Easton Gazette.

SATURDAY, FEB. 17, 1894.

n autumn, winter and spring, colds, are ule rather than the exception. Hence he part of every wise and prudent moth- keep on hand a supply of Dr. Bull's Syrup the great domestic favorite and ible cure for all affections of the throat chest.

The U. S. has 242 life-saving stations.

-Flowers have been in bloom out doors.

Don't miss the Bargains at B. P. Cox's.

The mail wagon in town has a new cover-

—The boys are turning their attention to e ball.

. Valentine came in many different ms on Wednesday.

-Hamburg Edgings are beautiful as well very cheap at B. P. Cox.

—Mr. Grace, our town chicken shooter, says gunning is rather slow.

—The Cheapest suits of men's and boy's clothing you ever saw at B. P. Cox.

—Many boys and girls of this town let their angry passions rise on Wednesday.

—Chicken is a favorite dish with the housekeeper just now.

—In the calendar of fashion spring begins on the 25th of March.

—Easter comes next to its earliest possible date this year.

—Cloth and cassimere suitings is attracting much attention at B. P. Cox.

—We are not necessarily drunk because money has been tight for a long time.

—Straw, hay, blades or corn taken on subscription.

Some of Easton's street crossings would e better with the mud cleaned off them.

—Anything you want in Dry Goods, Carpets and Clothing at cost at B. P. Cox.

—Rumor says Scarlet fever is raging at idgely, and that the schools are closed.

B. P. Cox surely means business the way the way he is selling off his stock.

—Easton doesn't believe much is gained in kicking, but two dancing-masters are here just the same.

—A tax on bachelors is thought of, but the revenue would be greater if the would-be-single married man were taxed.

—An Easton young lady confessed herself won when her sweetheart sent her a kiss-shaped valentine—elliptical.

—The programme for the days of this month have been quite elaborate: Sunshine, rain, snow, sleet and wind.

In passing it is a relief to remark that this been a peculiarly severe winter for the mbers.

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

—A tombstone is about the only place where the average man doesn't really care to have his name in print.

—A crayon portrait fraud is said to be going through the county swindling the people. Give no orders to such characters is a safe rule.

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

—A tame rat in a local newspaper office climbs the editor's desk nightly and eats his mucilage. The scissors have not yet been touched.

—"There is such a thing as carrying a joke too far," remarked Funnicus, after he had visited all the Easton newspaper offices, at all of which his joke had been declined.

—Delegate Collins introduced a bill in the Legislature Thursday, providing for the appointment of an additional constable in Talbot county.

Rev. L. B. Baldwin, rector of Christ Church, was too ill to hold services last Sunday. The Lutemam Sextette was expected to sing at that church in the morning.

—Read M. B. Nichols new advertisement in another column, he is offering some wonderful Bargains in Table Linens, Towels and Bed Spreads.

—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 seed line.

—San Francisco claims that Lottie Collins doesn't know what high dramatic art is. hat does Frisco call high if eight feet won't o.

—"Up to My Eyes in mud" is the title of the atest popular comic song in London. That an old song here.

—A new road is being cut from Chapel road to the creamery, which will make the distance much shorter to those going to the creamery from that direction.

—Next Thursday will be a legal holiday.

—A little girl in town, when her kitten began to purr, remarked that she believed it was boiling.

—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.

—The GAZETTE office is equipped to do job printing of every decription at shortest no- e. Our work is the best, our prices the low- t. Give us a trial.

—The Talbot Savings Bank hours have een changed; the bank will be open for bus- ness from 9 in the morning to 3 in the after- oon and on Saturdays in the evening from 7 to 9:30.

—W. U. Schofield while chopping a stick with a hatchet met with a very painful ac- dent. The instrument slipped and struck s left hand inflicting a very ugly wound. e is getting along finely at this writing.

—Look out for strangers who are going hrough the state pretending to sell various ticles of merchandise and ask to have ecks cashed. Men in this line have been ing merchants in Camden, Dover and her towns.

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

—Every careful business man secures estimates before giving out his work. It will pay you to secure our estimate for your job printing before giving your order elswhere.

—The Easton correspondent to the Talbot Times, in the last issue of that paper, made a statement that nearly six-hundred people were present at the revival service at the Court House. The court room will barely hold three hundred people. Anybody got an arithmetic to lend him?

—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.

—Four negro men and two negro women, who had formed the most daring and successful gang of chicken thieves ever known in New Castle Co., were heavily punished by General Sessions Court at Wilmington Tuesday. Before they were captured they had stolen over a thousand chickens.

—We desire to call the attention of our readers to the new advertisement of George F. Sloan & 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 required, and propose to give goods at very low prices We suggest that you get their prices before buying.

—Last week's Delaware papers contained an account of the queer antics of Levin S. Lowe, of Laurel. One night he made the rounds of the town going from house to house in great haste. He would open the door without knocking and standing upon the threshold, say: "Peace be unto this house; the Lord is with you. Blessed be His name," Then he hasten to another house and repeat his strange act.

—The word Lent comes from lenghtentide, the Saxon term for spring; Ash Wednesday is so called from the custom in the Catholic Church of the priest making the sign of the cross on the foreheads of the faithful in ashes made from the palms blessed on Palm Sunday and saying, "Memento homo, quia cinis es et in pulverem reverteris."

E. Shannahan is offering his entire of Ladies, Misses Wraps, Dress goods, Dress Trimmings, Cassimeres, Underwear, Notions, Gents Furnishings, Etc. at a great sacrifice, they must be closed out at some price, to make room for another line of goods. We will positively save you money on any thing in our line. An immense stock of Embroideries, Laces at and below cost. Visit our Grocery and Queensware Department, every thing fresh and pure, and at bottom prices, call and see us. Very truly, J. E. SHANNAHAN,

A TOWN CLOCK FOR EASTON.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ASKED FOR IT.

Will have Three Dials and will be illuminated at night. To cost over Six Hundred Dollars. Other Items of Interest.

As was announced in the GAZETTE of last week efforts were to be made to purchase a town clock for Easton by private subscription. The work of raising the money has been undertaken by Messrs. M. B. Nichols snd L. R. Hooper, who have already secured contributions to a considerable amount. Those who desire to help in this good work can do so by leaving their names and amount of contribution with either of the above named gentlemen. All contributions will be published in the GAZETTE, no matter how small the amount, all is welcome.

The clock will cost between $600 and $800 and will have three forty inch dials. It will strike the hours, halves and quarters and at night the dials will be illuminated by electric lights inside the clock, which will enable one to tell the time at a great distance on the darkest night. The clock will be placed in the tower of the new high school and will be about seventy-five feet from the ground.

The following contributions have been received up to date:

W. H. Thompson	$10 00.
M. B. Nichols	10 00.
O. F. Sturmer	5 00.
Leander R. Hooper	5 00.
J. S. Griffith	5 00.
Wilson M. Tylor	5 00.
W. T. H. Lee	5 00.
Dr. J. S. Garrison	5 00.
Wilfred Bateman	5 00.
J. Frank Bateman	5 00.
Fred. Dimpfel	5 00.
W. L. Hubbard	5 00.
Nichols & Bro	5 00.
J. E. Hubbard	5 00.
Total amount subscribed	$80 00.

A Cashier Elected.

Mr. Wm. W. Spence was elected cashier of the Talbot Savings Bank in place of Wm. G. Dawson, resigned, at the meeting of the directors held on February 7th. Mr. Spence is an enterprising young man and will creditably fill the position.

Married.

Miss Ida V. Stewart and Mr. Thomas F. Hollingsworth, both of Easton, were married on Wednesday evening, the 14th by the Rev. W. E. Avery. The wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Avery Tuthill, and only a few of the most intimate friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony.

Has Bought Londonderry Mills.

Dr. I. A. Barber has purchased the Londonderry Roller Flour Mills, situate on the Point road about quarter of a mile from Easton.—The mills are of brick, and are equipped with the most modern machinery, and originally cost about $11,000. It was a part of the estate of Capt. Leonard.

Stubbornly Opposed.

The petition relative to the county commissioners paying to the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad the amount subscribed by the county, which has been opposed several times before, has met with a stubborn opposition in shape of a petition opposing the project and has many signatures. It is now thought that this will effectually kill the former petition.

Closing Exercise of the Mission at the Catholic Church.

This evening at 7.30 the children's celebration of the Mission exercises will take place. The altars will be elaborately decorated and a sermon appropriate will be delivered by the missionary father. On Sunday morning High Mass will be sung followed by a sermon; on Sunday evening at 7.30 the closing exercises will take place, at which service papal benediction will be given. All are cordially invited.

Have Finished their Testimony.

The defendants in the contested election case have finished taking their testimoney, which consisted merely of questioning Mr. Dukes as to his knowledge of the frauds practiced by the democrats on election day. Mr. Dukes stated that he knew nothing of the frauds previous to election. The evidence being all in, everything is in readiness for the hearing on or about the 20th, at which the three judges of the circuit court will preside.

German Pupils Wanted.

Mr. Paul Luther of Dortmund Germany has located near Easton and would like to have a class of pupils who wish to study German by the linguistic method. Mr. Luther is a well educated German and could give most valuable assistance to those who wish to become acquainted with the language Charges moderate and made known on application. Address him at Easton box 302 he call upon you. Feb23t

They Oppose the Bill.

Dorchester county packers and oystermen vigorously oppose the bill now before the Legislature extending the time for scraping for oysters in Big Choptank river until April 1st, instead of March 1st, as at present, and will send a delegation to Annapolis to protest against such a law. They claim that an extention for scrapers will be detrimental to oyster interests generally and will be of no advantage to Talbot county, for whose benefit the bill is supposed to have been introduced.

Lectures at Trinity Cathedral.

The Dean of Trinity Cathedral is delivering a course of lectures every Sunday evening at 7.30 on the salient features of the P. E. Church. Every one was thoroughly convinced last Sunday night that the church has a history. The lecture for tomorrow evening will be "The Episcopal Church—a Church with an Apostolic Ministry." These lectures are particularly interesting to those who are not members of the Episcopal church, and it will be edifying to learn just what the church is. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

Large Flock of Wild Geese.

A large flock of wild geese, judging from the noise they made, passed over town last Thursday night going in a soutwesterly direction. Some weatherwise people predict that they were moving farther south because their instinct teaches them that a tremendously cold polar wave is impending. Had they been going north, it would have been a sure sign that spring was upon us. About the truth of the matter is they were crossing the peninsula from Chincoteague or Assateague bays to the Chesapeake.

Elkton and Southern Railroad.

A large delegation of lawyers and business men interested in the Elkton and Southern Railroad were in Annapolis this week and appealed to the Ways and Means Committee to change the appropriation of $58,000 from the Elkton and Middletown Railroad to the Elkton and Southern Railroad. The concensus of opinion was against any railroad at all, rather than the Elkton and Middletown road, which would give the Pennsylvania the control of the gateways from the peninsula, and effectually blocking any competing trunk line in the future.

The Bill was Changed.

The bill submitted by the Talbot Sheep Breeder's Association some time ago, which provides for the taxation of dogs, has been revised since it was first made public. The changes were made because or the stand taken by the Talbot delegation in the Legislature, who, as a whole, did not favor it. The changes were, first, the section providing for the bill becoming a State law was struck out and in its place was substituted a section making it a law for Talbot only. The second change was, that instead of the revenue received from taxing the dogs being used to replace sheep killed by dogs, it now provides that the money be paid over to the school board. Delegate Wrightson introduced the bill in the Legislature on Monday.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd, of Groton, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in 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. King's 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 Drug store. Regular size, 50c. and $1.00.

—Quick and sure! One-third of a bottle cures neuralgia and backache.—Mr. W. H Gill, Byesville, Guernsey Co., O., writes: "I had a severe attack of neuralgia and pains in my back and shoulders, and after using one-third of a bottle of Salvation Oil was able to go to work."

Signed the Bill.

Governor Brown signed on Tuesday of this week the bill authorizing Talbot County to issue $15,000 4½ per cent. bonds, exempt from state, county and municipal taxation, the proceeds to be used for the construction of a new Easton high school. The Governor had held up this bill, but his objections were overcome by the fact that the bonds were to be used for a public educational instution, which under the laws of the state, cannot itself be taxed. The bonds will be issue early in August. The contract for building the school was signed by Mr. Mat Flowers, of Easton, early this week. His bid was $16,250. Nothing remains now to hinder the work from being rapidly pushed.

Talbot's Tomato Industry.

Tomato culture in Talbot Co. promises to assume greater proportions this year than ever before. Farmers have contracted with canners to grow tomatoes for $7 per ton, which is the largest amount paid by the canners on the peninsula. Besides five factories in the county, four more are being built in different districs, and large additions have been made to the old factories. Over 1,500 tons of tomatoes have been contracted for by two of Easton's canners, and they are still contracting. The farmers will probably call a meeting and endorse the action of the Anne Arundel farmers in requesting the legislature to pass a law for standard measure for tomatoes.

The Prohibition Meeting.

The local committee of arrangements for the Prohibition convention which will be held in Easton on the 22nd of this month, have about completed its work. The convention will comprise delegates from all the counties of the first congressional district, and many outside of the district are expected to be present. The convention was called by the order of chairman Higgins, of Baltimore, for the purpose of a general interchange of views and to make out plans for the future good of the party. Indications point to a very successful convention, which in point of number of delegates will be about the largest ever held in and by this district. Some prominent party speakers will be present.

Y. M. C. A. in Easton.

Through the efforts of a number of young men of Easton, a Young Men's Christian Association will be formed at an early date.—The matter was given thorough consideration before any steps towards organization were taken. It is thought that such an association will prove successful and be of great benefit to the young men of the town. A meeting was held last Sunday afternoon in the M. P. Church to discuss the matter and a committee was appointed to arrange for a mass meeting at any suitable time and place. The State organizer of the Y. M. C. A. will be invited to be present at the meeting and assist in the work of organization. The committee will be heard from soon.

When It Comes To Pass.

When the southern peninsula of the State is belted with four or five railroads, and when the electaic spark flashes from its extreme point to the metropolis, there will be no longer any excuse for treating it as the alien section—the Ireland of the state—a place where taxes are to be levied and collected; but a place to be ignored in the biennial appropriation from the State treasury. There has been too much of this disposition at Annapolis heretofore, but it is believed that the appropriation suggested by a neighboring county can be secured, if the counties will co-operate in the plan.

M. E. Church, South to be Opened.

The opening day of the new Trinity M. E. Church, South will be next Sunday, the 25, on which occasion services of special interest to the public will be held. One of the features of the services will be some excellent music by a large choir and Bishop John C. Granbury, of Ashland, Va., will be present and preach the opening sermon. The Bishop is a famous preacher of the south, his portrait and a representative sermon having been published in that well-known book, "The Southern Methodist Pulpit." The large lecture room on the ground floor will be filled with three hundred chairs affording comfortable seating to all who attend. The ceiling of this room is of steel, beautifully ornamented and painted a lovely pearl color. The large cathedral windows at each end are of beautiful design and delicate tints. They were presented by the Sunday School classes.

On the Death Roll.

Frank Rowins died at his residence at Longwood, Feb. 10th, '94, aged about 60 years. The funeral was from Longwoods Baptist Church, the Rev. E. P. Allard officiating. The pall bearers were Wm. Stitchberry, Frank M. Willis, John Woolley, Thomas Hopkins, Jr., Jos. S. Callahan and Mr. Hinman.

Mr. Richard Thomas Elliott, who has always been a resident of this town until very recently, died at Baltimore Sunday in the hospital where he went last Summer for his health. He was 56 years old and leaves a wife and one daughter. His remains were interred in Spring Hill cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Miss Minnie Elliott, daughter of the above, died at her home in Easton of consumption on Wednesday at 4 p. m. Her death was a sad one as she was a very estimable young lady, and esteemed by all who knew her. Aged 22. Interment in Spring Hill cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Church Chimes.

Old fashioned meeting led by Captain Nicols, at 10 o'clock tomorrow in the Court House. Preaching at 11, Sunday school at 2; Young Peoples Meeting led by S. A. Meintzer and C. A. Dean at 6.30. Preaching at 7.30 followed by revival services. Everybody invited to attend this last Sunday service in the Court House.

At Calvary M. P. Church tomorrow at 10 a. m. class. 11 a. m. Preaching and reception of members. 2 p. m. Sunday School. 6.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor. 7.30 p. m. preaching. All are requested to bring their contribution for conference collections. Union Revival Services continued in this church next week.

At Ebenezer M. E. Church. Sunday morning. Class meeting at 10 o'clock. Preaching morning and evening. Morning subject, Manliness. Evening subject, It Pays to be Good. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Epworth League at 6.30, preaching at 7.30. Reception of probationers at the morning and evening services.

Personal Mention.

Miss Sina Trippe has returned from her visit in Baltimore.

Dr. J. M. Wilkinson, of Deleware, was the guest of Dr. T. W. Greenly, of Trappe last week.

Miss Edna Shannahan has been spending some time in Baltimore.

Miss Kate Young is visiting friends in Centreville.

Mrs. Ida Thompson of St. Michaels was visiting in town this week.

Miss Annie Denny is visiting her parents of Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. Theophilus Tunis are spending February in Florida.

Capt. C. R. Leonard spent Sunday in Cambridge.

Capt. Edward T. Leonard, of the steamer Ida, was in Easton on Tuesday.

Dukes Wooters, Washington, D. C., spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents in Easton.

Misses Anna and Sallie Powell are spending the winter in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Dr. Smithers, Easton, and Mrs. Kate Massey, Greensborough, were guests of Mrs. Dr. Caulk, and other friends in St. Minhaels, this week.

R. Gwinn, Jr., special agent Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, Baltimore, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Col. Thomas Hughlett, Charles R. Wooters, Wm. T. H. Lee, Wilfred Bateman and other Eastonians were in Baltimore, Annapolis, and Washington last week.

Mr. Thos. S. Hayward who has been confined to his bed for several weeks by a severe attack of Scarlet fever, is rapidly recovering.

Mr. Harvey Wooters, of F. and M. Bank, son of Mr. J. M. Wooters, who recently submitted to a painful operation upon his leg, is improving.

Good Looks.

Good looks are more than skin deep depending upon the health 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 be affected you have a Pinched Look. Secure good health and you will have good looks. Electric Bitters is the great alterative and Tonic acts directly on these vital organs. Burns Pimples, Blotches, Boils and gives a good complexion. Sold at J. C. Henry's Drug store, 50c. per bottle.

DOVER BRIDGE TO BE REPAIRED.

A LEAF FROM HISTORY'S PAGE

Origin of the name "Dover" Bridge and why it was so named.

Dover Bridge is again in need of repairs. It is reported to be in a dangerous condition and the commissioners of Talbot and Caroline will arrange for an early meeting at the bridge when a thorough inspection will be made. The depth of water and the swiftness of the current at the bridge compel repairs to be made quite often. The origin of the name "Dover" bridge is not generally known by the public at large, many thinking it was so named because it had to be crossed in going to Dover, Del. This is entirely wrong, it being neither so named, nor the right road to Dover. Over a hundred years ago, when Easton was unknown, a town named Dover stood on the banks of the Choptank a short distance below the present bridge. The village was never incorporated and has long since gone, yet has its remains in the form of excavations for cellars, debris of walls, and portions of walls and piers. A burial ground yet remains and many tombstones mark the last resting place of its inhabitants. The legislature in 1777 passed an act providing "That the Judges of the General Court, or any one of them shall hold their first court for the transacting and determining the business of the Eastern Shore at Talbot Court House (or Easton as it was afterwards named) in Talbot county, on the second Tuesday of September next, and on the second Tuesday of April and September, until a town shall be laid out at Dover, and a Court House and prison there erected; after which the said Court for the Eastern Shore shall be forever held at Dover on the second Tuesday of April and September." This law authorizing the building of a court house for the county at the ancient and decayed town of Dover indicates that Talbot Court House, or Eeston, was at that time a very insignificant village indeed, at least of not such a size as to have any weight in determining the place for erecting the court house. The law authorizing the removal of the court house to Dover was never carried into effect, no doubt because of the war then going on, and in 1788 an act was passed repealing the act of 1777 requiring the court house to be built at Dover. At one time Dover carried on considerable foreign trade and did much ship building, and its memory is perpetuated by its name given to the bridge and a county road and a street in Easton.

Quite a Curiosity.

The American people seem to lean more towards fads every year. No matter how expensive, or how rediculous a fad may be it is seized upon with a frenzy that is our characteristic. The latest fad that has appeared in Talbot is to collect old and valuable books. While a very sensible fad, it is nevertheless a rather expensive one. The board of town commissioners have in its possession a book over one hundred years old that would be a valuable addition to any library. It is the old original report of the surveyor who laid out the squares, streets and lanes of Easton. In the year 1786 the Legislature passed a law entitled "An act to erect a town in Talbot county." In accordance with this law the commissioners, who were appointed, proceeded to buy land, and appointed Mr. John Needles surveyor. Mr. Needles executed a plot of the town which he submitted to the commissioners, accompanied by a comprehensive description of his work. The original plot has been lost, but the report is, as before stated, in the possession of our town commissioners. It is a well-prepared document of eighty six closely written pages, and designates all the streets, lanes and alleys of the town, and also describes the location of the 118 lots into which the town was divided at that time. On the fly leaf of the book is the following inscription which shows that it has not always been in possession of the board: "Presented to the board of commissioners of the town of Easton by Levin H. Camphir, secretary and member of the board, 1858." A note in one corner of the page says, "Bought at the sale of W. Parrott." The kindness of the present board and Mr. Danl. Cox, clerk, has enabled the GAZETTE to review this rare old volume.

Good Deeds Done by Rev. J. A. B. Wilson.

Dr. J. A. B. Wilson, who, until a few years ago was a member of the Wilmington conference and at one time stationed at Easton, but now a member of the New York conference and stationed at 18th St. N. Y., is working among the neglected and homeless poor of that city. All will rejoice to know that he is doing such a noble work and is such a Godsend to that over-crowded city.

A reporter saw him one night on the Bowery among the unfortunates. After giving out meal tickets he goes to the restaurant and pays the bill for all the meals he has ordered. A reporter on the *Recorder* accompanied Dr. Wilson on one of his rounds and we will let him speak. "It was 3 o'clock when Dr. Wilson's vagrants were fed and ready for the lodging house and when they arrived it was found that the place could not accommodate them all. The Doctor went up to see where the men slept, which was a badly ventilated place, but good for the Bowery. Morning had almost dawned before Dr. Wilson's waifs were all put to bed but as he was assured that they would be allowed to sleep late he was satisfied. "All we can do is just relieve a little of the misery," he said, "It isn't much but it is far better than nothing." But the Doctor's work was not yet over. In Catham street he went to the restaurants where men and women are allowed to sit at the tables and sleep if they buy 5 cents worth of food. There they sat—scores of men and a few women. Most of them were asleep. Dr. Wilson wound up his experience by a visit to several police stations and to "Steve" Merritt's Mission, at 288 Eighth Avenue. It was startling to see hundreds of men in the gray dawn scrambling for food. It was suggestive, too, and it gave a peculiar significance to a remark that Dr. Wilson made in discussing the terrible condition of the poor in this city.

"The public should be aroused," he said, "to a knowledge of the real state of affairs. The poor are quiet now but they cannot be kept quiet. The city should do everything in its power to help them. Court houses and armories should be thrown open to shelter the homeless. Something must be done at once."

Orphans' Court.

Orphans' Court met on Tuesday.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Wm. H. Lyons were granted Alice M. Lyons, who filed an approved bond in the penalty of $350. Wm. T. Elliott and John T. Saulsbury were appointed appraisers.

Dr. J. M. H. Bateman, adm'r of H. E. Bateman, filed an account of debts sperate, dividends and rents, and sales, and the 10th and final account of administration and distribution.

Louisa Murray, adm'x of Charles Murray, filed account of sales, dividends, 1st and final account of administration and distribution.

Letters of administration on the estate of Samuel T. Kemp and Alice Kemp were granted Dr. J. S. Chaplain, who filed an approved bond in the penalty of $1,000 in each case.

M. Sophia Kemp was appointed guardian to May M., Alfred E., Ethel, Nettie, Sallie D., and Rita Kemp, children of the late R. H. Kemp. She filed an approved bond in the penalty of $1,500.

E. A. Councell, guardian to Thomas A. Councell, filed her 1, 2, 3, 4, and final account of guardianship.

John Stanton's will was admitted to probate.

Virginia M. Norris, guardian to J. Percy, Ella V., J. Herman and Florence D. Williams, presented her 2d account with each.

An order was passed authorizing Louisa Murray, adm'x of Charles Murray, to invest $40.90, the distributive share of Aaron Murray in the Talbot Savings Bank.

County Commissioners.

Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday.

Receipts were;

Wm. J J Jackson, col., 1891,	$150 00
J. B Wrightson, " 1892,	200 00
Trinity M. E. Church, South, gas in use of Court room,	15 80
Total,	$365 80
Disbursements,	$562 81

A. Y. Longnecker, standard keeper, presented an approved bond in the penalty of $500.

Charles B. Lyons was appointed road supervisor vice Wm. H. Lyons, deceased.

John W. Rice was appointed road supervisor in Trappe district, vice J. Frank Stevens declined.

Sarah Chase, colored, Royal Oak, was placed on the out pension list and paid $10.

Jesse T. Chance was given permission to occupy Talbot county's bed in the Hospital of the Good Samaritans, Baltimore.

Dover Bridge is reported to be very much in need of repairs. The commissioners of Talbot and Caroline will meet here at an early day.

It was ordered that the Llandaff road extended be built as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

ITEMS FROM AROUND THE COUNTY.

Gossip From Various Points Collected by Faithful Reporters.

St. Michaels.

Capt. John C. Reed, owner of schooner Bessie Reed is here with the purpose of taking away a load of large oysters.

Parson Philips with his friends Harry C. Thomas and Charles Hume of Washington, went on a gunning trip on the water for two or three days last week; game was very scarce and the parson had a good time to study his sermon for the following Sunday.

The singing school of St. Michaels is rehearsing for an entertainment to be given to the public at Harrison's Hall, Feb. 23d.

One evening last week as Bailiff Jones sat in his cozy home calculating on an old fashioned slate (that had been discarded by our teachers) just, the amount due him from the town. He was disturbed by hearing cries of distress; always ready to perform heroic deeds he rushed from the house pistol in one hand a gum boot in the other. He wanted neither pistol nor gum boot, but a pair of oyster paws—there was a dog in the well. He rescued the poor dog, went into the house and soon to bed satisfied that he had done a good action.

Road Supervisor Richard Gheers, Esq., has been ordered by the county commissioners to employ only democrats on county work, being that the republicans do not pay any taxes.

The members of St. Michaels Lyceum have rented the library room but we do not hear of any stirring debate by the members of said lyceum.

Rev. Sherman Philips at the M. P. Church will take for his subject tomorrow morning, Intelligence in Religion; evening service, Secret of Success. Everybody invited.

B. M. Blades has charge of Hatton Dairy; gives us good milk and good measure. Long may he live and do the same always.

James Andrew, Esq., has removed his family from St. Michales to some point above Easton.

Our magistrates and bailiff have been tolerably busy this week.

Called at the residence of Rev. S. J. Morris, asking the subject for his sermon tomorrow. The Doctor was in Baltimore; but there is one thing assured, that whoever may listen to him tomorrow will be paid for the trouble of putting on a biled shirt. Everyone invited.

M. R. Richards was in Baltimore this week, negotiating for a new boiler to go in his mill.

It was the voice of the people last Tuesday eve at Harrison's Hall that the commissioners be empowered to get an enabling act from the Legislature whereby they can issue bonds to the amount of twenty thousand dollars payable in twenty years, for the purpose of building water works of some description to protect our town in time of fire. This is what I term progressive.

I've been awfully worried the last twenty-four hours all on account of a troubled dream that came to me last night as I lay enfolded in the arms of Morpheus. Let me tell you of my vision: In my dream I was passing the large lawn in front of the house occupied by the Editor of the *Comet*. This large lawn was fenced with boards six feet long making it private; there was an opening for entrance and exit; over this opening was painted the words, Social Graveyard; at this entrance or gate was a man of giantly size, with his arms around Comet man trying to yank him from this graveyard, but my friend had changed his mind the last three weeks, he did not want to venture out of the spot where he had lived so long, though this man tried to convince him that the days of fogyism had passed. I noticed the strange appearance of my friend's apparel; a band a leather was around his fore head, with the word "progress" stamped on it, in one hand he held a pack of cards used in playing progressive euchre, in the other hand an account of the last shoot by our Gun Club; sticking conspicuously from his pockets were programs of the entertainment that's to be given in the sweet after which by the Lyceum; on his feet were a pair of white satin slippers that he had used in dancing an Old Virginia reel. As his eyes fell on me he cried Oh, "Sanctimonious correspondent of the Easton GAZETTE" help me, friend of my early and manhood days, save me! The tears came to my eyes as I spoke, Sam, friend of my early years I am powerless, the Devil's got you. With a start I awoke. A word to the wise.

Royal Oak.

Miss Lyda P. Benson is visiting friends in Baltimore.

The family of W. P. Knowles removed to Seaford, Del., on last Thursday.

Examinations have been held in the public school this week.

Some of the members of the W. C. T. U., attended a meeting of the county executive committee, held in Easton on Tuesday afternoon.

We will probably have a new line of industry started in our midst next summer, as the farmers are talking of a stock company to run a tomato cannery, and it is rumored that Mr. A. Valliant thinks of putting in the building now used for an oyster house, an apparatus for canning the same vegetable.

The school children are pleasantly anticipating a holiday and a chance of celebrating the birth of the "Father of his country," with a whole day of play-time next Thursday.

Cupid laughed quite merrily on St. Valentine's day when he brought to a culminating point a scheme at which he had been quietly but skillfully working for some months past. The end of his scheme was this: Miss Hattie Leonard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Leonard, was quietly married to Mr. N. T. Maginnis at noon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles K. Millican at the home of the bride's parents. Miss Virgie Leonard presided at the organ. The bride was becomingly gowned in white landsdowne and was attended by her little nephew and niece, Mary Leonard Trippe and Samuel C. Trippe. Only the immediate family of the bride and groom were witnesses of the ceremony. Those from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Hall Denny of Kent county and Mr. Edward and Miss Mary Maginnis of Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Maginnis left Easton on the afternoon train for an extended tour through the North.

Mr. Howard Crutchley moved on Wednesday into the house recently vacated by the family of Mr. Walter Yewell.

Neighboring Happenings.

A cannery is to be built at Cordova.

There are 22 prisoners in Elkton jail.

Princess Anne streets are being shelled.

Oriole, Somerset county, wants a town hall.

Tomato culture in Kent has taken precedence this season.

Diptheria is epidemic at Ridgely, Caroline county, and the schools are closed.

Scarlet fever is prevailing to a considerable extent in Queen Anne's county.

Daniel E. Smith of Elkton, and Mrs. Ella Clark of Camden, N. J., were married at the latter place on Thursday, Feb. 15th.

Michael Wilberford, an herb doctor, died on Tuesday night at the Cecil county almshouse of pneumonia.

Several of the Cecil county farmers have their corn ground ploughed, while others have a part of their ground turned. Some soils are not benefited by winter ploughing.

Mr. Joseph Smith, one of the oldest residents of Princess Anne, died at his home Sunday, aged 80 years.

A parade for Washington's birthday is being discussed by the young men of Snow Hill.

A number of law students of Elkton have formed a debating club, which holds weekly meetings. Legal and current questions of the day are discussed.

It is stated that the $2,000,000 worth of real estate in Caroline county contained in the land record books in the office of the clerk of the county, in the courthouse of Denton has no safeguard against fire. The courthouse is not even insured.

James T. Johnson is a Democrat who would like to be a member of the Delaware Legislature, but he learns that the final settlement of the long disputed northwestern boundary of Delaware leaves his house 500 yards within the Pennsylvania line. His house is not far distant from that of William Smith, who was officially declared a resident of Pennsylvania about forty-five years ago while serving in the Delaware Legislature; and was thenceforward called the "gentleman from Pennsylvania." Another neighbor of Johnson's is an old lady, who, after being long absent from her old home, announced her intention to go back to Pennsylvania and end her days in that State. When, however, she reached home she found that her house had been surveyed into Delaware.

Dr. R. W. Dashiell, physician to Congressman Brattan, Princess Anne, when seen Tuesday evening said there was no change in Mr. Brattan's condition. He rested very comfortably Monday night and took a drive on Sunday. Mr. Brattan arises every morning and is able to walk about his house, but does not attempt to go to his office to transact any business.

Representative Brattan, of Maryland, upon being advised by *The Sun* of the need of the German colony on the Nanticoke river, in Dorchester Co., Md., of seed for planting for this year's crops instructed the Secretary of Agriculture, Hon. J. Sterling Morton, to Rev. Mr. Burkart, of Baltimore, one thousand packages of vegetable seed for distribution among the colonists. At the same time Mr. Brattan sent to Secretary Morton the clipping from *The Sun*, in which the needs of the colonists are set forth and suggested to him the advisability of furnishing them whatever seed he could spare. Mr. Brattan has advised Rev. Mr. Burkart of his indorsement of his efforts in securing settlers for the Eastern Shore, and has further advised him of his willingness to aid him as far as is in his power in placing the colony upon a self-supporting basis.

Political Notes.

If the Democratic party fail at this session of the Legislature to give the people a new assessment without any entangling alliances the way will be paved, in all probability, for a Republican Legislatnre to carry out their wishes for two years hence.—Northeast Star.

There have been many rumors to the effect that the politicians were playing a deep game at Annapolis. One rumor said that the mortgage taxation question was put on for the purpose of killing the whole bill. Another rumor said that the bill was being tied up in order to force the Governor to make appointments to suit the ring. It was for the purpose of getting Governor Brown to talk about these rumors that a *News* reporter called on him yesterday.—Balto. *News*.

Governor Brown has sent circular letters to all the Senators and Delegates asking them to agree on their recommendations for local appointments so that he will get the lists by Wednesday. As soon as he has heard from the Delegates and Senators the appointments will be sent in.—*News*.

Let the Legislature tax mortgages, and in five years' time there will be a handful of people in the State who will favor this exemption.—Annapolis Republican.

The State Senate should at once reconsider its vote to tax mortgages. The borrower of money has hardships enough to face as it stands without this imposition added.—Cumberland Times.

The great desire of Governor Brown since his inauguration more than two years ago, has been to secure the passage of an assessment bill that, to use his own words, "will assess." He has spent more time studying this question than anything else and he unquestionably believes that if his views are embodied in a law it will redound to the general good and make his name famous on the roll of Maryland's Governors.—*News*.

The Senate last Friday formally acknowledged the sanctity of the Lenten season and adjourned until Monday as a way out of doing violence to the conscience of high church members of the body. Little was done at the session beyond action on a few local bills and some debate on the Stewart bond resolution.—*American*.

It is safe to say that Governor Brown will never sign a tax bill which provides for mortgage taxation, and many assert that this rider was put on the bill for the express purpose of securing its ultimate defeat.—*American*.

Up to the time of adjournment on Friday there has been introduced in the House of Delegates 205 bills. Of these 101 were general measures and 104 purely local in their character. With few exceptions the local bills are of no general importance, and, in the main, provide amendments to existing laws.—*Sun*.

The death of Mr. Charles J. M. Gwinn, ex-attorney-general of Maryland, was formally announced last Monday in a number of the courts of Baltimore, which adjourned in respect to his memory. Judge Harlan said of him in the death of Mr. Gwinn the State of Maryland has lost one of its most prominent citizens and the bar of Baltimore one of its most distinguished members. While zealously and successfully serving the interests of a large and influential clientage, he gained for himself the respect and confidence of the community and deservedly enjoyed a high reputation as a skillful advocate, a safe counsellor and an accomplished and able lawyer. His mind has left an impress upon the jurisprudence of our State such as few others have."—*Sun*.

President Cleveland has undertaken to teach the world that the less money a country has the greater its prosperity, and the best way to pay debts is to destroy a large share of the means of payment.—New Britain Ct. Record.

The Wilson Tariff offers premium to importation of cholera and other vile Asiatic and European diseases by lowering the tariff on foreign rags by 19 per cent.—Am. Economist.

Maryland does not want free coal nor free trade under any name that may be applied to it.—American.

Not long since a horse fell into a chasm on Broadway where some road repairing was being done. After the animal was extricated from the hole it was unable to stand, and a veterinary surgeon was sent for, who stated that one leg was broken in three places and he wished to mend the fractures. The owner demured, saying that "the horse would then be no good for anything." "No," replied the vet, "it wont be worth a d—— as a horse, but look at the grand experiment." An unemployed laborer standing by said, "I guess it's pretty much like Wilson's bill, not worth a d—— for raising revenue but a —— of a grand experiment."—Economist.

The great labor problem at present is not a question of wages, but of work. A year ago it was a question of the price of labor. Now it is labor at at any price. One short year and the Democratic party has revolutionized the whole problem and humiliated labor beyond comparison. And it may be that the depth of that humiliation has not yet been reached.—Painesville, Ohio, Telegraph.

Senate bill making Labor Day (the first Monday of September in each year) a legal holiday as other public days was reported by Mr. Kyle, from the committee on education and labor, and was placed on the calendar.

A toothpick factory is said to have suspended. So many people are living on soup that toothpicks are a drug on the market.—Hornellville, N. Y. Times.

The people are not now, nor did they last fall, demand a new constitution, but a new assessment. That question was the chief issue in the campaign last fall. The Democratic State platform pledged it and the Democratic candidates endorsed it all over the State, but especially in the counties. This Legislature should give the people a law which will carry out the pledges of the party and not "flunk."—Centreville Record.

There is no reason for anyone to fear a fair and equitable assessment bill and one has been demanded by the people of this State for some time. Each Democratic county convention has urged that one be passed and it seems the province of the Legislature in the face of these requests to give us one.—Hagerstown Mail.

On the Engine of the "Flier."

We are a hundred miles from New York now, and although I carry a time card I am unable to read the names on the stations Holding my watch in my left hand, I tap the case with my right The engineer shakes his head slowly and holds up three fingers—we are three minutes late I cross over, take a seat behind the driver, and speaking loud at the back of his neck express the hope that we will reach Albany on time.

He says nothing I cross back to the other side, and as often as he whistles I ring the bell A minute later he turns to the fireman and shouts, "Look out for her, Jack!" at the same time pulling the throttle wide open. Jack knew his business and proceeded to look out for her. Taking the clinker hook, he leveled off the fire, shook the grates and closed the furnace door The black smoke rolled thick and fast from her stack, then cleared away, showing that she was cutting her fire beautifully. Swinging the door open, the skilled fireman threw in three or four shovels of coal, closed it and leaned out of the window, watching the stack. The trained fireman can tell by the color of the smoke how the fire burns.

The few pounds of steam lost in fixing the fire and by reason of the throttle being thrown wide open are soon regained. The pointer goes round to 190, and the white steam begins to flutter from the relief valve at the top of the dome She must be cooled a little now, or she will pop and waste her energy. An extra flow of cold water quenches her burning thirst, and she quiets down.—McClure's Magazine

W. C. T. U.

TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTES.

Edited by the Press Committee of the Talbot County Union.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union meets every Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock in hall, second floor, corner of Washington and Dover Streets, entrance on Dover street. Business meetings held the second Wednesday in every month at 3.30 p. m. The Loyal Legion meets every Friday at 4 p. m., at the same place. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Easton will prepare dinner and supper, for all who will attend the grand prohibition conference to be held in Easton on Feb. 22d, at reasonable rates; dinner from 11 to 2 o'clock and supper from 5 to 7 o'clock. They extend an invitation to all. The proceeds for the benefit of the said W. C. T. U. The conference will open at 10 a. m., and continue through the day closing with a grand mass meeting at 7½ o'clock in the evening. Speakers from all parts of the State will be present and address the meeting, also the famous songster, J. W. Wheatly will lead the singing with Rev. Ralph Coursey and others. A full programme will appear later. Come and enjoy a good time for the benefit of your homes and country.

The executive meeting held Tuesday afternoon found all the county officers in place but one; four unions were represented and about half the list of superintendents were in attendance; this was inspiring to the President to see the general pluck of the workers, to drive miles to the place of meeting with roads in such terrible condition. One member uttered a protest against holding an executive meeting during the winter or in the month of July; we smiled at the earnestness of the plea, and from years of similar wearisome journeyings, knew just how she felt; all the while we were conscious though, that if it should be needful to call such a meeting under unfavorable circumstances, she would be the first one there. We rendered our verdict at the close that this February meeting had been profitable to all. All of the Unions that have reported, favor working for the State paper which is needful to keep in touch with the work of the State. The Loyal Legion work of the county seems prosperous under all the existing difficulties. In the colored churches in Easton two hundred children are enrolled under its banners. Is this temperance education for naught? Hundreds of children in this county are receiving instructions from the hands of self-sacrificing women.

We were touched by the history of the little stumbling block placed in the way of our faithful workers in Loyal Legion work at Royal Oak. A new and commodious school house was erected for the comfort of teacher and pupils, but the Loyal Legioners had been turned out, as the commissioners had decided that it should only be used for educational purposes. But those women were not to be baffled and they led the little army to the old school house. The funny side of the question took possession of our mind at once as this temperance education belongs to the new dispensation and had to seek its quarters in the old; conclusively, the school commissioners of Talbot county must belong to the old dispensation.

Wine and Beer Are Not Less Injurious Than the Stronger Liquors.

Turning from the effects of alcoholism on the nervous system to its effect on the other organs, and bearing of course in mind that it is always difficult to determine whether this latter is direct or only secondary as a result of neurotic disease, we find numerous instances both of acute and chronic diseases of the mucous membrane of the pharynx, stomach and intestines. These are important, not only from their frequent occurrence, but especially for their bearing on the general alimentation. I believe most physicians will agree with me in the view that inflammation of the stomach and bowels in adults is almost invariably due to alcoholic poisoning.

But alcohol exerts its essential and most significant influence on the vital organs by being taken up in the circulation and thus brought into direct contact with their cellular tissue. We have no clearer evidence of the direct action of a poison in producing primary cell death than is afforded by the action of alcohol on the liver, producing liver cirrhosis. Typical liver cirrhosis was found in 3 per cent of all the male bodies examined at the Leipsic Pathologic Institute.

But the organic changes which my own experience compels me to place in the first rank as denoting the most injurious effects of alcoholic indulgence are the diseases of the muscles of the heart and its nervous apparatus, the diseases of the arteries and of the kidneys.

But while it has long been known that delirium tremens, neurosis and cirrhose liver owe their existence to alcoholic poisoning, it is by no means generally recognized that chronic heart and kidney diseases are due to the same cause. And yet the practical significance of precisely this form of alcoholic poisoning, apart even from its frequency, is of the highest, from the fact that these diseases are induced not so much by the use of concentrated alcohol, but especially by heavy beer drinking. This habit of excessive beer drinking is very widely prevalent among the cultivated classes and claims its victims among men who regard the drinking of schnapps as an act of moral degradation. It is not only that the quantity of alcohol consumed by heavy beer drinkers is excessive, but the consumption of liquid involved in the habit is no less excessive and injurious. To this, too, must be added as hardly less prejudicial the consumption of an extra and undue amount of nutritive matter contained in the beer.

All these conditions tend to that disease which is rarely absent in steady beer drinkers. The prime anatomical change exhibits itself as hypertrophy of the muscles of the heart, especially of the left ventricle. This is the result of a continuous overtaxing of the heart's powers. The prime factor here is the excessive amount of water which before it can again be given off by the kidneys, skin and lungs must be taken up by the blood and maintained in motion by the heart. The excess of nutritive matter furnished by the beer contributes to the same result.

Kidney diseases as a result of alcoholism are still more frequent, and with wine and beer drinkers the extra labor imposed on the kidneys by excess of fluid renders them especially susceptible to the large influence of the accompanying alcohol.

Finally, there is another interesting group of diseases resulting from alcoholic action in disturbing and upsetting the chemical processes of assimilation. The leading types of diseases due to this cause are gout, diabetes and fatty degeneration of the heart, and while allowing that in many cases alcoholic action may be supplemented by contributory causes I think it will be apparent that the sum of the evils properly ascribable to alcohol is such as to warn us physicians that here is a matter in which all our forces should be enlisted.

—Dr. Adolph Strumpell.

Education Is Not Proof Against Rum.

The injurious influence of social drinking usages extends to the educated as well as the uneducated. Dr. J. W. Barrett of Australia, whose attention had been directed to the extent of the damage done to members of the medical profession by alcoholic liquors, instituted an inquiry, making it as complete as he could, with regard to bachelors of medicine of the Melbourne university. Of those of 1881-2, the great majority of whom are now dead, he found that 18 per cent had been decidedly injured by alcohol, those of 1883-4, 10 per cent, and those of 1885-6, 12 per cent. His investigation disclosed the fact that more than 11 per cent of the medical men trained in the Melbourne university are, to use his own words, "distinct alcoholics."

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THE PENALTY OF BAD ROADS.

Higher Prices For Consumers, but No Profit For Producers.

Western soil is especially adapted to raising farm products. For this reason good roads must be the work of art rather than of nature. And the greater the crops the more necessity there is for easy transportation from the farm to the elevators.

It has been estimated that good roads would increase the value of two-thirds of the good farms in the Mississippi and Missouri valleys $10 an acre. In addition to the difference in the cost of hauling should be considered the great amount of vegetables, garden and dairy products which are shipped by rail from long distances.

Under our present system of dirt roads it is not profitable to make a garden very far from the city market. Farmers living 8 or 10 miles from the city find it difficult to supply customers regularly. As a result they raise only enough to supply their own wants and trust to the general market for the disposal of butter and eggs when they come to town.

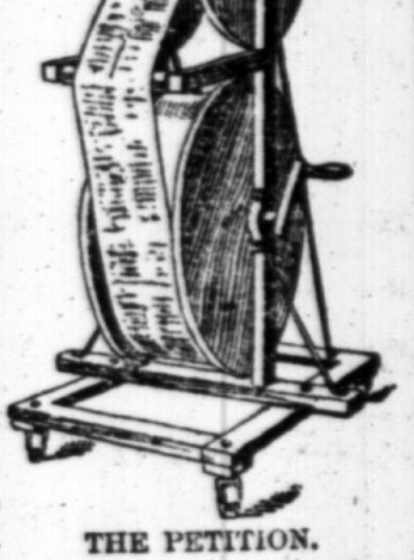
But conditions are such that a great many reach market at the same time, and after a few days of scarcity in fresh goods carry an abundance which breaks the market. With gravel or macadam roads farmers would find gardens profitable, and they could make daily or triweekly trips with a regularity which would benefit themselves and their customers alike.

In large cities the trade has been forced to keep a good supply of fresh articles constantly on hand, and having learned that the home gardeners are not reliably regular they have arranged for receipts from other sections, frequently from other states, at an extraordinary expense. Thus the farmer not only loses a near market, but consumers pay for transportation, packing and losses, besides getting staler food.

When local conditions are favorable, the city dealer dares not transfer his trade to the market gardens near home, but must continue to trade abroad at greater cost because his correspondents will not submit to irregularity. It is plain that both town and country suffer for lack of reliable roads.—Kansas City Times.

Petition For a Good Roads Department.

That the right of petition has lost none of its popularity was evidenced recently when four pages rolled into the senate chamber a request signed by 150,000 citizens for a department of good roads. It was presented by Senator Hoar and had among the signers the governors of 17 states, the Massachusetts legislature and several banks and chambers of commerce. The petition is 1,400 yards long and was wound around two immense spools mounted on a polished oak frame over seven feet high, the whole weighing 600 pounds. The petition prayed that there shall be founded in Washington a road department similar to the agricultural department for the purpose of promoting knowledge in the art of constructing and maintaining roads, and asks that in such department provision be made for teaching students. It was referred to the committee on interstate commerce. While a large majority, if not almost all, of the senators and representatives are in favor of the good roads movement, they are not in favor of creating an additional executive department, and though the petition will fail of its object it shows how widespread is the movement for improved country highways.



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Roads of China.

An interesting chapter on the topic of public roads is afforded in the results noted by the Shanghai branch of the Asiatic society of some recent extensive investigations made by its agents as to the condition and maintenance of roads in China. It is not, however, a chapter on good roads. Indeed it is much like the famous chapter on the snakes in Iceland, for there seem to be no roads in China worthy the name. Instead of the farmers being interested in the making and maintenance of good roads, as is the case here, the Chinese farmer interests himself largely in the destruction of such roads as may chance to be made. He does not travel himself and is against any one else doing so, at least over his land. There are no public highways made and maintained by law. Travelers may drive where they please, so far as the owner of the land may please, and there is constant warfare between the two classes, so that all there is of roads through the country is just what the one may suffer or the other wrest.—

Education Based on Child Study.

In order to make it possible that the parent, the teacher, the physician, the minister, the merchant, may know how to treat the child, it is necessary that the child be studied, analyzed—catalogued, one might say. It seems to me that the best way to do this is to train young men and young women in our colleges and schools in the study of the child, and so send out a number of people into the various walks of life who can get "into" the life of the child. If this study is scientifically and properly carried on, there is no doubt in my mind but that it will revolutionize all the present methods of approach to the child. I predict that some of my readers will live long enough to wonder how it was possible for colleges and universities to have existed so long, and to have differentiated so many departments of study, and yet to have waited almost till the beginning of the twentieth century to create a department of study which is—shall I say worth more than all the others put together? They will live to see the day when the science of the child will have taught the world more in 50 years about the child than the world learned during the preceding 5,000 years.—Forum.

Supposed to Be a Woman of Quality Who Died 700 Years Ago.

Who was the beautiful woman whose petrified bust, with arms and left hand, stands on a pedestal in an artist's studio in Strasburg? Some workmen who were repairing the old Church of St. Fides in Schelttstadt, in Alsace, found this bust in a tomb under the choir. This part of the church was built in 1094 by the grandmother of the great Emperor Frederick Barbarossa. It is known that these tombs contain the remains of members of the great families of the neighborhood, whose descendants kept these resting places of their ancestors in repair down to the middle of the seventeenth century and some until now. This tomb that the workmen opened had been rebuilt in the seventeenth century and was supposed to date from that time. When it was opened, the remains of a wooden coffin were found, and this wonderful petrifaction of bust and head, with the features clear cut and unwasted. About the head are two braids of hair, the right arm lies across the breast, and the left hand is perfectly preserved. The clothing is of the finest quality, a long linen chemise, linen underclothing and a woolen jacket, with a costly mantle, such as might have been worn by the lady abbess of a convent.

The clothing and the way the hair is worn prove that this woman lived in the eleventh or twelfth century. She was evidently a woman of quality, about 40 years old, maybe the Duchess Adelheid, the aunt of Barbarossa and daughter of Hildergarde von Schwaben, who built the church. Tradition has it that Adelheid died of the plague and was buried at Schlettstadt. This woman undoubtedly died of a contagious disease, and it is to this fact that her preservation is ascribed. When she was buried, mortar of some kind, or some preparation of lime, was poured over her, which, as it hardened, preserved the face and bust. The face is of great beauty, the features clear cut and refined and the expression noble. It might well be the face of a woman who died as Adelheid is said to have died—while nursing the plague stricken peasants of her neighborhood.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

America Must Decide.

Napoleon said, "The world will be Cossack or republican." The scene has been shifted since, and we are told that the world will be Slavonic or Teutonic. True, and the Anglo-Saxon race in America will have to decide which it is to be.—McClure's Magazine.

The Good Old Road.

"Build me a road!" quoth the general,
"And build well, that the ages may say
Of all roads that lead to the city
The 'queen' is the Appian way."

Invading the Northman's forest,
Destroying the Northman's home,
O'er the road of great General Appius
March the terrible legions of Rome.

Build well, build well, oh, Romans!
Building "better than ye know,"
For over that wonderful causeway
The footsteps of angels shall go.

Build well for your general, Romans!
And build well for the northern throngs
That shall whelm at length the proud city,
Avenging the known world's wrongs.

Build well for your general, Romans!
Building better for one greater far,
To whose cradle the roads of the ages
Lead, illum'd by the Christmas star.

And ever the song of the angels
Sounds clear through the worldly din,
And ever the road of the wise men
Leads straight to the stable in.

"Glory to God in the highest!"
Sang the angels at Christmas then;
"Peace on earth," coming slow through the ages,
"Peace on earth and good will to men."
—Good Roads.

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