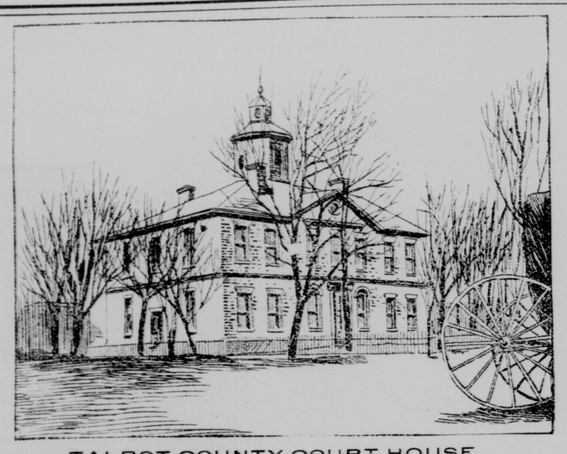
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TALBOT COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

TALBOT CIRCUIT COURT.

THE MAY TERM A REMARKABLY LONG ONE.

Several Trappe Thieves Convicted—Hopps Wins His Suit—"Speak-Easy" Trials —A New Talbot Lawyer.

THE May term of the Circuit Court for Talbot County is still in session, the number of cases being unusually large. The following is the record up the time of going to press:

A number of negroes indicted by the Grand Jury for larceny in Trappe district were tried on Saturday, J. Frank Turner counsel for defense. John Warner was found guilty of larceny of merchandise from Clark & Kirby, Daniel H. Cox foreman of jury. Lewis Cooper, charged with larceny of wheat, was convicted, John W. Perry foreman of jury. Motion for a new trial made on Monday. In the case of Perry Cooper, for larceny, the jury, of which Edward S. Neavitt was foreman, could not agree, and Judge Martin discharged them on Sunday.

Alfred L. Tharp, J. Frank Bateman and W. Mason Shehan were appointed examiners of candidates for admission to the bar.

On Monday, Thomas Skinner, a colored preacher, was acquitted by the Court of the larceny of a carriage robe; Stewart for defense.

Jake Watson appealed from the decision of Justice Ricketts, of Oxford, who convicted him of assault and battery upon Dan Braxton and sentenced him to jail for two months; Stewart for defense; jury trial, Daniel H. Cox foreman; guilty.

On motion of George W. Wilson, Charles Morris Howard, of Baltimore, was admitted to practice at the bar.

William Hopps, trading as William Hopps & Co., sued Mrs. Alice Winder for $1000 damages. He claimed to have contracted with C. S. Winder, Mrs. Winder's agent, for the purchase of wheat, and that the grain was not delivered to him, but sold to another person at a higher price. The defense claimed that Hopps had broken the contract by not having a vessel ready to get the wheat at the time named. The case was given to a jury, M. T. Goldsborough foreman, and on Tuesday a verdict for $500 was given Hopps, whose counsel was Adkins and Seth; Howard & Wilson for Mrs. Winder.

Robert S. Dodson was examined, passed and admitted to the bar.

On Wednesday, Alexander Harris was presented for illegal dredging and scraping in Choptank river; Seth for defense: stetted on payment of costs.

Perry Cooper was tried for the larceny of 40 bushels of wheat; jury, J. Phil Reese foreman; guilty, with recommendation to the mercy of the Court; Turner for defense.

Thomas J. McQuay was presented for violating the local option law by selling cider to William T. Harrison; jury, M. T. Goldsborough foreman; not guilty; Turner for defense.

John G. Alexander, presented for selling cider to Henry Roberts, was tried before the Court, Turner for defense; decision reserved.

John Blackstone was tried for violating the local option law by selling beer to Richard Tilghman; Stewart for defense; jury trial; not guilty.

The murder trial of John Wilson, colored, for the death of his son in allowing him to freeze to death last winter was tried on Thursday. The jury returned a verdict of manslaughter, and the prisoner was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Ratcliffe Manor Leased.

Francis Olcott Allen, of Philadelphia, has leased Ratcliffe Manor, on the Tred Avon, near Easton, for the summer. This is one of the old colonial Talbot county estates, whose owner is now Mrs. Gibson, wife of ex-Senator Charles H. Gibson. Mrs. Gibson will spend the summer with her son, Lieut. Richard Carmichael Hollyday, United States Navy, now stationed at Mare Island, California, and Mr. Gibson will remain in Washington.

Queen Anne's Railroad.

Beginning Monday, May 23, 1898, steamers of the Queen Anne's Railroad Company will leave Queenstown at 8.20 A. M daily except Sunday, and 1.50 A. M. daily except Sunday and Monday. Sundays at 5.30 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Harry Roberts.

THE FIRST JUNE WEDDING.

Dr. Norman R. Smithers and Miss Anna A. Taylor Married Wednesday.

June is the month of roses and consequently the most fitting in which to celebrate weddings.

On Wednesday of this week, one of the most beautiful of home weddings that has ever been conducted in this town, took place at high noon, at the residence of Mrs. Annie R. Taylor, Washington St., where her daughter, Miss Anna Taylor, was married to Dr. Norman R. Smithers, only son of Dr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Smithers, also of Easton.

These nuptials had been anticipated for several weeks by the many friends of the contracting parties, who were in no wise disappointed in the arrangements and conduct of the same.

The parlor and reception rooms were most beautifully decorated with cut flowers and palms, and dimly lighted with a number of pink shaded oriental lamps and elicited words of strongest admiration and appreciation from all who beheld them.

The music was rendered by Prof. Iula, of Baltimore, the celebrated harp soloist, and never were the strains of Mendelssohn more beautifully wafted to the ears of the bridal procession, as they gracefully entered the embowered parlor down the aisle of ribbon held by the ushers, in the following order:

Officiating Minister, Dr. Baldwin, the ushers, Mr. D. B. Hayward and Mr. Marion Dawson, the groom with his best man, Mr. Madison R. Bordley of Centreville, the Maids of Honor, Miss Freda L. Trippe and Miss Madge T. Goldsborough, and the bride upon the arm of her cousin Mr. Thos. W. Jones of Ridgely, who gave her away.

The bride wore white silk mulle over white taffeta, with tulle veil and orange blossoms, and carried Bride roses. The Maids of Honor wore white and carried flowers. The gentlemen wore black cutaways and light trousers, with boutonnieres of white carnations.

Miss Anna Taylor is the second and youngest daughter of the late Benjamin Taylor, who made his residence in Easton at the time Miss Taylor was but a child. Being a lady of highest culture and refinement, and possessing rare womanly virtues, she easily made for herself a large circle of choice friends and acquaintances, who rendered every assistance and service necessary to make the wedding one of the most beautiful that could be arranged, and many were the benedictions shed upon her by those assembled.

Dr. Norman R. Smithers is no less a favorite among those who know him, being a young man of steady and cultured habits, and highly respected wherever known. He will take his bride to Centreville to reside.

After a most sumptuous and elegant reception given the invited guests, the newly wedded pair were escorted to the depot, where they boarded the north bound train. Needless to add that showers of rice accompanied them.

Among those present were:

From Easton—
Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Baldwin,
Rev. E. R. Rich,
Rev. E. M. Hardcastle,
Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Smithers,
Dr. and Mrs. Edward R. Trippe,
Mr. and Mrs. John M. Elliott,
Major and Mrs. W. E. Stewart,
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hollyday, jr.,
Mr. and Mrs. William H. Kemp,
Mr. and Mrs. Wilson M. Tylor,
Mrs. H. Skipwith Gordon,
Emily Goldsborough,
E. A. Wright,
T. A. Councell,
Charles W. Adams,
Nina F. Aldridge.
Kate Massey,
Misses
Roberta B. Dixon,
Fredericka L. Trippe,
Margaret Goldsboro,
Mary Jenkins,
Neva Parlett,
Edith M. Hardcastle,
Mabel Carrington,
Virginia Rich,
Pauline Adams.
Elizabeth Wright,
Pauline Bartlett,
Nannie Robinson,
Maggie Robinson,
Anna Lowndes.
Sallie Lowndes,
Mamie Lowndes.
Messrs.
Wilfred Bateman,
James Dixon,
George L. Bartlett,
Dallas B. Hayward,
Marion H. Dawson,
James A. Stewart.
George W. Wilson.
From St. Michaels—
Mrs. William Caulk,
Mr. William Caulk.
From Smyrna—
Mrs. Joseph Smithers,
" Carroll Price,
Miss Bertha Smithers,
" Elizabeth Smithers.
From Baltimore—
Mrs. S. E Downes,
Miss Fannie Bradshaw,
" Belle Trippe.
Mr. Madison Bordley, Centreville.
Mr. Thomas W. Jones, Ridgely.
Mr. James Swann, Denton.

Two Millions a Year.

When people buy, try, and buy againg, it means they're setisfied. The people of the United States are now buying Cascarets Candy Cathartic at the rate of two million boxes a year, and it will be three million before New Year's. It means merit proved that Cascarets are the most delightful bowel regulator for everybody the year round. All druggist 10c, 25c 50c. a box, cure guaranteed.

DEAD HEROES HONORED.

OBSERVANCE OF DECORATION DAY IN EASTON.

The G. A. R., the Maryland Nautical Academy and the School Children in the Parade—Rev. Mr. Adams, Speaker.

ON Sunday morning last, May 29th, Hicks Post, No. 24, G. A. R., by invitation of the Pastor, Rev. Mr. Adams, attended divine worship at Ebenezer M. E. Church, where they listened to a patriotic sermon. The altar of the church was appropriately decorated with the American flag and an abundance of choice flowers, and the choir rendered a number of National hymns.

On Monday, the 30th, the Post assembled at their headquarters and proceeded to Market Space, where the parade was formed in the following order: First came the Easton Band, followed by the Staff and Cadets of the Maryland Nautical Academy acting as escort, then followed Hicks Post, G. A. R., about thirty strong, after the veterans came the Primary School of Easton. The column was commanded by Col. James C. Mullikin as chief marshal. Commandant H. H. Balch commanded the Nautical Academy Cadets, Commander Coburn had charge of Hicks Post, with Comrade Joseph H. White as officer of the day, and Mr. Theodore S. Pattison was in charge of the Primary School.

Promptly at 3 o'clock the column left Market Space and took up the line of march as follows: From Space out Dover Street to Aurora, thence to Railroad Avenue, to Hanson St., to Spring Hill Cemetery, arriving at which they proceeded to the eastern side, where the stand had been erected. The audience was called to order by Commander Coburn, and the Cadets of the M. N. A. led in singing "America," followed by prayer by Dr. Hardcastle, when the G. A. R. service for the occasion was conducted by Commander Coburn. Rev. Mr. Adams then made a short address, which he prefaced by reading President Lincoln's address at the dedication of Gettysburg Cemetery. The usual salute of three rounds had to be dispensed with, owing to the absence of Co. F, M. N. G., which has always performed this duty in the past. The G. A. R. salute to the dead was substituted, followed by taps sonnded by the cornet of the Academy, after which the veterans, assisted by the school children, decorated the graves of both the Union and Confederate dead.

The parade re-formed and returned to Market Space, where it was dismissed. The services were attended by a gathering of our citizens at the cemetery to the number of 1200 or 1500. Good order prevailed, and the demonstration was as large, if not larger, than usual.

After the Post returned to their room, a special meeting was held at which a vote of thanks was passed to Rev. Mr. Adams for his patriotic words of encouragement both on Sunday at divine service and at the cemetery on Monday. The thanks of the Post were also voted to Commandant Balch and staff and the cadets of the Maryland Nautical Academy and Prof. Pattison and the Primary School for their attendance, and the Adjutant of the Post was instructed to communicate the same to the parties named.

AT FORTRESS MONROE.

Our Company F has a Setter Dog Named Dewey.

Says a dispatch dated Wednesday from Fortress Monroe.

"This was another day of cool breezes, guard duty and bushwacking for the First Regiment. The camp is now in apple pie order and the men, now that they have gotten straight, are putting in their time at strict military duty. The reveille call is at 5.10 and from then until sundown it is all soldier work.

Company F has a mascot in the shape of a half-grown setter. His name is Dewey. They also have a smaller dog, but he has not yet been named.

The First Batalion is still doing all of the guard duty and the Second the clearing away at the shore batteries, which are being rapidly pushed to completion. Much of the time is spent fishing and boating by those who are not doing duty. There is an abundance of fish and crabs, the men of the First Batalion have but a short distance to go to reach them.

Orders from the commandant of the post have been issued for the government of the garrison and the rules are very rigid. This order goes into effect today, though it bears the date May 26. From 3.30 to 5.30 the men are required to drill inside the fort. All of the companies have not yet begun. Company F put in today in hard drilling."

Thousands of sufferers from grippe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. Harry Roberts.

Soldier Boys to Be Paid.

The first Maryland Volunteers will in a few days be paid by an Army paymaster for their service in the volunteer forces, dating from the time of their mustering in to the end of May. The regular monthly muster and inspection was held at the Fortress Monroe camp. The men were examined carefully by Lieut.—Col. William P. Lane, the regimental commander. This form of muster is enacted on the last day of each month at every station of the Regular Army, and the payrolls are prepared from the muster rolls.

PERSONAL NOTES.

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



Mr. James Mapes Dodge of Philadelphia, son of Mrs. Mary Mapes Dodge editor of the *St. Nicholas Magazine*, has taken a place for the summer in the Miles river section of Talbot county. He has leased The Wheatlands for 3 months, securing for himself a delightful residence in a charming locality.

Mr. Frederick Tilghman, of New York city, and Miss Tilghman, his daughter, were guests of their relative Col. Oswald Tilghman, at Foxley Hall this week. Mr. Tilghman is the son of Gen Lloyd Tilghman of Tennessee, who was killed in action while commanding a Confederate brigade in the war between the States, and a lineal descendant of Richard Tilghman, of Queen Anne's county, the founder of the Tilghman family in America.

Miss Ethel Velley, Jacksonville, N. J., Miss Martha Woolman, Vincentown, N. J., and Miss Emma Smith, Penn's Park, Pa., have been visiting Miss Laura Shinn this week. These young ladies have been entertained at supper by Miss Edna Speakman, Miss Florence Dixon and Mrs. Henry Shreve. Last evening Miss Shinn entertained her friends at her home, "Galloway," with a number of invited guests.

Mrs. H. C. Speakman and daughter, Miss Edna, went to Philadelphia on Wednesday to attend the wedding of Mrs. Speakman's niece, Miss Mary Gillingham, eldest daughter of Mr. A. J. Gillingham, Philadelphia.

Miss E. Y. Bartlett who has been travelling in Europe with Rev. Wm. Bartlett is spending the Summer with Mrs. Jonathan Batlett at Bonfield.

F. H. Johnston, jr., of Altoona, Pa., has been visiting at "Locust Grove," the residence of his father, Col. Francis H. Johnston.

Mr. Langley Ingraham, of Philadelphia, visited the family of his father, Col. Prentiss Ingraham, this week.

Miss Elizabeth Hall and Christie Phillips, of Cambridge, spent Wednesday with Miss Helen Covey,

J. D. Wooters and Douglass W. Stewart, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in Easton.

Miss Elizabeth T. Wright, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. A. Wright.

Miss Mary E. Ford, Trappe, spent the holidays with her sister, Miss Flavia A. Welby.

Miss Helen Gillingham, of Chicago, is visiting her cousin, Miss Edna Speakman.

Mrs. Rathell and daughter, Mrs. Laura Dittus, were in Baltimore this this week.

Mr. R. T. Larrimore and son, Robert, visited friends in Easton this week.

Miss Nellie Richardson is visiting Mrs. Alfred J. Wilson, near Easton.

Miss Grace Ball spent Sunday with Miss V. Lee Kirby, near Easton.

Mr. John Denny has accepted a position with E. T. Nicols.

Mrs. H. K. Burroughs, of Baltimore, was in Easton this week.

Mrs. W. W. Spence is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. William Reddie was in Baltimore on Wednesday.

EASTON AND THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

General Comment on the Gazette's Article Of two week's ago.

The article in the GAZETTE of two weeks ago relative to a sewerage system for Easton, has met with general favor and has been endorsed by some of the county press. Not only are prominent taxpayers interested, but even outsiders. The Baltimore *News* in a recent issue has this to say of it:

"The introduction of a sewerage system in small towns is an expensive matter, but the enterprising citizens of Easton have determined to agitate it, believing in the efficacy of public discussion. Such movements in the towns of the State are a healthy sign of progress and enterprise and indicate that the people are alive to the benefits of village improvement. The health of a town is a great consideration in the furthering of its interest and a properly constructed sewerage system is one of the means toward establishing the record of good health.

Easton Manual Training School.

The legislature made and appropriation of $1500 for extending the work of the Manual Training School at Easton, provided the State Board of Education, on investigation deemed it worthy of assistance. At a recent meeting of the Board. Prof. W. C. A. Hammel, of the faculty of the Normal School was selected to report on the work of the school.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. Harry Roberts.

MR. CHAIRES EXPLAINS.

HE GIVES HIS REASONS FOR LEAVING THE ROOM.

He Complains of Discourteous Treatment on the Part of the School Board—Is Opposed to Physical Culture.

MR. EDITOR:—An article in your last issue under the caption of "He left the room" is likely to be misleading. I therefore desire to say, first, so far as I can learn, the School Commissioners *did not* invite the patrons to meet them; second, Prof. Jump, principal, invited some of the patrons by note; third, the note stated that the subject to be considered was that of a new school room for the second assistant teacher; fourth, a small fraction of the patrons were present, of whom the writer was one.

Now, I had asked the teacher to excuse my children from taking physical culture. This, he said, was not within his power, but the School Board might do so. I thereupon addressed a letter to said Board, asking that they excuse. Did they grant my request? No. Nor did they answer my letter, but wrote asking that I give in detail my reasons for objecting to said branch of study. My first letters contained the substance of my objections, and I deemed it unnecessary to write again.

Here the matter rested till all by surprise two of the Commissioners sprung it upon us at the meeting called (as we had been notified) to consider the need for a new building. After a speech by a member of the board in defense of "physical culture," an invitation was given for any present to speak who might be of opposite mind. I thereupon seized the opportunity and tried to state my views. I say tried for the reason that, from my point of view, I had been unfairly caught by those who differed with me, and after having been interrupted again and again by questions from them while I was speaking, I was informed by a member of said board that they *could excuse* my children, *but they could not excuse them, my children.*

Forthwith contempt was ordered to be thrown into my face by calling upon a teacher to put the children through a drill in calisthenics. Now, I did leave the room, and under like circumstances would do the same thing again.

I am not seeking notoriety, nor do I care to be drawn into an unfriendly debate with the "powers that be," but I do object to physical culture, so called, being compulsory in our public schools. Again, I am willing for the public to judge whether or not the School Board have acted toward me as becometh their honorable positions.

I am the preacher to whom your former article applies, and claim all the honor which attaches to the fact that "I left the room."

W. W. CHAIRES,
Pastor Tilghman M. E. Church.

MAJOR J. C. MULLIKIN.

His Friends Do Not Know What to Call Him.

Now that Col. Jas. C. Mullikin has been appointed chief of commissary, with rank of major, his friends do not know what to call him. It is not often that a man is honored with two titles, and if he lived in Kentucky it would be no surprise, but here in Talbot it is a little out of the ordinary. However, he will be "the Colonel" as long as he lives, with his friends, even if he should later become lieutenant-general. His title of colonel is not merely a complimentary one, as he won it during the late war. He was teaching school in Trappe when the war broke out. Though only eighteen years of age, he recruited the only company raised in Talbot county for the Federal army, at the special request of Governor Hicks. The company went into commission in September, 1861, and Col. Mullikin was commissioned second lieutenant, he preferring to have older men in command. He served in this company as second and first lieutenant until May, 1863, when he was assigned aide-de-camp on the staff of General Lockwood. He served on his staff in different capacities till his promotion to lieutenant-colonel, commanding the First and Second volunteer Eastern Shore regiments. This battalion was afterward merged into the Eleventh Maryland. While under General Lockwood, he took part in the battles of Gettysburg, Cold Harbor, Bethesda Church and other places.

THE SOCIAL CYCLERS.

THEY ARE ROUTED BY SEVERAL COWS ON THEIR WAY TO OXFORD

Special dispatch from our war correspondent.

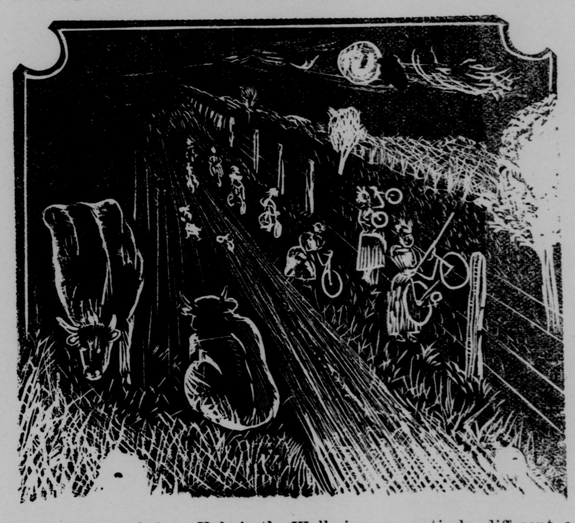
THE Social Cyclers met at Mr. W. P. Chaffinch's residence on Thursday and were photographed in a group by Prof. Morris, after which they started for "Bonfield," the home of Mrs. Jonathan Bartlett, near Oxford, where a splendid supper was served. On the way down quite an exciting encounter was had with two cows of Spanish breed, at least it was thought so, because of their meanness, and the routing of the cyclers is no doubt considered another Spanish victory.

The truth of the battle, so far as can be learned, is to the effect that when half way to Oxford the enemy was found drawn up across the road disputing their passage, and when an attempt was made by the ladies to make a flank movement over the wire fence and across the fields to the rear of their position, the enemy promptly jumped the fence and headed them off. By this time the feminine portion of the invaders had to be carried to the rear; 'steen hundred of them suffering severely from fright.

A consultation was held and W. W. Spence was ordered forward with a white flag to treat with the enemy. Various and conflicting reports have reached us concering the conference, but it develops that the pleading arguments of Mr. Spence were received in stubborn silence and with angry shakings of the head. During the conference Alfred Mason attempted to steal a march by the enemy's position, but was promptly repulsed and chased by the calves three miles. Alfred is quite a sprinter and thus escaped. On the return of Mr. Spence it was decided to retreat, and the entire army commanded by Captain Withgott hastily retired, leaving bicycles, handkerchiefs, hair pins and other weapons scattered over the battlefield.

The junction of the old road was reached and another start made for "Bonfield" and supper, the cyclers arriving there badly demoralized and suffering severely from nervous prostration.

Among those who took active part in the invasion were Mr. and Mrs. Chaffinch, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wright, Prof. and Mrs. E. K. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Patterson, Miss Emma Thompson, Jas. A. Withgott, Wm. W. Spence and Alfred Mason.



Another dispatch from Hole-in-the-Wall gives an entirely different account of the skirmish, and although not confirmed by the War Department, is published in full. Here it is:

Some maidens fair on Thursday night
On wheels adown the road did pass,
The gentle moon was shining bright
And by the road in pale moon light
Two cows were eating grass.

The cyclers gay came on apace,
The road was clear and smooth as glass,
Till one fair maid, with ashy face,
Pointed in terror to the place
Where those two cows ate grass.

"O Heavens!" now the maiden squeals,
"Our lives are lost, alas!
Come! o'er the fence quick cast your wheels,
Then quickly take unto your heels!"
—The cows kept eating grass.

Over the fence of barbed wire
The wheels did quickly pass.
Ah me! how many a punctured tire!
Ah me! the scars and scratches dire!
—The cows kept eating grass.

Then through the fence with main and might
Fled every frightened lass.
They sped away with yells of fright,
While far behind them in the night
Two cows were eating grass.