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This beautiful property belonging to Mrs. Annie T. Hayes, on Washington avenue, was sold on Tuesday to Mr. Philip G. Wilmer, of Chestertown, for $6,000. Mrs. Hayes sold this property in July, 1906, to Ex-Judge Charles H. Jefferson for $7,000, and in November, same year, she re-purchased the property for $7,800.

ROCK HALL ITEMS.

Palm Sunday was observed at St. John's R. C. church in the presence of a large audience. The theme of Father Heavey's discourse was "The gift of God's only Son and the Son's gift of his own life that man might have eternal life." During the sermon the reverned gentleman put these pointed questions to his hearers, "What have you done to merit eternal life?" On the contrary, "What have you done to merit eternal damnation?"

At the M. E. Church a large congregation enjoyed a fine sermon on the only sourse of peace from the words, "Thou will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee." As pastor and people are becoming more acquainted the attachment for each is growing stronger.

Rev. Mr. Richardson has been elected superintendent of the Sunday School and from indications when he becomes familiar with the routine working of the school he will prove an efficient superintendent. A pleasing feature of his method is a short spirited review of the day's lesson, as this will induce thoroughness and faithfulness on the part of the teacher, test the knowledge of the pupils and impress upon the hearts of all the truths they have learned. Great good must result through the weekly review from the desk. No part of a Sunday School service is more important than the 5 or 7 minutes devoted to going over the lesson.

The envelope system for securing the pastors salary have been in use in the M. E. Church for six years but many object to using that mode prefering to deposit their payments in the plates as they are passed. All such deposits go into the hands of the Trustees for use in the current expenses. As a result the Stewards get behind in salary payments to remedy this difficulty a lock box has been placed in the vestibule where all money for salary is to be deposited from now on. This is thought to be a good move.

Miss Lydia U. Apsley has been placed in charge as financial secretary by the Board of Stewards and she is making a thorough canvas of envelope distribution.

Easter service will be held here tomorrow, Sunday, evening. A fine program has been prepared and as usual the case, will be joyously rendered.

A lively scene was presented on Saturday afternoon and night, throngs from far and near were constantly on the go in shopping and sight-seeing. Never was there a finer display of goods in our stores and sales were most successful is the report of Messrs. Kramer, Miller and others. Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Ashley and Mrs. Reynolds, dealers in feminine fancies &c., were also in the rush. Notwithstanding the big sales cash money seemed exceedingly scarce owing to the great number of checks presented by the fishermen and others. All commodities were at a special low rate for the day. Messrs. Joseph Downey and J. B. Downey and B. J. Ashley were not making much ado in fuss and feathers but they had a full stock and seemed well satisfied with sales. The butchers too were taxed to their utmost in supplying the big demand for meats and provisions.

Owing to the disabling of gasoline engines several crews of fishermen were unable to reach harbor on Saturday during the heavy wind. They took up on the bay shore between Huntingfield Point and East Neck Island and then walked home. Gasoline power in the fishing and oystering boats is very convenient and labor saving but it can't be depended on. Frequently the men have difficulty in going to and fro.

So Mr. Brown caught the ground hog? Wonder if he is the fellow that knocks us out of our reckoning by his weather prognostigating every February? If so we are glad he is gone.

Death is still stalking about our community. One of his latest victims Mrs. John Henry Mercer who died on Sunday a. m.

Wednesday's rain coming right after so much Westerly and Northerly winds and cool weather was quite welcomed by gardners and truckers in this section. The soil had become quite dry and garden truck was retarded in growth and sprouting.

Small bone bacon in our waters are in great abundance and are not worth the handling, consequently the fishermen simply turn them loose from the traps.

J. R., Jr., J. C. and N. M. Ryan are on the sick and disabled list this week.

Mr. Wm. T. Harrison is a delegate from the Odd Fellows Lodge here, to the 80th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge which meets in Baltimore next Monday night.

THIRTY real, live, squirming soft crabs from the Chesapeake bay—the first of the season—was received in Baltimore Wednesday morning by a commission merchant. The crabs came from the vicinity of the Rappahannock river, and are very small. Not so their price. At retail they are quoted at $1.50 a dozen, which is just six times as much as they bring when the season is in full swing.

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ORPHANS' COURT UPHELD.

Opinion of the Court of Appeals in the Case of Augusta E. Slay vs. William W. Beck and Lewin W. Wickes, Administrators of R. D. Hynson.

The following opinion delivered by Judge Burke in the above entitled case is here published upon request of the Orphans' Court of Kent County whose actions in this case have been widely discussed:

"The question raised by this appeal is a narrow one, and arises out of the following state of facts. Mr. Richard D. Hynson of Kent County died intestate in the year 1907, leaving surviving him a widow, Mrs. Emma A. Hynson, and five minor daughters. He also left a mother, Mrs. Carolene L. Hynson, and two sisters, Mrs. Rogers, a widow, and Mrs. Augusta E. Slay, the appellant in this case. On the 24th of June, 1907, Mrs. Hynson, the widow, renounced her right to administer upon her deceased husband's estate, and requested the Orphans' Court of Kent County to grant letters of administration upon his estate to William W. Beck and Lewin W. Wickes, which was done. Mrs. Rogers renounced her right to administer upon her brother's estate, and requested that letters of administration thereon be granted to her sister, Mrs. Slay; but no renunciation of her right to administer was filed by her mother, Mrs. Carolene L. Hynson. On July 9th, 1907, Mrs. Slay filed a petition in the Orphans' Court of Kent County alleging that the grant of letters of administration to the appellees was illegal and asking that the grant of letters to them be revoked. The appellees answered this petition, and to their answer a replication was filed by the appellant. The material and substantial averments of the petition, answer, and replication are stated in the opinion of this Court in the case of Slay vs. Beck, et al., reported in 68 Atlantic Reporter, 573. The administrators asked that certain issues of fact, raised by the pleadings, be transmitted to a Court of Law for trial, and the Court ordered that the seven issues, set out in the record of the above mentioned case of Slay vs. Beck, et al., be sent to the Circuit Court for Kent County for trial. From that order the appeal in that case was taken. Upon that appeal this Court decided: first, that the widow of the deceased was first entitled to administer upon the estate of her deceased husband; secondly, upon her renunciation the right to administer devolved upon his widowed sister, Mrs. Rogers; thirdly, upon her renunciation Mrs. Slay was entitled to letters of administration. Except for the issues of fact raised by the appellants answer to Mrs. Slay's petition and her replication thereto it would have been the duty of the Orphans' Court to have revoked the letters of administration granted to the appellees, because, in the absence of such facts, they were not entitled to administer upon the deceased's estate. But if it were, in fact, true that Mrs. Hynson's renunciation was validly exercised; that Mrs. Slay had renounced, or waived her right to administer upon her brother's estate; that Mrs. Rogers had renounced, and that the grant of letters to the appellees was done, as they averred in their answer, by the consent and approval of Mrs. Hynson, the mother, and with the knowledge and approval of Mrs. Slay, it cannot be doubted that they had a right to litigate with Mrs. Slay the question of the validity of their appointment. The sole question before the Court in the former case related to the issues proper to be sent to the Court of Law for trial. The question of the legality of the appellees' appointment was not presented for our decision, and was not, in fact, determined, and the expressions used by the Court in respect to that question was not intended as an adjudication upon that subject, inasmuch as the Court settled the proper issues to be tried, and directed that the appellees should assume the burden of proof upon the trial.

For the reasons stated the order of the Orphans' Court of Kent County, dated March 4th, 1908, refusing to revoke the letters of administration granted to the appellees, and dismissing the petition of Mrs. Slay will be affirmed."

GOOD BYE, OLD FRIEND.

At the joint meeting of the Republican and Democratic Editorial Associations in Baltimore last week, the Third Assistant Postmaster-General expounded the reasons for the Department's new ruling with reference to delinquent newspaper subscribers. He contended that from a business standpoint publishers were far better off without these non-paying subscribers, and said it was the sentiment of the publishers of the country that the enforcement of the new rules would mean an increased revenue to the newspapers, its delinquent subscribers would be eliminated and the expense of white paper, labor, postage, etc., cut down. All of which is quite true, but a little gratuitous. It hardly seems the Governments function to take a hand in ruling private enterprises. However, we shall bow to the order and are having our mailing list revised, so as to "cut off" those more than one year in arrears. You know how "hard it is for friends to part;" in fact, the only thing which seems harder is for a few—a very few—of our old friends to find the coin of the realm which would enable us "to sweetly live together" a little longer.

REPUBLICAN POLITICS.

Postmaster Harrison At Millington Heads A Losing Delegation Against Mr. Lewis Price.

Republican Primaries were held in Kent on Saturday, the liveliest contest being in Millington. Two delegations appeared at Chestertown Monday but the delegates in charge of Mr. Price were seated, while Postmaster Harrison and his followers grit their teeth and promised to get even.

Hon. J. H. Baker called the convention to order and L. Bates Russell was chosen chairman with John C. Davis, secretary.

Mr. David B. McMenamin was heartily endorsed as a delegate to the National convention, and in furtherance of his candidacy he was accorded the privilege of naming the delegates to the district convention. Mr. McMenamin named Capt. Daniel Hill, John D. Urie, J. B. Burchinal, Frank M. Miller and John C. Davis.

A mass delegation was selected for the State convention which meets in Baltimore April 30th, as follows:

Lewis P. Atwell, Lewis S. Price, Nehemiah H. Clark, James D. Moore, Charles England, Samuel J. Comly, Daniel Hill, R. R. Hill, John N. Bennett, George L. Bowers, R. Frank Rouse, John S. Owens, Alexander Mair, William H. Lambert, Frank M. Miller, J. Burton Burchinal, Cassius M. Clay, Charles S. Smith, Wilbur Eliason, David B. McMenamin, John D. Urie, John C. Davis, T. H. M. Bramble, James T. DeCourse, Carey M. Reinhart, Azariah M. Kendall, James A. Casey, Capt. J. B. Willson, Melville R. Apsley, Alfred W. Willson, Dr. J. H. Mullen, William R. Hodges, James H. Baker, Bartus Trew, Thomas W. Trew, William T. Brown, Samuel J. Vickers, Walter T. Trew, Harrison Jenkins, Benjamin Bordley, George Thompson.

For delegates to the Congressional convention which meets at Ocean City Aug. 6th, the following were named:

Wilbur Eliason, John C. Davis, David B. McMenamin, John D. Urie, Charles S. Smith, Samuel J. Comly, Robert R. Hill, Robert Wright, Walter S. Trew, T. H. M. Bramble, George L. Bowers.

ENDLESS CHAIN LETTER.

MESSRS. EDITORS:

The "Endless Chain of Prayer" letter has again made its appearance. It comes periodically indeed, it is almost an annual. I have seen this prayer many times in the past five or six years. It is worded different every time it comes, the mode of use changes with every new issue; sometimes the prayer is long, sometimes it is short. The person receiving it is asked to make so many copies, and to send one to each of so many persons. It professes to be a charm against dire calamity, and it is asserted that the writer of the stated number of copies and the receiver will have great joy. The letter states that this prayer, with the conditions attached for the use of it, was sent out by Bishop Lawrence; this good bishop has declared more than once, in the public press, over his own signature, that it is a fraud and that he knows nothing about it. A year or two ago the late Bishop Seymour was made sponsor for it and he declared that he had no knowledge of it. It has also been laid at the doors of other Bishops and they have denied any knowledge of it. This letter and the prayer is the work of some crank. There is no virtue in its use in the way directed. God will indeed hear and answer prayer against calamity and all evil, if it be made in faith, reverence and the right spirit. He does not limit His answer to any set form, to be used under certain prescribed conditions, as for instance by letter through the postoffice. I trust no one will be led to believe that this is the way to avert harm. Pray by all means but not in this way.

H. B. MARTIN.
Chestertown, Md.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE WINS.

Washington College defeated the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute here Saturday by 12 to 6. The home team showed marked improvement in its hitting, but its fielding at times was a little ragged.

The Baltimore boys were unable to hit Johns, who struck out 15 of them, but they braced up in the last inning and, aided by costly errors, managed to score four runs. The pitching of Johns and the batting of Crew and Cross, each making three hits, were the only features. Score:

Wash. College...3 0 7 0 2 0 0 0 x—12r., 10h., 8e.
Balto. Poly.....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 4— 6r., 5h., 11e.
Batteries—Johns and Cross; Drening, Dalrymple and Callahan.

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