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THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 9, 1903.

THE Republicans on Tuesday nominated Frank C. Wachter for Mayor of Baltimore City, and the Democrats named as his opponent, Robert M. McLane.

THE President has given the usual order for opening up the White House Grounds for the annual Easter egg rolling by the children. The President is too fond of little folks to see them deprived of this custom and its attendant amusement, and should the day prove pleasant there will no doubt be a gay time among the egg rollers.

WHILE the laborers of the United States are the best paid of any workmen in the universe they seem to overlook the fact. There is continually an uprising in one branch of business or another, ending in a strike for more wages. The wages already paid, in most instances, enable the workmen to save something or to work half time, yet, instead of saving, they prefer to spend it in generally useless strikes and die poor.

SEVERAL months ago representatives of the insurance companies visited our town and investigated the fire protection offered by our water plant. The people have been waiting patiently for the reduction in rates that was promised, but as yet nothing along that line has been done. What is the trouble? If something is not done in this respect before long there will be a good field here for new companies to write up some business.

FOR several weeks the peninsula papers have been publishing announcements of the formation of a new telephone line to cover the Eastern Shore and of course to come in competition with the Diamond State Telephone Co. The name of the new company, which has been incorporated under the laws of Maryland, is the Peninsula Long Distance Telephone Company, and it has an authorized capital of $100,000. The new company comes into a field that is already well covered and while competition is usually a good thing for the public it may be found that the dividing of the revenue may have an undesirable effect upon both companies and the service may not be as good as is now given by the one company. Whatever may be said of the Diamond State as regards tolls and phone rents, there is no disputing the fact that the service is excellent, and the prices may be fixed by the present company at a point where there will be no desire on the part of its patrons to change. There is such a thing as overdoing a business.

THE good roads question is being more generally discussed throughout the country than ever before. In Queen Anne's county where an experimental piece of road was built last year under the supervision of the Highway Division of the Maryland Geological Survey, the taxpayers are discussing the question through the newspapers, one writer showing that during ten years, 1889 to 1899, $153,500 was spent on the roads and bridges of the county, and ask "if the roads and bridges were your personal property and you were spending the above sum every ten years, would you be satisfied as to results?" Every taxpayer in Caroline county can very properly ask himself the same question, for the same conditions prevail here as in our sister county. There is not a shadow of a doubt that thousands of dollars are expended each year on road work that does not withstand the use and rains of six months of the year. Every method that has been tried so far seems to be open to criticism, even the much-talked of contract system. The plan of trying to make all the roads good at the same time is much like a farmer trying to make his whole farm good by spreading a few loads of manure over a hundred acres of land.

STRAWBERRIES AND VEGETABLES.

The lack of diversified agricultural or horticultural industry is very noticeable in Florida. In other words each section seems to be devoted to but one particular thing. This is rapidly disappearing, and with the going to that State of Northern farmers and others, taking with them the ideas and the progressiveness so prevalent in the section from which they emigrate, will make the South take on, to some extent, the same idea of diversity of crops as seen in other States. Some sections are devoted almost exclusively to the growth of oranges, others to strawberries, and still others to vegetables. While some sections are especially adopted to the growth of certain crops, several different kinds of crops do well on the same land.

A large proportion of the early strawberries sold in the Northern markets are grown in South Florida. It may be interesting to know what attention they receive and how they are grown. In September or October the ground is set in strawberry plants. They begin to ripen in December and continue to bear until June. For a short time after the plants are set they must be cultivated and kept clear of weeds and grass. The long summers often kill many of the plants. From 400 to 500 pounds of fertilizer is about the average used per acre on this crop. Generally before there is danger of frost "pine straw," or pine needles, are hauled into the patch and placed between the rows. Whenever the grower apprehends a killing frost he covers or, as it is called there, turns the "straw" over the vines and prevents them from being killed or injured. As the cold "spells" are of short duration, the vines are kept covered but a day or so. There are both ripe berries and blossoms on the same vine, and the picking is done often, but the ripe berries are not as plentiful as where the season is shorter, and much more time is given the grower for picking.

After the berries are picked they are culled over and only good berries are shipped, the cups being "capped" skillfully and artistically. The berries are usually sold to a buyer at the station. He generally controls the refrigerator boxes, in which the berries are shipped to Northern markets. These boxes are so constructed that after being packed with berries and ice they are easily handled, and provision is also made for getting rid of the water caused by the melting ice. The railroad operates during the season a "fruit express," which has the right-of-way. The grower who only has a small patch—say one acre or less—considers that he is getting a good yield if he gets 20 or 30 quarts at each of the first few pickings, although the yield may be between 5,000 and 10,000 quarts during the season. Some ship their own berries, however, and when that is the case, usually two or more growers ship together. The land on which strawberries will do well varies greatly according to the season. Some seasons strawberries do well on high, sandy land; while other seasons require low, wet land. But the culture of the strawberry is spreading and a great many places which have up to a few years ago never tried their culture are fast becoming important strawberry producing centers.

Where the strawberry is not grown extensively the raising of early vegetables is given much attention. While each section of the State may be and is devoted to the growth of only a few kinds of vegetables, yet nearly all the winter vegetables sold in our Northern markets come from South Florida. In some places tomatoes are grown, others beans, cukes, etc. The manner of their growth is continuous. As soon as one crop is out of the way another is planted, and this is kept up from September to July. Two or more crops are raised during the year. As it only requires 60 or 90 days for the vegetables to grow, fresh ones are being marketed nearly all the time. The land is prepared, seed sown and vegetables grown for the early winter market. Such things as lettuce, radishes, onions and turnips grow all winter and can be marketed at any time. For the early spring crop the land is prepared and seed sown about the last of January. This crop is off in May. Sweet potatoes seem to be at home in South Florida, and it is said that two crops can be grown in one year. They do not require the same attention that they do in many other places.

The Floridians, or the growers of that State, have a mode of protecting growing vegetables from damage by frost, as they do oranges and strawberries. When there is danger of the young vegetables being injured by a "cold snap" the grower covers them with dirt. This is done by turning a furrow to them and with a rake or hoe covering all exposed plants. As soon as the danger from frost is past they are uncovered by scratching the dirt away from the plants. It has been clearly demonstrated that "pine straw" does not protect them from the frost, probably because of the penetrating winds which usually accompanies a "cold snap" in Florida. One patch of young beans, about 1 or 1½ inches high, that had been covered with "pine straw" was greatly damaged by the frost on February 17 and 18. At least two-thirds of this crop was killed, and this too as far south as Tampa.

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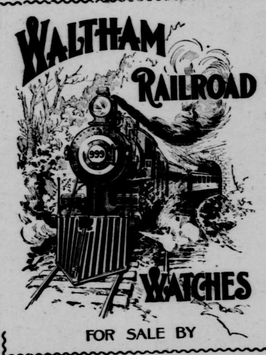

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T. C. WEST, Cashier.

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Denton, Md., March 31, 1903.

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