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EVERYDAY LOCAL NEWS HAPPENINGS

Events of the Week Boiled Down for the Busy Reader--News notes of Delaware and Maryland Towns.

The Levy Court of Kent county, Delaware, has been asked to appoint 190 road overseers for that county.

Zoar M. E. Circuit has for the sixth consecutive time asked for the return of Pastor James H. Derrickson.

The Milton shipyard, is building a steamer to be used for menhaden fishing. The boat will be 75 feet on the keel.

Councilman Stovers, Chairman of the Finance Committee, has found that Wilmington has $300,000 outstanding in back taxes.

A movement is said to be on foot to organize a company of Boy Scouts of America, at Delmar. There are at present two towns of Sussex which have this organization—Georgetown and Milford.

It is said that the Wicomico County Commissioners will shell the Delmar Leonard's mill road the coming spring. This will give an entire shell road between Delmar and Salisbury, a distance of seven miles.

James H. Latchum, a retired merchant and capitialist of Milford, fell on Monday, and broke his right arm just above the elbow. Mr. Latchum suffered a stroke of paralysis over a year ago, from which he has never recovered.

W. Heffner, of Palmyra, in course of his first year as Evangelical Church circuit rider by buggy, made visits, preached 203 sermons, 5 conversions, received members, led 40 prayer meetings, 2 funerals, baptized 2 and wedded four couples.

The water plant which was sold at public sale shortly, was purchased by ex-Sheriff Campbell, and Prothonotary Lee White at $25,000. Many citizens favor the purchase of the plant by the town, and the proposition will probably be put to a vote of the people by a special act of the Legislature.

Marcus Asher, the "Fur King," of Chestertown, shipped to Baltimore last week one of the finest lots of furs seen there for many years. The lot was estimated to be worth $3,000. Among them was a curiosity in the way of a cross between a brown and black rat worth $2, then there were ten beautiful foxes worth $5 each, 100 polecats, 100 skunks, 50 opposssoms, 12 mink, 100 raccoons, etc.

The Republicans of Delaware will hold their State Convention in Dover on Tuesday, April 16, for the selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention, to be held in Chicago, Ill., in June, at which nominations will be made of the party's candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States. To elect delegates to the State Convention, to be held on April 16, a primary election will be held throughout the State on the preceding Saturday, which will be the 13th.

A fake subscription agent has been getting in his work in Easton the past week. He offered to deliver four popular magazines for the small sum of 25 cents—magazines that retail at the local news stand for 15 cents each. The offer was such a tempting one that a number eagerly accepted, readily paying 50 cents in advance for the first two months, for which the agent gave a receipt. Upon writing the publishers when the magazines failed to arrive, they were informed that the agent was a fraud.—Star Democrat.

Farmers in nearly all parts of Sussex county are making extensive preparation to put in a large acreage of tomatoes for the coming season. Most of the canneries are making contracts with the farmers to supply them at $9 per ton, or 15 cents the ⅝ basket. It is expected that an unusually large acreage of tomatoes will be grown this year. Many farmers are preparing to put out several acres in watermelons and cantaloupes this year, with the hope of realizing good profit. Ex-Sheriff Alfred B. Robinson expects to experiment with four acres and will procure seed from Colorado.

Indian river fishermen are making lots of money catching rockfish. Two caught 28 Thursday and cleared over $100 each.

The Wilmington Ministerial Union has adopted resolutions commending the police for their crusade against clubs that sell intoxicating liquors on Sunday.

Governor Judson Harmon, of Ohio has recalled his acceptance of the invitation to speak before the Maryland Legislature next week. An important trial, in which he is engaged, will not be finished in time.

Although Seaford has a postal savings bank in connection with the postoffice, and the postmaster, Irwin M. Chipman, has recently been compelled to give an additional bond as a consequence, not one cent has yet been received on deposit.

Dallas B. Lore, a well-known farmer living near Middletown fell from his hay mow a few days ago and broke his neck, dying instantly. He was 60 years old and a nephew of the late Chief Justice Lore. He lived on the Lore farm, Lorewood. A widow and seven children survive.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has awarded two claims against the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad as follows: Nottingham & Wren Company, $9.34 overcharge on carload of shingles; John A. Cranston Lumber Company, $18.74 overcharge on two carloads of shingles.

On Monday evening, April 8th, at Coulbourn's Opera House, Seaford, the young people of St. Luke's Church will present a play the proceeds from which will be used to purchase a carpet for the church. Miss E. June Breimerier, of the Byron King School of Elocution, will train the amateurs for the play.

The Delaware Republican of Dover says:—"There should be special penalties and severe ones too, for the dispensers of 'speakeasy' dope which is being distributed under the guise of whiskey, in most of the towns of Kent and Sussex, Dover not excepted. The man who will risk the life of a fellow being for the sake of a few dollars gain is a murderer at heart and no punishment would be too severe for him."

That actual work will soon begin in the construction of the Lewes-Rehoboth Canal is assured since the Delaware delegation in Congress has obtained an appropriation of $50,000 to start the project, through the efforts of Congressman Heald. When the canal is finished it will be possible to go from Milton to Ocean City, Bethany Beach, Oak Orchard and Millsboro by an entire inland water route.

George Pickering, a carpenter and cabinet maker of Dover, has invented an automobile wheel for which he has already received an offer of $7,000 if he will sell the patent rights. Mr. Pickering's wheel disposes of the problem of blow-outs and broken shoes, and dispenses with pneumatic or blow-up tire. By a solid tire, with double edges and rigged in "traction" pattern that it will not skid. The device is guaranteed to insure all the comfort of a pneumatic tire and yet saves $15 in first cost per wheel and saves much in the upkeep.

Rivermen between Claymont and Port Penn, on the Delaware River, say that the shad season will be early this year provided there comes two weeks of warm weather. The season in the southern waters has been late and as a consequence the snow and ice will be cleared away before the arrival of the fish. It is estimated that in this section there will be over 100 boats in the trade this year, and that means over $100,000 for fishermen. Two men invest $150 in the net and outfit for each boat and if they do not own the boat they have to rent one. Some men own their boats and hire their helpers, while others divided their profits, each man has from $400 to $550. The result is decided by the price of the shad. Shad sold high last year and some boats caught as many as 2,800 fish each.—Evening Journal.

The new taxable basis of Talbot County of $12,527,400 recently received a severe jolt, when application was made to the County Commissioners, sitting to hear tranfers and abatemeuts, for the abatement of over-one-third of a million dollars. The applications for this abatement were made principally by three persons, who assessed for personal property. One taxpayer, who was assessed on the books for $167,600, produced evidence that that amount had been recently invested in a Government security which was exempt from all taxation, while two others, who have moved from the county and State, were assessed on $183,150. As all of these abatements were on securities held by Easton district residents, it cuts the figures credited to district, $441,848, as returned by the Board of Control and Review, down to $91,098.

Since the withdrawal of the name of Mr. Swain for appointment as U. S. Marshal for Delaware, there has cropped out many aspirants for the position, and from Sussex County Captain George E. Megee, of Milton, is one of the most active in the canvas. Captain Megee is well-known to most men of lower Delaware as he was once a candidate for the State Senatorship from the Fifth District, and was defeated by only four votes. He is qualified for the position, and is securing many endorsements for his application. From present indications it is likely that the marshalship will go to New Castle County, as it was decided before the Swain choice that the matter laid between Mr Swain and the applicant from New Castle at that time, and it is highly probable that the office will go there.

A number of persons are seeking the appointment of postmaster of Middletown in the place of John A. Jolls, deceased. Among them are Walter Beasten, whose application has been largely signed by the leading Republicans of the town; Joseph Suydam, J. Fletcher Deakyne and Thodore V. Leonhart, the latter Mr. Jolls' son-in-law. It is said an effort will be made to have the appointment held in abeyance for the remainder of Mr. Jolls' term on behalf of his widow. Of those above mentioned, Mr. Deakyne is a Prohibitionist, Mr. Leonhart a Democrat, and the others Republicans.

George S. Messersmith, Superintendent of the Lewes schools, and member of the State Board of Education has been elected supervising principal of the Dover public schools. His term will begin September 1, when he will succeed Professor Crawford, for several years Dover's superintendent. The change was a surprise to Dover. The board of education members explained that the object in electing this early was to allow ample time.

George T. Gambrill, former president of the Roxbury Distilling Co., of Baltimore on Friday last was found guilty of securing money under false pretences, with a recommendation for mercy in the imposition of sentence. Gambrill is 70 years old. He was tried on an indictment charging him with having obtained $10,000 by duplicating warehouse receipts for whiskey. He is alleged to have procured approximately $80,000 by this method.

The annual appropriation bill for river and harbor improvement work by the United States has just been reported to Congress. The bill carries $15,600 to be used in extending steamboat navigation on the Tuckahoe River to Rolph's Landing, within a mile of the town of Queen Anne. There is also provided the sum of $7,800 to create an ample harbor at Dogwood Cove, Tilghman's Island.

By the breaking of a saw near Greenwood, Alfred Porter, colored, who was cutting wood, was terribly injured by the flying pieces which mangled his arm so severely that he had to be taken to the peninsula General Hospital, Salisbury, Md., where upon examination, it was found that amputation was necessary.

The People's Railway Company of Wilmington has canceled all passes over its lines, except to officers in uniform, as ordered by the Public Utilities Commission.

In a clay target match W. Arthur Mitchell defeated State's Attorney Albert Constable on the Elkton Gun Club grounds, 36 to 33 out of a possible 50.

The University of Pittsburg has conferred on Dr. James W. Cain president of Washington College, Chestertown, the degree of Doctor of Laws.

To Retire from Ministry.

Rev. Dr. E. L. Hubbard, of Eutaw Straw Church, Baltimore, has announced his intention of retiring from the ministry when he severs his connection with his present charge While another man may be assigned there this year, it is thought that he will be given another year, that the institutional features which he has inaugurated may be thoroughly started.

Dr. Hubbard is 62 years old, but in excellent health and, as he expressed it, is "willing to work his head off for another year" for the church to which he gave a new lease of life. He has a farm on the Choptank river, in Dorchester county, and is willing to be retired, he says, when "Eutaw Street Church is considered good for another hundred years."

Backacke Almost Unbearable

Is an almost certain result of kidney trouble. D. Toomey, 803 E. Olive St. Bloomington, Ill., says: "I suffered with backache and pains in my kidneys which were almost unbearable. I gave Foley Kidney Pills a good trial, and they done wonders for me. Today I can do a hard day's work and not feel the effects." Sold by C. H. Redden, Denton Md.

Whipping Post Makes Foe.

Having witnessed the application of the lash on the bare backs of several prisioners at the Delaware Workhouse a few days ago, Rev. Charles Candee, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, declares that he disappoves of this form of punishment for criminals, on the ground that it is not justifiable. He said they were the first whippings he had seen and he hoped they would be the last. He conducts religious services at the workhouse once each month.

The minister stated that he believed in the teaching that punishment is supposed to be reformative, whereas the whippings are degrading. The minister praised the warden and other prison officials for the lenient manner in imposing the whippings and covering the backs of the prisoners with blankets when possible.

Candee witnessed the whippings to get the facts first hand, because Mrs. Ballington Booth had written to him that she believed accounts of the Delaware whipping post were exaggerated.

A Cold, La Grippe, Then Pneumonia.

Is too often the fatal sequence, and coughs that hang on weaken the system and lower the vital resistance. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a reliable medicine that stops the cough promptly by healing the cause soothes the inflamed air passages, and checks the cold. Keep always on hand. Refuse substitutes. Sold by C. H. Redden, Denton Md.

Brains on the Farms.

How strangely the idea persists that less intelligence is required to succeed on a farm than in the city! Why should any one suppose that the man who makes blunder after blunder in the office, the shop or the factory can go out into the country and show the farmers how to raise bumper crops? Perhaps it is because the country visitor to the city, being unfamiliar with much that he sees there is set down as "slow" and stupid.

The city-born visitor to the country impresses the farmer in the same way and often with better reason; but that view of the matter he seldom sees. In point of fact the city worker is essentially a specialist. The successful farmer, on the other hand, must have a practical knowledge of more things than the city man dreams of, and a versatility beyond his compensation.

It was urged, not long ago at a meeting of the New York Child Welfare Committee, that for stupid boys who seemed to have little chance of success in the city, there would be a better prospect of "making good" if they were placed upon farms; but the plan met with a fortunately intelligent opposition, and was quickly dropped.

The number of country boys who succeeded in the city is beyond reckoning. The cities would be at a loss without them. But those who succeed there would also have succeeded, and probably be as well off financially and live longer, if they had remained on the farm. Those who fail in the city would very likely have failed if they had stayed at home.

Never before have the opportunities for success on the farm been so great as they are at the present time; but they are not for the stupid, the indolent or the careless.

To Control The "Drunks"

A bill defining habitual drunkenness, providing that persons convicted thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and permitting magistrates to commit habitual drunkards to inebriate asylums for treatment, instead of fining them or sending them to jail, was introduced in the Senate.

The bill, in effect, defines habitual drunkards as persons who so constantly indulge in the use of intoxicating liquors or injurious drugs as to render them incapable of self-control or destroy their ability to provide for those dependent upon them. In allowing such persons to be committed to institutions for treatment, it gives magistrates concurrent jurisdiction with the court in which criminal cases are tried and permits them to impose fines of not less than $1 nor more than $100, if, in their opinion, the imposition of a fine is proper.

Nineteen Miles a Second

without a jar, shock or disturbance, is the awful speed of our earth through space. We wonder at such ease of nature's movement, and so do those who take Dr. King's New Life Pills. No griping, no distress, just thorough work that brings good health and fine feelings. 25 cts at all druggists.

Methodists May Dance?

Card-playing, dancing and theatre-going, which for years have been frowned on by the Methodist Episcopal Church, stand a fair chance to be taken from beneath the ban at the coming session of the General Conference of that denomination.

A widespread sentiment since the question was first introduced at the General Conference in 1900 has been gaining ground, and from the opinions of members of the Baltimore Conference the proposed changing of this section of the discipline to an advisory injunction will be looked on with favor.

As stated by Rev. Dr. Polemus H. Swift, while the church is still opposed to its members taking part in such amusements, the stringent provisions of that section of the discipline has been found to act to some extent as a deterrent to those contemplating union with the church.

Repels Attack of Death.

"Five years ago two doctors told me I had only two years to live." This startling statement was made by Stillman Green, Malachite, Col. They told me I would die with consumption. It was up to me then to try the best lung medicine and I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery. It was well I did, for today I am working and believe I owe my life to this great throat and lung cure that has cheated the grave of another victim." Its folly to suffer with coughs, colds or other throat and lung troubles now. Take the cure that's safest. Price 50 cents and $100. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

Why He Was Not Guilty.

"Little X," says a writer in the Army and Navy Journal, "was one of the most popular of our young officers in the army maneuvers at —— during 1910. He had served in the cavalry and had brought with him the cavalry swagger, wore his campaign hat turned up in front and rear, and is said to have slept in his spurs. Our lieutenant colonel, whose treatment of younger officers had made him most unpopular, was then in command of the regiment.

"One day Little X passed the Colonel's tent while the old man was standing out in front looking for trouble. He spotted X and sent his orderly for him. 'Mister X,' said the colonel as Johnny saluted and brought his heels together with the approved click. 'Mister X, you appear to have a touch of the outre about you. 'Why, colonel,' said X, 'you must be mistaken; I haven't had a drink since I came to camp.'"

Laying Something by for Future.

The general prosperity can only be a reflection of the prosperity of the individual, and no individual is really prosperous who is not laying aside something for the future. The man who makes $10,000 per year and spends $10,000 is poorer than the man who makes $1,000 and spends but $900. It may be hard to walk while your neighbor whisks by in an automobile, but it is the man who has the courage and character to live well within his means who accumulates enough capital to do things in the world.—Indianapolis Star.

His Life Work.

Is this an artist? Yes, that is what he calls himself.

Is his studio beautiful? It is.

Where did he get the money with which to buy beautiful things? From a rich uncle who died.

Does the artist hold lovely afternoon receptions? He does.

What is he painting? A picture.

How long has he been painting the picture? About seven years.

Will he ever finish it? NO!—Puck.

METHODISTS MEET AT WILMINGTON.

The 44th Annual Session of the Wilmington Conference Began Yesterday. Few Changes Expected

At the 44th annual session of the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference, now in session in St. Paul's Church, Wilmington, interest will centre in the election to the General Conference, whose quadrennial session, at Minneapolis, Minn., will open on May 1st and continue one month. Eight delegates, four ministerial and four lay, will be elected. The ministerial delegates will be chosen without reference to district lines, while one layman will be selected from each district.

In well-informed circles it is predicted that the delegates elected will comprise:

Ministerial—E. L. Hoffecker, R. K. Stephenson, Robert Watt and G. P. Jones, district superintendents.

Lay—From the Wilmington district, Joseph W. Coley, of Silverbrook Church, Wilmington; from the Dover district, William Saulsbury, of Dover; from the Easton district, Thomas A. Smith, of Ridgely, Md.; from the Salisbury district, G. A. Cox, of Fairmount, Md.

The Wilmington Conference seldom honors pastors by electing them delegates to the General Conference. Only six pastors have been recipients of that honor in the past 24 years—Jacob Todd and N. M. Browne, in 1888; W. L. S. Murray, in 1892; Merritt Hulburd, in 1896 and Wilbur F. Corkran and C. S. Baker, in 1904—and three were elected delegates soon after retiring from the office of district superintendent, then termed presiding elder.

Assigning pastors for the ensuing year will be an interesting feature of the session. Bishop Luther B. Wilson will make the assignments. Few pastoral changes are planned.

Rev. J. W. Easley probably will retire from the office of corresponding secretary of the Wilmington City Missionary and Church Extension Society and be given a pastorate.

It is stated that Rev. H. S. Dulany of Fruitland, Md., who has been on a superanumerary for five years, will ask that his relation be changed to effective.

The following persons will apply for admission on trial: Ettore di Stefano, recommended by the quarterly conference of Union Church, and Ollie Connelly, J. H. Thornton and Ivanhoe Willis, recommended by the quarterly conferences of churches on the Easton district.

No members of the conference have died during the conference year now closed, but the widows of three preachers have died—Mrs. Alfred A. Fisher, Mrs. Valentine G. Gray and Mrs. W. R. McFarlane.

Rev. George W. Burke, of Smyrna, a superannuate, is seriously ill.

The matter of conference entertainment will be submitted to the Lay Electoral Conference, and that body will be asked to adopt District Superintendent Hoffecker's plan for the entertainment of ministers and laymen on a paid basis.

Carpenters have been working night and day on the handsome new St. Paul's Church in order to get it ready for the session of the conference, and the dedication on Sunday was practically a preliminary to the conference.

The edifice is an imposing structure, situated in one of the prettiest spots in the city, facing as it does, on Cool Spring Park and commanding a fine view on every side.

The church is built of Avondale granite and has two towers. The entire woodwork in the interior of the church is antique golden chestnut. The auditorium is square with octogon corners, the pulpit being in the northeast corner. The pews, which are oak finished to correspond with the interior, are arranged in four divisions facing the pulpit in the corner. There are two main entrances to the auditorium from Jackson street, two entrances from the cloister and a private entrance to the choir from the outside.

The church has a seating capacity of about seven hundred, but is so arranged that the screens between the Sunday School hall and auditorium can be raised so that 1,500 persons can be accommodated in both rooms and the balconies, and every person in the building can have a view of the pulpit.

The basement of the church is a revelation and is enormous in size. On one side is the banquet room, seating about 300 persons. This will be furnished with tables and chairs. A kitchen and pantry, with all the conveniences of home, is a feature of great convenience to the women folk. Another end of the room is designed as the assembly room, and every provision will be made for the employment of the younger folk. This will be used as an entertainment hall.

Glorious News

comes from Dr. J. T. Curtiss, Dwight Kan. He writes: "I not only have cured bad cases of eczema in my patients with Electric Bitters, but also cured myself by them of the same disease. I feel sure they will benefit any case of eczema" This shows what thousands have proved, that electric bitters is a most effective blood purifier. Its an excellent 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. Price 50cts. Satisfaction guarateed by all druggists.

LIKE STROKE OF LIGHTNING

Veteran Soldier Tells How Wound Affects Fighter on the Field of Battle.

General Miles in his book, "Serving the Republic," says that, like every other soldier who has seen much active service, he is often asked how it feels to be wounded. He himself was wounded four times, and twice almost fatally, so he is able to speak from experience. He says: "One is often asked how it seems to be wounded in battle. The flight of a bullet is quicker than thought, and has passed through a flesh wound before one realizes that he has been struck. I have seen bodies of men dead on the field of battle where the brain had been pierced and death had been instantaneous. They would remain in every position of the manual of arms, with an anxious look, a frown or a smile on their cold and rigid faces. My wounds received at Fair Oaks, Fredericksburg and Petersburg were flesh wounds, and disabled me but a short time. While riding down the line at Chancellorsville one of the enemy's bullets struck my metallic belt plate with great force. This caused a slight deviation as it entered the body. The result was an instant deathly sickening sensation; my sword dropped from my right hand, my scabbard and belt dropped to the left; I was completely paralyzed below the waist. My horse seemed to realize what had occurred; he stopped, turned and walked slowly back—I holding to the pommel of the saddle with my hands. We soon reached a group of soldiers, who took me off and, placing me in a blanket, carried me to the Chancellorsville House, and pulled a dead man off a couch to make room for me."

MOSE NOT HARD TO SATISFY

As Far as Prisoner Was Concerned, He Was Willing to Let the Matter Drop.

Bozeman Bulger, a baseball writer, says that in his home town, down in Southern Alabama, a negro was brought into court to answer a charge of murder.

"Mose Tupper," said the judge, contemplating the prisoner over his spectacles, "you are accused here of one of the most serious crimes known to our laws—towit, the taking of a human life. Are you properly represented by counsel?"

"No, suh," said the darky cheerfully.

"Well, have you talked to any one about your defense since your arrest?"

"I told the sheriff about the shootin' when he come to my cabin to fetch me heah," said the prisoner—"but tha's all."

"And have you taken no steps whatever to engage a lawyer?"

"No, suh," said Mose. "I ain't got no money to be wastin' on lawyers. Dey tell me lawyers is mighty costive."

"If you have no funds," insisted the judge, "it lies within the power of the court to appoint an attorney to defend you without charge."

"You needn't be botherin' yo'se'f, jedge," answered Mose.

"Well, what do you propose to do about this case?" demanded his honor.

"Jedge," said the negro, "ez fur ez Ise concerned you kin jes' let de matter drap!"—Saturday Evening Post.

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