# THE EASTON GAZETTE.

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## IMPROVEMENTS IN EASTON

MANY EVIDENCES OF ENTERPRISE IN OUR MIDST.

A Fine Store Replaces a Great Eyesore—A Number of New Buildings in Course of Erection—New Parish House.

NOT only has Dr. Nickerson made a handsome and most extensive improvement in the property he purchased, on the corner of Washington Street and Railroad Avenue, but by doing so he put out of existence the alleged "Frame Hotel" that was an eyesore to the town and the complaint of many of its citizens. Messrs. Nevius & Frampton have leased the lower part of the building and the new and commodious warehouse, while the upper floor has been arranged as lodge rooms and offices.

Mr. J. J. Wright is adding another boom to Easton in the erection of three private residences here, on lots purchased by him adjoining Christ Church. These cottages are to be handsome residences, complete in every particular, and they have already been rented, it is said, showing that there is a demand for dwellings, and the enterprise of Mr. Wright is to be highly commended.

There is talk also of other houses being built during the summer, so that Easton will be getting on quite a boom, as should be the case, for there is every reason why it should grow rapidly.

It is learned that the Christ Church Sunday School room is to be built soon, in fact it is being contracted for, and this will add another improvement to the town, and this is what those who have the good of Easton at heart are anxious to see.

The new officers of the Fair have begun work in earnest to improve the buildings and are determined to make the coming season's exhibition a most successful one.

Mr. Wilfred Bateman's great improvement of the property he bought on Washington Street has already been noticed in the GAZETTE, and now all are anxious to see work on the Court House begun and trust that it will not long be delayed.

A steady stream of wagons filled with oyster shells have been going through the streets of Easton for weeks, and sand and gravel as well, and all this means better roads for town and county.

But there is one thing that our people must begin to think of in earnest, and that is, that the town, growing as it is, must soon have an underground sewage system. The health of the community will depend upon it, for now, at times, in hot weather the surface gutters perfume the air, and the many different flavors rival those of an Oriental city. Underground sewers must come, and will, as will also many other improvements which our growing community demands.

### Cruise of the M. N. A.

Now that Lieut. Horace P. McIntosh has been selected as the Naval Officer to command the Nautical Academy vessel on its summer cruise, the Cadets are in a quandary of excitement to know if the threatened war with Spain is going to prevent the going to sea of their cruiser. They would like nothing better than to go on their cruise in spite of a war, in fact would be delighted with a chance to have a "brush" with a Spanish vessel, and not count odds against them; but they are earnestly praying that if there is trouble between the two countries over the Cuban question, it will not prevent their cruise into the Atlantic and confine their cruising ground to the Chesapeake and its contingent waters.

Lieut. McIntosh is a gallant and experienced officer, and if he gives the command, "Up anchor and away," it may be sure that there will be no danger of the Cadets' cruiser being captured by the Spaniards.

### A Highly Esteemed Prelate.

The annual visit of Bishop John J. Monaghan, of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wilmington (Del.) and the Eastern Shore of Maryland, was made some days ago. Bishop Monaghan is proving himself a most able head of his Church and devotes his whole time and energy to its building up in the extensive and laborious field over which he has charge.

Born in Sumpter, S. C., Bishop Monaghan received a most thorough clerical education, and devoting himself to the ministry, he had a number of important parishes under his ministrations as a Priest, and several years ago was made a Bishop, though still a young man.

Courteous towards all, liberal and an earnest worker, he is a very popular man, not only in his own congregation, but with others.

### Good for Croup.

Mr. Geo. W. Bolton, of Centreville, Md., says: "I have recently used in my family, for adults and children, both Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They are certainly most valuable remedies and no household is complete without them. I have found the Cough syrup specially useful in croup and the Diarrhoea Remedy acts like a charm in all disorders of the bowels." For sale by H. Roberts, Easton, Md.


It will pay you to ride miles to-day to witness the Grand Display of pattern Hats and Bonnets at Annie E. Rathell & Co.'s, Limited. Hats have never been prettier nor styles more elegant than this well established firm are showing.


## PERSONAL NOTES.

Gentlemen and Ladies That Go and Come from Day to Day.



Mr. T. A. Long has been on a few days' visit to his "Island Home" at Oxford, and was busy getting his new purchase, a handsome 'buckeye yacht,' in trim for the summer. The yacht will soon be enrolled in the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club, of which Mr. Long is a member, and the Club is to be congratulated upon the addition of so fine a craft.

Mr. Clark S. Marshall, an Easton Artist, has just painted a handsome portrait in oil 20x24 and delivered it to the subject, Mr. O. Harper Benson of St Michaels. This work has been pronounced especially fine, in likeness, detail and easy style, and with the softness seldom seen in portrait painting.

Dr. Henry Ridgely and wife, of Dover, visited Mrs. Ridgely's mother, Mrs. M. A. Kemp, at Mt. Pleasant this week. They have just returned from Florida and Cuba, where the Doctor pronounces the suffering among the Cubans heart sickening.

Robert G. Loveday went to Ridgely on Wednesday, where he has been appointed assistant to Agent Thomas A. Smith. Norman Davis succeeds him in the Western Union service.

Revs. F. T. Little and J. M. Sheridan, both former pastors of Calvary M. P. Church, were in Easton on Wednesday and returned to Baltimore that evening.

Mrs. T. A. Long is at the Hotel Avon, where she will remain until she opens her country home at Oxford for the summer months.

Mrs. F. Walton Montague, who has been visiting at he father-in law's, Mr. Daniel Montague, returned to Philadelphia Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sledge and daughter, of Baltimore, spent Sunday in Easton, guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Littleton.

Mr. John Mason Greenfield, Wilmington, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mason, Dover St.

Miss Edna Rowe White, Baltimore, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Charles H. Hughes, Goldsborough St.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Larmour Upper Falls, Md., visited the Rev. and Mrs. Rich at the Deanery.

Mrs. Annie E. Harris, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John H. K. Shannahan.

Misses Blanche Wheatley, Carrie Fish and May Davis spent Sunday at Poplar Grove.

Mrs. Physick, of Port Deposit, was the guest of Mrs. M. A. Barton last week.

Mr. J. Edward Tylor and wife of Baltimore are guests of the Editor.

Miss Ethel Pitt, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Elizabeth Burnite.

Mrs. Georgia Merritt, of Wilmington, is visiting Mrs. W. W. Spence.

Mrs. Micks, of Goldsboro, N. C., is visiting at the Deanery.

Miss Louise Adams started for Chicago on Wednesday.

### The Aetna Life Insurance Co.

In another column of this issue we publish the Insurance Commissioner's statement of the standing of the Aetna Life Insurance Company. It goes without saying that it will be interesting reading to the great army of patrons and friends of the Company in this State.

The annual statement of this great New England Life Insurance Company, exhibiting its business for the year of 1897, is a remarkable strong document, showing large increases in all the principal Departments of its business. In results to its Insured, the Aetna has a record unequalled by any other of the Life Insurance Companies. The Aetna Life is one of the Companies which form the backbone of Life Insurance in this great country of ours, and is clearly the leader of all of the New England Companies. Our fellow townsman, Henry Shreve, represents the Company at Easton and vicinity. G. W. Whiteside, of Baltimore, Md. is Special Agent for the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

### The Young Friends' Association.

The meeting of the Young Friends' Association was held on Monday night, March 28th. The papers and discussions were entertaining. Mr. Wm. H. Kemp read a paper on the attitude of the Government toward the Afro-American race which met with general approval.

Current topics was read by Miss Annie White. Most of the discussions were made upon the opening exercise—being a chapter from Genesis read by Judge John C. Bartlett.

The meeting adjourned to meet at the residence of Henry Shreve during April.


Annie E. Rathell & Co., Limited, invite the ladies of Easton and vicinity to their Spring Opening of Millinery to-day. There will be exhibited Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Bonnets, Veiling, Neckwear and Hosiery.

**To Cure Constipation Forever.**

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c of C.C.C. fail to cure, druggists refund money


## IT IS A VERY WISE MOVE.

NEW DOVER BRIDGE TO BE BUILT OF STEEL.

Its First Cost Much Greater than that of a Wooden Structure, but will Save that Cost in Thirty Years.

SPECIFICATIONS for rebuilding Dover Bridge will be found in the advertising columns of the GAZETTE to-day, from which it will be seen that proposals will be received at the County Commissioners' office till May 12, at which time the bids will be opened by the Commissioners of Talbot and Caroline.

The decision to rebuild the bridge was reached last Thursday, when the Commissioners, accompanied by Col. Mullikin, counsel, and Charles F. Stewart, clerk, met the Commissioners of Caroline in Denton. The intention is to rebuild from the Caroline shore by erecting three spans of 108 feet each, the remainder of the bridge to stand as it is.

Mr. Trax gives us these figures, which state the amount paid out by the two counties in the past twenty years. He says it has cost an average for maintenance of $1,407.50, or a total for the twenty years of $28,150.

A steel bridge, though expensive, will be true economy. Its first cost would be about $14,000, and the cost of maintenance is estimated at $525 per annum, making a total cost of $24,500 for the twenty years, at the end of which time the bridge would be almost as good as new. On the other hand, to build a wooden bridge like the present one would cost fully $5,500, and allowing the same amount for maintenance as heretofore, the cost at the end of twenty years would be $33,650, and the bridge would be almost worthless.

The tax books of the county were closed last week. The basis was decreased about $15,000, principally in personalty. Much new property was added.

## OF RELIGIOUS INTEREST.

Notes of the Churches in Our Town and County.

A Combination Clipping Party was given last evening at the residence of Mrs. V. M. Williams by the Sunday School classes of Mrs. Williams and Mr. A. A. Hughes.

A Violet Tea was held in the room of the W. C. T. U. on Tuesday and Wednesday nights by Mrs. Charles E. Nicols' Sunday School class. The proceeds went to the Missionary Fund of the M. P. Sunday School.

Rev. John Worrall Larmour, of Baltimore County, delivered the last of the Tuesday evening series of sermons at Trinity Cathedral on March 29th. A very good congregation was present, despite the storm.

The Sabbath School of Calvary Methodist Protestant Church will have its Missionery Anniversary to morrow evening, commencing at 7.30 o'clock. An interesting program of music, recitations, etc., has been prepared, and the occasion promises to be one of interest.

Mrs. McDonald, of Washington, will lecture and give spirit messages tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, in the Grand Army Hall, Washington and Dover Sts. Silver collection.

A meeting of trustees and members of the Union Evangelical Church, Peach Blossom, to which the public are invited, will be held at the Church building on Saturday, April 2, 7.30 P. M. A lecture will be delivered on Painting the church. Collection.

### A Generous Gift.

The children of the late Mrs. Mary E. Adkins, of Christ Church, have notified the vestry that they will make a gift of $1,500 to the parish to enable the projected new parish house to be erected on the church and rectory ground. The vestry have accepted the gift, and resolved to give the building a name commemorating the munificence of the givers, probably "Adkins Memorial House." A considerable fund has been accumulated already, and the Adkins donation will enable the work to be commenced. The House will be of Port Deposit granite. It will be used for Sunday-school, Guild and other society purposes.

Americans are the most inventive people on earth. To them have been issued nearly 600,000 patents, or more than one-third of all the patents issued in the world. No discovery of modern years has been of greater benefit to mankind than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or has done more to relieve pain and suffering. J. W. Vaughn, of Oakton, Ky., says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for several years, and find it to be the best medicine I ever used for cramps in the stomach and bowels. For sale by H. Roberts Druggist.


Don't forget the day and date of HOLLINGSWORTH & Co's Milinery Opening to-day (Saturday). The largest and finest assortment of Trimmed Hats and Bonnets ever shown in Easton, to suit all ages. Come and see the latest styles. All welcome.

**For Sale or Exchange.**

Will exchange for property in Easton a farm just over Dover Bridge.

If not disposed of, will be for rent for balance of 1898.

3-19tf H. H. LANGSDALE.

Annie E. Rathell & Co., Limited, will show you to-day an attractive line of Sash Ribbons, which are again in vogue.


### COMPLAIN OF THORNS.

Local Wheelmen Say They Puncture Their Tires.

Complaint having been made about the obstructions and dangers from thorn hedges, etc., to the public highways, the Social Cyclers, a progressive organization of ladies and gentlemen of Easton call the attention to the following act of the assembly.

AN ACT for the better protection of the public roads in Talbot county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for any person to obstruct the public roads of Talbot county by filling up the side ditches of saidroads with logs, wood, rails, brush or any other material nor shall they throw the trimmings of hedges, fence corners or brush from fallen trees upon said roads or in said ditches, or make the said roads a place of deposit for cordwood, logs or anything that does not belong to said road; and any person or persons violating the provision of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction of the same before any Justice of the Peace for Talbot county, he, she or they shall be fined the sum of not less than two nor more than ten dollars for each and every offense; which fine shal be collected as other fines and forfeitures are now collected, and when so collected shall be, by the officer collecting the same paid over to the County Commissioners of Talbot county, within thirty days from the day of collecting the same.

### A GRAVE DEFECT.

"The Old Is Better" in Our System of Public Education.

More and more the desire is gaining ground to have the studies in the Public Schools take a step backward to the days when the education of the masses meant that they should be schooled in reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling, grammar, general history and geography, thus graduating a student fitted for the ordinary business routine of life, or fitting him, or her, with a thorough foundation upon which to build up a higher education, should a college course be desired, or one with which to enter upon a professional career.

The "show off" examinations that become so common in our public schools, and for a while impressed the pupils with the belief that they "knew it all," and caused the parents to be willing to take oath that they did, has been a failure, under the relentless unmasking of facts; for it has been proven that it was glitter and tinsel in many cases, not real knowledge.

French, Algebra and Latin are well enough for well advanced classes, say for the Ninth and Tenth Grades of the Public Schools, but might be eliminated altogether without detriment, leaving the scholar that is to still prosecute his studies to wait until he reaches his college.

What graduate of a public school ever knows how to speak French intelligently, or realizes any real use in Latin and Algebra, as learned in large classes, save in rare exceptions?

How much better would it be if those of the head of Public Schools would come to realize that to learn our own language is far more profittable than to fool time away on Latin, that to read English well is far better than to speak French badly, to understand thoroughly Arithmetic is preferable to a smattering of Algebra, to spell correctly, know Geography, History and have a fine manual training discounts all the newfangled ideas that give one no real practical education to fit him for the battle of life.—PRENTISS INGRAHAM.


**A Clever Trick.**

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at Dr. Councell's Pharmacy.


## LITTLE NEWS NOTES.

Snap Shots by the Gazette's Reportorial Kodak.

The Directors of the Mercantile Library will hold a meeting at the rooms of the Association on next Wednesday, being the date of the semi-annual meeting.

Bishop Coleman will preach the sermon to the Knights Templar of Easton, on Ascension Day at Trinity Cathedral.

### Court House Repairs.

The County Commissioners have received the bill from Governor Lowndes authorizing the issuance of bonds for the repairing of the Court House, and took it up on Tuesday for consideration. Nothing has yet been done towards active preparations, but plans will soon be received for remodelling the building, several bids have been made for the bonds already.


Annie E. Rathell & Co., Limited, are showing exquisite styles in Fringed Ties and Ruching, Empire Fans and Jeweled Belts.

Just received another cargo of our celebrated Fertilizers. LEANDER R. HOOPER, 3 26 tf Manufacturers' Agent.


## REV. R. H. ADAMS COMES TO EASTON.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS OF THE WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

Rev. G. W. Burke Returned to St. Michaels —Rev. T. B. Cooper Sent to Oxford— Rev. J. M. Mitchell at Cordova.

THE Wilmington Conference adjourned Monday to meet next year at Cambridge. The appointments were generally satisfactory that of Easton particularly so, Dr. R. H. Adams being selected for this place. He will arrive in Easton with his family next Wednesday.

There are a number of changes in Talbot charges; at Oxford, Rev. T. B. Cooper; Royal Oak, Rev. James Carroll; Trappe, Rev. Frank Fletcher, and changes at Tilghman were made.

The appointments in full are as follows:

W. F. Corkran, Presiding Elder.
Bayside—(Supply) A. L. Gray.
Cecilton—J. A. Arters.
Centreville—E. C. Atkins.
Cheswold and Bethel—Ed. Gardner.
Chestertown—C. A. Grise.
Church Hill—J. H. Geoghegan.
Clayton—O. W. De Venish.
Cordova—J. M. Mitchell.
Crumpton—J. W. Prettyman.
Easton—R. H. Adams.
Galena—A. P. Prettyman.
Golts—(Supply) Irwin B. Taylor.
Greensboro—Aloycius Green.
Hillsboro—F. F. Carpenter.
Ingleside—Omer Jones.
Kent Island—S. P. Shipman.
Kenton—Robert Roe.
Marydel—M. D. Nutter.
Middletown—I. L. Wood.
Millington—D. F. Waddell.
Odessa—W. O. Hurst.
Oxford—T. B. Cooper.
Piney Neck—(Supply) J. B. Merritt.
Pomona—T. R. Van Dyke.
Queenstown—W. O. Bennett.
Rock Hall—J. P. Outten.
Royal Oak—James Carroll.
St. Michaels—G. W. Burke.
Smyrna—C. A. Hill.
Smyrna Circuit—L. W. Layfield.
Still Pond—E. P. Roberts.
Sudlersville—J. M. Lindale.
Talbot Circuit—J. W. Talley
Tilghman's Island—W. W. Chaires.
Townsend—Albert Chandler.
Trappe—Frank Fletcher.
Tunis Mills—W. E. Wright.
Wye and Starr—(Supply) C. K. Morris
Worten—George L. Ellis.

The statistical secretary, W. R. Mowbray, made an interesting report of all statistics for the year which show a great increase in all departments of the church. The following is a synopsis of the report; Probationers, 5,074, or 495 less than during the preceding year; full members, 37,343, an increase of 249; local preachers, 122, an increase of 4; deaths, 497, a decrease of 45; children baptized, 2,575, an increase of 138, adults baptized, 393, an increase of 54; Sunday schools, 395, an increase of 4; Sunday-school officers and teachers, 6,135, a decrease of 5; Sunday-schools scholars, 44,887, an increase of 341; churches, 394, an increase of 4; probable value of churches, $1,563,370, a decrease of $15,430; parsonages, 142, an increase of 4; probable value of parsonages, $268,400, a decrease of $10,300; paid for building and improving churches and property and parsonages, $45,579, an increase of $6,696; paid on old indebtedness on church property, $15,852, an increase of $1,166; present indebtedness on church property, $120,875, an increase of $10,001; average attendance at Sunday-school, 28,571, an increase of 765; members of the home department, 338, a decrease of 1,969; Sunday-school, officers and teachers who are church members or probationers, 5,746, a decrease of 76; Sunday-school scholars who are church members or probationers, 11,471, a decrease of 3,619; Sunday-school members converted during the year, 3,016, an increase of 221; current expenses of Sunday-schools, $13,867, an increase of $59; Epworth League chapters, 173, an increase of 11; Epworth League members, 9,989, an increase 431; pastors' claims for salary, $116,433, an increase of $313; pastors' claims for house rent, $19,722, an increase of $596; total claims for pastors' support, $136,155, an increase of $909; received for pastors' salaries $113,922, an increase of $1,602; received for pastors' house rent, $19,722, an increase of $759; total receipts for pastors' support, $133,644, an increase of $2,361; deficiency in receipts for pastors' support, $2,944, a decrease of $1,137; apportioned for support of presiding elders, $7,418, an increase of $3; paid for support of presiding elders, $7,033, an increase of $10; apportioned for support of bishops, $1,495, a decrease of $41; paid for support of bishops, $1,395, a decrease of $16; total support of pastors, presiding elders and bishops, $142,083, an increase of $2,387; received for conference claimants, $5,822, an increase of $157; received for church sextons, light, fuel, &c., $33,441, a decrease of $1,906.

Received for Sunday-school lesson leaves, books, &c., $13,867, an increase of $59; received by churches for missions, $10,268, an increase of $402; received by Sunday-schools for missions, $14,146, an increase of $875; total receipts for missions, $24,414, an increase of $1,277; receipts of Board of Church Extension, $1,947, a decrease of $58; receipts of Sunday-school Union, $428, an increase of $10; receipts of Tract Society, $412, an increase of $5; receipts of Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society, $1,324, an increase of $49; paid to Wilmington Conference Academy, $2,125, an increase of $909; children's fund, $964, a decrease of $75; receipts of American Bible Society, $639, an increase of $48; receipts of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, $1,639, an increase of $52; receipts of Woman's Home Missionary Society, $1,968, a decrease of $375; receipts of Conference Education Society, $347, an increase of $1; receipts for domestic missions, $925, an increase of $54; paid to the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, $155, an increase of $65; paid for General Conference expenses, $4, a decrease of $18.

### THE VOICE OF MARYLAND.

Charles Carroll's State Not Backward in Her Patriotism.

It is but right and proper that the General Assembly of Maryland should give expression to the opinions and views of the people of this state upon the course pursued by the United States government in its dealings with the government of Spain. Such action has been taken by legislatures of other states, and the words of commendation thus spoken by many commonwealths have undoubtedly encouraged the administration to continue in the course it has mapped out for itself, confident that every state in the Union will endorse and support to its full strength whatever final action the government may decide it is necessary to take.

Once before during the present session has the Maryland legislature passed resolutions bearing upon the present problems, but those were with special reference to the need of immediate relief for the starving Cubans. The joint resolutions offered in the Senate on Monday night go further than this. They tender to President McKinley cordial and enthusiastic approval of his conduct and management of the critical affairs that now confront the nation, and, while hoping that he may be able to maintain peace with honor; assure him that, if the honor and welfare of the country require sacrifices of war, the citizens of this State will follow patriotically wherever the flag may lead.

The resolutions do not, however, end with this patriotic outburst. They add to their commendation of the President hearty and well-deserved praise for Consul General Lee for the excellent work he has been doing during his service as the representative of the United States on the Island of Cuba. His work has from the beginning met with the cordial and complete endorsement of the administration, and the Consul General has proved himself to be a true American and a sturdy defendant of the rights of the American people. The resolutions, therefore, hail with joy this harmony between a Republican national administration and a man who was once a leader in the Confederacy as a proof of the complete restoration of the Union, based upon confidence, love and esteem.

These resolutions thus seek to give expression to the views of all the people of Maryland. The people of this State were divided in their opinions of the government years ago, but the times have changed, and changed to far better days. There are no differences of opinion now on such questions as these. The people of Maryland believe in the government at Washington, and are ready to stand by it to the end. They believe in the great Union of states. They are proud of their nation, and are as true patriots as the country can boast. They are also ready to give due praise to General Lee for his splendid work in Havana.

The resolutions should be passed. Maryland should thus declare that it will stand by the government, now and at all times.—*Balto. American.*


**A Good Thing It Is.**

The friends of the birds should find lots of consolation in the preliminary openings. Not a feather or a wing is to be seen on the new spring head pieces. The smartest toques and bonnets and picture hats flaunt gorgeous boquets or ribbon in place of glassy eyed little songsters and huge plumes. The giddiest models from Paris fairly bristle with bows, the making of which seems to have developed a new art. The summer hats, say those who know, will be loaded down with artificial flowers, which to-day almost rival those reared in garden and conservatory. The Audobons needn't pat each other on the back, however. A whim, not sentiment, has stayed the slaughter of the innocents.


### Tried to "Swipe" a Wheel.

Mr. M. B. Nichols had an exciting chase after a bicycle thief on Monday A young man from Caroline county came into the store and selecting a wheel to his satisfaction remarked that he would go out to the bank for the money. He returned shortly after and when no one was looking took the wheel and rode off with it. Mr. Towers, Mr. Nichols' bicycle manager chased him for six miles in the country and finally caught up with him and brought him to town. Mr. Nichols went in another direction and returned to find the young man at his store under guard. He was released, Mr. Nichols refusing to prosecute him.


Mrs. A. Inveen, residing at 720 Henry St., Alton, Ill., suffered with sciatic rheumatism for over eight months. She doctored for it nearly the whole of this time, using various remedies recommended by friends, and was treated by the physicians, but received no relief. She then used one and a half bottles of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which effected a complete cure. This is published at her request, as she wants other similary afflicted to know what cured her. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by H. Roberts, Druggist.

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