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$585.00 For the Clock.

A Meeting of all the Subscribers Called for Next Week.

Orchestra Entertainment on Thanksgiving Evening

It is Expected to Realize $150 for the Town Clock Fund. Seats Already are Sold.

THE Town Clock Subscription Committee have secured in all a total of $585, with other large contributors to hear from, and the committee are of the opinion that a meeting of the subscribers should be held at once, looking to the selection of a clock. A meeting is therefore called by Messrs. Hooper and Nichols for next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the office of the Workingmen's Permanent Building and Loan Association of all the subscribers to the fund. The business of the meeting will be to appoint a committee of five whose duty it shall be to correspond with certain clock manufacturers, investigate the merits of different makers and prices.

So far as can be judged from comments of subscribers the desire seems to be to have the Howard Clock Works of Boston put in the clock and the striking bell to be purchased from the McShane Bell Foundry in Baltimore, by which it is believed that considerable can be saved on the purchase.

It is hoped that a large number of the subscribers will be present at this meeting. Other matters of importance will be brought before the meeting. It has been suggested that a fitting and proper committee would be Mr. George H. Trax for the County Commissioners, Mr. Willis Flowers for the Town Commissioners, Mr. L. R. Hooper and Mr. M. B. Nichols representing the soliciting committee, and Mr. Walter H. Thompson for the subscribers in general.

Bowman's Orchestra by their magnanimous action in voting for a benefit entertainment have been universally commended, and a crowded house will reward their patriotic action. The entertainment will be held in Music Hall on Thanksgiving night, the prices of admission being 25, 35 and 50 cents. The plat of the Hall will not be issued for some time, but those desiring to reserve seats can do so now at a rate of $1.25 for two seats at Mr. Hooper's office, who informs the GAZETTE that he has already been requested to reserve over twenty seats.

The orchestra are rehearsing every evening and announce that they will give an entertainment far superior to any yet given. Mr. Hooper and Mr. James A. Spence are the committee named to arrange details of the entertainment.

Mr. George H. Trax and Mr. John Mason inform the committee that they are ready to double their contributions if necessary. Will not others do the same?

The fund is as follows:

County Commissioners	$100 00
Town Commissioners	100 00
W. R. Martin	10 00
Walter H. Thompson	10 00
M. B. Nichols	10 00
L. R. Hooper	10 00
George H. Trax	5 00
Frank M. Willis	5 00
Charles F Stewart	5 00
Wm. H. Adkins	5 00
Geo. W. Wilson	5 00
J. Harry Covington	5 00
Geo. F. Nickerson	5 00
John S. Griffith	5 00
Dallas B. Hayward	5 00
O. F. Sturmer	5 00
Dr. Thos. A. Councell	5 00
N. Tuthill & Son	5 00
F. G. Wrightson	5 00
Isaac R. Pippin	5 00
Joseph H. White	5 00
H. S. Gordon	5 00
Wilfred Bateman	5 00
M. P. Flowers	5 00
Dawson & Jenkins	5 00
Robson Bros	5 00
John E. Hubbard	5 00
Dr. Joseph S. Garrison	5 00
W. C. Hughes	5 00
M. A. Higgins, $10 if with fire alarm attachment, or without	5 00
Wm. J. Dukes	5 00
Wm. J. Hartnett	5 00
J. W. Wheatley	5 00
W. H. Kemp	5 00
Shannahan & Wrightson Hardware Co	5 00
Nevius & Frampton	5 00
James Dixon	5 00
J. J. Wright	5 00
W. P. Chaffinch	5 00
U. G. Ross	5 00
A. H. Matthews	5 00
Oswald Tilghman	5 00
N. E. Clark	5 00
T. H. Hollingsworth	5 00
Clayland Mullikin	5 00
Harry Roberts	5 00
Alexander Fountain	5 00
Dr. Joseph E. M. Chamberlaine	5 00
Dr. J. M. H. Bateman	5 00
Nichols & Brother	5 00
Hubbard & Co., Baltimore	5 00
Wm. Reddie	5 00
Michael McGinn	10 00
O. H. Henry	5 00
Thomas M. Bartlett	5 00
F. C. Goldsborough	5 00
George M. Wingard	5 00
G. E. Warrington	5 00
W. H. Griffin	5 00
Willis Flowers	5 00
Capt. J. F. Chelton	5 00
Charles H. Gibson	5 00
John T. Rathell	5 00
J. B. Bennett	5 00
Samuel Norris	5 00
John Mason	5 00
J. F. Bateman	5 00
J. Frank Turner	5 00
J. C. Norris	5 00
G. Harry Patchett	5 00
J. E. M. Chamberlaine, Jr.	5 00
J. C. Bartlett	5 00
William Mason Shehan	5 00
Alexis G. Pascault	5 00
Total	$585 00

Guns Repaired.

First class work by an expert and very cheap.–SHANNAHAN & WRIGHTSON HARDWARE CO. 3t.

NOT A FEW NUISANCES.

Dr Councell's Report to the Commissioners on the Health of the County.

Dr. Councell, Secretary of the Local Board of Health has made an interesting statistical report to the county commissioners, in which he also condemns several nuisances in the town of Easton. The report cites:

Since my last report the new law compelling physicians, midwives and undertakers to report all births, deaths and infectious diseases to the Health Officer has gone into effect. There is much more work connected with the office in consequence and our statistics are correspondingly greater.

Since July 1 there have been 40 deaths reported:

Bronchitis 1, Cancer 1, Inanition 1, Paralysis 1, Accident 1, Cirrhosis of Liver 1, Diphtheria 1, Uraemia 1, Remittent Fever 1, Whooping Cough 2, Bright's Disease 2, Typhoid Fever 2, Meningitis 2, Appendicitis 3, Heart Failure 3, Appolexy 3, Consumption 4, Dysentery 5, Cholera Infantum 5.

There have been 41 births reported during the same period, plainly showing that the physicians are not making the proper returns, either from carelessness or sheer neglect. Some have made no reports whatever.

Nineteen cases of infectious diseases have been reported and all precautions have been used to check further spread.

The State Board of Health has placed tubes and cover slips at the disposal of all physicians who have cases of suspected contagion or infection, whereby they can send on cultures to be definitely settled as to the correct disease. They can be obtained from the Health Officer.

The prolonged dry spell has caused every town in the county to suffer, as refuse gathers and no rain and lack of water causes it to remain and decay. At this time there is an improvement, but up to this day there has not been a day since July 1 that some one has not made a complaint of some ditch, privy or cess-pool being a nuisance.

Persons continually make complaint of the non-burial of dead horses and say the stench is horrible, but your secretary cannot help them We have no law for it except the general nuisance law, and a fine only goes with that after about six months red-tape in magistrate offices and Court.

Dr. J.S.Fulton of the State Board has visited us, and except the Railroad avenue sewer he has no complaint to make.

The marshes at the north end of Easton are a menace to health and should be drained, but that is beyond the secretary's power to abate.

THIS YEAR'S REGISTRATION.

But Few New Names Added to the Books and Few Transfers.

The different Boards of Registry sat on Tuesday of this week for the purpose of registering qualified voters and for years there has never been so few names added. In Easton District where it is usually the case that the registrars were kept busy there were only about 21 newly registered white voters and about 7 colored.

One reason may be given that the committees usually appointed to look after the registering of new voters were not active and in some cases none at all were named. In the four precincts of Easton district there 21 newly registered, 18 whites and 4 colored were transferred from and 14 whites and 3 colored transferred to.

In St. Michaels there were 5 white and 9 colored newly registered and 3 whites were transferred to the precinct. In Broad Creek Neck there were 3 newly registered white and 1 colored and 2 whites were transferred from the precinct. At Royal Oak precinct 2 whites and 5 colored were newly registered, which makes a gain in the district of 11 whites and 15 colored.

In Trappe district, first and second precincts there were 10 white and 5 colored newly registered, while the transfers were only from one precinct to the other. In Oxford there were 10 white and 6 colored newly registered.

In Chapel but one precinct has reported, the second, where there were 6 white and 3 colored registered and 5 white transfers to other parts of the county and 4 removed from the county.

Bay Hundred has sent in no report at this writing.

Another Solomon.

Talbot *Times*

For the information of the GAZETTE and its readers who *may* not know better we will say that Capt. B. F. Collison was *not* appointed as Captain of the local oyster boat "by Governor Lowndes," but by the Board of Public Works of which body the Governor constitutes one-third.

Arrival of Stoves.

Great Stock, Ranges, Cook Stoves and Parlor Heaters, all sizes, patterns and prices. Just arrived yesterday. Be sure an see us before you buy. 2t
Shannahan & Wrightson Hdw. Co.

Wine Cake special today at Meintzer's, see ad on page 5.

WHERE HE GOT THE MONEY.

MAJOR STEWART'S REPLY TO THE INSINUATIONS AGAINST HIM.

He Proves that It Was Furnished by a Baltimore Sympathizer with His Course, and not by Congressman Jackson.

MAJOR STEWART has seemingly given the Smith organs a knock-out blow this week by the publication of a letter telling where he got the money to publish his silver letters in the Baltimore papers. This information he has withheld until this week, much to the disappointment of the Smith organs. The Major has made public these two letters, with the result that these acrobatic newspapers are wondering why they had so little sense as to push him so hard.

OCTOBER 2, 1898.

MR. W. E. BEVERIDGE.

Dear Sir: When I returned from Baltimore September 7, 1898, I was charged by the so called State Democratic Central Committee of Talbot County that two officials, one Constable Stoops, the other the conductor on cars, had said that I had dropped a hundred-dollar note in the cars. Both of these gentlemen in letters emphatically denied the assertion, and with honest men the opinion prevails that the State Central Committee of Talbot should have apologized to me, but, like the man who said the horse was sixteen feet high, they stick to the false charge.

Now this same crowd say that they have letters that I never received money from certain gentlemen to help pay for the publication of my letter published the 8th of September. I never told anyone from whom I received the money. I never said to anyone that any of the gentlemen from whom they purport to have them ever gave me a cent. I called on them, but never saw them. Surely I would not give names just for the purpose of being exposed. Now I want you, from whom I did receive enough money to pay for the publication of my letters, to so state it. It was a confidential matter, and I would never have called upon you had not wicked men, for vile purposes, attempted to defame me. Truly yours, W. E. STEWART.

602 WEST PRATT STREET,
BALTIMORE, MD., Oct. 3, 1898.

MAJOR WM. E. STEWART.

Dear Sir: In answer to your inquiry, will say that I do not consider it as a proper thing to make false assertions. I recollect on Wednesday, September 7, in the forenoon, you stated to me that you had come to Baltimore to consult some gentlemen about your letter. You stated that you had been to see several gentlemen, but they were not in their office. You stated to me that you had received several of my letters, and that you were anxious to receive money enough for its publication, I told you we would chip in and let you have the money. I gave you the money for its publication and told you we could possibly give more for our cause.

I would not have said anything about this had you not requested it. Yours respectfully,
W. E. BEVERIDGE,
Secretary Democratic Committee of '96.

Resolutions of Respect.

The Commissioners of the Poor met at the Alms House this week and passed the following resolutions:

WHEREAS through the immutable laws of Providence, our fellow member of this Broad Hiram S. Hall, has been removed beyond the realm of mortality,

Therefore, we deeply feel the loss and look upon the chair now vacant with sadness, and give vent to these resolutions which we order spread upon the minutes of our proceedings.

Resolved that the Board of Trustees to the Poor of Talbot County do hereby becomingly bow to the interposition of death and acknowledge the rare work of the deceased in all transactions where his able counsel was needed.

Resolved that in him was a strong personal friend, considerate and kind to all and especially to those in the humble walks of life without ostentation, parade or the desire for praise.

Resolved that the County of Talbot looses one of its best citizens and society a pure minded man.

Resolved that the vacancy occasioned wherever his impress has been made will long be felt.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the widow with whom we sincerely sympathise.

[Signed] MARTIN M. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Love, Wheat and Phosphate.

A certain young man, not a hundred miles from Easton, quite a favorite of a certain young lady, also within easy distance, was not quite certain that he knew how to start a certain kind of a grain drill which he was directed to superintend. He was told to go to two certain places, to start certain drills; but more certain of the ability in said certain young lady, than in himself, he sought her consent to help him out.

A little rain by the way made no difference. Bikes were in order on this certain occasion. To make a long story short, the certain young lady, certain young man and certain new drill were voted one grand success.—*Fact.*

How to Prevent Croup

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. NICKLE, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by Harry Roberts.

"Back on the Farm." The perfect rural comedy, 2½ hours of solid fun, no waits between acts. A continuous show. Illustrated songs and war views, new songs, dances and specialties. Watch for the Grassville centre Band on Parade at noon. Remember the date, Tues., Oct 11, at Music Hall, Easton. Prices 25, 30 and 35. Reserved seats at Hayward's drug store.

MARRIED.

At Bruceville on Wednesday evening, Oct. 5. 1898 by Rev. B. S. Highley Mr. Herber Frazier and Miss Elizabeth Carroll.

Wine-cake—Meintzer's "Own Baking"—20 cents pound loaf. This week only. Regular price 30c. See ad—"Pastry Special",—on page 5.

First-class Floor Dressing for 30c per gallon. NEVIUS & FRAMPTON.

WILL HAVE GOOD ORDER.

Gentlemen Will, Others Must, Heed this Warning.

The GAZETTE has frequently had occasion to condemn the boisterousness on the part of certain men and boys in the gallery of Music Hall during an entertainment, and it is gratifying to know that Secretary M. M. Higgins has resolved to put a stop to the nuisance. The following notice will be printed at this office in poster shape and posted in the hall, and it will undoubtedly be effectual. The GAZETTE commends Secretary Higgins for his vigorous stand in the matter.

"Disorderly and boisterous conduct on the part of certain men and boys in the gallery, on the stairway and occasionally on the main floor of the Easton Town Hall has reached such a serious stage as to materially decrease the pleasure of respectable play-going people and therefore must be stopped, whatever the cost may be to the Hall Company. Persons who have not learned how to conduct themselves in a public hall, or who, knowing, refuse to do so, are requested to stay away from Music Hall, as the small pittance which is usually received from such people is no return whatever for the discomfort caused to decent patrons who attend for the enjoyment of the evening.

"In order to effectually break up the noisy and rowdy practices of these few persons, the Easton Town Hall Company will pay $5 reward in the first case for information and evidence sufficient to convict of disorder or boisterous conduct in Easton Town Hall building during, before or after any entertainment therein, and $2.50 reward in each of the two succeeding cases, the latter to include the offense of defacing the walls or these cards."

PERSONAL NOTES.

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

The Mayor of Martinsburg, W.Va., Maj. W. T. Henshaw, is now visiting Easton to recover from a severe illness contracted in the army. He is now a Major of Volunteers, having entered the service at the first call for troops. The Major belongs to a prominent family of West Virginia and as a Republican, a soldier and Mayor of the prosperous city of Martinsburg, has won distinction for himself.

Mrs. Samuel Wetherill, Sr., and Miss Sarah Hall came over from New York last evening, where they have been seeing Mrs. E. K. K. Wetherill off for England and the Continent. Mrs. Wetherill and Miss Hall will spent the winter at Mrs. Charles E. Nicols', on West street.

Mr. Arthur Ingraham has gone to California for his health and writes, en route, tnat he is already improving, the change having been of great benefit to him. He also writes that no place he may dwell in can win his love from dear old Talbot and its people.

Miss Elnora Fish, of Philadelphia and Miss Olivi Berryman, of Hillsborough, Ohio, are visiting Mrs. E. H. Furnes and otner friends in Easton.

Mr. Charles H. Hughes has returned to Easton greatly improved in health and able to resume duty in Easton National Bank.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Ridgely, of Dover, Del., have been visiting at "Mt. Pleasant," near Easton.

Rev. Mr. Rich and wife, are attending the Episcopal Convention in Washington.

Miss Mary L. Budd, of Berlin, is visiting her sister, Mrs. James H. McNeal.

Miss Virginia Rich will be in Baltimore for some weeks visiting friends.

Mr. Marion Dawson is now in Centreville for a few days.

Hon. Charles H. Gibson was home this week.

Run Afoul of Major Stewart.

The Baltimore *News* says:—Editor George E. Haddaway, of the Easton *Ledger* has run afoul of Maj. William E. Stewart, the indomitable free-silver advocate of the Eastern Shore, and has been taken to task by the Major in very emphatic language for publishing a story in the *Ledger* to the effect that someone saw him drop a hundred-dollar bill in the aisle of a car on his way home from Baltimore. Major Stewart proves by the man who saw the bill fall and by the conductor who picked it up and handed it to him that it was not a hundred-dollar bill, but a five-dollar bill. He characterizes the *Ledger's* attack upon him as "an infernal lie," and the man who started it as "an infernal liar." Editor Haddaway confesses that the information was furnished to him by the Democratic State Central Committee of Talbot county.

The Most Interesting.

A prominent Washington street merchant says that the last issue of the GAZETTE was the most interesting number of any country paper he had ever read. He was particularly pleased with the column of occurrences of thirty years ago clipped from our old files, and hoped that it would be continued. He further said that the makeup of the paper and the manner in which the advertising was displayed was just exactly his ideal of a country paper.

Imperial Plows

are guaranteed to be better than any Plow on the market in any way or every way. If all we say of this Plow is not proven, money cheerfully refunded. NEVIUS & FRAMPTON.

TO BE NO BOODLE CAMPAIGN.

IMPORTANT MEETING TO BE HELD AT HOTEL AVON NEXT FRIDAY

By Representative Republicans and Democrats to Devise Means to Suppress the Purchase and Sale of Votes.

A LONG DESIRED and much needed conference looking to the suppression of vote buying at election is to be held in Easton, Friday next, 14th inst., at Hotel Avon, by the State Central Committees of the Republican and Democratic parties in the counties of this Congressional district. The following letter has been sent to all such committees:

SALISBURY, MD., Oct. 4, 1898.

To the Democratic and Republican State Central Committees of the various counties in the First Congressional District.

DEAR SIRS—Pursuant to the above correspondence and to carry out the purposes suggested thereby, we ask you to meet us and the members of the Central Committees of the Republican and Democratic parties of the several counties of this Congressional district at the Hotel Avon, Easton, October 14, 1898, at noon. The seriousness of this question will naturally appeal to you, and we shall confidently expect your presence and hearty co-operation. Very truly yours,

E. E. JACKSON,
Chairman Democratic Committee.
ROBERT P. GRAHAM,
Chairman Republican Committee.

The correspondence which led up to this desired movement is interesting and is given in full below. It began in a county movement in Wicomico and soon reached such proportions as to lead to a general district meeting. The following letter was first issued:

Recognizing the extent to which the corruption of voters in Wicomico county has grown by the use of money employed in purchasing votes on election day, we invite you to join us in an earnest effort to suppress the smallest use of money in the coming election for other purposes than strictly legitimate campaign uses which we will subsequently enumerate. We feel that such an effort at this time should be initiated by us, in justice not only to our party, but our candidate, as it was freely charged by the democratic party when Col. Wilbur F. Jackson was nominated that a "boodle campaign" was to be expected, and that the republican party made its choice of Mr. Jackson to insure that end.

We wish to state that Col. Wilbur F. Jackson has been consulted and fully accords with our views and will subscribe to any proposition we commit him to.

To the end of accomplishing this object, which we predict will be followed by a marked moral improvement in our whole political, business and social life, we are willing, if the democratic nominee, Col. John Walter Smith, is agreeable and the democratic State central committee of Wicomico county subscribe to the following conditions:

To commit our candidate, Col. Wilbur F. Jackson, to no larger expenditure than the sum of one hundred dollars in this county, to be used for hiring halls, supplying music and buying such stationery and advertising as are incident to a political campaign, and agree to submit to the democratic State central committee an itemized statement, under oath, of all expenditures of money in connection with the November election, accounting for every dollar contributed from any and all sources.

To insure the observance of the election law by parties who may have a mistaken idea of good partisanship, we propose that a committee consisting of six or ten democrats, six or ten republicans and six or ten prohibitionists shall be organized in each voting precinct with the avowed determination of securing evidence against anyone directly or indirectly violating said election law. These committees to be named by the respective State central committees by the 15th day of October next, with instructions to begin their work at once.

All expenses incurred in securing evidence and prosecuting offenders against the election law shall be equally borne by the State central committees of the republican and democratic parties.

To this ex-Gov. E. E. Jackson, W. L. Laws and H. W. Anderson, comprising the Wicomico democratic central committee, replied October 3, as follows:

We heartily indorse your suggestions to unite with you in an earnest effort to suppress the smallest use of money in the coming election for other purposes than strictly legitimate campaign uses, such as you enumerate. We believe that an honest effort on the part of both parties, the democratic and republican, will be an effort in the right direction, and will result, if honestly enforced, in suppressing corruption at the polls, and in order to make the effort effective it should include the entire district, and we are ready to join you in a call of the State central committees of each county in the first district for a meeting not later than October 14 at the Hotel Avon, Easton, Md.

We, as the democratic central committee of Wicomico county, speaking for the democratic party, promise to co operate honestly and heartily with your committee and with the committees in the other counties in adopting such measures as may effectually suppress the use of money for the purchase of votes before or on the day of election.

Mr. Graham, October 4, wrote accepting the amendment widening the scope of his anti-bribery proposition, and the same day the Wicomico leaders, ex-Gov. E. E. Jackson for the democrats and Mr. Robert P. Graham for the republicans, signed the protocol for the anti-bribery conference above stated.

The counties comprising the first congressional district are Talbot, Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Dorchester, Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester. The corrupting influence of election bribery has been felt in every one of these counties. In some of them the abuse has grown immensely, and it is to be hoped that both parties will firmly resolve to abstain from using money illegitimately in the present campaign and honestly abide by the agreement.

Three Doctors in Consultation.

From Benjamin Franklin.

"When you are sick, what you like best is to be chosen for a medicine in the first place; what experience tells you is best, to be chosen in the second place; what reason (i. e. Theory) says is best is to be chosen in the last place. But if you can get *Dr. Inclination, Dr. Experience* and *Dr. Reason* to hold a consultation together, they will give you the best advice that can be taken."

When you have a bad cold Dr. Inclination would recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy because it is pleasant and safe to take. Dr. Experience would recommend it because it never fails to effect a speedy and permanent cure. Dr. Reason would recommend it because it is prepared on scientific principles, and acts on nature's plan in relieving the lungs, opening the secretions and restoring the system to a natural and healthy condition. For sale by H. Roberts.

A SCORE OF YEARS BACK.

THE GREAT MARKET SPACE FIRE OF OCTOBER, 1878.

The Most Destructive Conflagration That Easton Has Ever Known—But It Was a Blessing in Disguise.

THE column in last week's GAZETTE clipped from old files of thirty years ago has proved of such interest that this week it is continued. This rising generation has often heard, and some have a few vague recollections, of the great Market House fire that occurred just twenty years ago this week, incurring a loss of nearly $75,000.

The present modern appearance of the town, the large, handsome buildings on Washington street owe their origin to this fire. Previous to the great conflagration the old market house stood flush with the street and was on a line with the Court House fence, while Market Space was ten feet narrower than it is now. The old Odd Fellows' Hall stood on the site of the present hall but was only a few feet from the old market house, which made the Market Space but a little, narrow lane.

Our fire engine was purchased after this fire, and it might be said that Easton's greatest growth commercially, financially and in population began in 1878, after this fire.

On the day of the fire, October 2, 1878, an extra was issued from this office, and the report of the fire is as follows:

The Great Market House Fire.

About 2 o'clock this morning the alarm of fire aroused our citizens, and on reaching the public square it was found that G. Lacy Eaton's grocery store, on Market Space, was on fire. The fire was discovered by Covey's omnibus drivers going to the steamboat. When the fire was discovered the flame was pouring out the back door of Mr. Eaton's store, owned by Mr. G. W. W. Haddaway, showing that the store had been robbed and set on fire. The flame soon ran across the alley and set Mr. George W. Beck's stove store, owned by Mr. Samuel Norris, on fire. These two stores made a terrible conflagration, and in a few minutes the fire extended to the Town Hall and Market House, across the street, which were entirely consumed. The next building on the west was Mr. Norris' stable, Mr. John M. Mason's bake house and Mr. Charles H. Collison's shoe shop, all being devoured in quick succession. Then the flames swept over the carriage factory of Wm. Mason & Sons and consumed it and all the material stored in it. The fire spread to Mr. James Morgan's restaurant and dwelling, corner Market Space and West street, which were entirely consumed. The fire was checked on West street by tearing down a new stable Mr. Morgan was building.

Odd Fellows' Hall Catches Fire.

Mr. Jacob Williams' grocery and shoe store and dwelling was the first victim of the devouring element east of where the fire first originated, adjoining Mr. Eaton's store. Then Mr. John M. Mason's toy and confectionery store was consumed. The building adjoined the beautiful Odd Fellows' Hall, corner of Washington street and Market Space. Prodigious efforts were made to save this valuable three-story building, but in vain. In a few minutes it was in ruins. As the flame burst through the openings of the upper story just as day was breaking, the sight was awfully grand.

Messrs. Jarre l, Nichols & Cox's store, stocked with about $10,000 worth of dry goods, groceries and ready-made clothing, was under the hall. Many of the goods were removed, but their loss is heavy. Mr. John Mason's furniture warerooms, stocked on three floors with furniture, adjoining the hall, was burned. His dwelling stayed the progress of the fire, but it was very much damaged. On the first floor of Mason's ware room was the Singer Sewing Machine agency, but Mr. McAlister removed his property without loss. Most of the goods in Mrs. E. V. Higgins' millinery store, under Mr. John Mason's dwelling, were removed, but many of them were damaged.

At first the firemen seemed not to know how to fight the fire, and made but little headway in staying its progress, but at Mason's dwelling they fought it at close quarters and conquered. The inefficiency of the Easton fire department was most notable.

At one time the Court House was on fire, but the flame was extinguished with buckets. Millions of sparks rained on the M. E. Church, but its slate roof saved it, assisted by an active corps of bucket men in the steeple.

At one time the stores of Thompson & Kersey, M. M. Higgins, Elliott & Rathell, T. C. Nicols and Tuthill & Avery were in imminent danger, but fortunately by a free use of water, wet blankets and carpets, the fire did not spread to the east side of Washington street. Those engaged in protecting these buildings worked valiantly on their roofs and came out conquerers.

Much credit is due to many of our colored people, who, although they had not a dollar at stake in the part of the town visited by the fire, worked as hard as the property owners to assist in putting out the fire. Our town has had another serious warning, and it is to be hoped it will now go to work and organize an efficient fire department, without which there is no security against fire.

OF RELIGIOUS INTEREST.

Notes of the Churches in Our Town and County.

Tomorrow morning Rev. W. H. Savage will preach on the Qualifications and the Work of Deacons in the Cordova Baptist Church. Special meetings will commence on the first Sabbath in November, the 6th, at which time the Pastor expects able help. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The ladies of the Baptist Church, Cordova, will give an oyster supper and ice cream festival in Sisk's Hall on Friday and Saturday nights, Oct. 14th and 15th.

A variety of home-made cakes, large and small, at the Saturday Market.

A Sure Thing for You.

A transaction in which you cannot lose is a sure thing. Biliousness, sick headache, furred tongue, fever, piles and a thousand other ills are caused by constipation and sluggish liver. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the wonderful new liver stimulant and intestinal tonic, are by all druggists guaranteed to cure or money refunded. C. C. C. are a sure thing. Try a box to-day: 10c, 25c, 50c. Sample and booklet free. All druggists. tf

We feel sure that you never saw John Wanamaker's Paris emporium, but you can do the next best thing by visiting T. H. Hollingsworth & Co.'s Millinery Opening to-day.

25lb bucket Axle Grease (good quality) 75c., 15lb, 50c., at
NEVIUS & FRAMPTON'S.