

LOCAL INTERESTS.

DENTON, MARYLAND. SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 1882.

Amputation.

Dr. Wm. H. Downes, assisted by Drs. J. W. Hignett and T. B. Sausbury, on Monday amputated Mrs. John Moten's right leg just below the knee, taking off the upper third. The cause that necessitated the painful operation was necrosis of the tibia and disease of the ankle joint of long standing. Dr. Downes reports the patient doing well.

Wheat Harvest.

The harvest of the wheat crop in this county began last Wednesday. Yesterday the work was general, and next week, with favorable weather, the crop will be pretty generally down. It is the general opinion that the yield will be good. While the acreage is smaller than last year, the quality is far superior, the head being plump and full. No damage of any amount has been done by the army worm.

State School Fund.

Comptroller Keating Thursday week made his annual report to the State school fund to the various counties. The Eastern Shore counties receive the following: Caroline, \$2,157.85; Cecil, \$3,943.41; Dorchester, \$3,649.29; Kent, \$2,828.58; Queen Anne's, \$3,068.36; Somerset, \$3,650.39; Talbot, \$2,943.32; Wicomico, \$2,673.21; Worcester, \$3,091.53. This school fund amounts to \$109,000. This apportionment is made with reference to the late census. It will be noticed the increase in population elsewhere has caused Caroline's share to become smaller.

Sales of Real Estate.

Henry C. Conrad, Esq., trustee, sold at public sale on Saturday last at Greensborough, the following real estate belonging to the late Aaron Conrad, deceased: The Forge farm, containing 149 acres, situated near Greensborough station, was bought by Daniel M. Reed for \$1,800; the Belleisle farm, containing 337 acres, and located near Whitesleysburg, was bought by William H. Dewees for \$5,805.

Children's Day Services.

Children's Day services at the Potter's Landing M. E. Church were postponed one week, and came off last Sunday afternoon. This was done in order that the pastor, Rev. A. D. Davis, might be present. The exercises were very interesting. Superintendent Elias W. Williamson made a short and appropriate address. Then followed a number of recitations by the smaller scholars and an appropriate address on Children's Day and the importance of education by the pastor, the whole of the services being interspersed with excellent and appropriate singing by the choir and school, Miss Chaffinch presiding at the organ. The church was filled with an appreciative audience. The collection for the children's fund amounted to nearly eight dollars. Abundant flowers were provided.

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How to Run a Town.

An exchange tells us very truly and in the following plain language just how to run a town: "Either run your town with a vim or just get up and leave it. Men who are all the time wanting to get out of a town will never try to build up. Push things; find a way to put 'em in to the business; run the town for all there is in it; get up steam and keep it up, or else quit the whole thing, vamoose the ranch, and let nature have her own way. Do you want to have a prosperous town, where people can come to, disposed to make their home? Then do away and bury from sight all local difficulties. Work no longer for a few individuals, but all work together for a common purpose—for a mutual benefit. Wake up your eyes, roll up your sleeves and get to work. Don't go to work with fear and trembling, but take it for granted that work will tell. Leave results to themselves; but unite and make the biggest kind of an effort."

Local Option Canvass in Queen Anne's County.

The Local Optionists have opened aggressive warfare on the liquor license system that prevails in four districts of Queen Anne's county, where the question of license or no license is to be submitted to the people at the fall election. Temperance sermons were preached in all the churches in that county on Sunday last. The churches were all crowded both morning and evening. A temperance mass meeting was held at the town hall in Centerville in the afternoon, and was addressed by Miss Minnie Mosher and Rev. Mr. Evans, both of the Temperance Alliance. The meeting was largely attended, and notwithstanding the intense heat the hall was not large enough to accommodate the audience. An address was made in the evening by John B. Brown, Esq. A subscription was started to raise funds for the temperance campaign, and \$500 was subscribed. The Local Optionists have commenced an early campaign and intend that it shall be vigorous.

The Heptasoph's Excursion.

The Seven Wise Men took charge of the Enoch Pratt for an excursion from Denton to Oxford on Saturday last, and they carried along about five hundred persons; thus proving their wisdom in getting up an excursion, at least. The boat was advertised to start at 10:30, but two hours before that time the excursionists began to assemble at the bridge. The Heptasophs, led by the band, marched from their hall, and swelled the crowd to a big one; and when the boat arrived it was immediately boarded by about four hundred people. The distance to Oxford is long and considered wearisome, but all on board had a pleasant, social time of it, that took all the tedious out of the long ride. At the various wharves the steamer gathered a few passengers as she moved down. The band let the excursionists know at the stopping places that there was such a musical organization aboard, as also they did those on land for miles around. The band, being recruited from Greensborough, Farmington and Ridgely, played with all the vim brass horns are capable of, and kept things lively. By the last gathering the boat had on board nearly five hundred as the complement. They were landed at Oxford at 5 o'clock, and they took the train. It was the first large excursion of the season to that favorite resort. The party had an hour to go through Oxford, and the place was duly inspected and a favorable verdict rendered by every one. The boat whistled to return at 6 o'clock, and reached Denton about 11. On the way up all who could find room engaged in dancing. The best of order was marked amongst all the passengers. The excursion has left the Heptasophs better off by \$100, which they intend to apply toward furnishing their hall.

A Peach Plethora.

From all parts of the Peninsula come reports verifying the statements that the peach crop this year may possibly exceed that enormous one of 1875. It is not probable that the yield will be as great as that of 1875 for the reason that there are not as many trees on the Peninsula to bear them. That the crop will be ample there is no doubt. A few figures as to the shipments of that heavy year may not be out of the way nor uninteresting at this time. The shipments by rail commenced fairly on August 3, when 76 car loads were shipped to Philadelphia and New York. The shipments at once began to rapidly increase, and by August 6, 107 cars were shipped. On August 14, 196 car loads went up the Delaware railroad, and three days later they jumped to 250. All this time there was a glut, and a few days after this the growers had to grapple with the dilemma of too high freights to make them do anything but lose money, owing to ruinous prices. President Hinkley of the P. W. & O. was waited upon, but not much relief was secured, and after a few days waiting the shipments were resumed. On August 25, 321 car loads were shipped and on the following day the heaviest transportation ever done by the Delaware road took place, the enormous quantity of 411 car loads going out of the State by rail. The total shipments by the P. W. & O. exceeded 8,250.

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Hillsborough School Examination and Picnic.

Correspondence of the Journal. It was determined by the trustees and the teachers of the public schools in Hillsborough to let the work of the scholastic year just ended be closed with a public examination of the pupils attending the schools at that place, and then to adjourn with the children to a grove where, under the spreading branches of the friendly oaks, they might partake of a repast of confectionery, &c., and the young ones enjoy themselves for an afternoon in their own way without restraint and without hindrance. The juveniles of the town had been looking forward to the occasion with no small degree of interest, for having been cooped up so long in the school-rooms with slate and blackboard and text-book, while the doors the many glad voices of nature seemed to be calling them to come out into the open air that they, too, might romp and jump and be merry, that the contrast of an afternoon's enjoyment in the grove would indeed be, to them, a refreshing one. The clover fields vocal with the hum of the bee; the wild flowers peeping out in their modest beauty from nooks and corners where the foot of man doth tread; the air with sportive wing or making the trees ring with the melody of their tuneful throats; the brooklet glittering under a thousand golden sunbeams or singing cheerily over its pebbled bottom—it is with such as these that the youthful mind, unschooled in the vanities of the world, is ever in closest sympathy, and it is not to be wondered, therefore, that in the bright months of the year the schoolroom is not the most attractive spot upon earth to the juvenile.

The examination was held on Thursday forenoon, 15th inst., and previous to the beginning of the exercises, the schoolrooms were very tastefully decorated by the pupils with pretty bouquets and wreaths of green—each a pair vying with the others in carrying out for the occasion the most beautiful selection of flowers. Every body in the community had been invited to attend, but the number of visitors was not as large as had been anticipated, parents and others giving it as an excuse for being absent that they were too busy. The examination was conducted simultaneously in both rooms, and by about 12 o'clock M., the exercises for the day were completed. It was the verdict of those present, so far as we could ascertain, that all the attending circumstances taken into consideration, the pupils acquitted themselves quite as creditably as could be expected.

A prize having been offered by the male teacher to the pupil working the largest number of problems in arithmetic during three days prior to the examination, the winners were declared to be Clarence Duffley and Robley Hackett, both having distanced all other competitors for the prize, and both having solved an equal number of problems. Mr. John Knotts, with the courtesy for which he is characteristic, permitted the picnic to be held in an oak grove belonging to him, and also kindly loaned from his saw-mill the material for the construction of a table, speaker's stand, seats, &c., but owing to threatening rain the assemblage was compelled to repair to the schoolhouse where a sumptuous feast was held. The committee of ladies who attended at the tables were Miss M. V. Beaven, Mrs. Allis Thawley, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens, Mrs. Duffley, Mrs. Martha Rasmus, Mrs. Rasmus, Miss Fannie Rasmus and Mrs. Dungan. Among the gentlemen who took an active part in the arrangements for the picnic were Messrs. Wm. Beachamp, Milton Beaven, Joseph Stewart, Ira Williams, Thomas Beaven and others. Mr. Stewart, who superintended the preparation of the confectionery, &c., entered into the work in a whole-souled sort of way and rendered very efficient service in endeavoring to make the festival pass off as successfully as the circumstances would admit.

After the children had partaken of the festivities all present were invited by the teachers to assemble in the male teacher's room to listen to a short programme of compositions, declamations, readings, &c., by the pupils of both schools. Drs. Hackett and Reynolds closed the exercises of the evening with brief addresses containing remarks appropriate to the occasion, when, night having set in, all returned to their homes the more happy, may it be hoped, for the afternoon's social intercourse. TUCKAHOE.

Personal Mention.

—Patents on a fruit drier and on a North Carolina mill stone have just been awarded Mr. W. H. Wiley of Henderson.

—At the meeting of the Board of Public Works in Annapolis last week, Mr. Wm. C. Satterfield was elected a director of the Delaware and Chesapeake Railway.

—Mr. Cornelius Comegys, who was recently admitted to the bar here, is now located at Chillicothe, Missouri, where he will practice his profession with Thomas H. Kemp, Esq., formerly of this county.

—The Eastern Gazette says: Mr. John W. Scott, secretary and treasurer of the Delaware and Chesapeake Railway Company, has been reappointed until the first of July, after which time it is rumored that Isaac Hinkley will be made president in place of Mr. Hart, R. Craven secretary and treasurer, and in place of Mr. Scott, and I. N. Mills in place of Mr. Sanford. We do not give this statement as being authentic, but such is a rumor flying around.

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—Capt. Sikes the shingle man is at the bridge. Those wishing to buy shingles will have to call immediately, as the Captain will not remain at the Bridge longer than Monday.

—Ex-Gov. P. F. Thomas, of Easton, started on a drive one day last week with a pair of young horses. In crossing the railroad, he was run into by a rapidly driven hand car, and his carriage turned over. The only damage the governor sustained was a bruised arm, and a scratched nose. One of the men in the car was badly hurt.

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