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Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN:
SATURDAY.....APR. 14, 1888.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Democratic State central committee will meet in Baltimore April 17 to fix the date for the State convention that is to be held in May to send delegates to the national democratic convention, which will meet in St. Louis June 5. The State central committee will, it is understood, also arrange dates for the congressional nominating conventions, which will be held in the summer to nominate candidates for Congress.

Maryland is entitled to sixteen representatives in the national convention, two from each of the six congressional districts and four from the State at large. As to who these delegates will be is not known. Mr. Gorman will probably be a delegate at large.

The Republican State Central Committee met last Wednesday in Baltimore and decided that all of the district conventions to nominate delegates to the national convention and electors shall be held on May 9th, and the State convention on May 17th in Easton, Talbot county. The convention to nominate a candidate for Congress for this Congressional district will be held in Denton May 9.

The Republican clubs of Maryland, about ninety in number, met in Baltimore on Thursday. Kent was largely represented. The address of welcome was made by Gen. Adam E. King. C. T. Wescott, Esq., of Kent, was made one of the vice-presidents. A State League was formed.

The State Convention of the National Prohibition Party for Maryland is called to meet in Baltimore in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, N. Charles St., at 10 a. m., on Tuesday, the 17th inst., to elect delegates to Indianapolis and transact such other business as may be brought forward. All friends of the cause are invited to attend.

A Kent Candidate for Congress.

Harrison W. Vickers, Esq., is now authoritatively announced as a candidate for Congress from this district. Mr. Vickers' name has been mentioned in this connection for some time past, but he has heretofore positively refused to allow himself to be placed in the field. He has been very partial to Mr. Gibson and advocated his renomination, but he believes the elements of opposition to that gentleman are so strong that he cannot succeed, and Mr. Vickers has assurances that encourage him to believe that he can; and, as the position is one worthy the ambition of any one, Mr. V. thinks he should not be asked to refuse a good thing himself because he cannot secure the same for his friend. Mr. Vickers is a son of the late Senator Vickers and a prominent member of the Kent bar. He was State's Attorney for this county for eight years and is a fluent and able speaker.

Outside of a Kent candidate our county is overwhelmingly for Mr. Gibson.

Republican Clubs in Kent.

A Republican club was organized in Chestertown on Tuesday night and the following officers elected: President, Wilbur Eliason; vice-presidents, Wm. J. Vannort, Jas. W. Chapman, John W. Palmer; secretary, Wm. H. Lambert, Jr.; treasurer, Chas S. Smith. The following were selected as delegates to the club convention which met in Baltimore on Thursday: Wm. D. Burchinal, Wilbur Eliason, C. T. Westcott, E. B. Jones, Chas. S. Smith.

The Republicans of Pomona precinct, this county, have organized a Republican league club, with the following officers: President, Bartus Trew; vice-president, Benj. N. S. Wilkins; secretary, J. H. Redue; treasurer, Geo. M. Hadaway, with the following delegates to Baltimore: Bartus Trew, Geo. M. Hadaway, S. M. Wilkins, Henry Brown, Wm. H. Hadaway. The Republican club of Rock Hall, organized some weeks ago, will give a free supper to the Republicans of the district on Friday evening, the 27th. Speakers will be present.

A FORMER KENT LADY DESERTED.

Her Husband Marries Another Woman and is Arrested for Bigamy.

The Baltimore *Sun* of Saturday says: Dr. Wm. F. G. Young, alias Francis Young, was locked up in the central police station last night, charged with bigamy in marrying Miss Amy Carey, daughter of Mr. Jas. K. Carey, No. 1607 West Fayette street, last Wednesday. His first wife, Mrs. Sarah V. Young, is in Baltimore. She heard her husband had been married to Miss Carey and had gone off on a wedding tour, and she went to see Mr. Carey, at his residence on West Fayette street, where she exhibited a photograph of Young and claimed the original as her husband. After recovering from the surprise caused by this declaration Mr. Carey's son went with Mrs. Young to Marshal Frey, who advised them to issue a warrant for Young's arrest. The warrant was given to Detective Seibold, who arrested Young at the Howard House, in Washington, where he was with his second wife. Mrs. Young, the first wife, was a Miss Crouch, of Kent county, Md., and was married in that county in 1870, her father being register of wills of that county. It is said she has been separated from her husband for several years, and resides with her mother at the southeast corner of Mulberry and Greene streets. He answered all the questions necessary, and said he had no wife. Dr. Young has been living at Harrisonburg, Va., is of medium height, about 35 years old. Young had a hearing before Justice Hobbs on Saturday and was committed for the Criminal Court. Both ladies appeared at the hearing and identified Young.

The vacancy in the Supreme Court caused by the death of Chief Justice Waite is yet unfilled, Senator Harris, on Monday, in behalf of himself and other Senators, waited on the President and recommended the appointment of Senator Gray, of Delaware, to the vacancy. The President listened to all that was said in the Delaware Senator's praise, but gave no intimation of what he proposes to do.

Ground Rents and House Rents.—The ground-rent bill, about the approval of which some doubt existed, has been signed by the Governor and is now a law. This act gives tenants the right to redeem ground rents in ten years at 6 per cent. capitalization on giving six months' notice. The Governor has also approved the act substituting ejectment in place of distress for rent in certain cases. The law does not apply to yearly tenancies.

Jacob Sharp, who was awaiting trial in New York on the charge of bribing the city council to vote for an elevated railway on Broadway, died in that city on the 5th instant, and has gone to answer before a higher tribunal.

Secretary Fairchild has made his report on the proposed repairs to the Baltimore custom house. He does not think there is urgent need for complete remodeling, but suggests alterations.

A Former Kent Countian in Trouble.

Thomas C. Bruff, school examiner for Baltimore county and president of the Maryland State Teachers' Association, left his home at Towsontown on Tuesday of last week for parts unknown. A cursory examination shows that his accounts have been overdrawn $900, but further investigations may develop more serious discrepancies. Mr. Bruff enjoyed the unlimited confidence of the school board and the community generally, and it is said has frequently had as much as $60,000 at a time in bank, subject to his own order, no counter-signature having ever been required to draw it. In the twelve years that Mr. Bruff has had charge of the Baltimore county schools he has handled a million and three-quarters of money. A friend of his said to a *Sun* reporter:

"Mr. Bruff has been drinking and sleeping but little for two months, and has lost 20 to 30 pounds of flesh in the last three months. He has been led on to the doing of this thing by some persons in Baltimore. I think they are gamblers. Mr. Bruff left home in utter despair. If he had had half the sense he ought to have had he would have come to me or some of his other friends, and we would have settled the whole trouble. Instead of that he has gone away, feeling himself disgraced, and not able to make good the money. He wrote a note to a lady in Baltimore, who is an intimate friend of his wife's, asking her to tell his wife that he had gone away; that he had not the heart to tell her himself; that he intended to go and find honest employment, and when he had made up the money they would hear from him."

Mr. Bruff is a son of the late John K. Bruff, of Swan creek, this county. His wife is a half-sister of ex-Attorney-General Isaac D. Jones, and is said to be a remarkably bright woman, having graduated with high honor from the State Normal School. She has four children—two little twin girls and two little boys—who are said to be prime favorites with every one.

The Baltimore County School Board, in Towson, met in their office on Wednesday, and went over the books and accounts of Mr. Bruff as far as they were capable of doing in the limited time, finding so far only the sum of $1,900 overdrawn or misappropriated. The Board adopted an order setting forth that in view of the absence for over a week of Mr. Bruff, and his departure to some place unknown to the board, the position of examiner, secretary and treasurer, held by him, was de facto made vacant. The board appointed Charles B. Rogers, the assistant examiner, as examiner, secretary and treasurer at the old salary of $1,800 a year and traveling expenses. Mrs. Nora Bruff, Mr. Bruff's wife, was made assistant secretary at a salary of $900 a year.

PENINSULA FREIGHT RATES.

Charges of Discrimination to be Heard by the Interstate Commission.

Much interest is felt in the approaching session of the interstate commerce commissioners at Dover, Del., to hear complaints against the railroad lines that connect the Eastern Shore Peninsula with the Philadelphia, New York and other Northern markets. The executive committee of the Delaware State Grange have instituted a suit against the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad Company, the Delaware Railroad Company, the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore Railroad Company and the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, charging them with unjust and unreasonable discriminations against shippers on the peninsula in the matter of excessive freight rates and inadequate train service; granting rebate and false schedules of weights and measures to individuals and corporations; giving undue advantages to particular localities by charging lower rates, and affording a more rapid and reliable train service.

The suits against these railroad lines, while brought in the name of the Delaware State Grange, include the counties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and two counties on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Several thousand freight bills have been collected in Philadelphia and New York, together with much other documentary evidence, to show discriminations against the shipper on this peninsula. To illustrate the effects of this policy, the experience of two brothers, one living and operating in Crisfield, Md., the other at Cape Charles City, Va., was cited. Both are engaged in the oyster trade and both shipped about an equal number of oysters to market. The one living at Cape Charles shipped his oysters to Philadelphia for 25 cents a barrel, while the one at Crisfield paid $1 20 per barrel, though the distance from Crisfield to Philadelphia is nearly a hundred miles less. The result was that the man at Cape Charles cleared $1,000 during the past season, while the one at Crisfield lost about $700—all due to excessive freight charges. The Eastern Shore farmers and truckers have entered into the alliance against the railroad, and committees have been appointed to raise funds and hunt up additional evidence looking to a vigorous prosecution of the suit against the railroad company.

METH. PROT. CONFERENCE.

The Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church which assembled in Broadway Church, Baltimore, on the 4th inst., adjourned on Tuesday night last after a most pleasant session of one week. The following were elected delegates to the General Conference which meets at Adrian, Mich., on the 18th of May: Ministerial—L. W. Bates, F. T. Tagg, W. S. Hammond, W. M. Strayer, J. D. Kinzer, E. J. Drinkhouse, T. H. Lewis, J. T. Murray, D. L. Greenfield. Lay—W. J. C. Dulany, C. W. Button, J. R. Caton, J. W. Herring, Sam'l Vannort, Horace Burroughs, J. B. Thomas, Charles Bilingslea, Wm. J. Aydelotte. At 10 o'clock President Hammond announced the following appointments:

Accomac, J. W. Norris; Alexandria, L. R. Dyott; Amelia and Chesterfield, J. F. Wooden; Anne Arundel, J. W. Gray; J. R. Nichols; Baltimore, J. L. Elderdice; Bedford, A. A. Harryman; Belair, S. A. Hobliteil; Broadway, H. L. Elderdice; Cambridge, J. B. Jones; Campbell, unsupplied; Caroline, C. S. Arnett; Cecil, D. W. Litsinger; Centreville, T. O. Crouse; Chesapeake, B. F. Benson; Chestertown, W. R. Graham; Chincoteague, R. F. Truitt; Clayton, C. R. Blades; Concord, J. W. Grant; Crisfield, J. W. Kirk; Crumpton, G. J. Smith; Cumberland, E. H. Vandyke; Deer Creek, S. F. Casson; Deer Park, W. A. Crouse; Delta, S. C. Ohrum; Dorchester, A. W. Mather; East Baltimore, J. D. Kinzer, G. W. Radclaway; Easton, F. T. Little; Eutaw, J. M. Gill; Fawn Grove, J. M. Yingling; Felton, W. W. White; Finksburg, J. T. Lowell; First Church, J. E. Nicholson; Franklin City, M. L. Cohee; Frederick, E. O. Ewing; Georgetown, District of Columbia, L. W. Bates; Hampden, J. L. Straughn; Harper's Ferry, R. W. Kindley; Harrington, C. E. Thompson; Hovard, Jesse Shreeve; Jefferson, J. M. Sheridan; Kennedyville, Elmer Simpson; Kent Island, J. H. Dougherty; Laurel, G. G. Bacchus; Leipsic, H. W. D. Johnson; Liberty, S. T. Ferguson; Lisbon, J. L. Kilgore; Lynchburg, T. E. Coulbourn; Middleway and Williamsport, R. C. Anderson; Milton, F. H. Mullineaux; Mt. Tabor, F. T. Benson; Newark, J. L. Mills; North Carolina Avenue, J. W. Trout; Oxford, J. M. Holmes; Pipe Creek, T. D. Valiant; Pittsville, Henry Bruner; Pocomoke, A. H. Day; Pocomoke City, A. D. Melvin; Potomac, E. R. McGregor; Powelville, A. J. Walter; Quantico, A. D. Dick; Queen Anne's, S. J. Smith; Rowlandville, W. H. Stone; Reliance, Aloysius Green; St. James, S. B. Tredway; St. Luke's, J. W. Balderson; St. Michaels, W. M. Foxal; Salisbury, R. L. Lewis; Seaford, D. W. Austine; Snow Hill, B. F. Jester; Somerset, W. J. Neepier; South Baltimore, J. E. T. Ewell; Starr, W. M. Strayer; Stewardstown, J. L. Bowers; Surry, G. D. Ethmonston; Susquehanna, J. W. Charlton; Sussex, H. G. Coven; Union, G. R. McCready; Union Bridge, J. E. Maloy; Warwick, W. J. Floyd; Washington Street, Robert S. Rowe; West Baltimore, D. L. Greenfield; Westminster, J. T. Murray; Wilmington, G. F. Farring; Berkeley, E. R. Washington; Charleston, Francis Brown.

Loaned—To St. John's, J. J. Murray, A. Webster, pastor emeritus; Western Maryland College, T. H. Lewis; Western Maryland Theological Seminary, J. T. Ward, E. A. Warfield; Methodist Protestant, E. J. Drinkhouse.

Board of Missions—F. T. Tagg, F. C. Klein.

Superannuate—J. K. Nichols, D. W. Bates, S. B. Southerland, J. W. Everist, H. J. Day, Jas. Thompson, J. H. Ellegood, W. G. Holmes, C. H. Littleton, H. C. Cushing, J. G. Sullivan, R. S. Norris, J. A. Wiegand, W. J. D. Linese, W. F. Livingstone.

Assigned for duty—D. Wilson, chaplain U. S. A.

At 1890 conference adjourned to meet at Lynchburg, Va., on the first Wednesday in April, 1889.

We are indebted to Mr. Wesley Webb, secretary, for a copy of the proceedings of the Peninsula Horticultural society, at its first annual meeting held at Dover, Del., Jan. 11 and 12. The proceedings make an interesting pamphlet of 88 pages and will be sent to any address on the receipt by the secretary at Dover of 13 cts.—a mere nominal figure.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling is seriously ill at the Hoffman House in New York city, and the chances are decidedly against his recovery. His malady is reported to be inflammation of the brain.

MASSEYS IN RUINS!

Nine Dwellings, Three Stores and the Large Hotel Destroyed.

Heavy Losses and Light Insurance. $7,075 in the Kent Mutual.

Special Dispatch to the News.

Masseys, April 13, 1888.—This town was nearly totally destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. About twelve o'clock, noon, an old building used for a stable and stored full of fodder was noticed to be on fire. The alarm was given and the inhabitants turned out and began to tear away the fencing around the building and reduce the flames as much as possible. There was no hope of saving the building from the first.

There was a stiff breeze blowing at the time from the west, and for a time it was hoped that only the stable and two shops standing near by would be destroyed; but as the flames grew more fierce the wind seemed to blow the stronger and carried the flames across the street to a double dwelling.

About this time the wind shifted to the north and the flames took a row of buildings and a course for the centre of the town. The store-house and dwelling of A. H. Malsberger was soon beyond hope of saving, and burned quickly to the ground. Mr. Malsberger was in the city buying goods. His entire stock of store and household goods were destroyed, only saving his books. His loss is about $5,000, on which there was an insurance of $1,500 on store goods and $200 on furniture.

The post-office was burned, with quite a lot of the household goods of Mr. Ireland, the postmaster.

The large hotel owned by Col. R. C. Johnson and Stephen Boyer, and tenanted by Messrs. J. E. Matthews & Bro., was destroyed; loss about five thousand dollars—insured for $3,375.00 in the Mutual Insurance Co. of this county.

A large and fine store house, owned and lately bought by Mr. A. F. Huey, was the next to go—a light insurance on his loss.

The dwelling of R. J. Foard, owned by Stephen Boyer, burned—loss about three thousand dollars, on which there is an insurance of $2,000 in the Mutual Co. of this county.

In all there were destroyed nine dwellings, three stores and one hotel, besides a few shops and small buildings, mostly owned by Dr. C. H. B. Massey, who has no insurance on any of his losses.

Much of the loss on household goods, which is heavy, falls on poor people who feel the loss very much, many of them being left almost destitute. Those that have anything left have stuck them away in any place they could get, while some are moving to other towns.

The ruins are still in heavy flames, and the high wind blowing, much fear was entertained last night that the wind would carry the sparks to the few remaining buildings. The origin of the fire is a mystery, no idea can be given as to the cause.

A Pastor's Welcome.—Rev. W. R. Graham, of the Chestertown M. P. Church, enters upon his third year pastorate under most cheering auspices. Upon his return from conference on Thursday evening, with his family, he found his parsonage open and aglow with cheerful light and comfort; his coal bin was filled and the wood pile replenished, while a few of the ladies of his church were awaiting to serve a sumptuous supper. The family had hardly finished this repast before a large company arrived—crowding the parlor and hall and kitchen—fairly overwhelming the pastor and his estimable wife and interesting children with hearty greetings, and filling the pantry and other receptacles with the prime necessaries of life. A few formal utterances by one of the party indicated the meaning of the demonstration and the reverend gentleman replied in language and spirit which told how truly the greeting was appreciated. After a few songs by the young folks and short social intercourse the company left, no doubt all realizing the happy consciousness of loving Christian duty well performed, while the parsonage inmates began the new year with light hearts and bright prospects.

Serious Accident.—Mr. Edw. B. Jones, agent at Chestertown for the Centreville and Corsica River Steamboat Company, met with quite a serious accident Monday morning by a heavy box of goods falling from a cart. The box in its fall broke a piece of timber, one part of which was thrown with great force against his left leg, striking several inches above the ankle and lacerating the flesh and otherwise bruising the limb. The wound was quite painful and threatening for several days, but no danger of serious results is now apprehended. He was attended by Dr. Hines.

Election of Officers.—At the semi-annual election for officers of the Young Men's Christian Association of Chestertown, held on the first Tuesday in April, the following named were elected officers of the association: President, Wm. T. Sutton; vice-president, Geo. L. Quelett; recording secretary, John W. Palmer; corresponding secretary, Geo. B. Twilley; treasurer, M. A. Toulson.

Persons buying clothing in the city should visit the large establishment of Likes, Berwanger & Co., at Nos. 10 and 12 E. Baltimore street, Baltimore. They claim to sell at a lower figure than any other house in the city. Read their half-column advertisement in this issue.

The case of Mrs. A. M. Sutton against the Phœnix, of Brooklyn, and Pennsylvania, of Philadelphia, for insurance in loss of store goods at Edesville by fire, is expected to be tried at the approaching term of court. Hon. W. P. Whyte is one of the counsel for the companies and is expected to be here.

A hop was given on Monday evening at Stam's Hall by some of the young men of Chestertown in honor of a number of lady visitors. Orchestra music was furnished for the occasion. The grand march began about 9 o'clock, and dancing was kept up until a late hour.

An interesting game of base-ball was played on the campus of Washington College last Monday afternoon between the Freshman nine and a picked nine. The score stood 17 to 20 in favor of the picked nine.

Salisbury is about to build a fifty thousand dollar hotel. At her present rate of progress Salisbury will soon be ahead of all her sister Eastern Shore towns. The big fire modernized her.

Killed by Horse Liniment.—A death occurred near Bristol, Anne Arundel county, Md., on the 2d instant under circumstances that point a warning as to the indiscriminate use of medicine. George Steiner, becoming slightly affected with what he supposed was neuralgia, he was induced to use a horse liniment said to be good for both man and beast suffering from pain. In addition to its external use he swallowed two doses of it to effect a cure, and caused himself the most intense agony. His teeth dropped out one by one, and rapid emaciation of the entire body gradually occurred. Medical aid was rendered, but was unsuccessful to arrest the progress of the poison taken into the system.

The Circuit Court.—The April term of the circuit court for Kent county begins next Monday. Should all the docketed cases come to trial the session will be a long one. The principal civil cases are a suit for damages against the P., W. & B. Railroad Company by Mrs. John P. Edes, two suits against insurance companies, a few other damage cases and a will contest. The criminal cases on the docket are comparatively few, and there does not appear to be much business for the grand jury. The court-room has been thoroughly renovated and the changes will be found a great improvement over the previous arrangement. Judge Wickes yesterday drew John F. Ernest, Geo. E. Leary, Norris Barnard and Wm. Ford to serve as jurors in place of David Stewart and Harry S. Francis, removed from the county, and Wm. S. Thompson and Jas. F. M. Woodall, sick.

County Appointments.—The County Commissioners on Tuesday made the following appointments:

Tax Collectors.—First district, Eugene Gooding, reappointed; second district, G. Oliver Roeder; third district, J. W. Ivens; fourth district, H. M. Stuart; fifth district, J. Frank Wheatley, reappointed.

Standard Keeper—R. S. Usilton.

Wm. B. Plummer was reappointed constable for third district.

The Building Going Up.—Mr. John L. Lamotte, who is here superintending the erection of the canning house for his firm on the Chester river steamboat wharf, is pushing the work as rapidly as possible. Messrs. Rawleigh and Lewis are contractors for the building. The fifty horse-power boiler is in position and the foundations for the buildings are laid. The main structure will be 80 feet in length by 32 feet in width. There will be a shed the entire length 15 feet wide, which will run directly alongside the dock. The packing season will begin with berries. The house expects to employ daily about 150 people. The house will can peaches on a large scale, and may also go into the oyster packing business next winter. Why not?

Work Resumed.—Work upon the outside of the new M. P. Church, in Chestertown, will be resumed next Monday. The architect, Mr. B. B. Owens, accompanied by an expert press-brick layer, inspected the building last Wednesday and gave directions for some changes in the front work. The interior wood work, which has been in progress during the winter, was declared to be satisfactory in every respect. The painting, by Mr. Frank H. Howard, is also progressing most satisfactory, and the plastering is well under way by Messrs. Pennell, of Chestertown, and Wirts, of Balto.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Capt. Joseph Delano, of the large tug Sampson belonging to the American Towing Company of Baltimore, with his wife and child, spent a few days this week with his sister in Chestertown. The captain is a native of Kent and is well known and popular in Quaker Neck and Chestertown. The Sampson is engaged mostly in the coasting trade, going as far south as Key West and north to Providence, R. I.

Miss Gussie Blackway and Miss Becca Newton, of Cecilton, have been visiting in town this week.

Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell, of the M. P. Church, and wife celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage at the M. P. parsonage, in Bel Air, Monday evening last. The mementoes of the occasion were numerous, for the most part of silver and gold and many of them handsome. The guests were quite as numerous and enjoyed, not only the chats of the occasion, but the tempting viands provided by their hosts.

Mr. Wm. P. Ireland, of the Philadelphia commission firm of Crew & Ireland, and Mr. Simon Wickes, now with the clothing house of Brown, King & Co., of Philadelphia, have been on a business visit to Chestertown this week.

Rev. Dr. J. L. Killgore and Rev. J. F. Wooden, of the Maryland Conference, in session in Baltimore, spent last Sabbath in Chestertown. The Doctor preached in the M. P. Church morning and night, and both he and his young associate delivered interesting addresses in the afternoon to the Sunday school.

By reference to the list of appointments by the recent M. P. Conference, it will be seen that several changes are made in Kent. Rev. R. L. Lewis goes from Chesapeake to Salisbury. He and his most estimable family will be parted with very reluctantly by the church and community at large in the lower part of Kent. He is a pure Christian man, a good pastor and an excellent preacher, and the church in Salisbury is fortunate in securing his services.

Dr. B. F. Benson, who succeeds Mr. Lewis, is one of the ablest ministers of the denomination and will no doubt do a good work in his new charge.

Rev. C. R. Blades, who has served the Kennedyville church so faithfully and filled its pulpit so ably for two years past, goes to Clayton and is succeeded by Rev. Elmer Simpson, a young gentleman of fine attainments both as preacher and pastor.

Rev. W. J. Floyd, who succeeds Dr. Benson at Warwick, is one of the most zealous and systematic Christian workers in the district, and a bright day is in store for his new charge if he is properly sustained in his efforts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lambert spent conference week in Baltimore.

George M. Russum, Esq., of the Denton bar, was in town this week looking after an important railroad case to be tried at the approaching term of court.

Edwin H. Brown, Esq., of Centreville, has been appointed by Governor Jackson a member of his staff with the rank of Colonel. With General McKenney and Colonel Brown Queen Anne's is pretty well represented on the gubernatorial staff. But her one thousand majority for Jackson fully entitles her to all the honors awarded her.

Rev. A. D. Melvin is visting relatives in Kent.

A Tried House.—The clothing house of Mr. A. Friedman has been established in Chestertown so long that no one need hesitate to purchase from him. Read his new advertisement in this issue of the News and be sure to give him a call when you are in need of clothing.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, Apr. 10.—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett. Hope H. Barroll, adm'r of Joshua Vansant, filed his bond, which was approved. John C. Sutton and R. D. Hynson, administrators of Mary A. Sutton, passed their final administration account. W. D. Carter, guardian to Charles Rash and others, filed his bond, which was approved. Letters of administration on the personal estate of Moses Lambson were granted to Mary H. Townsend, of Delaware, and Wm. M. Slay. Rev. J. M. Holmes, guardian to Lillian Holmes, passed his final guardian account. The Register of Wills was directed to give notice that the Orphans' Court will meet on Tuesday and Thursday next week.

County Commissioners met Tuesday.—Full board present. Tax collectors, standard keeper, &c., were appointed as noted elsewhere. The board executed a contract with David T. and Marcellus Nickerson to widen road near Locust Grove. An order was passed appropriating $25 to be provided by levy to improve public road at Worton Station. John Bordley, coroner, returned inquisition upon body of unknown white man at Tolchester Beach; also upon body of Noah Caulk, colored, at Morgan's Creek Neck, and Chas. Denmead, of Baltimore, at Tolchester, which were accepted, filed and the costs thereof ordered to be provided for by levy.

Centreville is to have a cannery. Mr. C. F. Chase has decided to locate there instead of Chestertown. Farmers agreed to plant 150 acres in corn and tomatoes, and will receive $6 per ton for the latter and $9 per ton for corn. The cannery building will be erected on the Corsica river at the head of the stream, near Centreville landing, and building operations will commence at once.

Obituary.—S. Richard Woodall, the youngest son of Capt. Andrew Woodall, of Georgetown, this county, died of consumption at noon last Saturday at Tyron, N. C., whither he went several months ago, hoping to recover from his malady. But he sunk gradually until the end. Two sisters and two brothers were with him at the time of his death. His remains were brought home for interment.

Littleton P. Franklin died on Monday at his home near Berlin, Worcester county, Md. He was a member of the constitutional convention of 1867, and was elected a member of the Maryland House of Delegates on the democratic ticket in 1871 and a member of the State Senate in 1877.

Hiram Goodhand, a well-known citizen of Queen Anne's county, died at his home on Kent Island Sunday, aged about 69 years. His wife died on the 17th of last month. Both died of pneumonia.

Paint and Skilled Workmen.—We note with pleasure that our town is keeping up with the times in regards to paint and skilled workmen. On Monday morning last Mr. F. J. Carter, our enterprising Painter and Paperhanger, commenced papering the Voshell House throughout. Some idea can be formed of the rapidity of his workmen when you take into consideration that up to this time two paperhangers have hung seven hundred pieces of paper, or an average of seventy pieces per day per man. In some of the rooms the old paper had to be removed by the paperhangers themselves before they could hang the new. The largest day's work was done on Thursday when Mr. Mannering hung eighty-five pieces in ten hours, the work is all done in the most skillful manner possible.

AN OLD-ESTABLISHED FIRM.

There is no better business maxim than the one which says, "The man who sticks is the man who succeeds." At least the man who sticks and who gives honest and faithful attention to his business, is the man who succeeds. There is no better example of success through diligent attention to business than is afforded by the firm of Chapman & Lambert, builders of fine carriages, road wagons and agricultural machinery. In 1864 the firm of Chapman & Lambert was formed and began business on the site where it is yet located. Their shop measured 18x24, and they employed two helpers. Steadily since then their business has grown. On the night of March 28th, 1888, their shop was burned, and they immediately built a larger one in its place. Since then they have enlarged as the demands of their business have necessitated enlarged facilities. Their business has gradually increased until they are now turning out more work than was done when they started by all the shops and factories in the county taken together. They now give employment to from fifteen to twenty workmen, and their work finds sale, not only in every district in the county, but goes to other and distant counties in the State, and frequently outside the State. A farm wagon just finished was built on an order from Anne Arundel county.

Agricultural appliances and methods have changed astonishingly since firm of Chapman & Lambert commenced business. Twenty-five years ago the reaping machine was used in only a few fields. The Hussey and Manning reapers were thought to be wonderful contrivances. In fields where they were introduced crowds gathered to see them work. The old horse-power thresher was then a comparatively modern introduction. Kent county had begun to progress, however, even twenty-five years ago. Lands were generally limed, fertilizers were commonly used and peaches, though not so largely grown as now, had begun to be an important crop in the county. Drills were not made with fertilizer attachment, and phosphate was sown by hand. The carriages built twenty years ago were made with wheels for a two-seat carriage as large as they are now made for a family carriage. Wagons were all made with wooden axles. The firm made the first iron axle wagon used in the county. Ox-carts and horse-carts were then in common use. Now they are rarely made. A great many other specifications might be made, indicating the changes and improvements that have been made in vehicles and farming utensils. Of course the period is not so far back but that a great number of people can remember it, but the surprising matter is that in comparatively so short a time the changes have been so many and so great. Will twenty-five years more produce as surprising results? During the past twenty-five years the firm has invented a number of improvements, and have manufactured and found ready sale for its own inventions. They at one time manufactured a drill with an improved phosphate attachment which met with a large sale. An improved iron cultivator also had a large success in its day. A corn hoe, that was better adapted to its purpose than ordinary hoes, found extensive sale. A sidehound for a wagon that they failed to obtain a patent upon has been adopted by almost every maker in the country.

A short trip through Messrs. Chapman & Lambert's establishment is quite interesting. The various stages of work in producing a piece of farm machinery or a handsome carriage may be observed. The firm takes a just pride in its record for substantial work. They have made it a point to do whatever they do well. This most likely explains why they are kept constantly busy. Among the orders now being filled is one for six large straw-board wagons, which complete a quota of thirty-four which have been constructed for the straw-board factory. They are also at work on a number of carriages, among which is a light top-buggy that is being constructed throughout of the very best materials. The outlook for the year's work, they say, is encouraging.

MARRIED.

On March 29th, 1888, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. S. T. Kemble, assisted by Rev. Wm. M. Ridgway, Dr. JAMES H. WILLSON, of Drawsburg, Pa., to Miss ELLIE B. HUTCHINS, of Bristol, Pa., daughter of P. O. Hutchins, formerly of Kent county, Md.

DIED.

Near Chestertown, on the 11th instant, Mrs. ELIZABETH HESSEY, late of Coldwell, this county, aged about 70 years.

Near Memphis, Tenn., on the 28th of March, 1888, HORATIO M. BAKER, formerly of Chestertown, and son of the late Wm. F. Baker, of this county.

REV. A. D. MELVIN, of the Maryland Annual Conference, will preach in the M. P. Church, Chestertown, to-morrow morning and evening.
It. W. R. GRAHAM, Pastor.

THE RT. REV. W. F. ADAMS, Bishop of Easton, will visit St. Clements Parish on the 22d of April. Services in St. Clements, 10.30 o'clock A. M.; Chapel at Millington, 7.30 P. M. apr14-2t.

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.

NOTICE.—The Orphans' Court of Kent county will meet on Tuesday and Thursday of next week. By order, T. ROMIE STRONG,
April 14, 1888—It. Register of Wills.

RESIDUUM.—We offer; that is ground, sieved, and bagged, in particularly nice condition and less than the usual price.

For Five Ton Lots our Corn Phosphate we will sell low. See or write us. T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
apr14-3t. Chestertown.

A NEW REAPER FOR SALE.

A NEW DEERING REAPER—has only been used one season; also, a MOWER in good condition. Easy terms. HOPE H. BARROLL,
apr14-3t. Trustee for Thos. H. Lambert.

FOR RENT.

A NEW STABLE and CARRIAGE HOUSE in the center of the town for rent for the balance of the year. Room—two stalls, feed-room, large loft and two carriages. Apply to A. J. HYNSON,
apr14-3t.* Chestertown.

FOR SALE.

A PRETTY LITTLE PLACE containing Seven Acres, Nice Cottage Dwelling, 350 Fruit Trees, situated in a pleasant village in this county. Low price; easy terms. Also, $25,000 to LOAN on Mortgages in sums to suit.
JUDEFIND BROS.,
apr14-tf. Edesville, Md.

FOR SALE:

TWO DWELLING HOUSES and several Building Lots in Lynchburg. Terms easy. Apply to C. W. C. JOHNSON,
apr7-3t. AGENT.

FOR SALE:

20,000 FIRST-CLASS PEACH TREES at $25 per thousand, 10 per cent. discount for cash. In lots of 5,000 or more $20 per thousand. For descriptive catalogue address
JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,
a7-3t. Diamond State Nurseries, Middletown, Del.

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.

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.

At Private Sale!

The HANSVILLE 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.

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—3t.

FOR SALE:

TWO PAIR OF MULES, young, quiet, well broken. Can be seen at Barnard's wharf. Address CHAS. A. JACKSON,
mar10-tf. Still Pond, Md.

REID'S CREAMERIES, Butter Workers, Butter Printers and Churns
mar10. for sale by W. A. WHEATLEY.

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

NOTICE.

The regular Annual Meeting of the members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, Maryland, will be held at Stam's Hall, in Chestertown, Maryland, on MONDAY, May 7th, 1888, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the Election of Twelve Directors for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may be brought before the meeting. All members are requested to attend. N. G. WESTCOTT,
apr 14-tm. Secretary.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Chester Bridge Company,

notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Stockholders of said company will be held in the office of RICHARD HYNSON, in Chestertown, on MONDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MAY, 1888, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing NINE DIRECTORS to serve for one year from their election.
RICHARD HYNSON,
apr14-tm. Sec'y of The Chester Bridge Co.

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A FULL LINE OF

Roland Chilled Plows,

also, SHARES, MOULDBOARDS, LANDSIDES and Duplicates for every part of these Plows, including Bolts. We buy direct from the manufacturers and can offer inducements to purchasers of Plows and Repairs.
TURNER BROS.,
apr14-tf. Betterton.

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FRESH, RELIABLE,

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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*

FISH FOR SALE.

Fresh Herring by the 100 or 1,000.

Also, Herring Salted,

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All at lowest prices.
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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.

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