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The New Assessment.

There is a growing feeling against a new assessment of real estate at this time, provided some plan can be devised to reach personal property now escaping taxation and bring it into the taxable basis. It will certainly prove a delicate and difficult task to get at a fair valuation of real estate in this time of special agricultural distress and depreciation of farming land.

The Legislature, we are sure, will appreciate the situation and wisely determine the matter.

Where Would the Tax Be Paid?

The subject of taxing mortgages serenely bobbed up every now and then in the farmers' meeting last Tuesday. The sentiment was about equally divided as to the practicability of laying such a tax. One important question was, we think, answered erroneously. Upon mortgages held elsewhere on land in Kent county, where would the tax be paid? It was answered—in Kent county. This answer cannot be correct if it is the mortgage itself which is taxed. It must be a species of *property* and come under the head of personal property, and therefore is subject to the provision of the State Constitution, section 57, article 3, which makes *all personal property taxable where the owner resides*. This would seriously militate against the advantages *our* people might otherwise derive from such a tax, as about one-half the gross sum in mortgages against Kent county farms is held outside the county, and much of it out of the State.

DEMOCRATS TO APPEAL TO THE SUPREME COURT.—After the reading of the journal in the House of Representatives on Monday morning Mr. Carlisle arose and gave notice that the Democrats protested and would continue to protest against the rule embodied in the new code which gave the speaker power to make a quorum by counting members who were present but not voting. This rule the Democrats considered unconstitutional, and they meant as soon as an opportunity offered to take the question involved in it to a higher tribunal than the House for final settlement. This means that the question will be carried to the Supreme Court.

THE trials in Baltimore of forty-three colored men charged with participation in the Navassa massacre are ended and thirty-seven are convicted. The *American* says "the court has done its work with unusual ability and promptness. The trials have been fair and thorough. The three cases of murder in the first degree will now go to the Supreme Court for a decision upon the vexed question of jurisdiction. In all respects the whole affair is one of the most peculiar that has ever come before the courts of the country." Three of the men were sentenced to be hung March 28; seven to ten years in the Albany penitentiary; four, five years; two, two years.

THE Baltimore *Sun's* Washington correspondent says that in his recent conversation with Mr. Cleveland the latter made no comment of any kind on the present attitude or supposed attitude of Gov. Hill on ballot reform, but remarked with emphasis that he approved altogether of Gov. Hill's first veto of the ballot-reform bill sent to him by the republicans of the New York Legislature.

TERRIBLE RETRIBUTION.—A man named Corvett, near Crawfordville, in Arkansas, murdered a young woman in a shocking manner. The neighbors, learning who had committed the deed, took Corvett to the scene of the murder, and with an axe cut off his arms and legs and severed his head from his body. They then built a fire and burned the body with its members.

MR. W. W. JOHNSON, Baltimore's new postmaster, took charge of the office last Saturday, when Mr. Frank Brown, with a few pleasant remarks, to which his successor responded in appropiate words, retired to private life.

ENCROACHMENTS ON THE RIGHTS OF THE STATES.—Another step towards the centralization of power in the federal government is now contemplated by the republican majority in the House. Representative Wickham, of Ohio, has introduced a bill which provides that the districts from which the members of the Fifty-second Congress shall be elected shall be the same in territory and boundaries as those from which the members of the Fifty-first Congress were elected, and, following immediately upon its heels, Senator Hoar introduced a similar bill in the Senate. The motive to the introduction of these bills is said to be a desire to head off the democrats of Ohio, who have just carried that State, from redistricting it so as to give them a fair show in the election of members of Congress. As the districts are at present arranged in that State, it requires over seventy-nine thousand democratic votes to elect a Representative, while twenty-six thousand republican votes suffice for the same purpose. The result is that in a State where the democratic party is in the majority, the republicans control sixteen out of the twenty-one members. The republican party seems to be grasping at straws to fasten their hold on federal power. A more desperate game than they have played at Washington this winter has never been known in the political history of the country. They are preparing to pass a federal election law without paralled in the annals of legislation and without authority contained in the constitution. They have permitted the Speaker of the House to usurp authority for the almost avowed purpose of seating their own party men whose seats are contested. And not until the whole country was amazed and disgusted at the spectacle did some of the more sagacious members call a halt. Even now the rules adopted are little more than Speaker Reed's rulings reduced to writing and if in addition to all this, they lay their hand upon the States and control them in changing their own congressional districts, they will have stripped the people pretty much of their sovereignty in choosing their Representatives in Congress.

A FIGHT IN CHESTER RIVER.—The Queenstown *News* gives the following particulars of a recent battle in Chester river between the police sloop Helen M. Baughman and the schooner Lightning: The Baughman surprised the schooner at work in illegal waters. A command to surrender was derisively laughed at and replied to by a volley from small arms. Captain Horney instantly got down to work and soon the Lightning was flying before the wind all sail set and intent on self-preservation. The Lightning was overhauled and several cannon shots caused her captian to heave to. A prize crew was put aboard and the captured oyster boat towed into the little bay-town of Winchester, where a justice of the peace gave the captain a hearing on Monday morning and fined him $50 and cost, for having unculled oysters on board. The fine and costs were paid on Tuesday and the vessel released.

FOR CONGRESS.

It is early yet to discuss congressional candidates, but the matter is up nevertheless. The election is eight months off. The redistricting bill is not yet passed and many things may occur to turn things "topsy turvey" before the time for nominating conventions shall arrive. Politicians will plan, however, and the people will talk. The redistricting bill will not affect this district. The old Eastern Shore lines will remain as they are. It suits us if it suits the politicians.

Who shall succeed Mr. Gibson? This gentleman is serving out his third term and he has made a most excellent representative. It is said he is already in the field for a fourth term—that at the expiration of that term he will positively refuse to accept another nomination. The Centreville *Observer* states that Queen Anne's is credited with a number of aspirants for the nomination, namely: Senator John B. Brown, A. Randolph Weedon, Esq., ex-Senator W. T. P. Turpin, and Col. W. Scott Roberts, of the Centreville *Record*. No one has been mentioned thus far from Caroline. Kent will put in her claim at the proper time and hopes to make that claim good. Our county has been left "out in the cold" long enough and she is not willing to keep the back seat any longer. She *will not be left again this time* if she can prevent it!

The counties "below the Choptank" should not make a claim for this position as they have about all there is in the way of the offices already. We have heard several names mentioned, however. Henry Page, Esq., of Somerset, and ex-Gov. Henry Lloyd, of Dorchester, are among these. Both of these gentlemen are in every respect good congressional timber, but it is not their turn now! The worthy President of the Senate, Hon. R. F. Brattan, states positively that he is not a candidate, and would not accept a nomination if tendered him.

Discouraged!

Mr. Chapman, the State Farmers' Alliance organizer, dropped in to see us last Wednesday and we spent a few minutes in discussing the practical advantages of the Alliance. We told him frankly that the impression of our people was that the Grange suited them better than his Alliance.

He said he attended the meeting of the Farmers' League on Tuesday and was discouraged by the outlook. He thought that, while the League was very properly moving to lop off local extravagances and reduce taxation, yet, admitting the utmost success in these endeavors, it would go a very little way toward relieving the existing depression. *It would be so slight the farmer would hardly feel it.*

Here is the way Mr. Chapman looks at the matter, and any one who will take the trouble to consider the facts presented will see the force of his reasoning: Suppose this movement on Tuesday results in saving to the county $1,000 on the jail expenses; $3,000 on the management of public roads; $3,000 by the abolition of the district collector system and the appointment of a county treasurer, according to Mr. Griffith's suggestion; and say $1,000 in other leakages; we have then a total saving of $8,000 in county expenses—a very liberal estimate, and certainly a sum worth trying to save if now improperly expended—what is the extent of the relief? The farmer who is taxed on $1,000 *would save just eighty cents in one year!* He who is taxed for $5,000 will save the great sum of *four dollars!* The owner of $10,000 worth of property would make *eight dollars* in the course of a year! And so on.

On the other hand, Mr. Chapman argues that by uniting with the Alliance, or any other movement along the line of its methods, a saving of *fifty times the amounts* above mentioned can be realized. The Alliance is nearly four million strong in this country now. It is just organized in Maryland and has 1,000 members. In Georgia alone it saved the farmers in a single year $200,000 in the purchase of fertilizers. It has lowered the cost of everything they use; wagons, buggies, and luxuries. It has taught the farmers the use of the most powerful weapon in the struggle of peace or war—co-operation. Divided they were the easy prey of the monopolist and trusts, but united in a phalanx of *four millions* strong, with one wing resting on the shores of Maine, the other on the Pacific coast, the farmers have become a power. It will be protential in remedying political evils that exist to the detriment of the farmer. It will reform the iniquitous tariff; it will elect Grover Cleveland—the exponent of tariff reform and righteous laws—President of the United States in 1892; it will break up the grain gamblers and bring again a healthy system of buying and selling, and opening the markets of the world for our grain by a liberal tariff policy; it will restore the paying prices of yore for our corn and wheat and fruits.

A rosy picture surely this is! And there is certainly something in it. The political reference is ours. The Alliance is not a political organization.

CENTREVILLE would be a most excellent place for the holding of the next Congressional Convention. Easy of access with first-class railroad facilities, hotel and hall accommodations and a most hospitable people, Centreville is the equal of any town in the district for the assembling of such a convention. —*Observer.*

All right—you can have the convention if you'll give us the candidate.

THE annual statement of The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, which appears in another column, shows the remarkable progress made by this institution during twelve months. The record made by the Mutual eclipses its own best efforts, and naturally exceeds that of any other financial institution in the world. The new business written amounted to $151,602,483.37, an increase of $48,388,222.05 over the new risks assumed in 1888, and a gain of $82,144,015 over the business of 1887—showing a continuous and phenomenal advance. The assets of the Mutual Life now aggregate $136,401,328.02, indicating a gain for the year of $10,349,174.46. The company has now an outstanding insurance account amounting to $565,949,963-62. Its total income from all sources is reported at $31,119,019.62. It paid to its members during the year for death claims and endowments and other obligations $15,200,608.38. Up to date the Mutual had 128,310 policies in force, showing a gain in membership for the year of 23,941, thus forming the biggest army of policy-holders in any regular Life Insurance Company in the world. The surplus fund was increased $1,717,184.81 in 1889, and the Mutual now has $9,658,248.44 over and above every liability.

STANLEY'S TRAVELS.—Mr. George T. Moore, of Worton, has taken the agency for the third and fifth districts to sell Henry M. Stanley's Travels in the Wilds of Africa. This book contains thrilling accounts of famous expeditions, miraculous escapes, wild sports of the jungle and plain, curious customs of savage races, marvelous discoveries in the wilds of Africa, graphic description of beautiful scenery, fertile valleys, vast forests, mighty rivers and cataracts, mines of untold wealth, etc. Mr. Moore will canvass the districts and call upon the people in person for their subscriptions to this highly interesting work.

Conference Entertainment.

This matter is now concerning the members of the M. P. Church here. A meeting was held and largely attended in the lecture room of the church last Wednesday evening, and the pastor, Rev. W. R. Graham, was authorized to appoint a committee of six ladies and six gentlemen to aid him in securing homes for the members of the Conference, which meets in Chestertown April 2, next.

The body will consist of about 230 members—a large number to entertain in a town of our size. But that the hospitality of our people will be equal to the task there is not the slightest doubt. The meeting of the Conference here will be a most interesting event to the community and it is to be hoped will also advance the religious cause.

The committee appointed for the purpose will begin work next week, and they hope to find that the heads of families in the town have considered the matter, and will be able to favorably respond.

The Magistrates' Court.

A MORGAN'S CREEK "PEAR CIDER" CASE.

A local-option-pear-cider case was heard before Justice Burgess last Monday. Very great interest was manifested in the case, and the Register's office was full to overflowing during the continuance of the hearing. Mr. C. W. Chrisfield was the party charged with violating the local option law by selling intoxicating drinks at his store in Morgans' Creek Neck. The State was represented by Marion deK. Smith, Esq., and the defendant by Wm. M. Slay, Esq.

Rev. A. T. Melvin made the charge. He stated that he went into the store Feb. 13 and asked for a bottle of pear cider. Mr. Croney took from the shelf a bottle marked pear cider and delivered it to him. Chrisfield called to Croney from another part of the store to let him have it for fifteen cents, but immediately after told him not to let him have it at any price. Croney grabbed the bottle and said "I know what you are up to." Mr. M. replied that his purpose was to determine the character of the article and, if found intoxicating, to present him. Mr. Slay wanted to know if he proposed to drink it, or in what other way he would learn its character? Mr. Melvin said he would try it on a dog. Mr. Chrisfield's store is situated at Corktown, about a mile from Morgan's Creek bridge.

Witnesses for the State as follows were examined: Wesley McClary, Herbert McClary, James McKee, John McKee, Samuel Nickerson, Theodore Davis and Frank Harris; also, the following colored: Rob. Johnson, Jos. Cotton, Isaac Cotton, Emory Hynson, Wesley Caulk and Dora Caulk. For the defense Mr. Simeon Davis was the only witness called. Most of the witnesses testified to the harmless character of Mr. C.'s apple and pear cider. Some of them had drank large quantities without the slightest effect. One of the witnesses acknowledged that he was a little sick once after indulging, but attributed that to eating *candy*. Mr. Slay, in a short argument, said he doubted whether another store in Kent county—with the same number of witnesses brought forward to impeach—could show a clearer record than Mr. Chrisfield. His whole neighborhood had been scoured and no evidence of intoxicating drinks was discovered. Justice Burgess declared Mr. C. not guilty—that there was no evidence to hold him.

BIXLER VS. TURNER.

Wm. H. Bixler & Co., Baltimore, against Jos. Turner—suit for $38.95 for repairing a boat; before Justice Burgess. It seems that Turner sent his boat to Bixler for repair in June, 1887, and about a month after she sprung aleak in Chester river and damaged phosphate to the amount of $74.50, which was put in as a claim for damages in bar. H. H. Barroll, Esq., appeared for Turner, and J. D. Urie, Esq., for Bixler. The justice gave judgment for Bixler for $41.86 and costs, and refused to allow anything in bar.

A WATCH THIEF.

Justice Johnson had John Page, colored, before him a few days ago, on the charge of stealing a watch from D. T. Williamson. Constable Henly made the arrest. Page has gone to the House of Correction for six months.

FIGHTING OVER ONE CENT.

A shooting affair took place in Quaker Neck last Wednesday, and the parties are to have a hearing before Justice Johnson on Monday. George Deans and John Russell, two young colored men, were playing "crap" near Quaker Neck wharf, when they got into a wrangle over a cent, and a pistol and club were brought into the play. Russell charges Dean with shooting at him twice—the balls from the pistol, however, missed him and fell into the river near an oysterman at work tonging. Dean charges Russell with trying to "knock him in the head" with a stone. Constable Henley arrested the parties and they are in jail.

"OLD DAN" WENT FOR THEM.

Wm. Cannon and James Martin, colored, charged with stealing a satchel of clothing from Dan. Wright last Saturday night were arrested by Constable Simpson and had a hearing before Justice Dodd, who sentenced them to the House of Correction for three months each.

College Notes.

The new bell has been put in position, and while it is a great improvement over its cracked predecessor, yet in fullness and richness of tone, it can not be said to excel.

The Shakespeare club, on account of the exercises of the Mt. Vernon Literary Society this evening, held its meeting last night at Miss Hubbard's. The play of Romeo and Juliet was finished, and Tempest was decided upon as the next play to be read.

The Mt. Vernon Literary Society will commemorate to a certain extent the birthday of the immortal George by some very interesting extra exercises this evening, to which the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Satterfield and little girl, of Greensboro', are the guests of Prof. and Mrs. Micou.

Mr. Harry Rose, of Cordova, a former student, was here this week.

A BOY'S SUICIDE.—James Shockley, a 16 year-old boy living at Snow Hill, Md., committed suicide on Saturday by shooting himself with a shot gun. Young Shockley attended a party in his neighborhood on the evening preceding contrary to his father's wishes, and was punished by the latter for his disobedience on his return. This seemed to weigh heavily upon the boy's mind, and he told his sister that he intended to kill himself, describing to her minutely the manner in which he would proceed. Shortly afterward he left home with his gun. His failure to return home that night seemed to occasion little anxiety. The next day, Sunday, his father stated that he had dreamed his son was lying dead in a wood close by. A search was made and the boy's body was found in the precise spot indicated in the dream. He had pressed the muzzle of the gun to his left side, placed his right hand in his pocket and pulled the trigger with a toe of one foot. The entire load had entered the body just below the heart, causing instant death.

REAL ESTATE SOLD.—Mrs. Carolene L. Hynson and Richard D. Hynson, Esq., as executors of Richard Hynson, sold the following real estate Tuesday:

The J. F. Whittington farm, near Millington, containing 405 acres, at $31 per acre; also the Anthony Mill property, near Galena, for $1,000. Both were purchased by Mrs. Carolene L. Hynson.

Marion deK. Smith, Esq., attorney for mortgagees, sold a dwelling house and lot of land in Masseys for $1,050. Purchased by the Chester Loan Association.

A BIG PILE OF LUMBER.—The steamer "Conoho" arrived at Chestertown last Monday direct from Roanoke river loaded with lumber for T. W. Eliason, Jr. It made a big pile when delivered upon the wharf and consisted of cypress fencing, railing, shingles, &c. Mr. Eliason is giving special attention to the lumber business and those proposing to build or repair will find it to their interest to call and see him. Farmers and others having fences to erect should look at his new stock.

NEW BRIDGE AT CRUMPTON.—Commissioners Shallcross and Morgan, of Kent, and Catlin, of Queen Anne's, met in Crumpton last week and decided to build a new bridge across the river at that point. In the fall of 1888 a new draw was built and now it is the intention to build the two ends of the bridge new. The contract has been awarded to Mr. R. N. Boston of this town.

THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE VISITED ANNAPOLIS.—The committee appointed at the temperance meeting held at Stam's Hall last week visited Annapolis on Wednesday and laid before the legislative temperance committee the bill adopted on that occasion asking for additional legislation to strengthen our present local option law and render it more effective. The committee was given a respectful hearing and was promised that the matter should receive attention, but of course nothing in the shape of definite legislation could be promised. The following are the persons who went from the county, as far as could be ascertained: Rev. R. W. Todd, Dr. J. T. Twilley, J. H. Baker, Miss. Ida Crew, W. G. Skirven, B. F. H. Caulk, R. S. Griffith, J. S. Harris, R. T. Turner, Jr., T. E. Norris and Norris Barnard.

A DAILY PAPER IN CHESTERTOWN.—As stated last week, a daily newspaper will be issued from the KENT NEWS office during the session of the Maryland Annual Conference in Chestertown. The paper will contain 24 columns, 20 inches long, printed on fine white paper, and filled with choice reading, locals, illustrations, etc., all for **25 cents**. Send in your names at once. The paper ought to have a large circulation. Every postoffice in the county should have a list. Chestertown will take its full share no doubt. The space for advertising is limited, so that those desiring to avail themselves of this as an advertising medium should notify us at once. Terms of advertising 50c. per inch, with liberal discount for longer space.

"BUSINESS IS BUSINESS."—In order to more largely engage in the grain business and extend his operations Mr. B. F. Fleming has increased the size of his store room, and added to his former operations that of a general feed store. So that now the farmer can always find a ready purchaser for his grain right here in Chestertown, and also supply himself with lime, coal, wood or seeds of various kinds. Builders and whitewashers will find it to their interest to call and get his prices. Mr. Fleming gives special attention to feed stuffs for hogs, cattle and horses.

A CURIOSITY.—Rev. S. C. Roberts, rector of Immanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown, hands us the following bill paid by him during the civil war in Morganton, North Carolina, as a specimen of the prices paid in that section during those troublesome times:

STEPHEN ROBERTS:
Bot. of E. STANLEY WALTON:

1 Pack Pins, $1.05	$12 40
1 Gro Buttons	4 60
1 Cake Soap	2 40
1 Fine Comb	2 75
5 Paper Needles	5 00
5 Paper Needles, 80c	4 25
2 Paint Buckets, 16c	32
1 Rule	1 00
Rec'd Payment,	$32 97

E. S. WALTON.

LENTEN SERVICES.—Services on Ash Wednesday were largely attended at Emmanuel P. E. Church in Chestertown. During the Lenten season services will be held as follows: Every week day at 5 P. M.; Wednesdays and Fridays at 12 M., also. First Sunday in each month sermon and holy communion at 11 A. M.; other Sundays sermon and holy communion 7.30 P. M. and sermon at 11 A. M.

AMUSEMENT.—"Rip Van Winkle" at Stam's Hall on Tuesday evening by the popular actor, Mr. S. W. Glenn, supported by the Acme Dramatic Company of Baltimore, was witnessed by a fair audience and greatly enjoyed.

TOLCHESTER ROUTE.—The popular steamer Emma Giles has been newly painted and put in thorough order and will resume her trips between Tolchester Beach and Baltimore, March 5th, and every Wednesday thereafter.

THE "Hatchet Familie" will give an entertainment in Stam's Hall to-night. The affair is under the auspices of the "Y" of Chestertown, and promises to be a novel and pleasant entertainment. Tickets 15c.

APPRECIATED.—A subscriber in Delaware in remitting for his paper says: "The KENT NEWS is a welcome visitor—a paper that's a pleasure to pay for."

MAGISTRATES, &c.—The Governor makes no changes except in the 5th district—W. S. Thompson and Bartus J. Wilkins being appointed magistrates vice Davis and Gale.

THE Wilmington M. E. Conference meets at Milford, Del., on the last Wednesday, the 26th day of March.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met Tuesday, Feb. 18th. Full board present.

Messrs. Shallcross, Morgan and Rodenhiser were appointed as committee to examine and report whether in their judgment it would be expedient to open the new road asked for in the second district, and if so to confer with the parties who own land through which said road would pass with a view to purchasing right of way, and report their action and interview to said board. An order was drawn on Wm. H. Ford, collector, for levies in his hands for Mt. Hope Retreat and Maryland Hospital. Amelia Raben, daughter of Frank Raben, of this county, was assigned the free bed in Samaritan Hospital, Baltimore.

The annual notice of transfers, appointments, etc., was ordered to be published in the usual manner.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Feb. 18.—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett.

The last will and testament of Mrs. Annie E. Jacoby was filed for probate.

Wm. M. Miller and Dominick K. Ayres were appointed to appraise the personal estate of Christopher Wilkinson.

"SCRUTATOR" will appear next week.

Personal Mention.

James A. Pearce, Esq., responded to the toast "Alma Mater," at the annual banquet of the Maryland Alumni of Princeton College which took place at the Hotel Rennert, Baltimore, on Wednesday evening.

The united vestries of St. Paul's and I. U. Churches have called the Rev. George C. Sutton, rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville, Ohio, to become their rector and it is hoped that he will accept.

In the absence of Rev. H. C. Turner, Rev. J. H. Geoghegan will fill his pulpit to-morrow.

Rev. Geo. W. Todd, son of Rev. R. W. Todd, of Chestertown, will enter Conference Academy in April as teacher of Grammar, Rhetoric and Literature.

Mr. Wm. B. Copper, book-keeper in Mr. J. K. Aldridge's establishment, left for Washington and other points last Wednesday for a ten days' respite from business.

We learn that Mr. J. Frank Wilson, one of the most popular and useful citizens of Still Pond, is on the sick list. We shall be gratified to chronicle our friend's early restoration.

Mr. M. A. Toulson has been getting along finely for several days and his entire recovery is contingent upon the period necessary to recover strength.

Miss Bertie Lloyd, of Pocomoke city, has been visiting her friend, Miss Nellie Walters, in Chestertown this week.

Mrs. Nicolina S. Stephenson, wife of Rev. R. K. Stephenson, died at the M. E. Circuit parsonage, in Smyrna, on Tuesday of last week. Mrs. Stephenson was a woman of beautiful Christian character.

Miss Ella M. Hurtt, of Still Pond, has returned home from a two weeks' visit with friends in Millington, Middletown, Cecilton and Galena.

Miss Susie Wright, of Smyrna, Del., and Miss Ida P. Vandyke, of Crumpton, spent a few days with Mrs. Chas. E. Roland, in Chestertown.

Miss Bertie Lambson, of Newark, N. J., is visiting Miss Stella Stephens at Melitota.

Mrs. Bell, of New York, is the guest of Mrs. W. N. E. Wickes.

Miss Bennetta Davis, of Still Pond, is visiting relatives at Philadelphia and Wilmington. Miss Bennetta is a very popular young lady and is missed by her young friends at home.

Mr. Wm. B. Price, of Still Pond, has been allowed an increased pension.

Miss Lizzie Davis, of Still Pond, has been visiting friends at Worton Station and also her brother in Flatland.

Miss Julia Emory, daughter of Capt. R. S. Emory, is studying painting in Washington under the instruction of one of the finest artists of that city.

Mrs. Phil. Brooks and Miss Eunice Gemmill were present at the enjoyable dance given by the young gentlemen of Middletown, Del., last week.

Miss Fannie Smith, daughter of county commissioner Wm. D. Smith, of Queen Anne's, who has been visiting at Mr. S. Franklin Smith's, was tendered a handsome entertainment during her stay. The evening was spent in the most enjoyable manner and refreshments were served before the party dispersed.

A grand ball was held at the Opera House in Smyrna on Thursday evening of last week. Those present from Millington were: Messrs. Julian Powers, Charlie O. Casy, Edward Spear and John Spear.

A Washington dispatch says: Mrs. Chas. H. Gibson had a largely attended reception on Wednesday at the Shoreham, the last of her formal receptions for this season. Miss Mary Wilson assisted her.

RESERVE these dates—March 5th and 6th—to attend the St. James' festival at Fairlee Hall! Excellent suppers only 25c.!

THE CASH SALE of Mr. John Clark, in Broad Neck last Monday, was a success. Auctioneer Greenwood says that money seemed to be plentiful! People came from all sections with the "needful" and gave even better prices for many articles than are usually obtained at credit sales.

COLTS INJURED.—Two colts belonging to Mr. Wm. H. McKee, near this town, got caught in a wire fence last Monday and one of them had the leaders of the right front leg severed and was otherwise injured. They were attended by Mr. Fred. Welch, a blacksmith at Chapman & Lambert's and are now improving.

A SUCCESS.—We learn that the festival at Rock Hall last week for the benefit of St. John's Catholic Church was a grand success, the receipts were $275, expenses $60, net profits $215. Rev. J. A. Murphy, the pastor, and congregation extend their sincere thanks to the people of Rock Hall, and all others, who by their generosity, helped to make the supper so successful.

THE NEW STAMPS.—Our new postmaster appears to be in special favor with the department at Washington. A special invoice of the new stamp issues was received last Thursday from Mr. Clarkson with instructions not to use the same before the 22d, (to-day)—the birthday of the Father of this country is to be thus celebrated by the postoffice department. The Chestertown office is thus complimented by a courtesy extended to only the largest first-class offices of the country. The new stamps are a great improvement upon the old. In size they are much smaller and the colors are deeper and prettier in every way. Postmaster Brown expects to have his new boxes in place next week.

REV. I. G. FOSNOCHT, Galena, writes: The M. E. Parsonage of this place was unceremoniously entered on last Saturday night, by about fifty persons; who assulted its unarmed and innocent occupants, with hams, eggs, sausage, beef, coffee, chickens, sugar, flour, lemons, oranges, bananas, butter, corn and numerous other articles. Pastor received articles for study use, a "Life of Christ," calendar, a lovely waste basket, covered with creton and ornamented with fancy bells, ribbons and silver plated handles; also a knife, which opens both ways intended for a preacher who don't care which way his sermons cut, &c. Mrs. F. a handsome knit shoulder cape. We can never express our appreciation of these tokens of social and other tieship. God bless these people. Meeting still going on. Monday 6 went forward and 3 converted. God is with us. I have not been able to preach since Thursday of last week.

A HOP AT FAIRLEE.—In response to about two hundred invitations a large number of young ladies and gentlemen from various sections of the county assembled at the Grange Hall, Fairlee, on Monday evening, to engage in a social dance. Music from a distance which had been engaged for the occasion failed to make the train and home talent—always available—was brought into requisition. About twelve o'clock an excellent supper was served, after which the dance was continued until an early hour. The floor-managers were Messrs. John B. Parrott, J. T. DeCorse and John Brice, Jr., under whose dexterity the dance was pronounced by all a great success.

CHARLES E. WILLIS, chief clerk of the Delaware railroad, died at Dover on Monday afternoon. The deceased was born in Fitchburg, Mass, in 1835, and has been in railroad service for thirty years. He came to Clayton in 1885 and became chief clerk of the Delaware division of the Pennsylvania railroad. He was a batchelor.

—THE LADIES OF—

—ST. JAMES M. P. CHURCH—

Will hold a FESTIVAL on

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, MARCH 5 and 6,

AT FAIRLEE HALL!

SUPPER each evening—Tickets 25c. On the second evening the young people will give an entertainment commencing at 7½, for which an admission of 10c. will be charged. The public cordially invited. By order of COMMITTEE

LECTURE!

The REV. R. C. JONES will LECTURE at LOCUST GROVE, on THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 27.

SUBJECT: BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG.

THURSDAY EVENING, March 6th,

By REV. R. W. TODD "THE LOVE OF WOMEN," or "HOW TO CHOOSE A WIFE."

fe22-2t. By order of the STEWARDS.

RELIGIOUS.—There will be services at St. Paul's Church, on Sunday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock.

WANTED.

A WHITE GIRL, about 12 years old, of good character, can secure a good home by applying at the NEWS office. 18-3t.

REWARD.

A reward of Ten Dollars will be given by the Board of County School Commissioners for such evidence as will secure the conviction of the party or parties who have broken the pump at Oak Grove Public School. By order,

feb8-3t. EBEN F. PERKINS, SEC'Y.

NOTICE of DISSOLUTION.

GEORGETOWN, MD., Feb. 1, 1890.

The firm of J. F. M. WOODALL & CO. is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

JAMES F. M. WOODALL,
fe22-2t. AUGUSTUS H. WOODALL.

DR. N. M. JETER,

Late Resident Physician for the Houston Coal and Coke Company, of West Virginia,

HAS LOCATED IN MILLINGTON,

and offers his services to the people.

Feb. 22—6m.

THE PROHIBITION LAW of KENT CO.,

passed in 1878, simply forbids "selling spirituous or fermented liquors or alcoholic bitters" under a penalty of a fine of from $50 to $300. As amended in 1884 it provides that the party convicted, on failure to pay his fine, shall "be confined in the Maryland House of Correction" not exceeding six months. It is so framed as to cover intoxicating liquors of every name, or of no name, the language being: "Any person or persons or body corporate, who shall in any way barter or sell intoxicating drinks of any kind or description. A druggist may sell only for medicinal purposes, upon the written bone fide prescription of a regular physician practicing in said county, containing the name of the person for whom the liquor, alcoholic bitters or other intoxicants is prescribed, the kind and quantity of the same, the date of the prescription and the name of the physician making it, all written in ink; the date of filling such prescription shall be endorsed on the back thereof, by the druggist filling the same, in ink, who shall file and keep all such prescriptions," exhibit same to any State's attorney, grand jury or justice calling therefor; no prescription to be made except in case of "actual sickness" and when such is "absolutely required as a medicine," and these shall not serve for more than one purchase"—not to be drunk on the premises except in case of sudden illness; in such cases, when delay would be dangerous, a druggist may sell without a prescription?

Published by request of Kent County Temperance Alliance. R. W. TODD,

1t. Co. Vice-Prest. Md. State Temp. Alliance.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 26th day of August, 1890, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 18th day of February, 1890.

JAMES A. PEARCE,
Feb. 22, 1890—4t. Executor.

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 REBECCA WICKES,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 26th day of August, 1890, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit in said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 18th day of February, 1890.

WILLARD MELVIN,
Feb. 22, 1890—4t. Administrator.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

The Chester Loan Association of Kent County,

versus

Lucian M. Bean and Annie M. Bean, his wife, Richard J. Foard and Lydia P. Foard, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity, January Term, 1890.

ORDERED, this 19th day of February, 1890, that the sale of the Real Estate of Lucian M. Bean and Annie M. Bean, his wife, and Richard J. Foard and Lydia P. Foard, his wife, made and reported by MARION DEK. SMITH, attorney, under powers in three separate mortgages to the Chester Loan Association of Kent county, two from the said Lucian M. Bean and Annie M. Bean, his wife; the one dated February 14th, 1885, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent county, in Liber S. B., No. 6, Folio 527, &c., the other dated May 29, 1888, and recorded among the aforesaid Land Records in Liber S. B., No. 10, Folio 589, &c. The other of said mortgages from Richard J. Foard and Lydia P. Foard, his wife, dated June 4, 1889, and recorded among the aforesaid Land Records, in Liber S. B., No. 12, Folio 296, &c., be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 24th day of April, 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 24th day of March next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $1,050.

SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

True copy, Test—
Feb. 22, 1890—4t. SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

TYPE WRITER COPYING.

Persons desiring neat and prompt work on the Type Writer can have it done by applying to me. Legal papers a specialty. Correspondence solicited, or see me in person at the office of H. H. Barroll, Esq.

WILL ROSE,
f8-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FOR RENT for the year 1890:

The VOSHELL HOUSE STABLES. These are the most convenient stables in town. Also, for sale, FOUR HORSES and MARES.

d28-tf. WM. D. BURCHINAL.

LOST or MISLAID, on February 1st, 1890, in Chestertown, a large leather POCKET-BOOK, containing several Notes and other papers, valuable only to the subscriber. It has the name of J. C. Johnson on the inside of the lap. The finder will be suitably rewarded on returning it to me, or leaving it where I can get it. B. F. HENLEY.

FOR SALE:

AT POMONA STOCK FARM, one REGISTERED BULL, Rex strain. Also, fresh COWS and HEIFERS—thoroughbred and registered. Bred for milking qualities. Prices reasonable.

JAS. H. BAKER,
fe15-4t.* POMONA, MD.

FOR SALE:

ONE YOUNG HORSE, good for farm or road; SIX SHOATS and THREE WYANDOTTE COCKRELS. All will be sold at a bargain. Apply to W. FLETCHER MELVIN,
f8-3t.* near Chestertown.

FOR SALE:

A CHOICE LOT of PURE BRED PLYMOUTH ROCK COCKERELS. Price, $1 each.

f8-3t. ALDAY CLEMENTS, Crumpton, Md.

FOR SALE or RENT.

A comfortable, nearly new DWELLING HOUSE in Chestertown, on the corner of Maple Avenue and Spring Avenue, adjoining residence of T. S. Hordley. It will be rented for 1890, and is for sale on liberal terms. Apply to

MARION DEK. SMITH,
d28-tf. Att'y for Chester Loan Association.

MONEY TO LOAN.

$1,000, $2,000, $3,000, $5,000 and $10,000, on Real Estate at 6 per cent.

MARION DEK. SMITH,
f8-3t. ATTORNEY.

MONEY TO LOAN on MORTGAGES.

$2,500, $2,000, $1,500 and $1,000 on Mortgages at 6 per cent.

HOPE H. BARROLL,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
f8-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FLOUR!

"PATAPSCO SUPERLATIVE,"

THE PREMIUM FLOUR OF AMERICA!

PATAPSCO FAMILY, do. EXTRA, ORANGE GROVE,

and other brands of GAMBRILL'S FLOUR.

For sale by J. B. SAPPINGTON.

Also, FEED of all kinds in any quantity, at short notice. Corner of High and Mill Sts.

Feb. 15-tf. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

A Large Invoice of

CYPRESS FENCING!

Cypress Fence Railing, 2x3 and 2x4

—SAWED—

CYPRESS SHINGLES

RIVED CYPRESS SHINGLES.

Just received direct from Roanoke River

FOR SALE at LOWEST MARKET RATES.

T. W. ELIASON, Jr.

Feb. 22, 1890.

LIME! GRAIN! FEED!

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B. F. FLEMING

—Chestertown, Maryland.—

Land Lime, Quick or Slaked