# American Union

**COUNTY CALENDAR.**

*School Board will meet April* 18.
*Orphans' Court will meet April* 25
*Levy Court will meet April* 18.

**Thursday, April. 13 1899.**


## LOCAL NEWS.

The leaves will soon be out.

The bicycle dealer is hunting for victims.

J. H. Nichols is opening his spring line of hats and shoes.

The live merchants are beginning to advertise to catch the spring trade.

Mr. T. Pliny Fisher attended the session of the M. P. Conference at Crisfield.

The farmers are planting peas. An unusually large acreage will be grown in this vicinity.

The fruit growers are expecting a crop of strawberries, and are laying in a supply of baskets and crates.

Use Listers' Special Tomato Fertilizer to ensure a big crop. Sold by J. H. Barrow, Preston, Md. *

Painters are repainting W. E. Brown's drug store and residence where they were scorched by the recent fire.

Rev. W. H. Kenney and family visited Denton friends on Thursday on his way to his new appointments, Wye and Starr.

Prof. M. J. Woodford and wife, of Centreville, spent Sunday with Mrs. Woodford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Purnell Johnson.

We have been adding new subscribers to our list from week to week, but the past one has been the best, having added fifty.

Miss Mary Garey, of Williston, a student at the Randolph Harrison School, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Samuel Morris, a brakeman on the Queen Anne's Railroad, was badly scalded about the face while uncoupling a steam pipe at Queenstown.

An all-day holiness meeting was held at Piney Grove M. P. church on Sunday and a similar meeting will be held at Shepherd's next Sunday.

David Tubbs is still engaged making repairs and improvements at Sewell's mill. The mill will be in the very best condition when completed.

R. W. Knotts, of Ruthsburg, has purchased the stock of merchandise at Downes station, Q. A. R. R., and will conduct the business there this year.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church tendered Rev. and Mrs. J. Kline a reception Thursday evening last. A tea and informal reception were the main features.

A social will be held by the Piney Grove school tomorrow evening, if not, the following evening for the benefit of the library fund. A pleasant time is expected.

Large posters advertising an excursion over the Queen Anne's road on April 17th, to Buffalo Bills Wild West show, have been posted in town. The show will be in Baltimore all next week.

The farmers have finished hauling shells on the road leading from town out to the Henry Irwin farm and the scraping machine has been run over the hard places where no shells were needed.

The Quaker evangelist, Rev. Mr. Gates, is holding meetings at Choptank, having gone there after the closing of his meetings here last week. He held meetings at Ridgely on Thursday last.

Persons having coal ashes or rubbish of any kind, can have the same removed free of cost by notifying L. B. Towers, who has the contract for filling up the pond nearly in front of Dr. Manship's residence.

The store and four lots at the corner of Rehoboth and Surf avenues, Rehoboth, have been sold to Baltimoreans, for $7,000. It is understood that the purchasers secured the property in the interest of the Queen Anne's R. R. Co.

The interest and talk on good roads is on the increase. The adoption of the wide tire is thought to be the first improvement needed, as very little permanent improvement can be made as long as the roads are cut up after every rain by the narrow tires now in use.

A petition is being circulated asking that the town commissioners appoint a night watchman for the town, with a view to preventing robberies and serious fires. It is thought that an officer of this kind would have discovered the fire that recently did so much damage, before it was beyond control, and that similar ones may be prevented.

The Maryland Republican editors will meet in Baltimore, at the parlors of the Union League, on the 19th inst. at 11 o'clock a. m. Every Republican editor is requested to be present, as important business will be brought before the association. At the conclusion of the business meeting the members will be entertained at lunch by the President of the association, B. H. Warner, Esq., of Washington.

The improvement Society of Chestertown has decided to buy a street sprinkler. The machines cost about $125 and the usual plan is to collect a monthly fee from residents along the streets, the cart skipping the property of those who refuse to pay. All this has been tried in Denton, but the properties skipped were always in the majority. The sprinkler was used very little last season, the income from the enterprise not being sufficient to pay for it.

Straw hats will soon be out.

The carpenters are all busy.

Gardening has been begun in earnest.

Spring chickens are likely to be scarce.

Wheat is reported to be growing rapidly.

The causeway to the bridge is being reshelled.

J. L. Everngam has a fine line of shoes open for inspection.

More of our citizens than usual are engaged in fishing this season.

The B. C. and A. boats have discontinued their stops at Two Johns.

Shad have been scarce this season and are selling for 40 cents per pair.

The singing class had a very pleasant and instructive meeting on Saturday night.

Mrs. Thomas Morgan accompanied by her mother, is visiting her sisters in Baltimore.

Mr. Charles G. Griffin, of New York, spent a few days with friends in the county.

Mr. M. F. Alaband has been in Baltimore to have an operation performed on his eyes.

L. B. Towers has just received another cargo of coal and is busy supplying his customers.

Fred. N. Nichols, a student at the Johns Hopkins Medical College, is home for the summer.

An auction sale was held at Bond's store on Saturday afternoon to close out some odds and ends.

Seldom that Denton has two finer musical treats than those of last week over $100 being expended on them.

If you want to save money on a Bicycle, better stop and see me. $20.00. W. H. Cook, Easton, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deweese and Fred R. Owens spent several days this week with friends in Delaware.

Mr. Robert B. Smith, living near town, who has been ill for a month past, has recovered sufficiently to go out.

Rev. G. R. Hollis is the new pastor for Wesley M. E. church, Denton. Rev. R. G. Waters goes to Bridgeville.

Mr. W. F. Towers is taking down the old brick walls of his dwelling. He will be able to save quite a lot of brick.

Frank W. Redden has made decided improvement on his dwelling on upper Main street by a few finishing touches.

The short session of court was very gratifying to most of those who were compelled to attend from the country.

Farmers will find a full line of implements and repairs at the hardware store of Tilghman Harvey, at Burrsville.

The sun shone bright and warm on Sunday and the young people enjoyed walking and driving out in spite of the wind.

Workmen are examining and cleaning up the machinery at Towers' ice plant this week, preparatory to starting up in a short time.

It is reported that Mr. Jesse A. Wright, of Seaford, formerly of this county, is preparing to open a large cannery at Queenstown.

Money loaned in amounts to suit Apply to Farmers' and Merchants' Loan Association, Dover, Del., or H. R. Lewis, Denton, Md. *

Be sure to notice the dates on which the County Commissioners will sit to make transfers and abatements, advertised on second page.

Blackiston is enlarging his machinery warehouse. When the new addition is completed he will have double the room occupied last year.

Messrs. R. B. Bond and B. L. Osborn, left for their new business location at Jessup's, on Sunday. The store they occupied is in a good business location and should not long remain unoccupied.

Redden & Murphy left for Rehoboth yesterday, with a gang of carpenters, to begin work on the cottage of Mr. J. H. Nichols. They have also contracted to build a cottage for Mr. H. T. Nuttle, of Andersontown. Both buildings are to contain eight rooms each, and porches will extend along the front and both ends.

Spring trade is looking about for some one to take it in. Those who go after it with the best advertising of their goods will get all that is due them. In this connection we call attention to the spring announcements of J. H. Nichols, Tribett, at the depot, and J. L. Everngam. A visit to any of these stores and an examination of their good will save you time and money when you go to buy.

Tomorrow is Arbor Day. Gov. Lowndes recommends in his proclamation that the day be devoted by people of the State to the planting of trees, and that parents and teachers in our public schools encourage the children to plant at least one forest tree on that day by the side of the public road or about the school houses, and that they be urged to study the habits and needs of the birds and their young, with a view to their preservation and increase.

The concert on Thursday evening by the Dickinson College Glee Club drew a fair sized and very appreciative audience. The receipts at the door were $61. The music by the orchestra was of a high order and the solos and songs were rendered in a manner that was pleasing to all present. A violin solo by Mr. Kronenberg; a clarionet solo by Mr. Whelock (an Indian); and the solos by Mr. Hare, were specially pleasing features. The members of the club were entertained by a number of families in town and one-half of the proceeds of the entertainment went to the carpet fund of the new Methodist Protestant Church.

## COURTHOUSE NEWS.

### DOINGS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS.

News of the Past Week as Gathered at the County Seat.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded during the past three weeks.

Richard L. Breeding to Frederick Breeding, 394 acres in the Third district, $375.

Edward T. Moore and wife to William W. Johns, 15 acres in the Fourth district, $160.

Willard E. West and wife to William P. Draper, Denton property, $1,300.

Wesley Towers and wife to William M. Green, 60 acres in the Fourth district, $600.

Fred. R. Owens, trustee, to William A. Corbin, 28 acres and 37 perches in the Fifth district, nominal consideration.

Charles A. F. Smith to Sadie L. Smith, 116 acres in the Fifth district, $1,800.

Charles A. F. Smith to Sadie L. Smith, 81 acres in the 5th district, $1,500.

Charles A. F. Smith to Sadie L. Smith, 75 acres in the Fifth district, $500.

Andrew J. Hubbard to Airy Ann Hubbard, 12 acres and 64 perches in the Second district, $500.

James H. Covey and wife to John R. McNeal, 50 acres in the Eighth district, $300.

Susan Boyer and husband to Geo. H. Geiger, 1 acre in the First district, $281.25.

Henry R. Lewis and Willard E. West, Trustees, to Fredrick W. Melvin, 144 acres, $700.

W. W. Williamson and wife to W. A. Whiteley, Preston town property, $25.00.

W. B. Logan and wife to A. D. Dick and wife, Federalsburg town property, $400.

Wm. T. Hignutt and wife to C. S. Baker, et. al., Smithville town property, $100.

Irwin T Saulsbury and wife to Martha Freeman, 4 acres and 12 perches, $100.

Mary C. Horsey and husband to Thos H. Porter and wife, 22 acres and 76 perches, $90.

David Maxwell to J. K. Hershey et. al., 100 acres, 1,250.

Harry Karcher and wife to Wm. F. Murphy and wife, Greensboro building lot, $20.

Josephine A. Wooters et. al., to Matthew P. Wooters, 2 acres 113 perches, nominal consideration.

George C. Shafer to Wm. C. Wetherell, 460 acres, $500.

ORPHANS' COURT.

At the session of the court on Tuesday all the judges were present.

Margaret J. Ringgold and B. T. Morgan, administrators of John W. Ringgold, deceased, presented a first and final account of administration, which was passed.

George L. Potter, administrator of Elizabeth L. Potter, deceased, presented an inventary and appraisment of personal property which was approved. Order to sell at private sale granted.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

E. Manuel Pritchett and Ella Wainwright, both of Hickman.

George W. Whiteley and Ella M. Williams, both of Preston.

Truitt H. Pearson and Ivah Bright both of Goldsboro.

Thomas E. Larrimore and Mary B. Hubbard, both of Greensboro.

John E. Towers and Millie Willoughby.

Colored—Jerry Roach and Kelister Ann Masten.

Frank H. Dixon and Julia E. Lock.

LEVY COURT.

At the meeting of the County Commissioners on Tuesday, Capt. Levi Roe reported having delivered 3,294 bushels of shells at Denton Bridge.

On recommendation of the Town Commissioners the board appointed Z. P. Steele, W. Frank Towers and N. A. Hutson to be judges of the town election of Denton.

The examiners appointed to lay down a road for an outlet for N. M. Jarman, across the lands of T. W. Jones, near Ridgely, filed their report. The examiners awarded the sum $25 damages to Mr. Jones. The matter was defered for further consideration.

**He Fooled The Surgeons.**

All doctors told Rennick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffereing 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performen, but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest cure on Earth, and the best salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by George & Redden, druggists. 4

**As Hicks Sees It.**

Hicks, who stands high in this county as a weather prophet, says this for the last half of April: The 14th to 16th is the next storm period, with showery conditions, running into settled storms. Warmer weather and storms may be expected from 18th to 22nd. Seismic shocks would not be surprising, and cooler weather will follow this period. Reactionary storms will occur on the 25th and 26th. This month will end as a storm period comes in, which will culminate on the first day of May. There is no reason, says Mr. Hicks, why April should not be a pleasant one for pushing agricultural work.


**SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.**

We have laid in and are receiving every week, a handsome line of Spring and Summer Millinery, Fancy Goods and Notions, all of the latest Shapes and Shades—can please the most fastidious. We buy nothing but the nobbiest Call and see them.

I. J. McILVAINE.


## METHODIST CHURCH REOPENING

Sunday Next Selected as the Day and a Spcial Program is Being Prepared.

After several months work the improving and rebuilding of the M. E. church at this place has reached completion and shows that the time and money thus expended a good investment. There have been but few additions made to the church since it was built in '67, and the majority of those who built this church edifice have passed away, leaving the present generation to improve and beautify this building as they see fit. Last fall this work was begun by erecting a class and Sunday school room in the rear of the church 30x40, with a basement for steam heating purposes. After this addition was completed the services were and have been held in that room until the present, when circumstances would admit of it. The improvements on the audience room was then bugun and pushed as fast as the weather would permit of. After clearing the room of its contents, work of tearing out the gallery, vestibule and stairways was begun, and in the place of which is a vestibule less than half the size of the old one with double doors leading to the street and audience room, the latter having plate glass pannels in the doors. The ceiling also came in for importantant changes, and instead of the high square ceiling brackets have been placed on the side walls at stated distances and carried up to meet the ceiling which is made after the more modern designs and relieves the unfinished effect of other days. While the ceiling in the center is the same height as heretofore, the breaking of the vastness of it, with the arched and pannel effect, gives it an entirely more pleasing appearance to the eye. The memorial and art glass windows also play an important part in this sacred edifice. In entering the church the first window on the right of the pulpit is a fine one in memory of Mrs Z. H. Webster, placed there by her Sunday School class, and like the one it represents, has to be studied and become acquainted with before it can be fully appreciated. Opposite this window on the left of the pulpit as you enter is one to the memory of the late John H. Emerson and Sarah L. Emerson, placed there by J. M. Emerson, Esq., of Ansonia, Conn. Another one to the memory of the late Rev. Jas. H. Rich, put in by his many friends, while another one is to the memory of Mrs. Sarah A. Pearson, contributed by her daughters, Mrs. Annie Annabel and Mrs. R. G. Stewart. The other to the memory of John R. Fountain, was donated by his daughters, Mrs. Chas. E. Wilson and Mrs. Annie E. Rochester, making five memorial window and five of art glass. The pews are not only something of beauty but would furnish a church of far more wealth, to say nothing of their comfort. They are of amphi-theater style, hard wood finish and gothic style. The carpet and pulpit furnishings correspond with other things in the church and must be seen to be appreciated, and were the gift of the Epworth League of the church. The entire building is heated by steam radiators, and lighted by two chandeliers with center draft lamps and improved reflectors that cast abundant light and lend a pleasing effect, in fact everything is in harmony with neatness and taste and the plainess of the walls with their delicate tint lend beauty to the surroundings. The reopening will take place Sunday, special music being prepared by the choir. A number of former pastors of this church have been invited, some of them will likely be present. Rev. Z. H. Webster, under whose pastorate these improvements were made, will be present and assist Mr. Wickline in the reopening services. Rev. V. S. Collins, of Dover, has also signified his intention of being present.

The cost of these improvements amount to about $3,200.

## COURT ADJOURNED ON FRIDAY.

The following cases were not finished when the UNION went to press last week:

J. Willard Johnson vs. George W. Hignutt. Charged with slander. Jury trial. Verdict for $50 damages for Johnson, Hignutt to pay costs amounting to about $150. A. G. T. and J. K. S. for Johnson; G. M. R. and H. R. L. for Hignutt.

State vs. John Wisher and Thomas Hammond. Indictment for robbery. Jury trial. Verdict, guilty. Sentence, 10 years each in the penetentiary, W. H. D. and H. L. C. for State; A. G. T. and J. K. S. for traverser.

R. B. Dixon & Co. vs. George H. Berry et al. Debt. Suit on sheriff's bond. Trial before the court. Judgment for defendant. A. G. T and J. K. S. for plaintiff; H. R. L. and H. L. C. for defendant.

The case of T. Fred Garey vs. the County Commissioners of Caroline County. Suit for damages sustained by a fall through a bridge on the public road. Removed to Talbot county. H. R. L. for Garey; G. M. R. for the Commissioners.

Before adjourning on Friday morning the court reappointed John J. Hartnett court stenographer. Hon. John F. Dawson, William Stevens and Edward E. Goslin, were reappointed county auditors.


**Glorious News**

comes from Dr. D. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood puritier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by George & Redden Druggist, Guaranteed. 4


## COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

### THE NEWS FROM COUNTY TOWNS

Gathered by our Hustling Reporters Each Week.

**Hickman Happenings.**

Herrings are plentiful.

Spring has come, so has the robin.

Mr. R. W. Peters went to Baltimore last week to lay in his spring stock of goods.

Mr. George Cohee has been clerking in Mr. R. W. Peters' store since Mr. J. W. Peters' store burnt down.

It is said Mr. Peters expects to build another stope-house as soon as they can get the place cleaned away where the old one stood.

Mrs. Mame Hutchins died at her home in this place on Tuesday, April 4, after a lingering illness of ten weeks of Bright's disease. She died trusting in Jesus and sang a hymn that morning before her death She was a devoted wife and mother and will be greatly missed by her neighbors. She leaves a husband and two children. The family has sympathy of the community.

**Greenwood Gleanings.**

Prof. Jones is reported on the sick list.

L. A. Davis, of Adamsville, is visiting friends in Greenwood.

Mr. Hugh Morris, of Delaware College, spent the Easter holidays at home.

Mr. David Pennewill, of New York, is the guest of his father for a few days.

S. C. Atherton, the "hot-house man," reports a large demand for early cabbage and tomato plants.

Greenwood school closed Friday last. Miss Belle McKague has started a subscription school for a term of five weeks.

The farmers around Greenwood are not setting out as many strawberries as usual, on account of low prices of last season.

W. D. Lynch, who has been suffering from an attack of la grippe, has so far recovered as to be out playing the gallant in his charming way.

**Choptank Chips.**

Mr. Guy Handley, of Baltimore, spent last Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Ariah Blades visited Federalsburg and Hurlock friends during the holidays.

Miss Elsie Blades was the guest of Miss Bertie Stephenson, of Preston, Easter Sunday.

Miss Nettie Dean, our principal, spent the Easter holidays with friends in the Monumental City.

Our townspeople are taking great pride in their little village. A number of them are having their residence repainted.

A "Schley social" for the benefit of the school organ will be held in our school Friday and Saturday evenings, April 21 and 22. All are cordially invited to attended.

Our school anticipates celebrating Arbor Day in real practical way on Friday. A program has been arranged and a-half dozen trees have been ordered to plant around the campus.

Those students deserving special merit for March are Elsie Blades, Bertha Blades, Bertha Perry, Ernest Wright, Frankie Price, Webster Blades, Glen Towers, Orlando Wright, Herbert Spence and Harry Wright.

**Greensboro Greetings.**

Squire S. N. West who has been ill at his home for the past two weeks, is slowly recovering.

H. A. Roe, Esq., is spending considerable time here making preparations for a large canning season. The Roe Brothers expect to have a large pack this year.

Mrs. Blanch Rich, wife of Mr. Jas. Rich, died at her home Friday evening last. Mrs. Rich was well known here and leaves a host of friends who deeply mourn her loss.

Harry L. Harper, a well known citizen of this place, died at his home Monday morning. He had resided here for many years and was well and favorably know to our citizens.

Miss Bertha Cohee, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Cohee, died at the residence of her parents early Sunday morning, after a short illness at the age of about 18 years, of pneumonia. She had not been in the best of health for several weeks past having had the grip, but thinking she was better made a visit to friends in Delaware. Her death though somewhat expected a short time before it came, was a great shock when it came and shrouded the community with gloom. She was a member of the M. E. church and choir. Interment took place in Greensboro cemetery Tuesday afternoon, and was conducted by Rev. Aloisus Green, and was largely attended. The floral display was large.


**Discovered by a Woman.**

Another great discovery has been made, and that to, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severe tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discoved a way to recoverv, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at George & Redden's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. 4

H. B. Messenger, Federalsburg has a steam engine for sale. Write.


**Adamsville Articles.**

Mrs. Daniel P. Nelson has gone to Philadelphia to receive medical attendance.

Peach trees are disappearing rapidly since the farmers have decided that there will be no peaches this year.

Ed. Hollis, William Downes and Herbert Edgle left last week to seek employment in New Jersey.

William Tompkins, of Chicago, accompanied the body of his brother-in-law, Melner G. Nelson, from Jersey City on Saturday, and spent Sunday with David Nelson, but was obliged to return before the funeral on Monday.

After long suffering from consumption, Melner G. Nelson died in Jersey City, Monday, April 3. The body was brought back Saturday evening and the funeral was held at Todd's Chapel at 10 a. m. Monday, Rev. I. G. Fosnocht officiating. Interment in the Chapel Cemetery. The pall bearers were R. T. Cahall, William Carroll, John Morris and Ed. Kraftzs. For the past fifteen years Er. Nelson has lived in Jersey City, having left here when he was twenty-three. He has been in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and little was known of him, and his sickness was not known by his relatives until shortly before his death. He leaves three brothers and five sisters, viz: Daniel P. Nelson, of this place; Columbus Nelson, of Blanchard's; Harry Nelson, of Greenwood, and Mrs. Ed. Meredith, of Seaford; Mrs. Stacy Haynes, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Willis V. Davis, of Montego Bay, Jamaica; Mrs. William Tompkins, of Chicago, and Mrs. Edward Keefer, of Hebron, Ill.

**Concord Chat.**

Charles Adkisson and Norman Thawley visited friends in Greensboro on Sunday.

John E. Nichols, an aged and respected citizen, is dangerously sick at his home near Concord.

Mr. Bennett Todd's horses ran away three times during the past week, but fortunately no serious damage was done.

Rev. T. H. Beauchamp preached his first sermon at Concord on Sunday morning and at Bloomery in the afternoon.

Our farmers are very busy plowing and getting ready for their spring crops.

Miss Roxie Smith, of Agner, visited Concord friends last week.

The M. E. Church at Chestnut Grove is being newly painted inside and out, adding greatly to its appearance.

The ladies of Chestnut Grove M. E. Church will hold an oyster supper next Friday and Saturday evenings for the benefit of the church.

A large farm belonging to the heirs of John Ahearn, adjoining our village, is to be sold at public sale on the 22d of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson, of Concord, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ghingher, of Denton, on Thursday last.

Quite a number of our citizens attended court on Wednesday to hear the Johnson and Hignutt slander suit.

Two of our citizens have recently acquired a title to their names, with which they are not at all pleased.

There seems to be quite an attraction over near Ridgely for one of our young men. Wonder what it is.

Owing to the long hard winter our farmers are scarcer of feed this spring than for many years.

**Additional Local Items.**

Rev. B. S. Highley will deliver his lecture, "Help or Hinder", in Smithson Chapel Tuesday evening and in Laurel Grove Church on Wednesday evening.

Mr. W. D. Uhler has taken charge of the office of General Freight and Passenger Agent of the Queen Anne's railroad. A few changes have been made in the schedule which will appear next week, the steamer arrives in the city five minutes earlier and leaves ten minutes later, giving a little more time in the city.

Assistant fish Commissioner, C. R. Stevens, of the Tuckahoe Station, is making deposits of young perch hatched at his station. On Tuesday he deposited one million in the Choptank at Greensboro, and the same number at the Brick Mill and at Horse Shoe Bend. On Wednesday he took two million to Baltimore and deposited one million at Easton and another at Selby's Mill.

The Peninsula Mutual Fire Insurance Company was organized in Baltimore a few days ago with the following board of directors: Thomas L. Day, of Caroline county; L. S. Fleckenstine, of Caroline county; H. P. Cannon, of Sussex county, Del., and James McCumming, of Kent county. The home office will be at Denton. Mr. W. H. Deweese was elected attorney for corporation.

In the appointments of the M. P. Conference, which adjourned on Tuesday, it appears that Caroline circuit and Denton have been made separate appointments, with J. M. Brown, as pastor of the former and J. M. Dickey as pator for Denton. Rev. H. W. D. Johnson goes to Franklin City, and Rev. C. E. Dryto Waltersville, on the Western Shore Rev. W. J. Judefind is returned to Grove; Oak Grove and Prince George, A. A. Harriman; Queen Anne's C. P. Nowlin. The Conference adjourned to meet next year at Westminster.


**M. L. FRIEND,**

**BLACKSMITH,**

Having opened a shop at Denton Bridge for the Blacksmithing business I will be pleased to see my friends and solicit a share of their patranage. Horse shoing and all other work done promptly and at reasonable prices Wheelwrighting and new work a specialty. j1


Subscribe for the UNION and get your home news.

## THE VACCINATION PROBLEM.

*Editor of the Union:*

The consequences of climbing high, by the monkey, has not deterred the State Board of health from getting up above its fellows, with the same result. The order lately promulgated, requiring all canners and fruit growers to demand of their employees a certificate of vaccination since July 1, 1898, is as ridiculous as it is outrageous in its effect upon the farmers of Caroline county. The idea of establishing a quarantine against the counties of Caroline, Queen Anne's, Talbot and Dorchester, where *no cases of small-pox exist*, and leaving out the city of Baltimore, where, by the testimony of its Health officer, *it does exist*, shows plainly enough that the members of the so-called Board of Health are either not qualified to hold their places, or else they have allowed themselves to be used by the canners and packers of Baltimore to injure the farmers of the Eastern Shore by destroying their home market and compelling them to ship to Baltimore and take such prices *as their owners* there see proper to allow them. If this was not the case, why did the "Board of Health" prohibit gatherings of Eastern Shore workmen and allow the steamboats and railroads to carry droves of people to Baltimore where they are exposed to Smallpox? The steamboats and railroads have now their advertisements out for "cheap excursions" for shoppers and visitors to the Wild West Show in Baltimore next week. Of course, *that benefits Baltimore. Its interest must be consulted, perish who may.* Is it any wonder that Eastern Shore people deal in Philadelphia? Are they not justified, when the action of Baltimore people tends to our destruction? In our opinion they are, and there ought to be an organized movement by our people in that direction for self-protection. Letters have been sent to this Board explaining the effect of this order on our people and *if it is a mistake* of judgment, and not purposely framed, for our injury, and the benefit of Baltimore, the "Board" will modify it as requested by our fruit-growers. All we ask is that the order be confined to infected districts. The "Board" may as well know, now, as at any time that unless our demands are conceded, they will receive the execration and contempt of OUTRAGED FARMERS.

**Gov. Lowndes Scores a Point.**

According to a special dispatch from Atlantic City, N. J., printed in last Monday's Baltimore "Herald," the Virginia authorities have acceded to the demands of Gov. Lowndes in the matter of the captured Maryland oystermen. The dispatch says:

"Governor Lowndes, who is now here, has received a letter from Governor Tyler, of Virginia, in regard to the captured oyster vessels and crews, in which Governor Tyler expresses a willingness to surrender the prisoners, and ask for their rendition, under the provision of the United States laws, to answer the charge of a violation of the dredging laws of Virginia. As this action is in accordance with the views of Governor Lowndes, it is believed that a satisfactory solution of the matter will now be reached.

"This letter is understood to be the outcome of the recent conference in Washington between the Attorney-Generals of Maryland and Virginia. The men are now in Accomac county jail. They were captured by the Virginia oyster police 'some weeks ago while on the Maryland side of the line in Tangier Sound, and were charged with illegal dredging in Virginia waters."

## THERE WILL BE PEACHES,

But not in Caroline, says Prof. W. G. Johnson, State entomologist, and Prof. C. O. Townsend, State pathologiet, who have just completed a tour of the State, visiting the commercial fruit-growing centres, and who are in possession of facts to enable them to make definite statements relative to the prospective peach crop. They make the following report:

"Owing to the very discouraging reports that reached us shortly after the February freeze, and the many conflicting statements that were published afterward, we have deemed it advisable to make personal examinations of the orchards, in order that those packers and shippers who are depending upon the Maryland crop for their fall trade may not be misled and deceived.

"In Western Maryland it is safe to say that the crop is a total failure, at least from a commercial standpoint. Indeed, in some instance the wood is apparently injured, so that growers are cutting their trees back in order to give them a better chance for new growth.

"On the Eastern Shore and in Southern Maryland the same conditions hold true, as far as the buds are concerned, except in those orchards bordering tidewater. One orchard at the mouth of the Patuxent, on Cedar Point, has a good stand of live buds; those further inland have practically none. In general, it may be stated that the orchards that lie along the water front, and have therefore been protected, have suffered less than those inland.

"In Caroline county the crop is a commercial failure. Mr. John W. Kerr, of Denton, one of the best informed fruit-growers of the State, says he found only a few live buds on two varieties, not commercially planted as yet, out of one hundred and thirty-seven varieties growing on his place. He stated that the conditions found near Denton would hold largely for the county in general, and that the crop was a commercial failure. Our observations also confirm Mr. Kerr's report. At Ridgely, Dr. F. P. Herr stated that there were practically no peaches and that there would not be enough to supply the local trade. This same condition is also true of the inland orchards of Dorchester, Talbot, Queen Anne's and Kent counties.

"It should also be noted that wherever the buds have suffered from the cold it is the more valuable yellow varieties that have been injured most, while the red varieties have been little more resistent. For instance, even along the water front, Reeves', Elberta, Crawford's late and Crawford's early have not resisted the cold as the Sinock, Mixon, Hale, Rivers, Salway and the like.

"From the present indications, it is safe to state that the bulk of the commerial crop will come from tidewater sections of St. Mary's, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Kent. Queen Anne's, Talbot and Dorchester counties, the main belt being in Kent and Queen Anne's, along the bay front, and the Chester and Sassafras river courses, as far inland as Chestertown and Georgetown. The area, therefore, which promises a fair commercial crop is extremely limited, as compared with the total peach area in the State."


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