descriptive catalogue address
JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,
a7-3t. Diamond State Nurseries, Middletown, Del.

GRAND HOP.
There will be a Grand Hop in Piney Neck, on THURSDAY, April 12th. Music from Baltimore. *Positively no intoxicated person allowed on the ground.* Admittance 25 cents for lady and gentleman. Everybody cordially invited. EMORY CROUCH.

TAKE NOTICE.
CHANGE OF PROPRIETORS!
The undersigned has sold out his store business in Sandy Bottom to SANFORD ROE, who will hereafter conduct the business, and I expect to return to Baltimore about April 12th. A liberal patronage is solicited for my successor.
apr7-2t.* E. R. ROE.

FOR SALE:
TWO DWELLING HOUSES and several BUILDING LOTS in Lynchburg. Terms easy. Apply to C. W. C. JOHNSON,
apr7-3t. AGENT.

Election of Town Commissioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held at the Court House in Chestertown on MONDAY, April 23, 1888, for the purpose of electing one person to serve for three years in the place of JOHN F. HOWARD, one of the present commissioners, whose term expires on that date. Polls open from 9 o'clock A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M.
By order of the Board,
JOS. N. WHEATLEY, CLERK.
April 7, 1888—4t.

FISH FOR SALE.

Fresh Herring by the 100 or 1,000.

Also, Herring Salted,
By the 100 or Barrel.
GUARANTEED TO KEEP.
All at lowest prices.
EDGAR H. STRONG,
apr7-3t*. Gray's Inn Point.

Funeral Director!

JAS. E. BLACKISTON,

EDESVILLE,
is prepared to attend funerals in any section of the county at the shortest notice, giving personal attention to every detail of the same.
COFFINS and CASKETS of the best and most modern styles, cloth-covered, metallic or polished, furnished at the VERY LOWEST PRICES.
Burial robes, shrouds and slippers furnished.
EMBALMING a specialty. Ice casket of the latest improved make. apr7-tf.

A. J. HYNSON,

—Successor to—
CHAS. H. MOORE,
HAVING PURCHASED THE
CHESTERTOWN
Marble, Granite and Stone
—WORKS—
I am prepared to furnish MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES, and all kinds of CEMETERY WORK at prices to suit the times. I have in stock a large and fine lot of HEADSTONES and MONUMENTS, that, in order to reduce my stock will sell very cheap for cash.
I have employed skilled workmen of twenty-five years experience and guarantee every piece of work I sell to be as represented, and of the best workmanship. I invite those needing anything in my line to call and examine my stock at my show-room and factory on
CROSS STREET, CHESTERTOWN, MD.,
Opposite Armstrong's Hotel.
A. J. HYNSON, PROP'R.
P. S.—Personal supervision in putting up all work. Apr. 7-3m

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Harrison W. Vickers, Assignee,
versus
Mary G. Price and James H. Price.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 4th day of April, 1888, that the sale of the Real Estate of Mary G. Price and James H. Price, made and reported by HARRISON W. VICKERS, assignee under power contained in the mortgage from said Price and wife to one John H. Owens and duly assigned to said Vickers, dated 31st day of October, 1882, and duly recorded in Liber S. B., No. 3, Folios 417, 418, &c., of the Land Record Books for Kent county, Maryland, and said assignment duly recorded in S. B., No. 3, Folio 419, one of the Land Record books as aforesaid, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 8th day of June, next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 8th day of May, next.
The report states the amount of sales to be $5,060.00.
SAMUEL BECK, CLERK.
True copy, Test—
SAMUEL BECK, CLERK.
April 7, 1888—4t.

A CARGO of FENCING

Cut expressly to order and shipped directly from the mills, which manufacture
CYPRESS, PINE and WHITE Oak,
only and solely for "Scott's Point," by special contract, all the year round. Also,
Pale Rails and Palings.
Always a stock of Georgia 6x8, 6x6, 4x6 and 5x5 all lengths up to 40 feet, and furnish quickly any sizes direct from the mills.
ALL SIZES of VIRGINIA SCANTLING, JOISTS and Boards, kept in sticks, BRIGHTER and BETTER SEASONED than any yard in the State of Maryland.
White Pine and Yellow Poplar, 8x4, 6x4, 5x4 and 4x4, Dressed and Housed. More Dressed Lumber for Factory and Inside House Work. KEPT UNDER ROOF AT SCOTT'S POINT, than at any other yard within fifty miles.
Parties wishing to build will find some one always in the office anxious to give special figures on all kinds of lumber.
JOSEPH TURNER,
Mar. 24, 1888. CHESTERTOWN.

EGGS for HATCHING.
From choice Dark Brahmas, Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, and Aylesbury Ducks $1.50 for 13, $2.50 for 26. White and Brown Leghorns, Golden Sebright Bantams, and Pekin Ducks $1.25 for 15, $2.00 for 26, and Bronze Turkeys $3.00 for 11.
C. C. BROWN, & BROS.,
m24-3t.* Pomona P. O., Md.

At Private Sale!

The HANESVILLE PROPERTY situated in the Third Election District of Kent County, Md. For information apply to
WM. A. VANNORT, M. D.,
fe11-3m. Palmyra, N. J.

SOMETHING NEW!
Call and have a "SHAKER"
At the "BEE HIVE" STORE.
mar24-tf. W. S. McDONNELL, opp. Stam's Hall.

New Spring and Summer Millinery!

MISS ANNA W. HARTLEY
Has just opened a NEW AND BEAUTIFUL STOCK
—OF—
MILLINERY & FANCY GOODS
FOR SPRING AND SUMMER.
NEWEST STYLES IN HATS,
BONNETS, NOTIONS,
and such other articles as are usually kept in a well-stocked Millinery and Notion Store.
The Ladies are invited to call and examine her goods and prices.
STORE on HIGH STREET, Chestertown, above the Express Office.
ANNA W. HARTLEY.
N. B.—Agency for QUAKER TEA. apr7-4t*

WM. T. HICKS,
Undertaker and Funeral Director,
GALENA, MARYLAND.
I BEG leave to inform the public that I am now prepared for the UNDERTAKING BUSINESS. Caskets, Coffins, Shrouds, Burial Robes &c., kept constantly on hand and furnished upon short notice at prices to suit the times.
With three years'