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THE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

VERY SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT CALVARY M. P. CHURCH TUESDAY.

The Grand Jury Commended—Eloquent Address of Mrs. Ellis—Valuable Reports Read—Liberal Donation.

Mrs. M. B. Ellis, of New Jersey, a National Organizer in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and a brilliant orator, together with Mrs. Mary R. Haslup, State President, attended the County Convention that met in Easton last Tdesday. Whether it was the presence of the ladies or an increased interest in the cause of the W. C. T. U. that made the meetings better attended than usual is not stated, but certain it is that something has caused more people to be interested and awakened to the necessity of doing some little good along the line of work mapped out by this very aggressive and earnest body of women.

The County President, Mrs. Moore, of Royal Oak, called the meeting to order last Tuesday in the lecture room of the M. P. Church, and the business of the convention was begun. Much interest was taken throughout both morning and afternoon sessions, and as the different reports were read there was much expression of feeling.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY MRS. TYLOR.

Lady Delegates, Members of the Womans Christian Temperance Union, Visitors and Sympathizers:

It has been assigned to me the duty of extending to you, on behalf of the Union at Easton, a hearty and cordial welcome. Could this feeble attempt and these simple utterances of mine be in proportion to the depth of interest and love we bear to you, and the noble cause we are banded together to advance, then indeed would the theme be both broad and deep, and the manuscript too long for a reading.

Such is our desire to promote the cause which unites the laborers in the several branches of this great work; that if words were wanting we could easily supply the deficiency. But words first, enthusiasm second, and then faithful organized and systematic labor, third, last and all the time. The harvest indeed is plenteous but the labors are few.

To me, you who are sent and come with hands laden and hearts willing, are and ought to be thrice welcome. No doubt some of you have made sacrifices to get here. You perhaps thought, as we are so often prone to think, "I can do little, let some one else who has less to do at home go." These temptations to be relieved of duty should be treated as those obstacles always found in the way of true christian advancement in any good cause and promptly placed with the large assortment of "get-thee-behind-me's," to be found in the wake of all earnest and prayerful workers.

I do not ask for more zeal nor longer prayers, I do not ask for greater love we bear to each other and our Union, but if I would ask for anything it would be more manifested interest among the majority. So much to do, so few to do it! If only our own members would be willing to make a few sacrifices and lend their presence to our small meetings, how it would increase our strength! We cannot all be orators or speakers, we have not all a facile pen, nor have the executive ability, but we can all lend our presence to encourage those who are doing the work. Ah, they need us, sorely need us, as we may know by the feeling of welcome that instinctively possesses one when attending any meetings of our Union. Oh, that we could awaken a more general interest in this great reformation! Then, with the volunteers in the field, the Master would soon call the leaders. But I am reminded that members are not absolutely required when Christ is Captain, for with a Gideon's band He could put thousands to flight, and tens of thousands could be turned from the darkness of intemperance and death to the light of moderation and life.

But never yet has our Captain enjoined upon us to be idle. Some day he will demand of us the talent entrusted to our care, and woe to us if it be found hidden in a napkin. But let us not be discouraged, we who seem so few in number, so weak in effort, to accomplish anything. With the armor of faith and righteousness let us go forth to battle in the fields where our foes are making such sad havoc, cheered by the knowledge that in his own time will the victory be ours. Once more I bid you welcome, and may our deliberations be crowned with a golden harvest of "well done's" for being good and faithful servants in the work whereunto we are called.

The Committee on Resolutions were: Mrs. Savage, Easton; Mrs. Longfield, Oxford; Mrs. Mace, Cordova; Miss Collins, Bozman; Miss Moore, Royal Oak; Miss Norris, Matthews, and Miss Griffith, Tunis Mills. The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The W. C. T. U. of Talbot county has in the past year received strength and help from God for their work; be it

Resolved, That we renew the work with more consecration to God in the work of uplifting humanity and in every avenue of life exert every effort to put down the curse of strong drink, relying on God and His promise for the necessary strength.

Resolved, That, realizing the great importance of training our youth in the cause of Prohibition, and that the character of our future citizens largely depends on their training, we urge the W. C. T. U. to co-operate to a greater extent in the work of the Loyal Legions.

Resolved, That, knowing that God has created all in his likeness, we should not overlook the lowliest of his people, and that we still will hold out a helping hand to the creatures of low degree, remembering that though their faces may be of sable hue, their hearts may still be just as susceptible to the truth, by the circulation of which we hope in the future to elevate their moral character.

Resolved, That, feeling keenly the failure of the last legislature to increase the age of protection to girls to that of eighteen years, we will condemn with voice and pen the Speaker of the House of Delegates, Sydney E. Mudd, to whom above all others that failure is due, and that we, the women and mothers of Talbot county, use our influence to prevent his return to the halls of legislation of our beloved State.

Resolved, That we, the women of this convention, reassert our right to the power of franchise, and although, as oft quoted, "the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," still to some of us our influence lies in other lines of work, and realizing that all good must come to us through the influence of women, we again demand the right of suffrage.

Resolved, That we thank the November Grand Jury for their action in closing the saloons of Chapel district. We thank God and them for this advance, while we are saddened by the existing state of affairs in regard to the liberal use of intoxicating liquors in our local option county town. We trust the day is not far distant when men will fill our Easton offices who will enforce our prohibitory laws.

Resolved, That we hereby give tribute of thanks to the people of Easton, the Pastor of Calvary M. P. Church and the President of Easton Union for their cordial reception and thoughtful entertainment, and to all those who have in any way helped to make our convention a success.

The following reports, read by the Superintendents of the departments, have been handed in for publication, the verbal reports are not included.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Only one mission—Bozman, has a superintendent. This superintendent has, during the year, read a paper on S. T. I. at one of the public meetings of the local union. An effort was made through the local unions to place the department paper, the School Physiology Journal, in the hands of the teachers of the county. After repeated requests to the unions to give the matter their attention, five subscriptions were secured and sent to the publisher.

This attempt was made late in the scholastic year, and it is hoped that renewed effort in the fall will meet with better success.

In general, it may be said that the teachers are alive to the importance of this subject and faithfully execute the law both in letter and in spirit.

Your superintendent, after occupying the position for four years, deplores the lack of work done in the department, and is at last fully convinced of her incapability to fulfill its requirements, therefore she herewith tenders her resignation, hoping that you will elect some one who will come nearer to a satisfactory performance of the duties of the department than she has been able to do.

Respectfully submitted,
NATALIE M. ROBINSON, Co. Supt. S. T. J.

NARCOTICS.

Easton.—Much to my regret our Easton Superintendent is too ill to make any report from that Union.

Royal Oak.—Miss Grace Moore reports "Our Union held an anti-narcotic meeting on March 30th, using a responsive reading on Narcotics, and having a fine address by Dr. Joseph O. Robinson on the use of Narcotics from a financial standpoint, and one by Miss Hardcastle from a scientific standpoint. Miss Hardcastle's paper was printed in the St. Michaels *Comet*, and we trust did good. Fifty copies of the Anti-Tobacco Gem were distributed. Miss Grace Moore and Miss Josephine Collins held an anti-narcotic meeting in March at Tunis Mills, which Miss Moore thinks one of the most progressive Unions in the county. I am sorry not to have any report from it.

Oxford.—Oxford Union has need of earnest workers, the town being flooded with cigarette smokers, both under and over 16. Our Superintendents, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Rawlins, have had some of the Talbot county laws relating to the sale of tobacco printed for circulation among our store keepers, preparatory, I hope, to trying to have them enforced. Ten copies of Anti-Tobacco Gem are being taken for distribution.

JANE E. STEVENS, Co. Supt. Narcotics.
Oxford, Aug., '96.

TALBOT CO. PURITY DEPARTMENT.

Easton.—Seven (7) Mothers' Meetings have been held since January, one each month. A monthly report has been given of work done each month at our business meeting.

A Goshel Temperance Meeting was held at one of our churches July, '95 on Social Purity. Literature has been circulated at our Mothers' Meeting, each one reading the leaflet, and returning it to the Superintendent or handing it to some one else.

Oxford.—Oxford Union does not hold Mothers' Meetings. We need arousing on this subject. Our clergymen preach the importance of pure lives.

One Purity Service was held by the Christian Endeavor Society here. Our school teachers are earnest workers for pure morals.

Our Union has presented each of our three ministers with a White Cross Outfit and Pledge Cards, for we feel the need, at this time, of more work than woman alone can give among our boys and young men, in order to combat a moral leprosy that has been for several years harbored among us. Unhappily his contagion remains, although the source has removed himself.

One store keeper has been cautioned against exposing Police Gazettes and other unlawful papers in the windows.

A petition for the Protection of Girlhood was sent last February to our Legislature.

Royal Oak and St. Michaels report distribution of literature; also letters and petitions sent to State Senators and Legislators relating to Divorce Bill and Protection of Girlhood. Mrs Moore, our county president, says it was not through any fault of our Talbot Legislators that the latter bill was not passed. A. K. LONGFIELD,
Oxford, Aug., '96. Co. Supt Purity Dep't.

My Dear Mrs. Bartlett.—As Local Supt. of Press Work I have to report to you twenty-five notices and reports of meetings sent to local papers, two letters to White Ribbon Herald and a column opened to us in the St. Michaels *Comet* on April 25th. This column has been well filled about a dozen times, either by lengthy articles on the different phases of our work or by news of our workers all 'round the world on items of local interest to W. C. T. U. women.

Hoping you will be able to give a much better report of work done in your department than I in mine and that our convention may be pleasant and profitable, I am,

Yours for humanity, GRACE MOORE,
Aug. 27, '96. Royal Oak, Md.

The following officers for the ensuing year were elected:

President, Mrs. Sarah B. Moore, Royal Oak.
Corresponding Secretary, Miss Grace Moore, Royal Oak.
Recording Secretary, Miss Anna E. Nevius, Cordova.
Treasurer, Mrs. Maggie Councell.
The Superintendents of the various departments elected for the coming year are:
Evangelistic Work, Mrs. Leona Saxton, Easton.
Juvenile Work, Mrs. Savage, Easton.
Legislative and Petition, Mrs. M. Valliant, St. Michaels.
Temperance Literature, Union Signal and White Ribbon Herald, Mrs. Hester Rawlings, Oxford.
Sacramental Wines, Miss Anna E. Nevius, Cordova.
Press Work, Mrs. J. C. Bartlett, Easton.
Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. W. M. Tylor, Easton.
Purity, Mrs. A. K. Longfield, Oxford.
Narcotics, Mrs. J. E. Stevens, Oxford.
Flower Mission, Mrs. W. H. Thompson, Easton.
Physical Culture, Miss Josephine Collins, Bozman.
Work among Colored People, Mrs. S. Williams, Oxford.
Secretary Young Woman's Branch, Miss Ida Wood, Matthews.
Parlor Meetings, Miss Mary Norris, Matthews.

The "Y" hour was well filled with an interesting program.

The evening session, which was held in the large room of the church, was largely attended and was filled by special music from the choir of the church, a Bible reading by Mrs. Haslup and by a lecture from Mrs. Ellis. This was one of the finest temperance lectures ever heard in this town. The speaker was eloquent, persuasive and winsome. Her argument was good, and she did not altogether follow the hackneyed lines of many temperance speakers. She spoke largely of her own experience, and often in a droll style, exciting the risibility of the audience.

Mr. Walter H. Thompson, as is usual, called on the audience for a contribution in a manner that brought out liberal donations, and the meetings for the day concluded.

LARGE REPUBLICAN CLUB

FORMED IN EASTON WEDNESDAY NIGHT LAST.

Committees Appointed on Organization, Membership and Entertainment—To Meet Every Tuesday Night.

Pursuant to a call in the last issue of the GAZETTE, the Republicans of Easton met in the Grand Army room about 8 o'clock last Wednesday evening to organize a campaign club.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. I. A. Barber. Guy Plumb, Esq., was made chairman, State's Attorney Mullikin being secretary.

It was moved that the chair appoint a committee of five to select officers for the club and to draft resolutions, to report at the meeting next Tuesday night. The chair selected Dr. Barber, State's Attorney Mullikin, William T. Elben, Robert R. Walker, H. G. Councell.

Dr. Barber moved that a committee on membership be appointed, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to solicit members for the club. The committee consists of Thomas H. Coburn, Dr. James B. Merritt, George Fluharty, Chas. S. Seymour, Dr. Thomas A. Councell.

Dr. Merritt moved that a committee of three be appointed to provide speakers for the meetings, whereupon the chair named Robert F. Walker, Charles F. Stewart, Col. James C. Mullikin.

The meeting called repeatedly for Dr. Barber, and though that gentleman begged to be excused, as he was about to leave, they finally persuaded him to make a few remarks in which he declared that the outlook was, he thought, brighter than at any time since the National Convention, and that a number of Democrats agreed with him. (We suppose they had been reading the returns from Vermont.)

It was determined to meet every Tuesday night during the campaign. The club was harmonious and enthusiastic, and proposes to "keep the ball rolling" at a lively rate from now till election.

THE BOTTLE CAME BACK.

Remarkable and Interesting Event of a Recent Fishing Cruise.

When a party of gentlemen from Easton were on a pleasure cruise about six weeks ago and were in the bay at considerable distance below Sharp's Island, they conceived the idea of turning some af their empty bottles to account. Just what they were doing with empty bottles is not stated—perhaps they were carried along for lighters—but at all events the bay was so quiet they took the risk of tossing a bottle overboard in which was tightly corked a piece of wrapping paper bearing this inscription:

GOOD BYE.

E. R. Trippe,
Frank C. Mason,
B. F. Parlett,
Guy Plumb,
R. R. Walker.

Sunday, July 26th, 1896.
Schooner Frank Bateman.

When you find this send word to Easton (Md.) papers.

This bottle was picked up on Benoni's Point by Mr. W. J. Corkran in company with Mr. H. W. Corkran, of Hambleton, who were out yachting last Sunday, the bottle having been picked up exactly five weeks from the day it was thrown overboard. Mr. Parlett and Mr. Plumb recognized the scrap of paper in the GAZETTE office and were greatly surprised that the same should ever have come to light. When Mr. Parlett threw it overboard he remarked, "Well, boys, you'll never see that again." But the prophecy, it seems, did not hold good.

Dredge Boat Numbers.

The work of painting the dredge and scrape boat numbers, is done this year by Salisbury painters, and was finished last week. It costs the State about $1,000 to furnish these numbers. To complete the contract it took 4,864 yards of canvas, which cost over $400; 75 gallons of paint and oil, and cost $350 for the work. Altogether there are 3,410 pieces, each piece containing one number, running from one to three figures.

Clerk Bateman has received the numbers to be used by Talbot boats. They range from Nos. 1 to 110, and a number of them have already been issued.

The Time Extended.

Gov. Lowndes has decided to extend the time in which the assessors of Talbot shall complete the assessment. The county commissioners wrote the Governor, requesting him to extend the time as only two districts out of five had been assessed and the Governor has extended the time until November 15th. This is thought to be sufficient time in which to complete the work. The additional time will mean an additional expense to the county.

It is not unusual for druggists to recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their customers. Many of them have used it themselves, or in their families and know from personal experience its great value in the treatment of coughs, colds and croup. They know too that their customers are their best friends and naturally wish to give them the most reliable medicine they have for those ailments. Messrs. Daugherty Bros., prominent druggists of Indiana, Pa., say, "We sell more of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy than of any other cough syrup, and always take pleasure in recommending it to our customers." Mr. H. M. Urey, the popular druggist at Fredonia, Pa., for several years, says: "I can truly say that it is the best cough medicine on the market." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Harry Roberts, Easton; P. M. Pastorfield, Royal Oak.

Make Your Entries Early.

Exhibitors are requested to enter their exhibits at as early a date as is practicable. The management offers a large and liberal premium list this year in all its departments and asks the co-operation of all interested in the work, whether in the farm or in the household, artisans and artists. No effort has been spared to make the Fair a grand success this year and it is prepared to accommodate all who will take part.

For good fertilizers at bottom prices call on Hubbard & Bro. 8-1-tf

ON THE MOVE.

Visitors in Talbot Find it Pleasant. Others Go Elsewhere.

[Our readers are requested to send in items of personal interest.—ED.]



Miss Della Harden is visiting Mrs. Richardson near Denton.

Mrs. Katie Hopkins, of Baltimore, and Miss May Chilton, of Denton, are visiting Mrs. Leander R. Hooper.

Miss Mary T. Moore, of Federalsburg, visited her cousin, Mrs. F. A. Shannahan, this week and last.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Plumb and daughters Misses Amy and May Plumb, of Easton, spent Thursday with the family of C. W. Gibson, Church Neck.—St. Michaels *Comet*.

Judge and Mrs. John C. Bartlett have returned from a visit to Atlantic City, where they were right royally entertained at the cottage of Hon. George V. Massey, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Bartlett.

Mr. James F. Hartnett, who has been spending his vacation with his parents in town, has returned to his studies at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore.

Miss Katherine Feldmeyer, of Annapolis, after spending some time at Ocean Grove, is now the guest of Mrs. Harry G. Councell, Goldsborough street.

Mrs. Hattie Boyd, of Baltimore, Miss Edith Carrigan and Miss Edith Hess, of Washington, are visiting Mrs. Charles E. Nicols, on West street.

Mrs. Annie Burnite and daughter, Miss Elsie, have moved to Easton and will occupy the residence adjoining ex-Sheriff Fairbanks on Railroad avenue.

Miss Laura B. Shinn, who has been spending two weeks at Swarthmore and Trenton, has returned to her home. Galloway, near Easton.

Mrs. A. W. P. Robinson and her daughter, Miss Margaret, who has just recovered from a severe illness, have returned from Carroll county.

Miss A. Ethel Riggs, of Smyrna, Del., returned home last week, after spending a pleasant two weeks at Mrs. A. J. Wilson's.

Mr. M. B. Nichols is in Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York this week selecting goods for his fall and winter trade.

Mr. J. M. Zentmeyer and family have returned from their visit to relatives in Waynesboro, Pa.

Dr. Henry Ridgely, one of Dover's prominent citizens, has been the guest of Mrs. M. A. Kemp.

Miss Lulu Roberts is entertaining as her guests Miss Eva Dowell and Miss Florence Reed.

Dr. and Mrs. George F. Nickerson and daughter Louise have returned from Monterey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, their daughter, and son-in-law, are visiting Mrs. Cox near Easton.

Mrs. Maggie Stevens and children, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Eugenia Councell.

Mrs. E. V. White and daughter, Miss Edna, have returned to their home in Baltimore.

Mr. M. M. Higgins is out of town this week on business for the Fair.

Rev. Father Waldron has returned from his retreat in Baltimore.

Miss Carrie Smith has returned from a visit to New York and intermediate places.

Mrs. Anna Annabal, of Logansport, Ind., is visiting relatives in Talbot county.

Miss Minnie L. Wrightson is home again after a visit to New York and Canada.

Mrs. J. Kemp Bartlett and children are at the Buena Vista, Blue Mountains.

Miss Julia Wheat, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Miss Maud Lee.

Rev. L. B. Baldwin has returned from a trip to Halifax and Boston.

Mr. J. T. Rathell paid a flying visit to Baltimore this week.

Dr. Isaac A. Barber was in Baltimore on Thursday.

Rev. F. B. Adkins is the guest of Bishop Adams.

TWO SERIOUS FIRES.

Mr. Perry Taylor Looses His Barn and Crops, Horse Burned—Woods on Fire.

On Wednesday night at a late hour the hay stacks of Mr. Perry Taylor, who lives in Miles River Neck, mysteriously caught fire and in a short time ignited to his barns, in which were stored all of his crops of this year, also a valuable mare which was in the stable.

The crop consisted of corn, fodder, wheat, all of which were entirely destroyed, The estimated loss to Mr. Taylor is about $1000.

The fire had been burning for some time before it was discovered, and the neighbors of Mr. Perry soon arrived to render assistance, among whom were Mr. Owen Norris, Mr. Chas. Fenhagen, Mr. Chas. Griffin, and Mr. Briscoe.

Efforts were made to save parts of the crops, and the contents of the outbuilding but the fire burned so fiercely that nothing was accomplished. It is reported that Mr. Taylor had no insurance.

The woods on the East side of the road at the railroad crossing at Kirkham station was mysteriously set on fire on Wednesday evening and burned furiously for over an hour and a half. The fire came close to the village of Kirkham and it was thought that at one time it would catch to the buildings around, but the entire population of the place turned out and fought the fire and succeeded in keeping it in the woods. It burned several acres of fine woodland.

Hires Rootbeer is strengthening, both to the nerve and brain worker, as well as to the physical athlete. Every household should have it. It's the most delicious, sparkling and effervescent drink in the world. A package makes five gallons. Campaign paraders will find it very refreshing.

A MONSTER GATHERING.

TREMENDOUS OUTPOURING OF THE SILVER DEMOCRACY.

Six Voters Meet to Organize a Bryan and Sewall Club—Their Beacon Fails to Attract the Wanderers.

Saturday evening last was the time appointed for the gathering at the Court House in Easton of the silver Democrats for the purpose of organizing a Bryan and Sewall Campaign Club. The meeting had been advertised for some days, and a great outpouring was anticipated. Fully 500 voters were expected to enroll themselves.

The Court House was brilliantly illuminated and everythihg was in readiness. At 8 o'clock six voters put in an appearance, and after waiting for some time and wondering hopefully what had become of the other 494, the meeting adjourned to the Court House gate, where they remained in session for some time. In the mean time, fearing the other 494 might get lost or stay in the camp of the goldbugs, a bright light was left at one of the north windows of the Court House, so that the wanderers might have a beacon by which to find their way back to the silver fold, but about 1 o'clock Sunday morning Night Watchman Thomas H. Covey, who knew nothing of the object of the light, went, at the suggestion of Justice Coburn, and the wanderers were deprived of their beacon. Their whereabouts have not yet been discovered.

IN OUR CHURCH CIRCLES.

Items Of Interest Of The Doings In Our Churches.

There will be an all day meeting at Cordova M. E. Church tomorrow. Love Feast at 9.30, in charge of the Class Leader of the Circuit; preaching at 10.30 by the Rev. Dr. Alfred Smith, Presiding Elder; Sunday School Meeting at 2.15; at 3 o'clock, addresses on Consecration by several ministers; Epworth League Prayer Meeting at 7.30, in charge of Mr. Charles G. Pearce; Preaching at 8.15 by the Pastor.

The Epworth League of Calvary Southern Methodist Church gave an excursion to Ocean City Friday. Among the attractions provided for the excursionists were music on the boat and athletic contests on the beach, the contestants appearing in bathing suits.

There were no services at Ebenezer M. E. Church last Sunday, the pastor, Rev. Charles Hill, being away on his vacation of two weeks. The congregation was about evenly divided between the other Methodist churches of the town.

The pulpit of Calvary M. P. Church was ably filled Sunday morning by Rev. T. H. Lewis, President of the Western Maryland College. Mr. Lewis is well known in Easton and Talbot, and a large and appreciative audience greeted him.

Preaching services at Calvary M. P. Church tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "Anathema Maranatha"; evening subject, "Half Way to Heaven." C. E. Meeting at 6.30 p. m., led by Mrs. E. H. Roe.

Rev. Sam Jones preached fifteen sermons at Emory Grove Camp meeting, Baltimore, and received $1000 in cash for his labors.

Calvary M. P. Sunday School has a splendid addition to their library in the shape of one hundred new books.

Rev. L. B. Baldwin held services at Christ Church last Sunday, after being away for some weeks on a northern tour.

A REAL CIRCUS COMBINE.

The Biggest in the World—To Exhibit on Friday, September 18th.

The uniting of the great John Robinson and Franklin Bros. enormous shows has caused a "stir" in tented amusements, the like of which has never before been known.

This huge institution is the only one to present the wonderful "horseless carriage," and such well known and high salaried performers as Miss Rose Dockrill, the world's greatest equestrienne; Mr. Frank Miller and Robert Stickney, who stands at the head of the bareback riders of the profession; the five Cornalins family, Europe's foremost acrobats; Seigrist and Silbon, who are the acknowledged monarchs of the air, a double troupe of Royal Japanese performers; Miss Dollie Miller, the greatest lady acrobatic rider on either side of the Atlantic; the three famous French grotesques, the De Zallos; a troupe of twenty humanly educated horses and ponderous elephants, besides other novelties which can only be counted by the score. It is also a well known fact that these great shows present the finest zoological collection in America, and a hippodrome of surpassing merit. The grand street parade, which moves from the show grounds each day promptly at 10 a. m., is worth coming miles to see, and is the combined parades of both these monster tented amusements. At Easton Friday, September 18th.

SPECIAL PREMIUMS AT THE FAIR.

The Baltimore Sun Offers Twelve Subscriptions to the Daily Sun.

A. S Abell Company, publishers of the Baltimore *Sun*, subscription price $6, have offered through the Talbot county Fair Association twelve special premiums to be competed for at the Fair this year, each being an annual subscription to the *Daily Sun*, for the best of the following:

Best 3lbs of butter. Best loaf of home-made bread. Best bushel of potatoes. Best general collection of farm products. Best collection of fruits. Best collection of native woods. Best pen of Plymouth Rocks. Best pen of fowls or chicks. Best collection of preserves, jams or jellies. Best pen of shoats. Best specimen of plain sewing. Best calico patch-work quilt.

This is a magnificent offer and an opportunity to obtain this valuable daily at little cost. Send to M. M. Higgins, Secretary, for special circular giving fuller details and conditions of competition, as the *Sun's* offer came too late to insert in premium list.

B. C. & A. Change of Time.

On and after Tuesday next, Sept. 8th, trains will run as follows, daily except Sunday: Leave Easton 9.19 a. m., arrive Baltimore 1.20 p. m.; leave Baltimore 4.30 p. m., arrive Easton 8.40 p. m.

Hubbard's Climax Fertilizer for wheat always gives satisfaction. 8-1-tf

LITTLE NEWS NOTES.

The News of a Week Told in Brief Form. Local News Field.

The Prohibition Congressional Convention will meet in Music Hall next Tuesday, and in the evening Hon. John G. Woolley, of Chicago, will speak.

The Avon Cycle Club will give an entertainment to be followed by an oyster supper to the ladies of Easton who have assisted in the club garden parties, on Thursday, Sept. 24th in their club rooms.

The peach season will about close this week. The crop marketed has not been more than half the number of baskets that was predicted. The prevailing prices have been low, averaging not more than 25 or 30 cents a basket.

The new building on Washington street, being erected by J. Harry Covington, is nearing completion and promises to be the prettiest building on Washington street. The store rooms are being ceiled with metal ceiling.

Mr. Clark S. Marshall has on exhibition another beautiful piece of his work. It may be seen in Beaven's window on Dover St., and represents a meeting between Ruth and Noami. The coloring is especially fine and the sky one of rare execution.

The Nickerson fall delivery of fertilizers is one far beyond their expectations and speaks a good word for the goods. The depression of the times is not so great but that the farmer needs and must have this very essential thing for his crops.

If you are going to make exhibits at the coming Fair, do not put off entering them to the last day. It crowds the officials very much to have many exhibits held off until the last day. Assistant Baker says that the entries so far are very numerous.

Milford Bryan, aged five years, son of Jas. Bryan, of St. Michaels, was poisoned and died from drinking concentrated lye this week. The day before his father gave him a glass of wine from a jug in an outhouse. It is supposed the boy wanted more the next day and went alone to the outhouse and got hold of the lye jug instead of the wine jug.

The family of a man named Moon was increased by the appearance of a daughter a few days ago. That was a new Moon. The man was so overcome that he went off and got drunk. That was a full Moon. And when he got sober he had but twenty-five cents left. This was the last quarter.

This is the day of the "button" craze. For everything there is a button. Half of the men and boys you meet, and a large number of the girls and women, have stuck to their lapels a button of some description, either expressive of their political sentiments or having some slang expression that can be used to advantage at times.

Punxsutawney young men are of careless speech, according to a local paper, which says that one of them taking his sweetheart home said to her on reaching the gate, "Just one," and was painfully surprised to hear her father's voice through a lattice, saying, "Your watch is an hour fast; it isn't more than 12, but it's time you were taking your sneak."—Ex.

Watermelons are on the wane. Mr. Berkight, one of our largest growers who comes to this market, states that the crop is two weeks short of what it ought to be owing to the continued dry weather. Prices have kept up to a fair figure and have enabled the truckers to make more money out of the acreage than would have been the case if they had planted corn or wheat.

County Commissioners' Meeting.

The Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday, 1st inst., all present.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

Receipts were:

A. McC. Moore, collector	1896		$ 2202 65
W. S. Covington,	"	"	1050 00
John L. Fisher,	"	"	1650 00
R. F. Walker,	"	"	10253 53
Percival Mullikin,	"	"	4000 00
John T. Harrison, magistrate's fines			5 00
Alga Smith,	"	"	6 00
" " rent of election booth			13 33
Total			$19180 51

Accounts amounting to $2661.51 were paid.

The receipts on Tuesday are the heaviest ever received by the present board. No further business than routine work was transacted.

New Registration Books.

The new registration books have been received by the Election Supervisors, and the work of registering all the voters of the county anew will commence on Tuesday, Sept. 15. The books are made to last eight years and are furnished by Baltimore printers. The cost is $5.50 for each book, or $88 for the 16, which is cheap enough.

Major Stewart in Cecil.

Cecil County *News*: Major William E. Stewart, of Talbot county, addressed a large meeting at Colora Thursday evening. The Major is one of the pioneers in the silver movement, and is as well posted, perhaps, as any man in the State. He was attentively listened to by his audience, and made many converts to the cause of white metal.

Jesse L. Test, Esq., an old resident and highly respected citizen of our town, called this morning and after purchasing a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrheoa Remedy, said: "If anyone asks you if this remedy will do what is claimed for it, tell them yes, and refer them to me." H. ALEXANDER STOKES, Reynoldsville, Pa. No one can doubt the value of this medicine after giving it a fair trial. Then it is pleasant and safe to take, making it especially valuable for children. For sale by Harry Roberts, Easton; P. M. Pastorfield, Royal Oak.



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