Easton Gazette.

TURDAY. - - - JANUARY 6, 1894.

Nothing does the work so well.—Mr. P. Byard of New Grand Chain, Ills., writes: "Being exposed to all sorts of weather I am more than less liable to have pains of some kind. I have tried a number of so-called remedies, but nothing does the work so well as Salvation Oil. It is the best liniment I have ever used."

—Who ever saw a finer January so far.

—The tidal wave of financial wreck and failure has struck many unlooked for places.

—Miss Helen Pratt has returned to her art work at the Maryland Art School, Baltimore.

—Mrs. Nora Goldsborough of Asbury Park is the guest of Mrs. A. A. Pascault.

—Misses Rose, Kate and Mary Hartnett, of Dover, Del., were visiting Mr. M. Hartnett, Washington St., this week.

—The teachers and pupils of the High School are busy as bees. It is surprising how well the school is conducted in the old brick church.

—Robert B. Dixon & Co., are in Moreland Block building.

—See the premiums offered in this and succeeding papers. tf

—The Governor has issued a commission to ex-Senator John F. Dawson to be school commissioner of Caroline county, vice Thos. Smith, resigned. Mr. Smith has been elected to succeed Mr. Dawson in the State Senate.

—Henry A. Nichols & Bro., are headquarters for general stove work. They are giving special attention to all lines of their business and guarantee utmost satisfaction. tf

—For hay, flour, oats, brand middling, chops, fine meal, ear or shelled corn, rock salt and hominy, go to Frank A. White, opposite Hotel Avon in Roberts building.

—Experienced workmen will overhaul your stove or range and make it as good as new at small cost. NICHOLS & BRO.

—Do not forget that the Remington Typewriter and all supplies can be had at the GAZETTE office.

—Mr. Lewis Flynn has returned from Florida, saying the climate did not suit him.

—Mr. C. S. Carrington has returned from a lengthly visit South.

—Frank A. White has just opened a flour and general feed store opposite Hotel Avon in Roberts building, where can be found every thing in the feed line. dec16tf

—Stoves at Nichols & Brother, Dover St.

—Mr. Chas. E. Nicols has moved his office and that of the U. S. Express Co. into the *Star* building.

—Senator and Mrs. Chas. H. Gibson left Easton last Saturday for Washington, where they will spend the winter.

—Why do you not send in a few names for the GAZETTE next year? Liberal premiums given to clubs of two or more new subscribers. tf

—Go to the only flour, hay and general feed store in Easton, for hay, bran, oats, chops, middlings, flour, hominy, rock salt, etc., Frank A. White, proprietor, opposite Hotel Avon in Roberts building.

—At the stockholders meeting of the Fair Association last Saturday the following directors were elected: Col. F. C. Goldsborough, Col. E. Lloyd, J. M. Elliott, Captain Hedge Thompson, B. F. Parlett, Dr. Chas. H. Lowndes, J. B. Harrington, M. M. Higgins, Jas. H. Willis, John C. Bartlett, Samuel A. Harper and John K. Caulk.

—Have your job printing done at the office where it will not only be done for the least money but where an absolute and unconditional guarantee is made to give satisfaction.

—Timothy, Mixed and Clover Hay, and Rye, Oat and Wheat Straw at Frank A White's. Also Rock Salt and Horse Powders.

When a cold or cough has been [illegible] for a long time and the [illegible] sufferer is for a consumption, that these [illegible] should be watched and the first [illegible] as detected and cured with Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

—Cleveland has had only one [illegible] for several years, and only about [illegible] prints made from it. To it [illegible] asked leave to reproduce it, [illegible] since her marriage she has [illegible] that was not public property, [illegible] ed to keep this for her own.

—The Empress Elizabeth of Austria is said to submit herself to the severest regimen in order to retain the beautiful figure for which she is noted. She fasts morning and evening making her own regular meal at noon, of grilled meat, biscuits, and a glass of wine. Occasionally she eats a raw egg or a little fruit. She wears heavy flannel underwear winter and summer, takes vapor baths and massage, and by dint of all this and much horseback riding, she keeps a waist-measure of twenty inches, in spite of her fifty six years.

—A clever woman recently said that if worst came to worst and she had to find some way of earning her own living, she believed she would become a "public sympathizer. Any one could send for me," she explained, "and pour out all their worries and troubles while I listened and sympathized for twenty-five or fifty cents an hour. Every thing should be strictly confidential, and I would never allow myself to have a greater worry, or a worse pain, or a deeper trouble than my client. What do you think of that scheme?"

—We desire to call the attention of our readers to the new advertisement of George F. Dean & Bro., 414 Light St. Wharf, Baltimore, Md. They are one of the oldest firms in the City; have always paid special attention to Country business; know what is needed, and propose to give good goods at very low prices. We suggest that you get their prices before buying. 29a1t83tf.

Good Looks.

Looks are more than skin deep, depending upon a healthy condition of all vital organs. If the Liver be inactive, you have a bilious look, if your stomach be disordered you have a Dyspeptic Look and if your Kidneys are affected you have a Pinched Look. Good health and good looks will have good blood. Electric Bitters is the great alterative that acts directly on these vital organs and expels all Humors, Blotches, Boils and gives a healthy complexion. Sold at J. C. HENRY'S Drug Store.

Buyers Take Notice.—When you visit Easton, or leave the town simply enquire for Cook's buss, always in attendance at trains and boats. You will be guaranteed prompt and careful attention. Avoid the hacks and pullings of the bussmen. I will wait on you in a gentlemanly manner.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles.

Symptoms—Moisture; intense itching and stinging most at night; worse by scratching. Indulged to continue tumors form which bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. DE WITT'S OINTMENT stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. At druggists, or by mail, 50 cents. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia.

FOR RENT.—Desirable office rooms, either with or without communicating, on first floor, centrally located. Will be rented immediately, also two comfortable stables and carriage house, in rear. Will be rented cheap to a good tenant. Apply to WILSON M. TYLOR.

Burned to Death.—Wednesday afternoon, in Oxford, three small children of Mr. Colored, were left at home while [illegible] at work at oyster shucking. [illegible] cause unknown, the fourteen [illegible] lying near the stove in the [illegible] was burned to death. Neighbors [illegible] prevented the flames from [illegible] damage. The other children [illegible] intelligent information concerning [illegible] it is thought a can of oil was [illegible] caused the accident resulting [illegible] the baby.

CAREFULLY COLLECTED NEWS ITEMS

CONCERNING OUR BUSY TOWN.

Christmas Services—The Minstrel Boys Social Gathrings and many other Interesting Happenings.

SS. Peter and Paul Christmas Services.—Seldom have the people of Easton had the opportunity—in fact never—to view such georgeous and magnificent decorations as those which graced SS. Peter and Paul Church on Christmas Day and all during the holidays. To describe would be futile, as their loveliness far exceeds the ability of our pen to portray. The delicate tints and hues of the back-grounds, the tiny twinkling colored lights, the rare and beautiful flowers, the Babe of Bethlehem and all the numerous other features went to make these the most exquisite decorations ever before beheld in Easton. To give the Rev. T. F. Waldron, the designer and executor, the just praise and credit he deserves would seem to many but idle flattery, and indeed would be distasteful to him, but it must be said that his ability in this line is simply marvelous and to him the greatest credit is due. The decorations in detail were thus: The entire back of the church and altars were one massive bank of flowers and twinkling lights. The lights were so arranged as to shine through the foliage of flowers, casting delicate colors and shodows over them. Twinkling here and there they reminded one of a summer evening, the fire flies flitting through the flowers and the trees. Around the base of the main altar were arranged potted flowers. The fair and delicate lilly reared its perfect beauty here and there, and by its dazzling whiteness made the contrast to the darker background more beautiful. The Babe in the manger was grand, in fact too grand to mar the impression it made on the hearts of every one present, by attempting in words to do it justice. Such beautiful visions are best left undescribed, justice can never be done to them by human words. Above all, in majestic splendor, rose the star of Bethlehem, casting its radiance on the beauty all around it, its brilliance illuminating the entire church. As the audience sat there and admired the perfect harmony of the conception, the sound of music, as from a far distance, faintly reached their ears, then louder and clearer it rose in grandeur and in strength—such a realization of what that morn really was.

At the evening service a greater crowd than that of the morning filled the church. The decorations showed off to better advantage; these and the impressive ceremony made the evening a most enjoyable one. The music deserves special mention; under the leadership of Mr. J. H. McHale, with Prof. Buys at the organ, the choir and a professional orchestra rendered selections that were both beautiful and difficult. The service was filled with music, and music that so impressed many that "the cares that upset the day, folded their tents, like the Arabs, and as silently stole away." The orchestra was from Baltimore and was secured by Father Waldron at a large cost, which he bore himself. Prof. Buys also played several selections, fittingly appropriate to the time and occasion, and made the church echo and re-echo with harmony grand and sweet. The service held at 2 o'clock on Christmas morning was attended by many of the most prominent people of town. The church was crowded and a more appreciative and well behaved audience never entered a church. Father Waldron was grateful to them all for the sacrifice made to be present and so expressed himself. To this Church justly belongs the credit of having the most brilliant Christmas services ever held in Easton.

Surprise Party.—A surprise party was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Nicols at their residence last Friday evening, and not only was it a surprise but a pleasure to them, but to all who were present. The friends gathered at the residence of Mr Harry Mason and from there went in a body to the home of Mr. Nicols. Quite a large number were present, and among them some of Easton's confirmed bachelors, who thoroughly enjoyed themselves and tried to believe they were still as young as they used to be." Amusements and games of all kinds were enjoyed, in fact, the evening was one of the greatest pleasure. At 10 o'clock refreshments were served and to these full justice was done. Ices, fruits, cakes, candies, etc. were found in abundance on the tables. Enjoyment was depicted on every feature, and the hour for departure came only too soon. Regretfully taking leave, all voted it the most pleasurable evening spening spent in such a manner for a long time. Mrs. Nicols is much beloved by all her friends, and this party was a token of the regard in which she is held.

The Minstrel Boys of Easton appeared before a large and representative audience in Centreville last Friday evening. The entertainment was somewhat different from the one presented here, so many new features had been added that it was almost a new performance entirely. The opera house was crowded to the doors and in the audience the best people of the town could be seen. During the entertainment many declared that the boys were professional and not amateur as represented, so well did they act their parts. The crowning feature of all was the cake walk, the audience began to laugh and even now, judging from reports, some are laughing yet. The people of Centreville were much pleased at the gentlemanly manner in which the boys conducted themselves, and when they left they had the good wishes of the entire town. They will appear in Easton again on the evening of Feb. 22nd.

New Year's Dinner Party.—Mr. and Mrs. James A Spence gave a delightful little dinner party on Monday evening at their residence on Harrison street. Those fortunate enough to receive invitations gladly accepted, as the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Spence is unbounded, and memory brings to mind the many pleasant little parties they have given before. Members of the choir of which Mr. Spence is leader, were present, also several of their intimate friends. At eight o'clock a sumptuous dinner was served, composed of many rare and delicious dishes, ices and fruits, it was greatly enjoyed. Music and other dignified pastimes, familiar to such gatherings were indulged in until a late hour, when the guests departed, with grateful thanks for the pleasant evening given them. Good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year were not forgotten.

Song Service.—Last Sunday evening the choir of the M. E. Church entertained a large congregation with some beautifully rendered selections from many eminent composers—Seven selections in addition to several hymns composed the program. A number of these services, which have proved to be very popular, have been given before, but this one excells in every feature all previous efforts. Every denomination in town was represented in the congregation, and not a single person left the church but what was greatly pleased with the music. Beginning with the anthem "There were Sheperds keeping watch," the music was certainly grand, and as grandly sung as one could wish. "The Holy City," by Mrs. Avery, "Beyond the Shadows," by Mrs Spence and Mr. Patchett, "Abiding in the fields," by the choir, "From the Realms of Glory," by the choir, "Sabbath Repose," by Miss Maud Collins and Miss Emma Thompson. and "Glory to the new born King" by the choir, completed the program. This latter selection was the most appreciated, it being sung by request. In the early Spring another song service of even greater excellence than the last will be given.

New Organist.—Instrumenal music was a feature of the services at Calvary M. P. Church last Sunday. Prof. W. P. Schilling, an eminent musician of New York, who has come South for his health, was the organist, and the people were greatly pleased with his compilations. The Prof. is taking steps to organize a musical society in Easton and will give a number of concerts in the opera house during the winter. He comes well recommended and is a musician of high order. He will receive the hearty co operation of the people of Easton in his efforts to elevate the musical talent of our community.

Testimony in the Election Contest Case.—Republican Election Supervisor, Mr. Wm. A. Pratt has had the stand this week and at this writing his testimony is unfinished. Among other things he said:

Mr. Willis and Mr. Wheeler appointed the judges and clerks of election. I demanded the right to represent the Republican party. This right was denied me in regard to ballot clerks except in two precincts, Bozman and Tilghman. They said they did not have to give a reason but refused to vote for the ones I demanded. They claimed the right to name the Republican ballot clerks,

Mr. Pratt was here asked to name those he proposed for ballot clerks.

Easton—1 Henry Shreve; 2, W. S. Grace; 3, James M. Cowgill. St. Michaels—1, Clifton Hope; 2, Jas. H. Sutton; 3, M. E. Thompson, (the initials were given to me wrong and should have been S S. Thompson as I explained to the Board.) Edward Woodall was first named and rejected. Trappe—1, J. E. Tarbutton, or Percival Mullikin; 2, Nathan Corkran or Jas. Benson. Chapel—W. E. Roe or W. J. Perry. Bay Hd.—1, A. W. Fairbank; 2, Chas. G. Davis.

Henry Shreve was objected to because they said he was an intimidator. No objection to Mr. Grace, only they did not appoint him. The same with Mr. Cowgill. Mr. Hope was too much of a politician, so was Mr Woodall. They appointed Mr. Sutton. No objection to the Trappe gentlemen only there was one recommended to them they wanted and appointed. The same at Oxford. No objection to Roe or Perry only Sinclair was recommended to Mr. Willis. Mr. Wrightson told Mr. Willis to name S. A. Fairbank at Wittman. Davis was appointed at Tilghman.

Being asked to explain in order the objections made to his nominations, Mr. Pratt said: In Easton 2d precinct Ed. J. Biery was nominated by one of the supervisors, and I objected to him, and Mr. Wheeler said that if I would get three republicans to certify that he was not a good republican they would not appoint him. They offered to appoint W. G. Stoops in place of Biery and said that they would appoint one of those two, and I preferred Biery to Stoops. They nominated for precinct 1, M. F. Coburn, I objected but they would not change it. At precinct 3, Cowgill was not allowed but Peregoy was named and I made no objection.

At St. Michaels I do not remember who was appointed, but it was no one I recommended.

At Royal Oak I thought that Mr. Thompson was named until I saw by the paper that Thos. H. Harris was. Mr. Wheeler said he thought they had appointed the one I named Mr. Willis said he knew nothing about it, as Mr. W. had made the appointment At Trappe Willis named D A Carroll and Wheeler sustained him. In Chapel Wheeler nominated Harry Sinclair, I objected, and after considerable discussion it was decided not to publish the names that day, but his name was not on the list of appointments. Willis later appointed Mr. Samis, I made no objection.

Mr. Pratt continued to show that at Bay Hd. the board acted on the suggestion of Mr. Wrightson a candidate on the democratic ticket. And to all objections he was told by Mr. Willis that the law was made by Democrats, for Democrats, and he (Pratt) soon discovered he was only a figure head and had no say in the board.

Epworth League Convention.—A GAZETTE reporter in conversation with Rev. W. E. Avery, President of Easton district of the Epworth League, M. E. Church, this week learned that the convention will be called the latter part of the first of June. The convention will be a very successful one, [illegible] yet. It will [illegible] interest to every one will be ably discussed. As it is quite a long time off, preparations are now being made and at no late date the program will be published. The Easton district comprises over forty chapters and each chapter will send three delegates to the convention consequently it will be largely attended.

Kid vs. Goat.—Amusing occurrences often happen in Easton, and as often go unpublished; but the following is too good to keep. On Christmas Eve a young man who has recently risen to the dignity of clerkship, came home quite late and proceeded to arrange his Christmas gifts. To a younger brother he gave a present inscribed, "To the Kid, from ——, Esq." The following morning the 'kid' awoke quite early and hurried down stairs to see what old Chris had brought him. Taking it for granted that "the kid" meant himself, he decided to "get even." Taking the present he bought for his brother he wrote on it, "To the Goat, Esq., from ——." The "goat" felt inclined to butt, and would not admit the joke. This rising generation of "kids" are smarter than they are given credit for being.

Church Announcements.—It has ever been the aim of the GAZETTE to announce the Sunday services of the various churches and the subjects of the pastor's discourses. In this column each week, our readers will find all announcements pertaining to the church services on Sunday and also during the week.

At Ebenezer M. E. Church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock communion service will be held. Sunday School at 2 o'clock. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. to be followed by revival service. There were several conversions during the week.

At the Court House at ten o'clock, tomorrow, a consecration meeting will be held by Capt. N. E Nicols. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at eleven, at which every member and friend of the church are urged to be present. At half-past seven, Rev. J. F. Armstrong, P. E. of the East Baltimore District will preach. All invited.

Public Business.—Orphans Court met on Tuesday. All present.

Robert H. Kemp's will was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to M. Sophia Kemp, who filed an approved bond in the penalty of $6,000. Robert T. Mullikin and Howard Mullikin were appointed appraisers.

Dr. I. R. Trimble, adm'r. c. t. a. of Sarah Johnson, presented release from Mary Thomas.

Wm. R. Martin, ext'r. of F. P. Dimpfel, presented distribution of balance due on 1st and final account of administration. Passed.

A. A. Pascault, guardian to Bessie N. James, presented his 4th account. Passed.

George W. Griffin, guardian to Daisy S. Wooters, presented 6th account. Passed.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Receipts were:

Jos. B. Wrightson, col. 1892,		$ 600 00
J. T. Radcliffe, " "		1060 00
T. A. Lloyd, per R. J. Dawson		1300 00
Wm. E. Lowe, Oyster fines,		25 00
S. B. Melson, J. P. fines,		7 35
Thos. Hughlett, clerk, tongers' licenses,		340 00
Total,		$3,332 35

Disbursements were $1,803.56, including $340 for local oyster police for December.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for Cuts. Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. C. Henry & Bro

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada Hurd, of Groton, S D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated into Consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to Get Dr. Kings New Discovery, for Consumption Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all, eight bottles, it has cured me, and thank God I am now a well and hearty woman." Trial bottles free at J. C. HENRY'S Drugstore. regular size, 50c and $1 00

ITEMS FROM AROUND THE COUNTY.

Gossip From Various Points Collected by Faithful Reporters.

ST. MICHAELS.

Mrs. Smithman who has been quite sick for some time is now much better.

Col. James Lowe has been confined to his room this week with La Grippe.

Mrs. Elmer Pritchett and children are the guests of Mrs. Pritchett's father, William Harrison, Esq.

Mrs. Thomas Selby of Germantown, Pa., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Susana Wiley.

Harper Benson, Esq., spent last Wednesday in Baltimore.

Joseph Marshall, Esq., of Baltimore was in St. Michaels this week.

Rev. S. J. Morris received a severe caning last Monday afternoon, administered by the members of his Sunday School class.

J. Harrison Spurry, Esq., has opened his new store on Chew Ave. We wish Mr. Spurry success in his venture.

One hundred and twenty jugs came to this place Saturday before Christmas. With that amount of the ardent and with our drug store to supply any deficiency you can judge that there were some joyful people in St. Michaels on Christmas day.

Rev. W. Sherman Philips will visit and remain in Oxford during the coming week to assist Rev. W. M. Poisal of that town in his revival service.

To morrow morning at the M. P. Church will be communion sermon and service. At the evening service Rev. Mr. Philips will preach, taking for his subject, Curiosity turned to good account."

Last Wednesday eve there was a prayer meeting held at the M. E. Church; during the coming week there will be a prayer meeting every evening and week after, revival services will commence, Rev. S. J. Morris in charge.

Fredrick Jewett, a colored man who comes from Crisfield every winter for his health and other benefits drew a knife [a small one] on Mr. Parrot. He was fined five dollars and costs. Had it been a big knife he would have gone where the woodbine twineth.

Lloyd Saunders of Bay Hundred was before Squire Sparks this week, charged with selling whiskey by the gurgle, that is, he would hand you the bottle then watch his customer's Adam's apple; in that way he managed to tell how much money was or is due him. He waived an examination and the Squire held him to court. Saund furnishing bond to the amount of $1,000 for his appearance at the Court house in Easton on next May.

Last October a gentleman nicely dressed and fine appearance made his appearance in our fair town. He said that he was an agent of the Art Portrait Co., of Baltimore; he wanted pictures, tin types, photographs or anything to copy, he went from house to house soliciting copping, his prices were very modest only fifty cents for the copying of any picture, he secured a great many, some places getting the only picture of a dead son or daughter, all this work to be done in a satisfactory manner and to be delivered in two weeks from the time he was here. Time has slipped by on golden wings but no tiding of that gentleman with his work of art. Some of the people who gave him work have received cards [postal] inviting them to come to their office on Baltic St., and select frames for their crayons as they could not finish them until they know the kind of frame wanted. Judging from the long time that has elapsed since this fine looking gentleman was in our midst, and the cards that are being sent out, I should say, if you have fifty cents keep it, do not give it to every one that comes to your door claiming to be good for nothing. In fact, the people who suffered by this gentleman think that he is a fraud, and I am inclined to think that they are right.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Willey, of New York, preached last Sunday at the M. E. Church. The Reverend spent a week in town visiting the friends of his boyhood days.

Jos. B. Hunt, our blacksmith, has rented the large shop on Talbot street formerly occupied by the late stephen Harrison.

Communion service at the M. E. Church to morrow morning. Rev. Mr. Lecates will preach Sunday evening and every evening during the coming week.

OXFORD.

The Oxford M. E. Sunday School enjoyed its usual Christmas treet last Friday evening. A carefully prepared program of recitations and songs were well rendered by the school and reflected much credit upon the superintendent and others having charge of its preparation. Near the close of the exercises a number of gifts were distributed, including a set of Chambers Revised Encyclopedia to the pastor, Rev. J. W. Fogle, beautiful Oxford Bibles to Misses Bessie Markland and Edith Carver, Church and Sunday School organists, presents from classes to teachers, etc. A very interesting feature of the evenings entertainment was the appearance of old Santa Claus, himself; but owing to "hard times" or some other cause his pack was empty, and it seemed that the expectant children must be disappointed. With the assistance of Fairy "Good Cheer," however, the "bricks" of the chimney became packages of candy, and every boy and girl were made happy. Eastford Hall was well filled with young and older persons, but there was an abundance of candy, oranges, apples, cake and other good things for all. Altogether it was a most enjoyable occasion for all present. J. S. H.

Peninsula Horticultural Society.—The seventh annual meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society will be in Dover, Del. commencing on Tuesday, Jan. 9th, and continuing through Wednesday and Thursday. The proceedings will be public, and a cordial invitation is given everyone to attend. The sessions will be at the following hours: Tuesday, 9 a. m., 2 p. m., 7 p. m.; Wednesday, 9 a. m., 2 p. m., 7 p. m.; Thursday, 9 a. m., 2 p. m.

The members of the society are leading horticulturists of the Peninsula. All fruit growers are urged to join. The membership fee is only $1.

For reduced railroad rates address the secretary, Mr. Wesley Webb, Dover. Reduced rates will also be given at the Capital Hotel.

Winter Tours via Pennsylvania Railroad.—The final arrangements are now made by the Tourist Bureau of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the running of its personally-conducted tours for the coming season. First and foremost in point of magnitude and attractiveness come those to California and Florida. The dates for the former are Jan. 31 and Feb. 22. The first date has been selected so that *en route* to the glorious westernmost State of the Union the Mardi Gras festivities at New Orleans may be enjoyed by the tourists. California will command unusual attention this winter by reason of the Mid-winter Exposition to be held at San Francisco. This exposition promises almost to rival the late World's Fair in completeness Many Eastern people have already decided to attend.

Florida, always a popular haven, still justly asserts its claim as the most delightful part of our country in which to pass the inclement months of the year. Five tours will be run there, January 30th, February 13th, February 13th, February 27th, March 13th, and March 27th, have been chosen as the starting dates. $50 from New York, $48 from Philadelphia, and an equally low rate from other points will cover all expenses *en route*. Old Point Comfort appeals strongly to those not caring to journey further from home, and on Dec. 26th this historic spot will be visited by a special tour. Last come the tours to Washington, D. C., on Dec. 14th and 28th, January 18th, February 8th, March 1st and 22d, April 12th, and May 3d and 24th.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company's guarantee that through the satisfactory methods will be pursued in conducting these trips needs no additional testimonial. tf

Mrs. Alice C. Robinson, of the W. C. T. U., Says It Belts the Globe.—Mrs. Alice C. Robinson, president of the Baltimore W. C. T. U., in speaking Dec. 15th about the work of the organization she represents, said that it was a mighty force for good, and that its insignia, the white ribbon, belts the globe.

"I fear," she continued, "that thousands of women in Baltimore have but little knowledge of what the Woman's Christian Temperance Union really stands for, or what splendid results have followed their work in these last twenty years. Take for instance, the matter of scientific temperance educational laws that make it possible for our children to be taught in the public schools the effect of alcohol and tobacco on the human system. Who first thought out this line of march? Who was it that drew up the bill? Who was it that persistently knocked at the door of every Legislature and asked for that law? It was the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and thirty eight States swinging into line speak its praise.

"We have forty-two national departments of work, with a consecrated woman at the head of each department, and thousands of women to go on willing feet when marching orders are given. Our organization is decidedly non-partisan and non-sectarian. We know no creed, no nationality, but strike hands with any party standing for righteous laws and for any creed that teaches temperance truths. We count our membership among the lowly as well as the rich, and because of our faith and the tireless zeal of our workers there is no civilized country where our missionaries have not been, and it has been truly said that the white ribbon belts the globe.

"The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be twenty one years old on the twenty-third of this month. A great book would not contain the record of the union's splendid victories during these years for 'God and home and every land,' and this wonderful 'do-everything-and-look-everywhere club' turns its hopeful face towards the future.

"This year has witnessed a grand work done at our State headquarters, where many wails of the street and children of drunken parents have been under daily free kindergarten training. Nor is this all. Each day these poor children are given one good meal, and to many of them that one meal means all they have. We are anxious to accomplish more good in the city and State this coming year than in any previous year. We want to teach a greater number of poor children send speakers through the different counties and organize them for effective service; preach the Gospel to those under the dominion of strong drink, and do something for the rescue of girls who have gone astray. We are sending letters to many people in the city and out of it, asking them for some gift large or small, to help in this work, and we hope that many will give, even though they receive no letter. This is to be a hard winter, we know but a little sacrifice now and then, here a little and there a little, will make the 'peace on earth and good-will to men' sound all the sweeter.

"The W. C. T. U. favor the idea of the ballot for women. We are fast coming to see that the ballot is power, and that an educated ballot in the hands of a woman counts as much as an educated ballot in the hands of a man. The papers are kind to us, preachers welcome our speakers to their pulpits and young men and women are showing unusual interest in the plans of our grand organization that stands for so much that is good and true. As for discouragements, we never think of them, but go steadily forward with what ever we find to do, and I believe that the W. C. T. U. will go down the ages by the side of the Christian Church.

Where Money is Made.—Agricultural and Horticultural pursuits in the region east of the Rocky Mountains are attended by the hard condition of close competition. It is only the exercise of superior industry and intelligence that more than a bare subsistence is possible. In California the situation is entirely different. In that State certain articles are produced which cannot be grown in any other State of the Union. They are mostly articles of consumption, which are grown elsewhere only in foreign countries and imported thence into the United States under heavy expense for transportation and custom charges. The California fruit grower thus has special advantages enjoyed now here else in this country, and in this way the surprising profits which he secures are accounted for. All the staple articles common to the other States may be grown in California, and at a larger profit than elsewhere; but the largest profits are made in the articles which are produced in Asia Minor and semi tropic Europe, such as olives and olive oil, Smyrna figs and raisins and fancy wines, rare table grapes, oranges, lemons, and a long list of other products. It is much easier to get a start in California than one might suppose, the various colony enterprises especially offering easy conditions. There are no bitter cold days when work is impossible, and some kind of crop may be made to grow at any time of the year. The climate is mild, bracing and healthful. Women especially have more opportunities for making money at pleasant occupations than anywhere else in the world.

T. H. Goodman, General passenger Agent of the Southern Pacific Company, San Francisco, Cal., will answer fully, reliably and disinterestedly any letters of inquiry from those who write for information of any kind concerning California. 12 9 tf

Midway Types.—The *Free Press* is this year fairly outdoing itself. Not content with permanently enlarging its famous weekly edition to twelve pages it proposes to give to every yearly subscriber a beautiful souvenir of the world's fair, called "The De roit Free Press Portfolio of Midway Types." This artistic production comprises twenty photographic plates, 8x11 inches, representing the strange people that were seen on the Midway Plaisance. The faces and fantastic dress will be easily recognized by those who visited the fair; others will find in them an interesting study. You can obtain the portfolio and one of the best of literary weeklies one year for $1. The address is Detroit, Mich.

Rover's Literary Career.

There is a man named "Rover"
A very queer name indeed,
Who on the literary field did aspire
To ride on a very swift steed.

So, on one November chilly night,
He did attempt to write,
Feeling sure he was wise enough
Not to get into a fight.

He puzzled away at his manuscrip',
Dashing at this, then at that,
When suddenly, he struck that monotous subject,
Of the Cleveland Democrat.

Said he to himself, I've got it now,
And in a few days more,
On the ocean's wave to the foreign lands
My name it will be bore.

But just as he thought his fame was sure,
A message to him was tendered,
That contradicted all he said;
Which he had so skilfully rendered.

Now, he groaned and murmured in mournful tones,
There is nothing to me remaining,
But to set right off and get a helper
And then begin explaining.

This he did with all zealous care;
But alas! to his great alarm,
The next answer he received, he found
His adversaries had taken it by storm.

One a very important question to him did put,
Which was as right as right could be,
Yet, to him, it seemed quite a puzzle
Though it was taken from "Hamlet's Soliloque."

Another, the final stroke did make,
Which ended his literary career.
Yet another still, thought revenge was sweet
And into the hopper he threw the pup
And ground him into sausage meat.

Ajax,

Some women are awfully touchy. A widow has brought an action against a paper which said that her husband had gone to a happier home.

Published by request.

After Last Fall.

(PARODY ON "AFTER THE BALL.")

A little boy climbed on an old man's knee,
Begged for the reason, do papa please;
Why are you gloomy, idle, alone?
Have you no work but loafing at home?
"I had a good job last year you know,
Why I have none now, child, you shall know.
List; to the story, Grover, last fall,
I helped elect him, idle, that's all.

CHORUS—

After the vote was taken, after the change had come,
After the factories closing, after the wheels were dumb;
Many a heart was aching, if you could read them all,
Many a home was darkened, after last fall.

Bright were the prospects, clouds not in sight,
Happy our homes were from morn 'till night;
Then came the tempter, spoke soft and low,
Fooled us poor workers, how, I don't know.
When we awakened to what we had done,
Factories were idle, mills could not run;
Down they all closed, pet, ended, that's all,
Just as our work was, after last fall.

Long months have past, child, no work to do.
Although I have sought it, for mother and you,
No work to give me, tried to explain,
They could not help it, pleadings were vain
I knew the reason after 'twas done,
I helped to close up factories that run;
That's why I'm idle, no work at all,
I lost my job, pet, after last fall.

The News In Maryland.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 33.—John H. Kronlager, late cashier of the Baltimore agency of the New York Life Insurance Company, who embezzled $1,000 of the company's funds, and who disappeared about two weeks ago, was arrested at his home here last night. He returned to Baltimore on Tuesday last.

DENTON, Dec. 29.—At a cake walk in Delaware, near the Maryland line, on Tuesday night, a colored man named Coursey, 20 years of age, was cut with a razor, and the wound is considered very serious. Coursey was cut from the top of the head to the neck, the gash extending back of the ear, during a fracas with Nathaniel Benson, colored, from Caroline county.

EASTON, Dec. 29.—Zack Glasgow, colored, was drowned yesterday in Wye river, off Bruff's Island. His partner in oystering, William Henry Jackson, had anchored his canoe off shore, and Glasgow went off in a skiff to get him. Before reaching the canoe Glasgow's skiff filled and he went down in seven feet of water and never came to the surface again.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—Beginning today 400 men heretofore employed by the Maryland Steel company at Sparrows' Point will be out of work for an indefinite period. These men comprised the entire working force of the Bessemer steel and rail mills. It is feared that the discharge will result in much suffering. The men say that they do not expect the works to start again.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 30.—Edward Hanley, aged 25 years, attempted last night to murder Miss Maggie Duffy at her home on East Eager street, and then committed suicide by shooting himself twice in the head. He died instantly. Miss Duffy is the daughter of William J. Duffy, a wealthy ice dealer. Hanley asked Miss Duffy to marry him. She refused and the shooting followed. Miss Duffy was struck in the right shoulder, but will doubtless recover.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 2.—Herbert Thomas, 20 years of age, son of Mr George Thomas, of Frizzellsburg, Carroll county, was shooting at wild pigeons yesterday when his gun, which was overloaded, burst and blew a hole through the young man's hand. The thumb and one foot were badly lacerated. Fourteen inches of powder were put into the gun by another young man. Thomas saw it was loaded and fired it off to show that he was not afraid to do so.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 2.—Governor Brown entertained the members elect of the legislature, which meets at Annapolis tomorrow, at a banquet at the Hotel Rennert last night. Previous to the banquet a caucus of the Democratic members of the senate and house of delegates was held and Colonel John Walter Smith, of Worcester county, was nominated for president of the senate and James H. Preston, of Baltimore city, was nominated for speaker of the house. The nomination is equivalent to an election.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—United States Special Examiners Cutler and Peters admitted yesterday that the report that extensive pension frauds had been discovered in this city by them was true. "We are not at liberty to make any specific statements in regard to the frauds," said Cutler, "but it is true that we have discovered many, and we are making daily reports to Commissioner Lochren at Washington." Examiner Cutler further stated that about 2,000 fraudulent cases had been discovered in this city.

HAGERSTOWN, Jan. 2.—John McDowell and Henry McDowell are brothers living eight miles north of Hagerstown, near Wingerton. On Saturday they quarreled in a wood on Henry's farm over the fighting of three dogs, one belonging to Henry and two to John. Henry was found later by relatives lying on the ground in a snowstorm, with his skull crushed in. He was unconscious, but recovered sufficiently to identify that his brother John had beaten him over the head with the stock of a gun. There are little hopes of Henry's recovery. John was given a hearing.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—Three persons were instantly killed by a New York express train at Patuxent, on the Baltimore and Potomac railroad, eighteen miles from this city. The victims were an aged couple, Thomas P. Varley and his wife, of Patuxent, and their 10 year old grandson, a child of C. B. Varley Meyers, manager of the Hale Thorp Improvement company, of this city. The little boy was visiting his grandparents, and all were in a carriage on their way to the house of a friend. The carriage was struck with terrific violence and smashed into kindling wood. The remains of Mrs. Varley were gathered up in a wheelbarrow.

The News In Delaware.

DOVER, Del., Dec. 30.—Ex-Sheriff Frank M. Dunn, manager of the Dover Index and prominent in the politics of Kent county, died yesterday afternoon at his home here, aged 51. He had been ill for several months.

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 2.—The Kent Iron and Hardware company, of this city, is in the hands of the sheriff, executions having been entered up for judgments amounting to $82,743.51. The embarrassment was caused by the mismanagement and shortage of William S. Haines, ex-treasurer and secretary.

WILMINGTON, Jan. 3.—While standing in a saloon last night Mr. John Hanson, about 75 years of age, dropped dead. He had gone into the place to refresh himself with a draught of beer. He was just raising the glass to his lips when he fell lifeless upon the floor. Heart disease is supposed to have caused his death.

LAUREL, Del., Jan. 2.—A constable and an armed posse have returned from a fruitless search for two days for Merrill Dun, the insane desperado who made a murderous assault upon his aged parents last Friday. He was seen yesterday about three miles from town, but when an attempt was made to take him he flourished his pistol, and laughing derisively, disappeared in the woods. The entire community is terror stricken.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 29.—It is probable that an old murder mystery in Blackbird, this county, will soon be cleared up through a confession recently made by Samuel Bennett, a white farm laborer of that place. On Dec. 26, 1889, Alexander Baynard, an old colored man living alone in a cabin near Blackbird was brutally murdered. The crime was not discovered for several days later. The old man was commonly supposed to have a large sum of money about him, and the crime was doubtless committed to secure this. Bennett has made a confession, saying that he was a witness to the murder, and that the crime was