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SOMEWHAT OF A PERSONAL NATURE.

Items of Interest About The Doings Of You And Your Relatives And Friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Spence were in Baltimore several days last week. They returned Saturday evening.

Miss Kate Baker returned on Tuesday from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Anna A. Benson, Easton.—Comet.

Capt. W. H. Smith and his wife, who have been in Easton at the Avon for some time, have returned to Philadelphia.

Oscar Collier has moved to Easton for the winter and is occupying the Campbell house opposite the High School.

Mrs. Yeo. W. Kirk and daughter, Virgie, of Bloomfield, have returned home from a visit to relatives and friends in Ridgely, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton, of Talbot, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Elston, of Cambridge, during the holidays.—Dorchester Era.

Mrs. Ida Thompson, of Easton, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Valliant, has returned home. Her daughter, Miss Sadie Thompson, who spent the holidays with her aunt, has also returned to her home.—Comet.

Declared Her Insane.

Miss Harriett Valliant said to be of Talbot county, was sent to Bayview Asylum Monday by Justice Donavin, of the Central Station. She was found Monday in the office of United States Marshall Evans, in the post-office building, laughing hysterically. Detective Hall was called in and took her to the Central Station, where Drs. Curry and Hill declared her insane. She is about twenty-five years of age, and has been boarding on Park avenue for some months past. She was employed at a shirt factory on Fayette St. When taken to the police station she had in her hands a small package addressed to "Two Little Devils."

Easton's Prohibition Drug Store.

An Easton Druggist, who began his business career some months ago by pouring into the gutter all the whiskey he found in the [illegible]he had purchased, has closed out and [illegible]town. The prohibition people ap[illegible]'s destruction of strong waters, but [illegible]ther very few in number or did [illegible]ronize the druggist. Is there to be [illegible]in this incident a confirmation of the [illegible]cently given in the Maryland Medical [illegible]to the effect that many country drug[illegible] Maryland are forced to dispense [illegible]gally or illegally, in prder to main[illegible]n existence?—Balto. News.

[illegible]merchants are aware that their cus[illegible]re their best friends and take [illegible]in supplying them with the best [illegible]inable. As an instance we men[illegible] & Cameron, prominent druggists [illegible]ng, Michigan. They say: "We [illegible]itation in recommending C[illegible]berlain's Cough Remedy to our customers as it is the best cough medicine we have ever sold and always gives satisfaction." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by H. Roberts, Easton; A. D. Harrison, St. Michaels J. F. Sisk, Cordova.

Bishop Adams at St. Paul's.

The Right Rev. W. F. Adams, D. C. L., bishop of the Diocese of Easton, preached Sunday night at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Bishop Adams preached from the chancel, without using manuscript. His texts were: "And a great multitude followed him, because they had heard of the miracles which he wrought among the people." (St. John, v., 2), and "Greater works than these ye shall do, because I go to the Father."

Legislature Adjourns March 30th.

The Sanuary session of the General Assembly expires by constitutional limitation in ninety days from the beginning of the session. As the season began on January 1st it will expire March 30th. The ninety days run steadily on regardless of Sundays and adjournments, so that when the Assembly adjourns Tuesday evening two weeks of the session will have expired.

A Good Mouth Piece.

Of course the merchants who have no bargains to offer do not advertise, and this is the reason buyers keep away from their stores and other places of business. In this age of progress business men push rapidly forward for trade, and if their business is run in the interest of the people, they are not slow in saying so through the papers. The standing ad. is the best mouthpiece for the seller, and is a very inviting friend to the buyer.

Blood and nerves are closely related. Keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla and you will not be nervous.

DEAD ON THE SHORE.

The Body Of A White Man Found Dead On Howell' Point—The Coropers Inquest.

Messrs. Lee a[illegible]layton Elliott and a number of othe[illegible]men were fox hunting Friday [illegible]ppe district, when they found [illegible]white man on Howell's Point. Th[illegible]hat of a middle aged man and supposed to be a dredger.

The body was in a fair state of preservation and could be identified. The right hand had but two fingers on it.

C. T. Stevens, acting coroner, held an inquest Friday evening on the body. This is the jury: Isaac Bryan, foreman, William Woodland, C. D. Schuyler, Bruce Bryan, C. S. Sewell, H. E. Mullikin, Harvey Leonard, Geo. W. Schuyler, H. G. Sewell and Dr. W. S. Seymour after viewing the remains, rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by causes unknown to the jury. The body was buried near where it was found.

Is This Murder?

Garrettson Perkins, a colored man, left his home near Dover Bridge on Monday morning December 16 for the purpose of attending his muskrat traps on the shores of Kings Creek. He was last seen crossing a field going in the direction of where his traps were. Later his boat was found in the possession of some parties near Dover Bridge. Stains of blood were found on a terrapin drag he had in his possession and there are strong suspicions that he was murdered.

He was a trapper for muskrats and had his traps along the shores of King's Creek. On one or more occassions he had trouble with some people living along the creek who objected to his traps. On the 16th day of December some of those living along the creek heard reports from pistol and shotguns, which created the belief that Perkins had been killed when his disappearance became nown.

Yacht Club Reception.

The Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club will hold a Ladies' Day Reception at the club rooms today from 12 to 4 o'clock.

The Board of Governors will receive, assisted by these ladies; Mrs. J. M. H. Bateman, Mrs. J. G. Morris, Mrs. Hedge Thompson, Mrs. A. L. Tharp, Mrs. E. R. Trippe, Mrs. F. H. Johnston, Mrs. F. C. Goldsborough, Mrs H. H. Balch, Mrs. F. P. Dimpfel and Mrs. E. M. Grace. The Governors are: Commodore Goldsborough, Vice Commodore Thompson, Secretary Morris, Treasurer Johnston, Wilfred Bateman, Charles S. Carrington and Herbert H. Balch.

Cards have been issued to gentlemen friends of Club members, and the members are privileged to invite the ladies of their families and their lady friends.

The visitors will be served with oysters, salads, cake, punch, etc.

[illegible] Interest Others.

[illegible] hears, or reads something tha[illegible]s him. What interests him will likewise [illegible]erest others. The ability to relate in a simple, clear, inteligent way any such matters of interest is the very essence of journalism. There is no young man or woman who may not thus cultivate a remunerative profession by recording and submitting for publication their observations. In a little time th[illegible]t may be acquired and an interesting field of industry be opened. The GAZETTE will be pleased to open the way for aspirants in any locality in Talbot county. Send in your contributions.

DIED.

HOPKINS.—On Wednesday, January 8th, 1896, at her home in Newtown, Pennsylvania, Hetty A. Hopkins in the 78th year of her age. The deceased leaves one sister, Martha E. Atkinson of Easton, beside the members of her immediate family. Her early life was spent in this county, on the farm whereon the Villa now stands.

HARDESTY.—On Thursday Jan. 9, 1896, of pneumonia, Mr. Wm. T. Hardesty in his 50th year. Interment from Trinity M. E. Church, South, at 3 p. m. Sunday the 12th, under the auspices of the Matapeake Tribe of I. O. R. M. Rev. Mr. E V. Register, afficiating.

For Rent.

The commodious store ware-rooms and shop above now occupied by Nichols & Bro., from and after Dec. 31st, 1895, located on Dover St., near Washington St.

Apply to
A. B. HARDCASTLE,
Secy. and Treas. M. H. Assn.
At Easton Nat. Bank.

Notice.

Edwin J. Biery takes this opportunity to inform the public that he will reopen his shops on South Washington St. on January 1st, 1896, and will be prepared to do all manner of smith and machine work. Repairing a specialty. 3 mo

The News In Brief.

The Happenings Of A Week Here And Elsewhere.

SOME TOWN IMPROVEMENTS

Dredgers Seek Shelter At The Jail.—The Road League Recommendation.—Other Notes.

The oyster schooner Frolic has been floated in Eastern bay.

A Caroline auctioneer asks that his his epitaph be simply "Going, going, gone."

Dorchester Republicans are only asking for nine places under the administration. Don't wan't much?

By the quarterly distribution of the school tax Talbot gets $1,953.40 for white schools, and $859.98 for colored schools.

Quite a number of Eastonians went to Annapolis on Wednesday to witness the inauguration ceremonies of Governor Lowndes.

Skating has been enjoyed to great extent on the Papermill Pond during the past ten days. The ice is from three to four inches in thickness.

Two enterprising citizens of Oxford have inventad a street car fender which is said to be one of the best yet seen. They have been granted a patent on it.

The night boat from Baltimore did not reach Easton Thursday morning until after 9 o'clock. The cause of delay was the great quantity of ice in the Bay.

During the season just closed 312,773 tons of coal were shipped over the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, and the season was one of the most prosperous in canal history.

The route of the Adams Express Company between Easton and St. Michaels, of which E. S. Hunt was the efficient agent, was discontinued December 31.

Dr. Frederick R. Malone, Greensborough, succeeds Dr. Joseph C. Clark, of Federalsburg as Health Officer of Caroline. Dr. Clark is a member of the House of Delegates.

A number of dredgers came to Easton during the recent cold wave, and sought food and shelter from Sheriff Seymour at the jail. They had walked here from different parts of the county.

There will be a meeting of the Easton Fire Company at headquarters next Monday night, January 13th. Every member is requested to be present as there is considerable urgent business to be transacted.

W. T. H. Lee will very soon occupy the room now used by W. G. Stoops, at the corner of Dover and Harrison streets, as an agency for the sale of binder twine, phosphate, general farm supplies and fire insurance.

It is reported that in the near future the store of Robson Bros. on Washington street will be enlarged by tearing away the petition between it and the vacant store room alongside. This will make a large store room.

Sheriff Seymour on Sunday arrested Clarence Devoe in St. Michaels on the charge of forging Frank G. Wrightson's name to a check for $18 50. It is charged he cashed the check at M. B. Nichols store, giving his name as John H. Baker.

Wm. G. Stoops recently appointed Constable of Easton district, to succeed Constable Lockerman, filed his bond on Wednesday and assumed the position at once. Mr. Stoops was a constable some years ago and made a most efficient one.

The recommendations made by the Road League to the County Commissioners, which were published in this paper at the time, have been considered by the Board but no action has been taken as yet. The League will meet on Saturday, January 18.

The electric light plant started up again Monday night after an idleness of about a week, and the consequent darkness of the streets at night for the same period of time The trouble was with the boiler which had to be thoroughly overhauled.

Mr. Clayland Mullikin, elected States Attorney for Talbot county at the last election, filed his bond on Monday, and is now in charge of that important office. That he will make a most efficient attorney and work faithfully after the interests to which he has been intrusted, there is not a particle of doubt.

Mr. A. D. Pratt, Royal Oak, killed a pair of hogs seventeen months old t[illegible] made a total of 1011 pounds or 508 and 5[illegible] respectively. This is the heaviest pork we ha[illegible]et chronicled. Mr. Pratt has been raising sty hogs for fifteen years and has never yet killed one over twelve months old that has not gone over 375 pounds.

The town commissioners have been commended for their action in appropriating money to shell many of the streets of the town which were in need of them. Washington and Dover streets and Railroad avenue have been greatly improved by the shells and many places in other streets were also filled up with shells.

The people in the neighborhood of Greensborough are experiencing a water famine. The wells of that town are going dry daily and the matter is becoming serious. For more than a year the water springs have been remarkably low and the absence of surface water is unprecedented in the memory of the people now living.

During the year just past the clerk of the court issued 167 marriage licenses, of which 95 of them were to white couples and 72 to colored couples. These licenses have just been issued. White—Franklin L. Gifford and Annie V. Cooper; Benjamin F. Marshall and Rosa E. Beiger; Edward Alonzo Vickers and Margaret Alberta Porter; William T. Carey and Mary E. Marshall; Robert H. Howeth and Angie C. Hunt; Vachel Downs and Martie C. Willoughby. Colored—Philemon Rakes and Albert Leatherbury.

Former Easton Lady Dead.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Maloy, wife of Rev. J. Earle Maloy of the Maryland Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, died at noon Friday at the residence of her son-in-law, Dr. M. F. Corkran in Wilmington, Del., aged 57 years. The deceased was a daughter of the late Jos. Graham, for many years teller of Easton National Bank, and she was a sister of Mr. Joseph R. H. Graham. The remains were brought to Easton Monday morning and interred in Spring Hill Cemetery. John Mason & Co. had charge of the funeral arrangements. The pall-bearers were Walter H. Thompson, J. B. Bennett, Charles H. Hughes, Charles E. Nicols, Harry G. Councell and Alexander Fountain.

Meeting Of County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday; all present. Receipts were:

John H. Holt, collector for	1894,	$1676 95.
" " "	"	1895,	603 05.
J. Harry Radcliffe, "	"	1894,	600 00.
W. T. H. Lee, "	"	1894,	1265 00.
R. J. Dawson, "	"	1895,	600 00.
			$4745 00

The disbursements were $2891.53.

Wm. G. Stoops, constable for 1st Dist., to succeed W. T. A. Loockerman, filed bond, which was approved.

Clerk ordered to have published notice for transfers, abatements, etc.

Was Nearly Drowned.

Miss Mary Norris, daughter of Owen Norris, of "Coverdale," came near losing her life while skating on the cove back of her home, near Tunis Mills, Sunday. She broke through in a deep place. Her mother heard her screams, and called her father, who went to the rescue. He, too, broke in, and Becky Morris, the colored cook, went to his assistance.

No It Wasn't.

The drug store of Walter Hughes' on Washington street, Easton, was burned on Sunday.—Trappe Times.

No damage other than the burning of a few old prescriptions and scorching the floor slightly was done.

Sick Headache.

"I regard your pills as a godsend to me. . . . I could not make a business engagement without the proviso, "unless I have sick headache." Now my health is excellent, and all from the use of Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills." So writes Hon. W. H. Beveridge, one of Richmond, Va.'s, prominent lawyers.

Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills.

Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills are a sure cure for sick headache and indigestion. Why not try them? At druggists', 25c. and 50c.
White wrapper if constipated, yellow if bowels are loose.
DR. J. A. DEANE CO., Kingston, N. Y.

INSTALLED THEIR OFFICERS

Heptasophs And Odd Fellows Entertain Their Friends With Refreshments And Pleasing Programs.

On Monday evening in Masonic Temple Conclave Improved Order Heptasophs, No. 302, gave a very interesting and delightful entertainment to a number of friends and the members of the order. There was to have been a public installation officers, but owing to the absence from town of several of the officers this had to be deferred until some future date.

The program as presented was of a musical and literary nature. The orchestra of the M. E. Sunday School furnished the music and a number of the members of the order read selections or recited. Prof. Wheatly sang several comic songs. Wilson M. Tylor read a humorous selection, as did Mr. Chas. H. Hughes. Wm. W. Spence gave a cornet solo, and Prof. Bowman by special request a cornet solo.

About 9.30 o'clock the guests were invited to the banquet hall, where a most delicious supper was served. Waiters from Hotel Avon were in attendance and they bountifully supplied all with oysters in every style, salads, etc., after eating of which cigars were passed.

The party again adjourned to the upper hall, where social intercourse was enjoyed. The entertainment was a decided success and every one was greatly pleased.

To the ladies the thanks of the company were due for the beautiful arrangement of the tables, and the appetising preparations of the supper.

On Tuesday evening, Miller Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, gave a pleasant entertainment to a number of invited quests, in the Lodge room of the Odd Fellows Building.

The program consisted of music, speaking, readings, etc., followed by refreshments. First was the public installation of these officers: Arthur F. Grace, noble grand; Martin M. Wright, Vice Grand; Chas. E. Nicols, secretary. The treasurer, M. M. Higgins, not being present, was not installed.

After the installation was over the M. P. Sunday School orchestra furnished music, and was followed by addresses by Dr. Avery and Rev. Poisal. Chas. H. Hughes read a humerous selection as did Mr. Poisal. Prof. Wheatley sang several selections and Hon. J. Frank Turner and Mr. Palmer made short addresses.

Refreshments consisted of cream of different flavors, ices, cakes and coffee. The evening was most pleasantly spent and enjoyed by everyone.

WEDDED IN DELAWARE.

Mr. McBlair Lloyd and Miss Virginia Bryan Causey Married at Milford.

Mr. McBlair Lloyd, of Wye Hieghts, a son Col. Edward Lloyd, and Miss Virginia Bryan Causey, of Milford Del., a granddaughter of the late governor Causey, of Deleware, married at noon Wednesday at the residence of the bride's father, at Milford Del.

The bride wore a gown of white satin, and veil and bertha of Brussels lace worn by her maternal grandmother fifty years ago, and her mother's wedding pearls. The maid of honor, Miss Jennie Dickinson Causey, was gowned in white chiffon over pink satin, and carried La France roses.

The groom was attended by his brother DeCoursey Lloyd as best man, and the ushers were Peter Foster Causey jr., and Edward Handy Causey, brothers of the bride.

The officiating clergyman was the Rev. John Leighton McKim, rector of Christ P. E. Church, Milford.

The house was beautifully decorated with potted plants, holly and miseltoe, in honor of the season, and after the ceremony a handsome breakfast was served by a well known caterer of Philadelphia.

Among those present from Talbot County were Col. and Mrs. Edgar Lloyd Mr. and Mrs. C. Howard Lloyd, the Misses Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Jenkins, Mrs. Robert P. Gillingham, and Wilfred Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. McBlair Lloyd left Milford on a special car, and came direct to their home at Wye Hieghts.

Two Small Fires.

On last Sunday morning the fire bell rang while many of the people of Easton were at church. The fire proved to be a small one and was nothing more than a small blaze in a chimney of the brick row on South Washington street. The fire company, however, responded with remarkable quickness and it was their prompt arrival on the scene which made the fire of no more consequence than it was. The damage done probably amounted to a few dollars.

Sunday afternoon Dr. Trippe discovered a fire in the third story of Walter Hughes' store building. He promptly notified Mr. Hughes, who, with the assistance of a few others with buckets put the fire out. It was caused by the stove pipe cap falling through the hole and a live cinder coming through from an open grate in the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club rooms, and falling on a bundle of old prescription papers. The damage was small and but for the discovery at that time by Dr. Trippe it might have swept a portion of the whole block, there being a high wind at the time.

The Joppa Crew to the Rescue.

Capt. James R. Corkrin, of the steamer Joppa, Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company, which came into Light street wharf this week from landings on the Eastern Shore, reported having found the sloop Lady Harrington, Capt. Samuel Cannon, frozen in the ice above Chancellors Point. There was not a particle of food fuel or water on the craft, and the captain and crew were suffering greatly from hunger and the cold. The Joppa's crew went to the rescue, cut sloop out of the ice, took the captain and his men on the steamer, and towed the craft into Cambridge. Going into Cambridge, the Joppa's crew found an unkown sloop sunk in channel. Nothing was heard of the crew, but it is supposed they were rescued.

It Was Cold Indeed.

The weather man's prediction on Friday of a cold wave was fully realized. Saturday ushered in the coldest snap of the season. The following table compiled by Observer Shreve will show the range of the temperature since Jan. 1st, the mercury reaching the lowest point Saturday night and early Monday morning:

January	7 A. M.	Maximum	Minimum
1	35	35	34
2	30	47	25
3	42	50	28
4	15	18	13
5	11	19	10
6	9	20	8
7	18	30	13

Free Library Bill.

Senator Oswald Tilghman will introduce in the General Assembly, at the first opportunity, the Public School Teachers' Association bill for the establishment and maintenance of free libraries and reading rooms in the cities and towns of Maryland. The bill provides for taking the sense of the people in any city or town for or against a library and reading-rooms by popular vote, and if decided in the affirmative, authorizes an annual addition to the levy of a tax not exceeding 3 cents for the purpose.

Important to Clergymen.

Clerical permits, entitling clergymen to half rates, issued by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for 1895, have been extended by general order until February 29, 1896, and will be so honored by agents and conductors. Similar permits for the year 1896 will be issued by the Company upon receipt of proper application from those entitled to them.

For a pain in the chest a piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by H. Roberts, Easton; A. D. Harrison, St. Michaels; J. F. Sisk, Cordova.

Insurance Rates Raised.

Insurance companies doing business on the Eastern shore have raised the rates considerable, and even Easton with her efficient fire company and water works is no exception. On Washington street Easton the rate is raised almost fifty per. cent. The owners of property in St. Michaels will be the chief sufferers. All along Talbot street the increase is enormous, being in many instances nearly as much as four hundred per cent.

Purchased at Home.

Merchants in various towns on the Peninsula claim that the strike in Philadelphia benefited them considerably in the Christmas season. People remained away from Philadelphia and purchased their goods at home. The merchants believe that the people were well pleased with the manner in which they were served and that hereafter they will make more purchases at home whether there is a strike or not.

Cheap Insurance.

Insure your county property in the Grangers Fire Insurance Co., one of the safest and cheapest in the state. 3 per cent on premiums was the highest assessment made in one year. In successful operation for 19 years. For particulars apply to
10-19-tf L. S. FLECKENSTINE, Agt., Easton

Talbot's Ghost Stories.

The Shooting Of Johnnie Lockerman Recalled,

ON "PLAIN DEALING" FARM.

Something About The "Old Talbot-Ghost" Who Showed Where To Dig For Buried Gold.

Talbot county is noted, perhaps above all others in the state, for its legendary stories, its romance, and all those things which contribute to make its bye-gone days interesting to talk about.

The stores of the early settlers, their trials and hardships, the aristocratic citizens and their large estates, the noted families who have added to the glory and honor of the past. The sons of fathers who have occupied high positions of tru[illegible] distinction in the state and nation, h[illegible] been told before, and many perhaps, [illegible]horoughly familiar with them.

But there is one thing that it is probable very few of our citizens of this generation know of, although talked about by their fathers and grandfathers during the long evenings, when the family was assembled around the large open fire places, and the telling of which probably caused them to closer draw around the comfortable place; —and that is Talbot's ghost stories.

Like most other counties of great age, Talbot has her ghostly legends, in fact several of them.

Down near Royal Oak, on the Oxford Ferry road, is situated a large farm known as "Plain Dealing Farm," and it was here that two ghostly scenes are said to have taken place and not for from the other side of Royal Oak is another farm there known as the "Mansion Farm," a third ghost was said to exist.

It was along in the early part of the 30's, and the "Plain Dealing Farm," was owned by the heirs of a Wm. Lockerman, and some how became current talk around that part of the county that workmen in the middle of the fields of "Plain Dealing" would be disturbed by having rocks, sticks, pieces of lime, etc., thrown at them, and the fields being perfectly level and of great area, the authorship of the works could not be determined, as no one could have thrown the missels without being detected.

People of that day were more sepersticious than they are today, and perhaps this condition lead to the belief that it was a ghostly visitor who was troubling them. This belief grew and nearly every one came to look upon it as a settled fact, and "Plain Dealing" was haunted and it was shunned, and no one could be induced to work there.

After a time the report was spread that the ghost could be seen at night, a tall slim figure, robed in white, and on dark nights, hack loads of people from Easton and other portions of the county would go there to see the ghost. They never saw it, but one night they saw enacted a tragedy that shocked the entire county.

The farm with others in the county was bequeathed to the Lockerman boys and their sister, by their father. "Plain Dealing", was then three times as large as it is now, and report had it that Theodore, the eldest son, was very anxious to possess it.

So while the ghost stories were being circulated and the crowds of people coming there at night to see the ghost, Theodore got his brother Johnnie, so the story goes, to dress up in white and play the ghost, so as to fool the people, as he represented it. Johnnie agreed to do it, and Theodore got a superstitious old gardner who lived on the place, to watch out for the ghost, and when he saw him to shoot him.

When darkness drew on and the old man posted with his gun, Johnnie dressed up in white, began to walk about the garden, when the gardner saw him he fired, and the poor boy fell dead.

The people who were on the scene, to see the ghost, were horrified and Crochwell, the gardner, was arrested and brought to Easton. How Theodore's connection with the matter if he had any, was found out, the writer could not learn from a number of our oldest citizens who recall the occurrences, but it is presumed that Crochwell must have told about it.

Crochwell was tried in Easton in the present Court House and was sentenced to the penitentiary for many years. It is also said that Theodore Lockerman was also tried, but nothing could be learned to substantiate it. Much sympathy was felt for the old gardner, who killed young Lockerman, as he thought shooting at a ghost.

None of the Lockerman family is now living, every member of them having died. The "Plain Dealing" farm is now owned by the Hardcastles.

Another story which is known as "the [illegible] Talbot ghost story," is said to [illegible]aken place on this same farm of "[illegible] Dealing," but the time of its alle[illegible] occurrance cannot be learned, but it is thought to have been years before the one told of above.

The farm was then owned by a Mr. Valliant and he had several children. One morning, so the story goes, one of the boys came in to his parents pale as ashes and trembling violently and said that he had seen a strange looking old man at the rear of the garden, near the family burying-ground, who beckoned to him.

When asked to describe the old man, the boy said he looked like a portrait of an old man that he had seen in the garret. He was dressed in a strange fashion and over him was a white mist and in his hands he had an open scroll and a staff.

The boy, the story goes, said the strange little fellow had drawn a square on the ground with his staff and told him to dig there and he would find buried treasure, and after he had said that he vahished in the air.

The family laughed at the boy, but he was so positive and earnest about the story that they followed him out into the garden. They could not see anything, but late in the day they again went there. The boy declared the strange old man was there and was talking to him, although none of the others could see or hear him. The boy said that the man had marked again in the same spot in the burial ground and told him to dig. The earnestness of the boy induced Mr. Valliant to dig at the spot indicated.

After digging at a great depth they came to a large chest and when it was opened it was found to contain gold.

The writer is not willing to vouch for the truth of the above, but the story as told has been one of the old legends attached to the county and it is further said that Mr. Valliant, who was a poor man prior to the finding of the treasure, at once bought Sharp's Island in the Chesapeake bay and moved his family there. The island was then much larger than it is now, the encroachment of the waves greatly reducing it. The island has since passed into other hands.

These are two of the Talbot ghost stories, as told the writer by two or three of Easton's oldest citizens and according to them the ghostly visitors created the greatest excitement at the time. Almost any of the very old people are familiar with the stories and details not mentioned here. X. Y. Z.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls, of Hollands, Va., has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had la grippe which left me in a low state of health. I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Harry Roberts, Easton; A. D. Harrison, St. Michaels; J. F. Sisk, Cordova.

Correct.

For genuine, first-class weather that would make a resident of balmy Italy, sunny France, blooming; Florida of paradisical California green with envy come to Talbot to see it. Nothing unusual—always just so.—Eastern Gazette.

Bro. Tyler knows how to appreciate a good thing. The Eastern Shore always was and always will be the garden spot of Maryland. —Annapolis Capitol.

Chief Clerk Higgins' Wife Ill.

Mr. Martin M. Higgins, chief clerk of the House was called to his home in Easton, suddenly Tuesday afternoon by the serious illness of his wife. In the absence of the clerk, Delegate Jones of St. Mary's county, who was present for the first time Tuesday, could not be sworn in as the text-book was in the custody of the chief clerk. Mr. Clark, the journal clerk, performed the duties of chief clerk in Mr. Higgins' absence.

Man Wanted.

Wanted at once a competent man to work on farm. Good tenant house. Address P. O. Box 57, Easton or call at this office. 3t-pd

IN OUR CHURCH CIRCLES

Interesting News Items of The Work Now Going On.—Services Last Sunday And Tomorrow.

The Wilmington Conference Epworth Leaaue Cabinet met at Clayton January 7th, at the call of the President, Rev. R.K. Stephenson. The following persons were present: Revs. R. K. Stephenson, Crisfield; L. E. Barrett, Wilmington; H. C. Turner, Frederica; W. F. Cochran, Seaford; Alfred Smith, Oxford; G. W. Bounds, Cape Charles; R. H. Adams, Dover; W. O. Hurst, Clayton, and H. W. Ewing, the secretary. The arrangements for the conference anniversaries were discussed and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements. The presidents of the districts, together with the Presiding Elders, reported the work and condition of the League in the Conference territory. Other features of the work were discussed.

On Sunday last Dean Sutton announced that until further notice the daily service at Trinity Cathedral will commence at 4.30 p.m. instead of 9 a. m. as heretofore. This is intended for the winter months or until the beginning of Lent. At present therefore the services are as follows: Sundays—7.30 a. m., Holy Communion; 11 a. m., Morning Prayer and sermon; 7.30 p. m., Evening Prayer and sermon. Week days—daily 4.30 p. m., Evening Prayer; Friday, 7.30 p. m., Litany and lecture; Wednesday, 7.30 p. m., Ladies' Bible class; Holy days, Holy Communion at 9 a.m.

When Bishop Warren raps the session of the Wilmington Conference to order in Dover next March, he will use a gavel made from one of the original benches in historic old Barrett's Chapel, Kent county, Del. Barrett's Chapel, which is still standing in a good state of preservation, is a rare old Methodist land-mark. Bishop Francis Asbury preached there during his early labors on this side of the Atlantic, and once had a famous and affecting meeting with Bishop Coke within its walls.

At Ebenezer M. E. Church tomorrow, class meeting at 10 a. m., Preaching at 11, subject, The man with one talent. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m., Epworth League at 6.30, preaching at 7.30 p. m., subject: Sin detected. Evening sermon followed by revival service. Meetings will be held every evening during the week except Saturday.

The first number of "The Life Line," a church paper edited by Rev. E. S. Mace of Cordova, has been issued. It is a bright, 12 page 3 column to the page, paper. The following is clipbed from it:

"Some one wishes to know whether this is a party Prohibition Organ. No. But the saloon in Chapel is a public nuisance, and we are resolved upon its final extinction."

Presiding Elder Smith will hold quarterly conference in the M. E. Church, Feb. 14th, and will preach Sunday night, Feb. 16. At St. Michaels he will hold quarterly conference Feb. 21st at night, and will preach Sunday evening the 23rd, Royal Oak will hold conference Feb. 23.

The ladies of Calvary M.P. Church will give a supper in the lecture room of the church on next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Jan. 14 and 15. The small sum of 25 cents is all it will cost you for a first-class supper.

The manager of the Home for the Friendless will ask the legislature at the present session to make a liberal appropriation for that institution. The last Legislature gave it $1,000.

The recently elected officers of Ebenezer M. E. Sunday School took charge on Sunday last. There were but two changes in the board over that of last year.

There will be no services at SS. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church tomorrow, owing to the pastor's absence on his monthly mission in Dorchester county.

Services in Calvery M. P. Church tomorrow 11 a. m., 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, Experimental Religion. Evening subject, On the way to Sodom.

The General Assembly.

The General Assembly is composed of twenty-six Senators and ninety-one members of the House of Delegates. The Senate is democratic by two majority, the democrats having fourteen members, just a constitutional majority. The House is republican by forty-nine majority, there being seventy republicans to twenty-one democrats. On joint ballot the Legislature stands republicans, 82; democrats, 35.

On the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization which will, come this session on January 14, each house must take a vote for a federal Senator to succeed Chas. H. Gibson. The next day the two houses meet in joint convention, and if the same person has received a majority of the votes of both houses his election is declared, otherwise a Senator is elected by the vivavoce vote of the joint convention. This Legislature will also elect a Treasurer of Maryland.

In The Beginning

Of a new year, when the winter season of close confinement is only half gone, many find that their health begins to break down that the least exposure threatens sickness. It [illegible]en as well as at all other times, and with [illegible]ople even in good health, that the following facts should be remembered, namely: that Hood's Sarsaparilla leads everything in the way of medicines; that it accomplishes the greatest cures in the world; has the largest sale in the world, and requires the largest building in the world devoted exclusively to the preparation of the proprietary medicine. Does not this conclusively prove, if you are sick, that Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine for you to take?

A New Liquor Law.

The people of Kent county have decided to ask the Legislature of the State to pass a temperance bill to be known as a local veto bill and it is probable that the temperance alliance of the State will ask the passage of a similar measure for all the State. The bill provides that it shall be unlawful to license a place to sell liquor if a remonstrance signed by a majority of the people who pay taxes in that county if filed against it. Drug stores may be licensed to sell liquor upon prescription, but only one store to every 500 people shall be licensed. They will make a hard fight to have the bill passed. If passed it will remain in force for five years.

A Very Serious Charge.

John H. Kulp, of near Longwoods, a tenant farmer, is now in jail on a very serious charge preferred by his wife. It seems that Kulp has not been conducting himself towards the members of his family as he should have done and hence his wife had him arrested. The officers failed to find him however, and it was only when he came voluntarily to the sheriff and gave himself up, that he was put in jail. He appeared before Squire Nicols on Tuesday, but the case will be taken to court. In default of $1,000 bail he was committed to jail.

Stole a Boat Loaded With Oysters.

A sloop loaded with oysters was stolen from Cambridge some days ago and was taken to Oxford on Tuesday of last week and the thieving crew sold all the oysters except a few bushels. The constable here received a telegram notifying him to arrest persons answering the description given and hold them until the boat from Cambridge could arrive. When the boat came the sheriff and captain were on board and the prisoners were removed to Cambridge.

Newspapers in America.

In the year 1704 there was but one newspaper in America, and that was "The Boston News Letter." In 1754 there were nine papers, of which four were published in Boston. In 1776 there were 37 papers, all weekly, except one semi-weekly. In 1800 there were 200, which included 17 dailies. In 1828 there were 852, issuing yearly 68,117,796 copies In 1850 there were 2,526, issuing yearly 426,409,978 copies. In 1880 there were 9,723, of which 845 were dailies and 7,590 were weeklies. In 1895 there were 20,395, of which 2,050 were dailies and 14,685 were weeklies.

Appreciate Prompt Payment.

We have received quite a number of new subscribers with which to commence the new year, and many of our old subscribers have come up with the "necessary" for a renewal. We are very happy to know that our efforts are properly appreciated and assure all of those who owe us that we will appreciate their prompt payment, so that we can use their dollars to help us square up the business of last year.

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It Is Now Gov. Lowndes.

Great Crowds Witness The Inauguration.

THE INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

A Large Party From Easton Entertained By The Talbot Legislators.—The Ceremonies.

It is now "Governor Lloyd Lowndes."

On Wednesday last at 12 o'clock Chief Justice Robinson, of the Court of Appeals, in the presence of both Houses of Assembly, administered the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution, and the term of Governor Frank Brown ended and that of Governor Lloyd Lowndes began.

The incoming and the outgoing Chief Magistrate had before that ceremony faced the enormous crowd from the stand in front of the Senate Chamber, and Governor Lowndes had delivered his inaugural address. Not a vacant foot of ground was to be found on the hill.

After delivering his address Governor-elect Lowndes was escorted across the floor of the portico and through the window into the Senate chamber. In this historic room, in which George Washington resigned his commission as commander-in-chief of the American Army to the Continental Congress, and delivered that fare-well address, which is one of the masterpieces of our political literature Lloyd Lowndes was sworn in and veverently kissed the little black Bible used by the Clerk of the Court of Common Appeals.

Those who assumed to know said that the pomp and parade of all previous inaugurations were eclipsed at the Lowndes inaugural.

In his address Mr. Lowndes said:

"Senators, Gentlemen of the House of Delegates and Fellow-Citizens:

"I come to take the oath of office, not to deliver a message, yet a time-honored custom prompts me to submit to you some suggestions which I think would be conducive to our welfare. My distinguished predecessor, who today retires from the Executive Office has recommended to the General Assembly in obedience to the Constitution of the State such measures as in his judgment are necessary and expedient, and the report of the Comptroller contains his statement of the condition of the Treasury Department; I ask you to give them your careful consideration. When I have had more experience in the office with which I have been entrusted I may ask you to make some changes and reforms that may seem advisable.

"After a most exciting campaign I, as the candidate of the Republican party, have been chosen your Executive by a phenomenal uprising of the people, who, discontented with the present order, subordinated politics to good government. We are now confronted with many important questions which, if we would solve satisfactorily, we must remember the high importance of our position, and not be tempted to compromise our duties for partisan advantage.

"As a party, we can only hope to strengthen ourselves by serving the public honestly and well. We, who have been invested with the Executive and Legislative powers of the State, are the trustees of the people, and what we do should be for their interests.

"Let that spirit animate alike the General Assembly and the Executive. Let us give the people an economical government, retrenching expenses, reforming abuses. Let us bear in mind the promises so often made during the campaign and forget none of them after a triumphant election. Let us be faithful and active, yet let us be conservative, cautious and safe.

Pledged to Fair Assessment.

The Republican party is pledged to a fair assessment and just taxation. In fulfillment of this promise a reassessment law should be promptly passed, in order that the burdens of taxation may be more equitably distributed. What that law shall be depends upon your wisdom and judgment. A law that would be satisfactory to everyone would be a miracle, but we can have one that is just and [illegible] law comprehensive [illegible] require each person to bear taxes according to his actual worth in real and personal property, yet so guarded as not to impose undue burdens upon any of our diversified interests should receive fair consideration. For years our farmers with reduced incomes have been taxed on farm values greatly in excess of prevailing prices imposing upon them an unequal share of taxation.

"The elective franchise is one of the most sacred rights of a citizen which cannot be too jealously guarded. Our election laws should be amended and so framed as to insure to the people absolutely fair registration, to guarantee to every voter the inestimable privilege of casting his vote with the right to have that vote honestly counted and to secure to the people honest machinery of elections without any advantage to the party in power.

"The use of money at elections, beyond the necessary expenses, is corrupting: its increasing use in this State is demoralizing and calls, for the especial consideration of this General Assembly. Violations of these laws should be clearly defined, the method of proof facilitated, and prompt and severe punishment follow conviction.

Civil Service Reform.

"While some of our State officials should give way to those more closely allied in principle to the party in power, yet we should heed the demand for civil service reform, and extend wherever practicable in this State and in its principal cities the merit system of appointment to office.

"I should be glad to see the right of selection of many of our public officers restored to the people wherever it can be done with a due regard for the public interest; this being in harmony with our theory of government and a safeguard against centralization of political power in the hands of the Governor.

"Our public school system should be brought up to the highest standard of efficiency; removed from politics, made subservient only to the great end and aim of its creation—the free education of all. I am ready to co operate in the accomplishment of this object, and to approve any proper measure looking to the furnishing of free school books.

"The colored people of our State should be protected in the enjoyment of those rights and privileges of citizenship which they have under the Constitution and laws of the United States, and be assisted in their laudable efforts for advancement. They have a right to ask at our hands a fostering of the present system of separate schools for their children, with teachers of their own race, if they so desire them. Their growing intelligence seeks only an equal opportunity under the laws to work out their own advancement by equality of polical rights to secure the civil rights which are their due.

Governor of the Whole State.

"There are other subjects of importance to our progress and welfare which would seem to call for special mention, but can not now be considered at length. There is need of legislation to develop the agricultural interests of the State; the encouragement of immigration, more important under a conservative Republican administration than ever before; the better regulation of the liquor traffic; limitation of the debt-incurring capacity of our counties and cities; the correction of the partisan abuse of the oyster police; the preservation to the people of the oyster industry; a liberal policy encouraging the building of good roads, and an honest purpose to hear and heed the just demands of the workingmen. These are subjects in which the General Assembly may rely upon my hearty cooperation.

"There is a very urgent demand being made for a modification of our pilot laws in the interest of trade with the port of Baltimore. I commend this subject to the careful consideration of the General Assembly.

"Let us remember, after the election, that we are all fellow-citizens of an ancient and noble Commonwealth, that the offices are few and the people are many, and those who hold the offices hold them not for power or for preferment, but for a specific fulfillment of pledges to the people. Thus, we may early convince the good people of Maryland that Republican administration is to become a blessing.

"While I am deeply indebted for my election to the political party to which I belong yet I am aware unless I had had the support of many independent thinkers I could not have been successful, and while I shall try to do my part toward my party, I shall also remember I am the Governor of the whole people of Maryland, and as such give all due consideration.

"I ask you Senators and gentlemen of the House of Delegates, to help me to bear the responsibilities of my office, and, with an honest purpose to advance every reform and make this administration an era of good government, I invoke the guidance of a divine hand in all our endeavors.

"I am now ready Mr. Chief Justice to take the oath of office."

There were a large number of citizens from Talbot county who attended the inauguration ceremonies, among them were Judge J. C. Bartlett and three grown sons, Guy Plum, Harry G. Councell, James H. Sutton, Chas. E. Nicols, Wm. C. Smith, George Mobray, Dan'l. Lambdin, R. F. Walker, R. R. Walker; Clayland Mullikin, Dr. W. T. Kelley, A. L. Tharp, and many others who were hospitably received by the representatives from Talbot. Dr. Barber and Mr. Hall devoted much of their spare time to the visiting guests and so did Col. Tilghman. Mr. Dodson was so completely absorbed in work that he had little time on his hands for playing the role of host. In speaking of him the staff correspondent to the Baltimore News says:

"Another interesting and able member is Mr. Henry Clay Dodson of Talbot county. Mr. Dodson is now serving his third term, his first being the session of 1876—just 20 years ago. His second session was that of 1888, and today he returns to Annapolis as, perhaps, the best-informed man, so far as the rules and management are concerned, among all the members. Mr. Dodson is a level-headed active business man, and is said to have as much common sense in regard to political matters of legislation as any other members of the House. He is a good speaker, brief and to the point in all that he says, and is listened to with respect whenever he takes the floor. He is an ardent supporter of his old friend and co-worker in the Republican ranks, Col. J. C. Mullikin, and believes that the State will be well served at Washington if the affable Colonel is elected to succeed his neighbor, Senator Gibson."

The large number of people that thronged the headquarters of Col. J. C. Mullikin at the Maryland Hotel gave him flattering assurances that he was not losing ground in the Senatorial contest.

In the evening the wharf was thronged with passengers for the Claiborne boat long before it arrived, owing to the ice in the harbor, and though the instrumentality of Mr. Jas. H. Sutton of the party and the kind and generous hospitality of Mr. W. H. Burtis of Annapolis, the shivering crowd was taken, en masse, into the spacious sitting room of Mr. Burtis' private residence and made confortable. So it sometimes pays for "pale faces" to be in the company of "Red Men" and their hospitable wigwams.

And so the crowds returned as they went, they saw the Governor at long range—saw the parade, heard the music and came home feeling that Annapolis did herself proud in having such a quiet orderly day with such throngs of people within her limits.

ITS FIRST JOURNEY.

n Interesting Story of the First Journey of the Old Liberty Bell

We have received from Wanamaker & Brown, 6th and Market Sts., Philadelphia, a large photograph of a painting in oil, 13 feet by 6 feet, representing "The First Journey of the Liberty Bell." It has been painted expressly for them and will be unveiled for public view in a few days. Their purpose is to place it on the 6th St. front of their building and present to all who apply by letter or in person an excellent half tone copy of the picture with historical pamphlet. The story of the journey is as follows:

The Liberty Bell, originally cast in London on the order of the Colonial Assembly, arrived in Philadelphia, August, 1752. It was put in place and the very first stroke of the clapper cracked it greatly to the mortification of those who had brought it over; they were about to send it back when two ingenious workmen of Philadelphia, named Pease and Stowe, offered to re-cast it, and did so successfully; but when they came to sound it, it was found to contain too much copper and they again re-cast it, and that is the bell as it is today.

By the direction of the Assembly there had been cast on the shoulder of the bell, the prophetic inscription, "Proclaim Liberty throughout the Land, to all the inhabitants thereof." Lex: xxv, 10. When completed it was swung in the open belfry sometime in 1753; there for twenty-three years prior to the breaking out of the Revolutionary War, it rang curfew and call and greeting to Colonial Philadelphia: there upon the 4th of July, 1776, of hallowed remembrance upon the stillness of the summer air, and the attentive ears of waiting, solemn people, its pealing tones sped first and far and wide the announcement that the Declaration of Independence was an accomplished matter, and that as "free and independent state, they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown." Enshrined in the affections of the people by its prophetic motto and earliest message of liberty, its safety became the solicitude and its keeping the treasure-trove of the people. For as the war swelled, southward from Lexington to White Plains, and from White Plains towards Princeton, and the patriots get tidings of the advancing British columns, they hasted to put their loved Liberty Bell in safer quarters. Under the direction of Congress, after the battle of Brandywine while the British were approaching the city it was lowered from its stanchions, placed on a wagon and hurried away among endless baggage trains of a patriot people, fleeing under the September skies before the invaders of their homes.

Out the Old York Road (or pike) to Trenton they pushed on and thence under the escort of Virginian and North Carolinian troops, both horse and foot, over the hills and through the almost wilderness roads they bore it to the peaceful Moravian Village of Bethlehem—even then overflowing with our sick and wounded soldiers. On its way through the City of Bethlehem, the truck on which it was conveyed, broke with it; it had to be picked up and carried on; it sustained a slight injury there. It is this scene of the cavalcade, picturesque with its colors of the sere year, and its tales of exile, that is depicted in the painting: the stirring incident in the history of the Liberty Bell that illustrates that the love of our people for it is no new thing. The Bell was afterwards taken to Allentown and hid in a cellar until after General Washington's victory at the battle of Monmouth, in August, 1778, when it was brought back to Philadelphia and replaced in its position. It announced the proclamation of the war of 1812: it announced the proclamation of peace in 1815; it rang for the reception of Lafayette in 1824; it was rung for the last time and was cracked tolling for the death of Chief Justice John Marshall on July 8, 1835. It were a needless story to relate in these days how the Bell was brought back to its old eyrie with pageant and joy, with breeze-flying flags of red, white and blue and huzzas and arches of flowers and parade, and how the people kept festival upon its return. Sixth and Chestnut swayed and swung with its multitudes of patriot men and women, girls and boys, the roofs and windows adding to the joyous throng, tearful in their gayety as they welcomed back the Liberty Bell, guerdon of their Commonwealth, and looked on the soldiers, who were to fight and win, through famishment and tatters, from open enemies and traitors, the land of their birth and toil and establish it among the nations—"A heritage of liberty forever.

The Boy Kept Quiet.

There are various ways of keeping a boy quiet, but perhaps the most novel was that adopted by a public school teacher of New Castle, Del., one day recently, when she pasted a sticking-plaster across a pupil's mouth. The little fellow was laughing and was so amused about something that he could not stop when commanded to do so. The teacher was prepared for just such a case of insubordination, and producing a big piece of sticking plaster, she held the boy and pasted it across his lips, thus holding them together and compelling him to breathe through his nose. With the plaster still across his mouth he was given a seat in the hall. He then tried to pull it off, but it stuck tightly. After a while he was brought back into the school room, where the sticker was moistened and pulled off.

He Burned The Check.

The boys and young men of our town have for some time been indulging in the nonsensical past time of playing pranks on each other, and the other day a well known farmer gave a check he had received from New York to a gentleman of our town to have cashed in Easton and he thinking it was intended to play a joke on him threw it in the fire. Imagine his surprise when he was told it was a genuine check for $45, and no doubt the farmer is having the matter explained and will in due time have a duplicate of the check sent him.—Times.

Insolvent Notice.

Charles E. Wright having applied for the benefit of the laws of the State of Maryland relating to insolvent debtors and James C. Mullikin having been appointed Permanent Trustee for the benefit of the creditors of the said Charles L. Wright, notice is hereby given that the first Monday in February, A. D., 1896 (that being the 3d day of that month) has been named for the insolvent to appear in Court to answer such allegations or interrogatories as may be alleged or propounded against him by his creditors, indorsers or sureties.
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