Easton Gazette.

Saturday, March 31. 1894.

—Trailing arbutus is plentiful.

—Be on your guard to-morrow.

—Spring trade is growing brisk.

—The peach crop has suffered most.

—To-morrow will be April fool's day.

—Fruit growers of the peninsula are in despair.

—Only two more days of the present legislature.

—100 Boys Suits going at less than cost. B. P. Cox.

—The breezes haven't been so gentle this week as they were.

—Whatever you want try B. P. Cox first and save money.

—The Mary Washington Monument is to be dedicated May 10th.

—More goods for $1.00 at B. P. Cox's than anywhere else.

—The fruit is damaged, and strawberries are gone for this year.

—All ready for Easter at Annie E. Rathell & Co.'s limited.

—The first opera was written by an Italian over three hundred years ago.

—Men and boys' suits all going at less than cost at B. P. Cox's.

—Attend the opening of Annie E. Rathell & Co. Lim'td. April 3rd and 7th.

—Joseph Miller can give you Collars from 25cts upward and other goods in porportion. tf

—The thermometer was 20° above zero and ice an inch thick on Tuesday morning.

—As it turned warm after the equinoctial storm, the summer will be a warm one.

—Joseph Miller carries the largest stock of Harness and Saddlery goods in Easton. tf

Don't miss the Spring Openings at Annie E. Rathell & Co.'s limited. April 3rd and 7th

—The cold wave has driven the shad from the river into the warmer water of the bay.

—Go to Norris' Citizen's Depot if you want Hot and Roast Beef or Steak today, he has the best.

—Laces of the choicest patterns for Dress Trimmings and other purposes at Annie E. Rathell & Co. Lim'td.

—Shebato Saito is the first Japanese to apply for naturalizition papers in this country. He lives in Boston.

—There will soon be a new side-wheel steamboat added to the fleet of the Maryland Steamboat Company.

—Be sure to attend the grand Spring openings of Millinery, etc. April 3rd and 7th at Annie E. Rathell & Co.'s Limited.

—Joseph Miller manufactures a great many of his goods consequently you can always get the best at the lowest prices. tf

—The site for the exhibition of 1896 in Berlin has been selected, the grounds covering 150 acres, border on the Litchen Sea.

—Annie E. Rathell & Co. limited now keep in stock, Shirt Waists for children, Misses and Ladies.

—Joseph Miller has a repairing department attatched to his establishment and a full stock of repairs always on hand. tf

—Of course goods are cheaper at B. P. Cox's than anywhere else. He is closing out at less than cost.

No further necessity to go to the city to get a fashionable Spring Hat, but go to Annie E. Rathell & Co.'s lim'td.

—Earl Spencer proposes to spend nearly $5,000,000 on Britain's navy, and to have six-teen fighting vessels building within a year.

—Annie E. Rathell & Co. Lim'td. are determined to sell goods this spring at a profit if they can, but without a profit if they can't otherwise.

—Norris at the Citizen's Depot has the choicest veal that has been seen in this market for some time. If you want something nice in veal, go to see him today.

—The tao handsome beef cattle that were on the streets on Wednesday last were for Norris' Citizen's Depot. They are on sale today, and persons desiring the choicest beef in Easton should go early and procure the same.

—Fruit culture is more profitable to the farmer now than his other crops. Brown Bros. Co., the most extensive nursery house in the U. S., have a vacancy in this section. Write them at Rochester N. Y., for their terms. 24 mar 3m

—Now that Spring has opened let the citizens get out their paint and whitewash brushes, and improve their property. By the use of a little paint or whitewash you can make your home look beautiful and attractive. Some have already taken steps in this direction, let others follow.

—Shad-fishing still continues, but there are few fish being caught. It is said by some that there are more fishing parties on the surface of the river than there are shad in its waters. The editor is not responsible for the assertion: it was made by a fisherman who has not had the luck yet to catch even one fish.

—The ingredients of which Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup the great family stand by, is compounded, are the best and purest to be found in the pharmcopoeia. The standard of this great family medicine has been kept uniform through a period of nearly fifty years, and since its phenomenal popularity with the masses.

—First-class for cure of bruises, sprains and rheumatism—Captain D. H. Macaulay of No. 9 Engine Company, Baltimore, Md., says: The members of our company have thoroughly tried Salvation Oil for sprains, bruises and rheumatism and has given satisfaction in every case. We regard it as a first class liniment."

—The demand for suburban homes is greater than ever before this early in the season. Out of the many who come here to sojourn for a few months in the summer, some always stick and become permanent residents. In this way we are steadily growing and property is becoming more and more valuable, without resort to anything like booming.

—There are yet millions of dollars worth of Columbian stamps wrapped up in neat packages and plied in the vault at the Post-office, in charge of the cashier, Louis Schneeberger. There remains only a few stamps of large denominations, though $3,000,000 worth of one-cent stamps and $7,000,000 of two-cent stamps have yet to be sold before the old style is issued. The present supply will probably last four months.

—A young lady was asked to parse a kiss, and after repeated efforts did so correctly as follows. "Kiss is a conjunction because it connects. It's a verb because it signifies to act and to be acted upon. It's a preposition because it shows that the person kissed is no relation. It is an interjection (at least it sounds like one) and is a pronoun, because it stands for a noun. In gender it is masculine and feminine mixed. Frequently the case is governed by circumstances and light, according to rule one: "If he smite you on the cheek, turn the other also."

—The country editor has this advantage over a city paper, that while his publication cannot in the nature of the case secure so wide a circulation, every copy that is distributed has a closer and more attentive reading. Thousands of copies of the city papers bought by hasty readers who glance hastily over the headlines, select for reading a few of the most important items of news and then are through with them. But the country weekly stay in the home at least until the next week's issue displaces it, is read and re-read, from the bit of verse to the miscellany to the last crumbs of news. What we may call the allness of the country press is one of its striking features. The editor knows constituency as well as the city shows his, and ministers to it with much intelligence and with fully as keen a scent for whatever will prove acceptable. He is more a master of his craft than the city editor, for, in many instances, if he is not actually editor, printer, reporter and business manager all in one, he is capable of filling all of these positions in an emergency. Furthermore, with scarcely an exception, he may be counted on to make a sturdy defence of principle, and to stand resolutely for what ever makes for order, good government and moral as well as the material welfare of the community.

—A canvas-back duck flies at an habitual rate of ninety miles per hour, which is increased in emergency to one hundred and twenty. The mallard has a flight of forty-eight miles an hour; the black duck, pintail, widgeon, and wood-duck cannot do much better. The blue-wing and green-wing teals can do one hundred miles an hour and take it easy. The red-head can fly all day at ninety miles per hour. The gadwell can do ninety miles. The flight of the wild goose is one hundred miles per hour.

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY.

IN THE DIFFERENT CHURCHES.

SS. Peter and Paul Church was beautifully decorated.—At Trinity Cathedral and Christ Church.—Elaborate Music and Good Sermons at all the churches.

Easter eve was an ideal one, and not for years has Easter been heralded by such a charming prospect. It is said that the first condition of an enjoyable Easter is bright weather, and although the most accurate meteorological observers prognostigated a beautiful Resurrection morn, they failed miserably. But in spite of all this Trinity Cathedral has never known a more glorious Easter and no heart knew of anything but sunshine that day. There never were so many flowers. Jonquils in profusion set off every cluster of flowers with their golden yellow, and every place and everything was decorated with all kinds of the lovely harbingers of spring. These exquisite gifts of God to man added much to the service, and from 7.30 a. m. to 7.30 p. m. the Cathedral was the scene of worship and glorification.

At the early communion service quite a number of the communicants were present, but at eleven the congregation simply thronged. When the organ began to roll and the choir was heard in the distance singing, "Welcome happy morning, age to age shall say,
Hell to-day is vanquished, heaven is won to-day."

As they came forth looking so pure in their white cottas and purple cassocks and the music augmented as they took their places, the mighty truth of the words was felt to the very soul.

Then followed the solemn blessing of the Processional Cross, by the Dean, and Bertram Whitman appointed crucifer and exhorted to guard it manfully always. After this followed the regular Easter service, and during the offertory the choir gained for themselves special praise in the rendering of the anthem, "Why Seek Ye the Living Among the Dead," by Cooke. The confirmed choirister boys were the first to take communion, and as young ministers, as it were, they made a very solemn array.

All the children in Sunday school showed a strong feeling of exhilaration in the possession of their potted flowers. Some of the smaller ones were so over-joyed that they could not contain themselves, and even knew the exact place the treasure was to be placed. The semi-choral even-song passed off most successfully, and the choir sang from their hearts as if they enjoyed it all, and their bright faces told the same tale. Rev. L. B. Baldwin, of Christ church preached the sermon and chose for his text St. Mark, xvi., 9, "Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he cast seven devils."

The collections of the day were devoted to the church building fund, as had been presaid, and climbed to the amount of $62.62. The amount wanted before Trinity Sunday was $700, and as the sum is so nearly reached there is no doubt but the Cathedral will be consecrated to the service of God forever then.

SS. Peter and Paul Church.

Easter at SS. Peter and Paul Church was celebrated in a very beautiful manner. Preparations for the services were made many days before and consequently every detail was as perfect as they could well be. The church was decorated with remarkable taste and skill, and on an entirely different scale than heretofore. It presented a beautiful and pleasing appearance and called forth many exclamations of admiration. The music was grand. The choir was assisted by Parson's orchestra, Balto., with Prof. Adolph Brandts Buys, organist. The music was one of the most pleasing features of the services. Communion was given at 8 o'clock, followed by Solemn High Mass and sermon at 11. This service was very beautiful and deserves mention in detail. While the orchestra was playing the anthem of the church, a procession of little girls dressed in white with wreathes on their heads, followed by the altar boys with sub-deacon, deacon, and lastly Father Waldron as celebrant proceeded up the centre isle to the altar. Father Waldron, noted for his elegant vestments of watered silk and gold, which he had ordered for the occasion, were undoubtedly the handsomest ever seen in the church. Father Waldron preached a sermon of a high order of excellence which bore evidence of much thoughtful consideration and preparation and was of great interest and benefit. He rehearsed the origin of Easter, why we should hail it with joy, and why we should give praise to Him so particularly on that day. The sermon was not only masterly in detail but eloquent in delivery. The collection was for Father Waldron's salary and was very liberal. The evening services, which consisted of Solemn Benediction and sermon, was as thoroughly enjoyable as that of the morning and was attended by a large number of people. The intelligent direction of the recent improvements in SS. Peter and Paul Church has developed largely creditable productions of some of the world's great religious statues. Father Waldron placed them on each side of the main altar, two beautiful statues of angels at prayer. They are the capturing centre that fix the eyes on entering the church. Over the altar, a scarcely less effective improvement was the word "Jesus" in blazing letters of fire and was a pleasing accession of the decorations about the chancel.

Trinity M. E. Church, South.

The annual Missionary concert, which is generally held on the first Sunday in March, but had to be postponed on the account of the opening of the new church, was held on Sunday night last in connection with the Easter service. The entire program was sublime, and shall always be looked forward to as the "childrens' opening service of the new Trinity Church, South," as it was the first service given by the young people of that church. The large crowd that attended the exercises were more than delighted with the entertainment and heartily complimented the little children for the excellent manner in which they recited.

The back ground of the pulpit stage was artistically ornamented with a pyramid of most beautiful and costly plants and flowers. The music was superb and proved the fact that not only the choir but the entire school could sing some of the most difficult music. Mr. A. M. Robson, the director, deserves special mention, as he fully showed the audience that he was not a tyro in drilling such a large corps of singers. At the close of the service Rev. C. D. Harris made an address on missions, after which he presented a prize to those filling the largest number of the "Dime-Builders'" cards. Miss Margaret E. Meintzer won the first prize, bringing in seven cards, while the next to the largest number was five.

Calvary M. P. Church.

At Calvary M. P. Church there was a beautiful display of choice flowers around the pulpit and altar. The pastor preached from 1st Cor. 15 Chap. 14 verse. The sermon was a clear logical presentation of the proofs and results of the resurrection of Christ. There was a large congregation present and all were interested and profited by the discourse The choir rendered some excellent and appropriate selections. In the afternoon the Sunday school was large, despite the rain. The collection in the Sunday school for Conference benevolences amounted to $25.00.

Christ Church.

The rector of Christ Church commenced the services of the day with communion at 8 a. m. At 11 a. m. morning prayer with sermon and communion at 11.30. Rev. L. B. Baldwin preached the sermon from Job xiv, 14, "If a man die, shall he live again?" The music was very fine and excellently rendered. The church was very handsomely decorated with flowers of all kinds and in great profusion. The children had a choral service at 4 p. m., and marched from the Sunday School to the church with all their class banners waving, singing as they went in the church. The service was a very pretty one, and Mr. Baldwin made them a very brief but splendid address.

An Honest Little Fellow.

A very pleasing and creditable act was displayed at the station on the old road, Monday noon last. An aged colored man hastily entered the station and called for a ticket to Trappe. Feeling in his pocket he found he had lost purse. Dismay and consternation were depicted on his contenance to find it missing. Politely informing the agent of his loss, he was about to walk the distance, when Master Malcolm Anderson suddenly rushed to him and said, "Uncle, have you lost your pocket-book?" and at the same time handing it to the old man to hear the words: "God bless you!" as they came from the "Uncle," which was no doubt a sufficient reward to the young man for his honesty. There were others who saw this "kind deed" and placed Master Malcolm very high in their estimation.

ANOTHER SONG SERVICE.

At Ebenezer M. E. Church To-morrow Evening. Special Programme.

On account of the pastor, Rev. W. E. Avery being at Conference last Sunday no Easter service was held, but will be held tomorrow. In the morning the pastor will preach on "The Risen Lord." In the evening the choir, under Mr. Jas. A. Spence's leadership, will give an Easter cantata or oratio, with the assistance of two characters, who will represent "Prophecy" and "History." This is an entirely new adjunct to Easter services and will be presented at this church for the first time in Easton. The programme promises to be a most elaborate one, and in detail is as follows: Morning service:

Old Easter Anthem..... ..... Stevens.
Easter Triumph..... Holden.
Evening Song Service:
The King of Zion, Scripture Cantata or Oratio, Text by J. H. Brown, Music by J. Herbert.
Let the Heavens rejoice, Duet and chorus.
Behold the Lord will come, Duet, chorus.
The Song that shall never cease,
Solo and chorus.
Arise, shine for Thy light is come, Chorus.
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,
Bass solo and chorus.
Break forth into joy..... Chorus.
Hosanna..... Chorus, obligata Solo.
There is a green hill far away,
Quartette and chorus.
The stone is rolled away..... Chorus.
Blessing and Honor..... Chorus.

A Good Showing.

The recent statements of the condition of the Eastern Shore Banks published in an exchange, places the Easton National Bank far ahead of the rest. This is a good showing of the financial condition of our community, and is a most excellent guage of the condition of the people.

Cloth Sharps.

Several parties of sharpers have been canvassing the states of Pennsylvania and Maryland and probably every other state in the Union professing to sell packages of foreign cloth which had been on exhibition at the World's Fair. Several persons have been gulled by them and others are warned to keep their money in their pockets and don't listen to their smooth stories.

A New Curtain.

The managers of the Easton Opera House bought a new drop curtain which arrived yesterday, and will be used at future entertainments. It will be a handsome improvement over the old curtain, filled with misspelled advertisements. The new one will portray a Venetian scene, and will be a handsome affair. With it will come the new wings, drapery, curtains, etc.

The Telephone Line.

Poles for the telegraph line will be nearly all erected by the end of today, and most of the material needed for the consummation of this aeral communication have arrived. Two hundred and fifty Roney's glass insulators, sixteen hundred pounds of galvanized wire, and two hundred and fifty brackets are ready for use as soon as needed; and if the work progresses as rapidly as it has commenced that will soon be.

M. E. Conference Appointments.

The Wilmington M. E. Conference, which has been in session at Salisbury, adjourned on Tuesday. The Talbot county appointments are as follows: Easton, W. E. Avery; Bayside, F. E. McKinsey; Cordova, J. M. Lindale; Oxford, J. W. Fogle; Royal Oak, W. A. Benford; St. Michaels, J. P. Otis; Talbot Circuit, J. T. Prouse; Trappe, Robert Roe; Wye and Star, W. H. S. Loller.

Fine Portraits.

Mr. Walter Kirby, Miles River Neck, has last had two very large, elegant crayon portraits of his father and mother. The work came from J. R. Tregonowan, 2 Cabinet St., Easton. Mrs. Thomas Elliott has had Mr. Tregonowan to make a fine water color of her daughter, Miss Minnie, deceased. Despite the times, the Cabinet Street artist keeps busy, and people passing his rooms constantly find on exhibition new faces as produced from small pictures.

A Pleasant Party.

The Cathedral Choir was given a party at Bishop Adam's Thursday night, and nearly every member was present. Refreshments, in the way of ice cream, water ices, cake and candy, were served at nine, and after an evening of fun and laughter, all the small boys left for home, leaving the older ones to enjoy some mandoline, banjo, guitar and vocal music, but after the rendering of "Home Sweet Home" the crowd departed.

Baptist Mission.

The Friends school-house is now the place of worship for the Baptist Mission. Rev. Mr. Henderson, an Englishman, who is completing his studies in the United States for missionary work, has charge at present. The weekly prayer meetings are held on Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock. Sunday services commence with Sunday school at 2.30 P. M., followed by preaching at 3.30 The evening service begins at 8 o'clock, and everyone is invited to attend the meetings.

Valuable Suggestions.

The Talbot County Road League have sent out this week a circular containing many valuable suggestions towards road improvements. The suggestions are those passed by the League some months ago and published in the GAZETTE immediately after. The circular is accompanied by an addressed envelope and a note, intended to be signed by those favoring the recommendations, and returned to the Secretary of the League, Mr. B. F. Parlett.

It's a Great Nuisance.

Quite a number of people were badly frightened on Thursday night by the blowing of a steam whistle for about fifteen minutes. A number of citizens jumped out of their beds and hurriedly dressed, thinking it was a fire, but on gaining the streets and seeing them dark and no sign of a fire returned to their homes. Incidents of this character have occurred enough in the past to make so much whistle blowing at late hours a great nuisance. Will some one explain the necessity of it.

Struck on the Head.

Mr. M. P. Flowers was struck by a falling timber on Tuesday and knocked insensible. Mr. Flowers who is a contractor for building the new High School building, told Wm. Bayard, a carpenter working for him, to throw certain blocks of wood down the cellar of the new building. Then Mr. Flowers went down the cellar and sat on a box. Baynard did not know Flowers was there, and one of the heavy pieces of wood he was handling struck Flowers on the head and rendered him insensible for an hour.

R. H. T. Councell's Sale.

J. Frank Bateman, trustee, sold at public sale on Tuesday the real estate of R. H. T. Councell. The dwelling-house on Goldsborough street was bought by Mrs. Councell, who also purchased for $1100 the store-house on Goldsborough St. John T. Rathell purchased the double dwelling-house on Harrison street for $1060. The twelve-acre lot on Aurora street was sold to William H. Kemp for $1060. He also purchased the house and two-acre lot on Aurora street next to the Creamery for $455. Wm. R. Martin purchased the Meadow lot of two acres for $340. The other property was withdrawn.

They're Guests of the State now.

Two tramps were in town last Saturday and proceeded to "do" the place. Their method was like this: One of them bandaged up his arm and went from door to door, begging enough money to get to Wilmington. Deputy Sheriff Loockerman arrested them on Monday, when it was found that the bandaged arm was a "fake." They were taken before Justice Hubbard, and demanded a jury trial. This they got and were sentenced to jail to await the action of the grand jury. They didn't like the idea of staying in jail so long, so they concluded they would rather go over the bay at once. Justice Hubbard then gave them another trial and sentenced them two months in the House of Correction.

Church Chimes.

Preaching both morning and evening at Trinity M. E. Church, South, tomorrow by Rev. B. S. Highly.

Rev. J. M. Lindale, pastor of the Cordova charge, will fill, weather permiting, the regular Sunday appointments, April 1st, viz.: King's Creek, 10.30 A. M.; Chapel, 3 P. M.; and Cordova, 7.30 P. M. All invited.

Services at Calvary M. P. Church, tomorrow, are as follows: Love feast and experience meeting, 9.30 A. M.; communion and reception of members, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 2 P. M.; Christian Endeavor, 6.30 P. M., and preaching at 7.30.

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR RELATIVES.

ITEMS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Concerning You and Your Friends. Where You have been and who is Visiting You.—Items carefully Collected and Reported for The Gazette's Readers.

Mr. Frank Moore, Baltimore, is visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Valk are visiting friends in town.

Bishop Adams was at Shrewsberry on Easter day.

Miss Annie Loveday left Thursday night for Oxford, Pa.

Miss Alice Hardcastle, of Trappe, spent Sunday with Mrs. E. A. Wright.

Mrs. M. L. Marvel is on a visit to Delaware friends and Relatives.

J. F. Hindes, Balto., spent Sunday with B. F. Parlett, Easton.

Mrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle is visiting her father, O. L. Yellott, near Towson.

Miss Lilie Mickle, of Baltimore, spent Easter with her mother at the Home.

S. Pippin spent Sunday with his son, Dr. W. M. Pippin, Millington.

Miss Elsie Stoops of Easton, is visiting Miss Vergie Stoops Chapel.

Mrs. Josephine Clivens, of Baltimore is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. M. Dawson.

Miss Laura Sullivan, Trappe, has returned home after a visit to Baltimore.

Mr. Robert Bartlett Philadelphia, has been visiting in town this week.

Mrs. B. L. Fleming spent Easter day as the guest of Mrs. Wm. R. Martin.

T. Hopkins Neal, of Syracuse has been visiting his father J. A. F. Neal, near Skipton.

Capt. Edward Roberts U. S. Building Inspector spent some time here this week.

Andrew J. Hamilton, of Baltimore, was the guest of W. J. Shehan Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Alexander Wilson has removed his family from Wilmington Del., to Easton.

Miss Lillian Price, of Starr, Queen Anne's Co., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stoops Easton.

Samuel Jump, of the Baltimore Custom House, has been visiting relatives near Matthews.

Miss Mamie E. Ford of the Trappe High School spent the Easter holidays in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. J. F. Henry, Elkton has returned home, after spending a few days with relatives in Easton.

Messrs. William Shannahan and William Wilson of S. & B's. business College, Baltimore, were home this week.

Miss Josie Dailey, of Baltimore, is visiting the residence of her uncle Dr. Anderson Railroad Avenue.

Mr. W. E. Seymour, U. S. Express Agent, Portsmouth, Va., who arrived in Easton last Saturday left for Portsmouth Tuesday night.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins has accepted a call to the Parishes of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico, and will make Quantico his residence about the first of May.

Those Bad Boys.

Those ill-bred boys, who patrol the streets of this town after dark, yelling and throwing missiles at pedestrians, tying ropes across the pavements to trip people up and other vulgar tricks, are on the rapid transit line to ruin. The House of Correction is the first station on the route, and will no doubt be visited by some of these youngsters at an early date. One youngster was detected one night this week in the act of stealing oranges by this means: Providing himself with a short stick with a nail in one end he walked past a drug store and stuck the stick into an orange box, bringing an orange out on the end of the stick. He had secured several by the time he was caught. An exchange says: "One reason why there are not more good boys, is because good fathers are so scarce." What a comment on the fatherhood of our youth.

Wednesday Evening's Entertainment.

It has rarely been the good fortune of the people of Easton to enjoy such an excellent and delightful musical entertainment as that of Wednesday evening. The Opera House was crowded to the doors with people from all over the county, attracted there by the far reaching reputation of the singers. The program was made up with selections from the most prominent composers, and were sung with such admirable sweetness and taste as to render the selections even more attractive. The singers were nine in number and are members of the leading Catholic Church choir of Wilmington. Prominent among them is Miss Mary Conner, who sang here several years ago. Although suffering with a severe cold she sang beautifully. Misses. McCullin, McNulty, Long and Harmey also sang in a manner that will be remembered with pleasure. The gentlemen were Messrs. J. McCullin, W. F. McNulty, L. B. Pyeatt, and D. J. Roach, all of whom possess splendidly cultured voices and rendered their parts to perfection. Every selection elicited great applause and encores were most frequent. They will return to Easton in July to sing at the anniversary service of Father Waldron's priesthood.

Made a Raid on His Pantry.

A large party of ladies and gentlemen of the M. E. Church made a raid on the home of Rev. W. E. Avery Thursday evening, in a way that every good pastor loves. The party assembled at the church and then proceeded to the parsonage in a body, where they gave their beloved pastor and wife a very pleasant surprise. Every door was hospitably thrown open and every face depicted the pleasure felt at the words of thanks expressed by the pastor. Amusements of pleasing character were indulged in, one particularly occasioned a great deal of laughter. A half gallon of peanuts were hidden about the room and the person finding the largest number received a silver cracker. Miss Mary Jump received this prize, and Clifford Camp, who found the smallest number received a rag baby. Ice cream and ices were served. Mr. Avery told the GAZETTE'S reporter that his pantry was full to overflowing. While at conference some of the parsonage rooms were repapered. He spoke very feelingly of the kindness of the people and desires to express his thanks and appreciation through this source.

Legislation for Talbot.

The House last week passed the bill to amend the law as to the prohibition of the sale of liquors in Oxford, so as to prevent the sale of cider; and the bill to amend the charter of St. Michaels, so as to authorize the town commissioners to issue bonds for the erection of water works. This latter bill was passed by the Senate on Tuesday.

Another bill passed by the House was one to exempt agricultural fairs from the payment of license.

On Friday the Senate passed the bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Talbot county to subscribe to the stock of the Trappe, Easton and Cambridge Railroad Company. On the same day the Senate confirmed all the recent appointments for this county, with the exception of John S. Redman justice of the peace at Tunis Mills. His name, at the request of many leading Democrats of Tunis Mills, was rejected. It is said that George W. Towle will be appointed in his place.

The Senate also passed the House bill to approve the act of 1892, authorizing Talbot county to subscribe $25,000 to the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad stock.

His Farewell Sermon.

Rev. C. D. Harris, the faithful and energetic pastor of Trinity M. E. Church for the past four years, left Easton Tuesday for Conference, which meets in Fredericksburg, Va. Just before leaving he said he was extremely doubtful the Conference would allow him to return, as his term of service here had expired. He preached his first sermon in Easton on Easter Sunday, April, 1890, and his farewell sermon last Sunday morning, and in conclusion gave a brief review of the work of the church. The beautiful new church will ever serve as a reminder of him, who was so untiring in his efforts to build up this church and congregation.

It is improbable that Mr. Harris will be returned to Easton. His congregation has asked for his return, but he has served the full length of service here and unless some special arrangement is made he will go to some other field of work.

It is to be hoped that he can be sent back to his flock here. His loss at this time would be a loss to the entire community. It would be a particularly severe loss to Trinity Church which Mr. Harris has built up from a mere handful to a very large congregation. It was through his efforts that the new church on Goldsborough street was erected.

Captain N. E. Nicols, of Easton, is one of the delegates from the East Baltimore District. Dr. T. J. Smithers is also present, representing the church at Easton.

PUBLIC BUSINESS.

Report of the proceedings of the Orphan's Court and Commissioners.

Orphans' Court met on Tuesday.

Alexis A. Pascault was appointed guardian to Clarence C. Kirby, orphan son of Lambert P. Kirby, upon filing a bond for $3,000.

Mary V. Lynch, gdn. to Bernard L. Cannon, presented sixth account. Passed.

J. C. Mullikin, admr. W. H. Rakes, presented account of sales of personal estate. Passed.

Oswald Tilghman, admr. Alex. Harden, presented similar account. Passed.

Ernestine Dornton, gdn. to Leo, Joseph and Otto Thum, presented first to fifth account inclusive, final as to Otto, also release from Otto. Passed, and said gdn. authorized to invest $564.02 in first mortgage on real estate of Frederick Dornton, in Trappe district.

County Commissioners.

County Commissioners met on Tuesday.

S. B. Skinner was reappointed constable for Chapel district.

Receipts were:

B. F. Wamsley, J. P. fines,	$ 4 00
Oyster fines,	12 50

That Blarney Stone.

Some people who were at the World's Fair in Chicago and kissed the famous Blarney stone in the Irish village will be surprised to learn that the stone which they kissed was an ordinary cobble stone from the streets in Chicago. The exposure of the fake was made by Collector of Customs Clark of the port of Chicago in a report to the Treasury Department.

The story goes that the manager of the Irish village got James Riley, a Chicago contractor, to get him a Blarney stone, and Riley, with Charles Thompson, dug up a cobble stone 18x8x10 inches from the street at Forty-seventh street and Portland avenue. It was carried to the Irish village and placed in the case which had been received in bond. The fraud was not discovered until January 23, 1894. The stone was kissed by over 25,000 people at 10 cents each.—*Morning News.*

Arbor Day April 13.

Governor Brown has appointed Friday, April 13th, as Arbor Day in Maryland and has issued his proclamation to that effect. This is in accordance with the joint resolution of the General Assembly adopted in 1884, authorizing and directing the Governor to designate a day in April for the planting of forest trees, to be known as Arbor Day.

The Governor in his proclamation says:

"The beneficial results which have followed from the observance of Arbor Day since it was first established in this State, ten years ago, are great, and I trust that the people of the State will generally devote the appointed day to the planting or transplanting of trees, vines and shrubbery, so that the beauty and value of homes, highways and public places of the State may be increased.

"I especially recommend to parents and public teachers in public schools that they encourage their children, or those under their influence, to plant or transplant at least one forest or shade tree on that day by the side of some public road or about their school houses or homes.

"While the designated day is not a 'legal holiday,' I hope that the authorities will cause it to be observed in all the public schools, accompanied by instruction touching the purposes and benefits of the festival."

They Changed Clothes.

Three young men, living not very far away went to a party in the country one night this week. It seems that they did not expect to go when they started from home, as two of them did not have on their Sunday-go-to-meetin's. But a trifle like that didn't worry John one bit, he walked right in and proceeded to have a good time. The other two, Jim dressed up and Jim not dressed up, sat outside on the fence, although several of the ladies came out and very politely asked them to come in. One was bashful and the other was not dressed as he wanted to be for a party. Suddenly a thought struck Jim not dressed up, he wanted to go in very badly, so he proposed to his companion that they changed clothing for the evening. As his companion did not want to go in anyhow he very readily agreed to do it, so they got down back of the fence with only the moon and a reportorial bird as witnesses, they changed, and Jim the bashful one, sat on the fence with his companions clothes on until the party was out, while his companion went in and enjoyed himself in his borrowed clothes. After the party was over they got down behind the fence and changed back again. They also agreed to keep it quiet. The bird thought it too good to keep and as the boys would not mention it, the bird did.

Neighboring Happenings.

A report was received last Tuesday afternoon that the pungy Wave, belonging to Captain Thomas Crouch, of Piney neck, Queen Anne county, capsized near the mouth of Chester river, on Tuesday afternoon, and her entire crew were lost. The boat was under full sail and was seen to capsize. It is supposed that the crew were in the cabin and could not escape in time to save themselves. Who or how many persons composed the crew of the ill-fated vessel could not be learned.

James Spence, who during the last 20 years had been a magistrate at Cherry Hill, Cecil county, died Tuesday in the 74th year of his age.

The oyster sloop Humming Bird was capsized in the Choptank Monday evening and two of the crew were drowned.

There is an Egypt road in Dorchester.

Quoit pitching is Federalsburg's favorite pastime.

Five hundred people will be employed this year in Ridgely factories.

Bishop Vincent of the Wilmington M. E. Conference preached at Asbury Church, Salisbury, Easter day and ordained a number of elders and deacons, presenting each of the latter with an Oxford Bible.

President Cleveland has nominated Mr. Frank P. Scott to be postmaster at Elkton.

Federalsburg's new town hall is nearly completed.

Town Clock Contributions.

The Town Clock fund increases slowly now, many holding back contributions until the place for the clock is decided. Besides the amounts stated below quite a large amount is promised by many who request that their names not be published. Below is the list:

W. H. Thompson	$10 00
M. R. Nichols	10 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
Prof. Alexander Chaplain	10 00
R. Goldman, Jr.	5 00
A. L. Hibsman	5 00
Lewis Whitehouse	5 00
O. F. Shriver	10 00
Samuel Patchett & Son	5 00
Dr. J. B. Merritt	5 00
Wm. J. Hartnett	5 00
Robson Bros.	5 00
Dawson & Jenkins	5 00
Wm. J. Stokes	5 00
Prof. E. D. Murdaugh	5 00
G. M. Wingard	5 00
Robert B. Dixon	25 00
Shannahan & Wrightson Hwd. Co.	5 00
Dr. Ritson	5 00
Willis Flowers	5 00
J. E. Shannahan	5 00
John Mason & Co.	5 00
W. C. Hughes	5 00
Harry Roberts	5 00
Dr. Fred Dunning	5 00
E. T. Nicols	5 00
Rev. Thos. Waldron	5 00
D. Siegel & Co.	5 00
Wm. H. Adkins	5 00
J. B. Bennett	5 00
George C. Shehan	5 00
J. H. C. Kemp	5 00
Dr. Chamberlaine	5 00
W. R. Martin	5 00
Geo. Ream	5 00
Chas. Carrington	5 00
A. Bernhard	35 00
W. P. Chaffich	5 00
Alex. Fountain	5 00
J. J. Wright	5 00
E. O. Dawson	5 00
W. J. Biery & Son	5 00
Total amount subscribed	$345.00.

Practical Suggestion.

An intelligent and careful Talbot county farmer has for several years been engaged in experimenting with a view of ascertaining the best way of getting a field set in grass, especially one from which the crop has been removed too late in the fall to seed it in wheat. In the spring he plows the field and sows it in oats, clover and timothy. If the land requires it he uses a little good fertilizer. When the oats is about a foot high he pastures it with cattle, which eat off the oats, and by that time the grass seed has taken and the plants need sunlight and air. By this method he has good pasture until the middle of September, keeping the cattle off, during the month of August. He then has a perfect set of grass, resembling an old sod, and the field can be mowed the following year. Some of his tomato and corn fields treated in this way have the second year produced 2½ tons of hay to the acre.

DON'T WANT THE WATER WORKS.

SOME COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

St. Michaels wants Better Drainage First and Water Works afterwards, Says our Correspondent.—A town Meeting held on Saturday Items from Royal Oak.

St. Michaels.

Fish are scarce and high in our market.

Oscar Williams, Esq., of Annapolis was in town this week.

M. R. Richards of Navy Point Mills is putting in his mill a new boiler.

Dr. James Seth has been confined to his room this week on account of sickness.

Harry Irons of Wheeling, W. Va., was the guest of Mrs. Thomas Caulk this week.

James Wood of Chapel spent last Sunday and Monday with Charles Morgan, Esq.

Miss Minnie Beaven of Balto. county spent part of this week in town visiting friends.

Misses Beulah and Ella Benson of Baltimore are visiting Mrs. Mariana Benson.

Captain John C. Reed was in town all this week buying oysters for planting in the Delaware bay.

H. C. Dodson, Esq., has had an artesian well sunk at his brick yard, Silas Lewis doing the work.

G. K. Benson is having his store front painted. When finished will be the prettiest front in town.

Mrs. Emmet has removed from Dr. Miller's house on corner of Chesnut and Talbot sts., to the Harring property on Talbot street.

Members of St. Michaels' Lyceun gave an entertainment at Harris' Hall last Tuesday and Wednesday evenings to crowded houses.

Flour is cheaper than ever, yet loaves of bread that are made by our baker are the same old regulation size as of war times. Why are things thus?

The Misses Miller will have the house owned by them on Talbot and Chesnut streets remodeled and renovated in every way and will open a boarding-house about the 1st of June.

Last Monday the B. and E. S. R. R. gave an excursion from this place to Salisbury. This excursion was given for the benefit of those wishing to attend the conference held at that town.

John T. Harrison, Esq., whose term of Commissioner expires next Monday (who refused to be a candidate for re-election) in his retiring takes with him the thanks of the entire public for the interest that he has always shown in the welfare of our town.

Rev. S. J. Morris left here last Wednesday for his new appointment, Lewes, Del. The Doctor had been with us four years and in that time has endeared himself to many. We wish him every good that can come to us poor mortals.

I do not know who will preach tomorrow at the Methodist Episcopal Church as Mr. Gits who is to fill that pulpit for the next year can not be here till next week, but the church will be open and there will be services of some kind, so go.

Now what I can learn of the meeting of taxpayers who met at Harrison's Hall last Saturday evening to discuss the great question of introducing a water supply in the town to help in case of fire, did not amount to much. Gentlemen stop talking of water, let us have bricked pavements and bricked gutters, these are needed for sanitary reasons, they are needed for the good of suffering humanity. After we get the pavements and the gutters then let us talk of water, both are needed.

The most enjoyable affair of the season was the masquerade party held at the residence of Josiah Fairbanks, Esq., last Monday evening. The large parlor was handsomely festooned with evergreen. Flowers were placed just where they looked best. Fifty young people were there as guests and everybody