Chestertown Transcript.

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Correspondence upon matters of local interest desired. Anonymous communications will not be inserted.

It is desirable that communications be in by Saturday night if possible, and in any case not later than Monday night or Tuesday morning.

Some Chestertown young men are talking about a bicycle club.

The ministers and delegates from the M. E. and M. P. Churches, of Kent, left the first of this week for their respective conferences.

Thieves broke into the office of the Chester River Steamboat Company, at Chestertown, on last Friday night. They made a haul of some whiskey that was there awaiting its owner. Probably the kind of haul they were looking for.

Baltimore Grain Market.—The supply of southern wheat is very light, and the market is quiet but firm; a small lot good long-berry sold at $1 43, and prime is quoted at $1 45. Southern corn is firm, especially for white, and the demand is good; sales of white at 78 cents, and of yellow at 69 cts.

Sales.—R. Hynson, Esq., as executor, will sell the personal property of Jacob Highly, deceased, at Kennedyville, next Saturday; sale begins at 10:30 A. M. See advertisement elsewhere.

Mr. Wm. Ford, as administrator of Joseph C. Shriver, deceased, will sell the personal estate of deceased, Wednesday, the 15th inst., beginning at ten o'clock A. M.

Burned Fatally.—The seven-year-old daughter of Richard Squares, who lives in a tenant house on the farm of E. S. Meginnis, in Queen Anne's county, near Chestertown, stood on a hot cook stove the day last week, to get something off the mantle. Her clothes took fire, and she was so badly burned, that on last Monday she died. The mother was also badly burned in trying to save her child.

New Advertisements.—The McCormick reaper is advertised for sale elsewhere by Mr. E. T. Comegys, who has a sample machine on exhibition at Locust Grove.

The report by the Insurance Commissioner of the Kent Mutual Fire Insurance Company, is published elsewhere.

We call your attention to T. D. Pierce's splendid line of boots and shoes, which embraces a large variety of standard makes, including all grades from the finest to the coarsest. Prices always the lowest. See advertisement.

C. F. Stam advertises fresh garden seeds, H. A. Sparks advertises general variety [illegible] other short new advertis[illegible]

A VISIT TO FLATLAND SCHOOL.

Mr. Editor—On last Friday afternoon I stopped for a time at the Flatland public school. The occasion was the reading of the pupils' school paper, the School Mirror, accompanied with recitations, readings and music, both vocal and instrumental.

The school paper is read on the first Friday in the month, and the pupils, except the very smallest, all recite selections from some distinguished author. The selections this afternoon were from Longfellow, and seemed to be appreciated by the pupils.

The school paper was most admirable. The leading article, "An aim in life." Another was "Nellie Green's triumph," a serial story in four numbers, this being the first, by three different pupils. "A girl's composition on boys"—A reply to "A boy's composition on girls," a short, humorous piece we are able to give you entire, as follows:

"On-half of a boy is composed of flesh and bones, another half of whoops and yells. Boys are nearly always hungry. Fill them up and they are as nice as pie, but never ask a favor of a hungry boy. Boys are like dreams—they usually go by contraries. They are also fond of teasing. It seems to be their delight to make the dogs run the cats. A boy nearly always has an engagement when his sister or mother wants him to do take her anywhere. Most boys like to play and very few are fond of study. They had much rather play ball. Boys are conscientiously opposed to cleaning their boots. They very, rarely hang up their clothes, or indeed put anything in its proper place. And as for finding anything, they can't do it. Hunting is out of their line—unless it is rabbit hunting. There are two things boys can do better than girls. These two things are whittling and whistling. Very few boys crimp their hair but it is because they haven't enough to crimp, and it is not the fashion for boys to wear long hair, as it once was. Boys are very peculiar about having their neck-tie tied just so; and they nearly always come down stairs and send their p[illegible] back for something they have forgotten [illegible]

Most boys m[illegible] of horses, but they are also fond of r[illegible] them until the poor beasts are t[illegible]

Very few [illegible] play on the piano or organ. [illegible]gh patience to sit down an[illegible] say one, two, three, 1 & 2, 3 [illegible]d over again. However, [illegible]omething. If you want a [illegible] very handy to have [illegible] following; [illegible] board [illegible] the [illegible]

PEACHES FOR 1882.

OPINIONS FROM PROMINENT GROWERS IN KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

The talk about the peach crop was becoming so general, that the Transcript last week, dropped a circular to prominent growers in Kent and Queen Anne's counties, asking opinions as to the peach prospect at this time. Growers are very cautious about expressing an opinion, because the crop is yet very uncertain. The opinions given below are as to present condition of buds, without any surmise as to what may happen between this and the first of May. The peach yet has its most critical period to pass:

MASSEY'S, MD.

Ed. Transcript:—All peach trees were badly injured by winters of 80 & 81. Some will tender a poor receiver to bear some fruit this year and hereafter. Thousands, like my own, have been, and will be taken up. Only hope of ever having peaches is from new trees. Buds of last year's growth all right. C. H. B. Massey.

STANLEY P. O., Feb. 18, '82.

Ed. Transcript—Dear Sir—The prospect for a crop of peaches on my trees at this time is tolerably fair. Trees are 8 to 10 years old; much wood of the growth of the year 1880 was killed in the winter that followed. The new wood of '81 is insufficient for a full crop. H. T. Jump.

SUDLERSVILLE, Feb. 27, 1882.

Dear Sir—So far every thing has been favorable for a good crop of peaches, and up to the present time there is no black speck in the bud, nor will there be any except the bud be killed. In many orchards the wood was materially injured last winter, and by no possible means could there be a crop like 1875, but there are enough living to make a good crop.

Yours truly, W. J. Sudler.

CHESTERVILLE, Feb. 28, 1882.

Dear Sir—The prospect for peaches on good trees is very good. The reds are not hurt at all, but I find a few black buds on the yellows. I know some orchards that have died from last winter's cold. They loafed last year but shed their leaves very early, and will not put out at all this spring. When trees make plenty of new wood, I don't think the crop can be injured. So far I think *our* prospect as good as I ever saw.

Yours, &c., W. H. West.

POMONA, Md., March 1st, '82.

Dear Sir—Yours of the 27th ult. inquiring as to the condition of the peach is at hand. In reply will state that the prospect for a crop never was better on all trees that are not on the decline. Old trees were much injured by the winter of 1881, consequently they have a great deal of dead wood, and will not have a full crop. There is no appearance of the black speck, and fever is in a bud that will produce a peach.

Yours truly, Barnes Trew.

CENTREVILLE, March 1st, 1882.

C. G. Woodall, Esq.—Dear Sir—Your circular of the 27th Feb. was duly received with regards to prospects of a peach crop as at present. I will say the present prospect is good in Queen Anne's county; our trees were not much injured by the winter of 1881—the spring was favorable for the growth of young wood; during the summer and early fall, we had an excessive drouth, and this was at the time the fruit buds were forming, which made them very hard and compact, and not liable to be hurt by the frost. They are as perfect at this date as I ever knew them to be, and although not a large crop of buds, I think a plenty for a good crop, provided they are not injured by late frosts.

Very respt. yours, Sam'l. T. Earle.

FAIRLEE P. O., Kent Co., Md., March 1st.

C. G. Woodall, Ed. Transcript—Sir—I cheerfully comply with your request. I have this day examined the peach trees. I did not see a single black speck in all the buds I examined. The trees are looking healthy, and at this date there is an abundance of live healthy buds, and if a cold wave does not strike us within the next seventy days, peaches will not be scarce in my opinion.

Truly, A. L. Corey.

WHITE HOUSE, Feb. 28, 1882.

Dear Sir—I had upon the day I received your circular, in company with my tenant, made an examination of the peach buds. We failed to find any indication of disease, and thought the prospect so far "all right." I do not find that my trees were materially injured by last winter's cold. Your truly, W. S. Walker.

SUDLERSVILLE, Q. A. Co., Feb. 27, '82.

Dear Sir—My opinion, in regard to the prospect for peach crop, is, that so far the buds are not injured. Very few black specks to be found, notwithstanding the assertions of some, that they always abound. Indeed, whenever found they certainly indicate destruction of the fruit. Many orchards, especially on poor land have been badly killed by last winter, consequently I do not think the crop could equal that of 1875.

A. E. Sudler.

LANKFORD, Kent Co., Md.

C. G. Woodall, Esq.—Dear Sir—So far the prospect is good for a fair crop of peaches. I have examined my orchards, particularly, in the "bottoms" where they are most likely to be hurt, and find all uninjured. I do not think the winter of '81 injured my trees. They look healthy and prosperous. Yours very respt.,

Feb. 28, 1882. John Bagg.

NEAR ROLPH'S WRF., Q. A's. Co

Ed. Transcript—In reply to your inquiry would say that the severe winter of '81 did seriously affect many of the older peach trees, but did very little if any injury to thrifty trees that were less than 12 years old. The only effect of drouth the past summer was to lessen to some extent the amount of young wood, but did no serious harm. The buds at this time appear to be in good condition, and should nothing occur to hurt them, think the prospect good for large yield of fruit. Respectfully,

March, 1st, 1882. Geo. Smith.

MASSEY'S, March 2d, 1882.

Dear Sir—The peach buds are uninjured at the present time, very few showing the black speck. But it is too early to make any estimate of the coming crop. Although the trees have much dead wood in them from the severe winter of one year ago, I do not think they are very seriously injured.

Very respt. yours, Stephen Boyer.

QUEEN ANNE'S CO., March 4th.

Dear Sir—I think the prospect at this time for a fair crop of peaches in this locality is very good; the buds are healthy, and if not injured by frost early in the season, the trees have buds enough to give a good crop of fruit. As far as I have examined I have seen no black speck in the buds. I think the wood injured by the very cold weather last winter, as a general rule, has been removed, and that very few of our trees were permently injured. The younger orchards, I think, suffered the most from the extreme cold. Yours, W. H. Newnam.

LAMBSON'S, Kent Co., March 2, '82.

Dear Sir—According to your request I have examined my orchard in all the varieties. I find a few with the black speck, but enough live ones to insure a full crop if nothing more happens to them. As to last winter's cold injuring the wood, I think some of the trees are hurt, but as mine is a young orchard I think they will outgrow it. Yours respt.,

E. B. Woodall.

STILL POND, March 1st, 1882.

Dear Sir—The buds are perfectly sound and healthy. Thousands of old trees were so injured by last winters ('80 and '81) cold that they cannot be depended upon for fruit this season. Young trees, from 4 to 7 years of age, promise an abundant crop. If they are not injured by late frosts, we will have a fair crop of peaches in this section the coming season.

Yours truly, W. S. Maxwell.

CHESTERVILLE, Kent Co., Md.

The peach tree wood has not been injured by the winter of 1880. The buds are perfect, no appearance of black speck. The present condition of buds and trees indicate an abundant crop.

Yours truly, Sam'l W. Albridge.

POMONA, March 4, 1882.

Mr. C. G. Woodall—Sir—I think the prospect for a crop of peaches is good. The buds are nearly all good and doing well. I do not think [illegible] winter damaged our orchards in parts [illegible] the land is good, beyond recovery. I [illegible] the land is good the trees look well [illegible] plenty of buds. J. A. Groves.

WHITE HALL, March 4, '81.

[illegible] to yours of the 27th, [illegible] I would say up to this [illegible] too soon to es[illegible] of which you [illegible] The wood [illegible] injured by last [illegible] are not af[illegible]

[illegible] injured the wood very much. S. Vannort.

HANESVILLE, Kent Co., Md.

Dear Sir—The present prospect for peaches indicate a full crop. Yours respt.,

W. W. Stephens.

CRUMPTON, March 4, 1882.

Dear Sir—In compliance with your request I have examined my orchard, which is nine years old, and can not find an injured bud. The trees are very thrifty, with but little dead wood. Hoping for a paying crop this year, I remain yours truly, Alday Clemmins.

CHESTERVILLE, March 4, 1882.

In answer to your inquiry about peaches—I have no peach orchard of my own, but have asked my neighbors that have peach orchards. Peaches are not hurt up to the present. But it is too early yet to tell. I never think it safe for a peach crop until after the 15th of June. There is no black speck as far as I have examined. The trees did not make much new wood last fall; the winter did not injure the wood, and from the present outlook there will be plenty of peaches. Yours respt., W. T. Miller.

WORTON, Kent Co., Md. Mar. 3, '82.

Dear Sir—I have not examined any buds but think the present prospect is good, but do not think there will be as large a crop as there was in '75, providing there is no disaster hereafter. They are often hurt in April or May by the black frost. The drought was so long last season, there was not so much new wood as would have been, if it had not been so long. Therefore cannot expect as much fruit.

Resp. yours, Isaac Parsons.

SASSAFRAS, Mar., 3, '82.

Dear Sir—In answer to your inquiry in regard to the coming peach crop, will say that nearly all the buds that formed last fall are living, and in reference to the wood of the trees being injured by the extreme cold of the winter of '80 and 81, I think it is seriously injured, especially that of the older trees. How far that injury will extend to the maturing and ripening the coming crop, we cannot tell, but we think the coming crop will not be a full one, and will be of inferior quality. The "black speck" is undoubtedly "dead peach."

Yours resp., B. F. H. Cattle.

LOCUST GROVE, Mar., 4, 1882.

Dear Sir—Yours of 27th received. In reply, the prospect for a full crop of peaches was never better, at this season of the year, than it is now. Very resp. J. W. Hartt.

CHESTERTOWN, Md.

Ed. Transcript—I think my orchard was hurt by the drouth last summer more than by the cold of last winter. Buds are all right so far. The black speck is no sign of a failure of crop, according to my observation, even if it exists. My orchard bore none last year, and the present prospect is good for crop this year.

G. H. Leaverton.

LOCUST GROVE, Md.

The peach crop prospect so far is very encouraging to the growers. There has been no weather the past spring to hurt the peach buds. The spur buds in the peach trees are all good. These are the buds which give us the fruit. On the long growth at the ends of the limbs, which a great many look at, in all probability the buds will be found in a great measure black. This growth of the wood rarely gives any fruit.

Yours respt., T. J. Shallcross.

CHESTERTOWN, Md.

Ed. Transcript—Peaches are all right so far. Have not seen any black specks. Do not think trees were hurt by last winter's cold.

Wm Ford.

Q. A's. Co. Near Chestertown.

Ed. Transcript—I think the prospect for peaches this year is good so far. No black speck, I think that old orchards were very much hurt by the cold of last winter. I have an orchard 17 years old, that was entirely killed. On my young orchard the prospect is good.

Joshua Cosden.

KENNEDYVILLE, Kent Co., Md.

Ed. Transcript—Peach buds full of vitality and prospect good. Trees on good land last winter were not hurt, but on light and sandy land suffered from the cold. No black specks.

J. P. Carothers.

MASSEY'S Md., Mar. 1st, '82.

Dear Sir—My opinion as to the coming peach crop, is that the prospect is fine so far. I examined a twig the other day containing twenty buds, and out of the twenty I found only one bud with black speck. The old trees were injured from the cold in 1880, but young trees show good prospect for the future.

Yours truly, E. A. Moffitt.

6TH DISTRICT, Q. A. Co., Mar. 1, 1882.

Editor Transcript—In regard to the peach crop, I have no great experience, being somewhat of a novice. I have made some observations this winter. I find no black specks as yet, but there are a very few buds on the trees in comparison with former years, the hard winter of '81, and the very dry year following, allowed the formation of very little new wood, upon which the buds appear, therefore there is a very perceptible decrease of buds, but what are here seem to be healthy. I don't think the young trees were materially injured last winter, but old orchards are badly damaged.

Yours truly, John B. Thomas.

POMONA, Mar. 2, '82.

In reply to yours of 27 inst. There is a very fine prospect for peaches, no black specks. Some dead wood, result of last winter's cold weather. I should judge that from present outlook there will be plenty peaches. Of course the late frosts may kill them, but the cold winter has not hurt. J. H. Baker.

HANESVILLE, Mar. 6, 1882.

Your note only reached me Saturday night. While the buds are less in number than usual, by reason of little wood, they are now in very healthy condition. The black speck indicating, unmistakably, a dead bud is seldom found. Trees are not forward, the ground is cold and the prospect for a full crop, good.

Very resp. yours, &c., J. W. Corey.

STANLEY, Mar. 1, 1882.

Mr. Editor—Sir: In regard to the prospect for fruit, I think it is good at this time, but too soon for any definite calculation. The buds are good and plenty of them, more than average growth on young trees in full bearing. Abundance of dead wood on old trees. I think the crop will be good this year. I see very little of the black speck.

Yours truly, D. Crew.

BUCK NECK Whf., Mar. 2, 1882.

Editor of Transcript—Sir: The present prospect is good for peaches. The wood has not been injured, up to this time. No black speck as yet. Yours, James Shuster.

KENNEDYVILLE, MD.

Dear Sir—According to your request I have examined my peaches and found them to be all right; there are scarcely any black specks. I do not think that last winter's cold did the wood any serious damage.

Yours resp. W. J. Hurlock.

GALENA, Feb. 27, 1882.

C. G. Woodall—Dear Sir: In answer to your request in regard to the prospect of the peach crop, I find that all the buds are good and no black specks in them. The growth of wood is short on old trees (last year's growth) but there are plenty of buds for a good crop. The late frosts are all we need fear now, I think. The buds are more backward than they were this time two years ago. Last year we had no bloom. Some of my young trees were killed entirely last winter, in low ground.

Resp., Samuel Todd.

MILLINGTON, March 3, 1882.

Editor Transcript—Dear Sir: In compliance with your request, I have examined our peach orchards, and found them all right. There are plenty of live buds, as yet, and the trees are looking very well; Some dead limbs. From present prospect, if nothing happens to them, we may expect a fine crop.

Jas. R. Jones.

MASSEY'S, Md., March 1st, '82.

Mr. Woodall—Dear Sir—I received your postal card. Say in reply that I am not much of a peach man. As far as I have seen and read, the buds seem to be all right so far.

Yours respt., R. H. Carraley.

HANESVILLE.

Mr. Woodall—Dear Sir—The prospect for peaches for the present year, is good in most localities. Where the winter of 1880, did not injure the trees too much. The trees having no fruit on them last year, gave them an opportunity to make nearly as much wood as a good season will permit. If no disaster occurs we will have plenty peaches in 1882.

Respt. R. G. Nicholson.

FAIRLEE, March 1st, 1882.

C. G. Woodall, Esq.—Dear Sir—In reply to your inquiry permit me to say that as far as my examination extends, the peach buds are numerous, and so far uninjured. I have not found any with the black speck. There is, in exposed localities, evidence of permanent injury from the severity of the winter of 1880. The present [illegible] condition of the buds exposes them to [illegible] from late frosts.

Yours, Howard Meers.

CHESTERTOWN, Md.

[illegible] on examination of my [illegible], which I have ex[illegible] so far as my ex[illegible] find any black [illegible] perience in [illegible] On north side of orchard near the creek, I found considerable dead wood, which I have no doubt was caused by extreme cold of winter of '81.

Respt. J. M. J. Burgee.

QUAKER NECK, Mar. 2, '82.

Ed. Transcript—Dear Sir—In answer to your query about the peach prospect, I have made an examination of two hundred buds, taken promiscuously through my orchard of varieties from the early beatrice to late white heath, and only found four dead ones. My trees have not made much new wood. Think the severe winter of last year has injured the vitality of the tree to a considerable extent, particularly trees past their prime. Present prospect for full bloom very good. Yours &c., T. D. Faunce.

FAIRLEE, Kent Co., Md.

I have examined a good many peach buds, and have failed to find any black specks, they all seem to be perfect at this time. The cold last winter has injured some old orchards, and the hot, dry summer prevented the trees making as much new wood as they would have done under more favorable circumstances. If nothing further prevents, I think there will be a good crop of peaches.

Yours truly, Jas. H. Gale.

STANLEY, Md., March 1st, '82.

Dear Sir—Your card of inquiry of 27th at hand. Condition of buds good. Black speck rarely found. Wood of trees badly injured in low places, and on land sloping to the south; otherwise not so bad. Present prospect fair for a medium crop. Yes, truly, J. W. Howard.

GALENA, Md.

Sir—I do not think the prospect was ever better for a crop of peaches. I have a young orchard of four-year-old trees, and I have not found, on examining them, anything but what indicates an abundant crop. The present spell of warm weather may cause the buds to commence to swell, and later the weather may be such as to injure them. I do not think my trees were injured in the least by the very cold weather during the winter of 1881.

Yours truly, E. Gooding.

Ed. Transcript—Have not examined my trees this year, but feel sure that the peach crop is not hurt yet. Justas Ringgold Jr.

HANESVILLE, Md.

I think my orchard was hurt by the winter of '81, but there are plenty of healthy buds at present. I examined fifty buds recently, and found only one with a black speck.

G. R. Stevens.

CHESTERTOWN, Kent Co., Md.

Ed. Transcript—The prospect for peaches is at present as good as could be desired, considering the amount of new wood on trees. The winter of '81 hurt my trees very materially. Have not found any black specks this season, though I think I have examined more than a thousand trees. E. J. Watson.

Q. A. Co., near Chestertown.

Dear Sir—In reply to your note in regard to the coming peach crop, have examined my buds, and find I have plenty living. I find some few black specks, of course they are dead, but if nothing happens later, I shall have a large crop. Hoping this may be satisfactory,

Resp. S. T. Rogers.

LANKFORD, Kent County, Md.

Ed. Transcript—I have found no black specks this season. I think trees were injured more by the large crops of 1879 and 1880 than by the cold of last winter. I don't think any reliable statement can be made about the prospect for a peach crop before the 10th of May.

J. H. Price.

Feb. 4, 1882.

Ed. Transcript—I have examined orchards. Find but very few buds with black speck. Not much new wood made last season (owing to drought) but full of healthy buds. Buds very much swollen. I find more dead wood than usual, but do not think to any permanent damage. Prospect at present very good.

T. Rowie Strong.

Feb. 7, 1882.

C. G. Woodall, Esq.—Dear Sir: Yours of Feb. 27th, asking my opinion of the peach crop of 1882, received. Young orchards that have been well-filled, I consider the prospect as good as in 1875, at this writing. On all my neglected trees there is much dead wood.

Yours resp. &c., D. J. Nowland.

HANESVILLE, Mar. 9, '82.

Sir—I have examined my orchards and find a sufficient number of good, healthy buds. There are a few with black specks, that are already withering. The limbs that were frozen to the heart last winter, are dead.

Yours resp., Jos. R. Usilton.

STILL POND, Kent County, Md. Mar. 1, '82.

Mr. C. G. Woodall—Dear Sir: In reply to your inquiries respecting prospects for peach crop, I beg leave to say: That it is too early to venture an opinion with any degree of accuracy, as late frosts or drenching rains while the trees are in bloom, may destroy the germ. So far as I am able to judge at this time, (in orchards where the trees were not injured by the severe cold of the winter of 80 & 81) the buds are strong and fully matured, and the wood well ripened, and the prospect for an abundant crop is good. In some cases, however, old orchards have made but poor growth, on account of the drought last summer, and cannot yield a full crop. And in some parts of Delaware and lower Maryland, on account of the extreme low temperature during the winter of 80 & 81, many orchards were impaired beyond recovery and can never profit the owners. No black speck visible yet.

Very resp. N. Barnard.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, March 7, 1882.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson.

George W. Jacoby, administrator of George W. Lybold, deceased, returned his first administration account, which was examined, passed as stated, and ordered to be recorded.

Benjamin W. Berry, administrator c. t. a. of Joslind Little, returned his second and final administration account, which was examined, passed as stated, and ordered to be recorded.

John Z. Clark and F. H. Boulden, administrators of Alfred Jervis, returned their fourth and final administration and dividend, which was examined, passed as stated, and ordered to be recorded.

William B. Usilton filed the last will and testament of Emeline E. Frazier, deceased, which was admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

On application, letters testamentary on the personal estate of Emeline E. Frazier, were granted and committed unto William B. Usilton (the executor appointed in said will) who filed his bond in the penal sum of $6000, which was approved and ordered to be recorded.

On application, Joseph R. Usilton was appointed guardian to Charles R. Skirven and Sarah A. Skirven, who filed his bond in the sum of $100, which was approved and ordered to be recorded.

James A. Skirven, executor of Araminta W. Skirven, filed his release from Wm. R. Gale and Annie S. Gale, which was received and ordered to recorded.

NOTES FROM WORTON.

Mr. Editor—I am very much gratified to find such an interest is taken in the "notes by the way," published weekly in our county papers by writers from the different districts. From these notes we learn what our neighbors are doing, and almost what we are doing ourselves. I think an addition could be made which would be of some benefit, viz.: Mr. B has commenced ploughing for his spring planting or has sown his clover; Mr. C has trimmed or is trimming his peach or pear orchard, and other such items, interesting to the farmer. It would set them to thinking, particularly those who are always *almost ready*, and would create a lively competition in making preparations for spring and other crops. "Beat my neighbor if I can" would be the motto. It would also be a good idea, Mr. Editor, with your consent, for farmers to give through the paper their experience in raising crops, market gardening, and kinds of manures, and how to make them, &c. Vegetables at this season are very scarce in the county, all owing to the non-attention to the kitchen garden. Why will not the head of the family pay more attention to it. You visit your neighbor and nine times out of ten you seat yourself at the table and the "menu" is "hog and hominy," with a cup of good coffee. No vegetables because we hav'nt had time to attend to them. One Saturday afternoon every two weeks will make vegetables enough for a good large family, both for summer and winter use. The season for vegetable planting is nearly at hand, try it. A few days ago we dined with a gentleman, and the following vegetables were on the table: Potatoes, onions, beets, carrots, Parsnips, lima beans, salsify, toma toes, turnips and celery. We asked have you all these kinds in your garden. And there they were with a nice bank of cabbage also.

We learn that our young friend Mr. Hep. Stanly will be prepared this season with a fine engine and thresher to wait upon our farmers and prepare their grain for market. Hep is a young go-ahead business man, and we wish him every success.

Capt. Wm. Kelley is ready now, and only waiting for the shad to put in an appearance. His nets are in elegant condition, and from all indications he expects quite a harvest this spring. The Capt. must remember the Transcript since he has doubled.

The members of St. James, and those so fortunate as to be present last Sunday morning were treated to a fine specimen of oratory. It was a masterly effort.

Our minister left this morning for conference. We hope that he may be returned to us in as good health and cheer as he left this morning.

Mr. John Cooden of Queen Anne's paid us a visit last week, accompanied by his wife and children. We don't see that John has gained any more flesh since he left last fall—however sand is fattening.

Mr. B. F. Beck, Jr., was on a visit to Worton one day last week, and we know of no one we would rather see than Benny. He is always welcome in Worton.

This week will pretty near wind up the play, and work will begin next. Major Jack.

Seven dollars per ton is the ruling price at which Sussex farmers are contracting to grow tomatoes for the canners. Some canners want to pay only six dollars.

The editor of the Greensboro Free Press took a trip to Centreville recently for benefit of his health. After seeing the sights, he went home much invigorated.

Rev. T. J. Prettyman, a well-known minister of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, died recently of pneumonia, at his charge at Newark, Worcester county, Md.

A Newark, Del., negro has been going around vaccinating his race with beeswax, upon the strength of his declaration that he had been appointed by the Newark Board of Health as public vaccinator.

There will be considerable change left in your pocket-books this season, if you will patronize the acknowledged leaders in the clothing trade in Baltimore. Their Superior garments for Men, Boys, and Children insure a style and elegance not obtainable elsewhere and they carry the largest stock of Clothing in the State and sell it for the least money. When you go to the City go at once to C. N. Oehm & Son, Hanover & Pratt streets; who also give a souvenir to each patron.

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SHOWING THE CONDITION OF

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OF KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND:

CHESTERTOWN, Dec. 31, 1881.

ASSETS.

Loans on Bond and Mortgage	$65,160.00	
Stocks and Bonds absolutely owned by the Company (market value)	14,650.73	
All other assets	3,488.21	
Interest due and accruing on Stocks, Bonds and other securities	667.00	
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company deposited in bank	6,921.86	
Premium Notes	135,485.00	
Total admitted assets		$225,262.80

LIABILITIES.

Losses unadjusted	$2,011.76	
Reserve as required by law	34,367.20	
Surplus to be returned to Policy-holders (estimated)	2,465.17	
Total liabilities		38,844.13
Surplus as regards Policy-holders, including Premium notes		$186,358.67

Total income	11,236.79
Total expenditures	3,979.26
Amount of Policies in force on 31st Dec., 1881	2,025,085.00
Amount of Policies written during year 1881 in Maryland	145,557.00
Premiums received thereon in 1881	616.92
Losses paid in Maryland during 1881	1,828.40

State of Maryland, Insurance Department,

Commissioner's Office, Annapolis, Feb. 9, 1882.

In compliance with Act of 1878, Chapter 166, I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from the statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, to December 31st, 1881, now on file in this Department.

JESSE K. HINES,
Insurance Commissioner.

March 9, 1882—3t.

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