# The Transcript.

THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1884.

Subscription $1.50 per year; 75 cents for six months, in advance.

—Leap year goes out next Thursday. Just one more week left for the girls.

—The Kent county public schools closed on Tuesday for the Christmas holidays.

—Sleigh bells have been jingling in Chestertown from six in the morning till twelve at night, since the snow has been on.

—"Vick's Floral Guide" is ostensibly a seed catalogue. As a matter of fact it is not a bad treatise on botany. Ten cents sent to James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., brings a copy.

—Holiday trade was brisk in Chestertown all day of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The streets were lined with carriages notwithstanding the inclement weather of Monday and Wednesday.

—The Enterprise Transportation line, which was offered at public auction in Baltimore on last Thursday, was withdrawn on a bid of $30,000. The line will be continued for the present under the old management.

—The *Transcript* office is prepared to do job work promptly, neatly and cheaply. If there is any kind of printing you want done, drop in and see us. You will be astonished to know how cheaply you can be supplied with printed envelopes, letter heads, bill heads, &c.

—The *Transcript* wishes its subscribers a very happy Christmas. It hopes that the young folks have found their stockings this morning filled to overflowing. It hopes that the grown-up folks have been made equally happy. It hopes that everybody will have a good Christmas dinner and a good appetite beside.

—Mr. S. Vannort has completed a brick wall around the grounds of his new dwelling and has graded the hill in front. Wide granite steps lead from the street to the level of the front yard. Next spring we understand Mr. Vannort expects to complete the ornamentation of his grounds.

—In the table given last week representing the ratio of the vote cast at the last election to the population in each of the States the following errors occurred:—Maine should have been 1 vote in 5 of population instead of 1 vote in 6½. S. Carolina should have been 1 in 12⅔. Arkansas should have been 1 in 8.

—Chester river has not yet closed to navigation, though the steamboats find it difficult to get up the creeks. The Emma Ford came on regular trip from Baltimore on last Tuesday and returned to Baltimore yesterday morning. When the ice becomes so heavy as to prevent the Emma Ford running the Corsica, we understand, will make her trips.

—Messrs. C. N. Oehm & Son, of Baltimore, have new advertisements in this issue. Messrs. Oehm & Son have built up a large trade in Baltimore and the State, because people have discovered that, though their prices are moderate, they do not make or sell shoddy goods. They do not seek to draw custom by telling a pack of lies in their advertisements, which is something that cannot be said of all Baltimore clothiers.

—There have not been as many new houses erected in Chestertown this year as there were during last year. The carpenters, bricklayers and plasterers have not by any means been idle, however, and upon the whole Chestertown has improved as greatly during the year about to close as during last year. Store-rooms have been enlarged and store fronts improved, and the business part of the town has been made to look much less antiquated. The houses that have been built, too, have been for the most part large and attractive.

—Horace Warner, a colored boy, aged 16 years, living with Wm. Stevens, Esq., in the lower part of the county, lost his right hand a week or two since by the explosion of his gun. He had the gun up to his shoulder and the barrel burst immediately beneath the grasp of his right hand, the load tearing off the thumb and two fore-fingers. Drs. Fisher and Willson amputated the hand above the wrist, and the patient is now up and about. It is thought the explosion was caused by faulty ramming in loading.

—Col. Day's lecture at the Court House Tuesday evening took more the shape of select readings from the American poets than of a lecture. Selections were given from Poe, Whittier, Prentice, Holland, Trowbridge and other American poets, and a few from the English poets. Many of the selections were rendered with considerable elocutionary effect. Poe's bells, recognized by all elocutionists as one of the most difficult productions in the English language to read effectively, was rendered in a manner that pleased the audience.

—It began to snow Thursday of last week, and winter began in earnest on that day. The prophets were saying that the winter would be uninterruptedly mild, and were beginning to take pride in their ability to prophesy correctly. The weather of the past week has tended greatly to humble the pride of the warm weather prophets. The mercury in the thermometer has laid low and has given winter a fair chance. Our cold waves are said to come from Manitoba. The U. S. Government should buy Manitoba and see if our weather bureau can't stop this sudd[illegible] wave business.

—The steamer Corsica gets a large passenger trade. The principal reason for this is, that she makes the trip to Baltimore during the night, and comes home during the next night, giving a full day to do business in Baltimore, and as she does not leave Baltimore until midnight there is also an opportunity to go to the theatre or otherwise utilize the evening. Sleeping accommodations are comfortable. The Corsica, like all the boats of the Chester River line, has officers that make [illegible]aveling agreeable. Capt. Clark is, as everyb[illegible]dy who travels on his boat finds out, genial an[illegible] accommodating. Mr. Harris the clerk, is one of the most accommodating and therefore one of the most popular young men to be met with. The Chester River line is a well officered line.

—The new residence of James A. Pearce, Esq., is nearing completion. The work for the last month has been altogether upon the inside. The inside finish is very handsome. Oak and cherry are the woods used. The doors above and below are of oak. In the dining room there is a richly carved double mantle of oak, and the room is paneled in oak to about three feet above the floor. The reception room and library are each finished in cherry. The rooms on the second floor are also finished in cherry. The stairway is in oak and of very tasteful design. The house will be heated throughout from the basement, though there are open fire-places in all the rooms below, and hot and cold water will be supplied to the bath room and sleeping rooms. The kitchen and domestic arrangements generally, are also very complete.

—Orphans' Court, Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1884.—Present Judges, Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

I. Richard Leaverton, executor of G. H. Leaverton, deceased, returned his first and final administration account, which was examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

Susan S. Gallup, administratrix of Edward B. Gallup, deceased, returned her first and final administration account, and first and final dividend, which was examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

Thomas B. Hadaway, executor of John Hadaway, deceased, returned his second administration account and first distribution, which was examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

James S. Harris, guardian to Thomas B. Crew, Fountain Crew, Florin M. Crew, Caldwell Crew and Robert S. Crew, returned guardian accounts for the year 1884, which were examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

## The Oyster Market.

Dealers and packers of oysters in Baltimore say that very few oysters have been caught since last Wednesday, the bitter cold spell making it almost impossible to work. The prices ranged from 60 to 70 cents per bushel for 'straight ups,' and for select stock 75 cents to $1 was paid.—Monday about wound up the Christmas orders from western points. The magnitude of the demand for oysters for the Christmas trade can be formed from the fact that one day last week one firm shucked 12,000 bushels in one day and another 5,000 bushels, aggregating 11,300 gallons. Orders for thousands of gallons had to be left unfilled because of deficiency of low-price stock.

## An Interesting Case.

Testimony is now being taken before W. M. Slay, Esq., examiner in chancery, in regard to the validity of the sale of two farms belonging to the estate of the late George W. Howard, made last July by Thomas W. Eliason, mortgagee. The real estate only was advertised to be sold, but on the day of sale the mortgagee concluded to sell the growing crops with the land. In consequence of this change the heirs contend that the property was sold for much less than its value. A large number of witnesses have been summoned and are undergoing examination. Richard Hynson, Esq., is counsel for the mortgagee, and B. Howard Haman and Jas. A. Pearce, Esqs., for the exceptants. The farms sold were "Young's Neck" or the home farm, 265 acres, to Mr. F. H. Harper at $52.50 per acre, and "Upper Bloomfield," 208 acres, to Mr. J. Frank Wilson at $33 per acre.—*News.*

## Peninsula Items.

A hotel has been opened at Cape Charles City, and a Philadelphian has bought seven adjoining lots there for the purpose of building a manufactory of some kind.

In event of Mr. Bayard entering Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet, his place in the United States Senate would probably be filled either by Attorney-General Gray or Congressman Lore.

William Showell, one of the best known citizens of Worcester county, died on Wednesday of last week, of Bright's disease. The deceased is about 54 years of age. His estate is valued at $125 000.

The Centreville *Observer* clips an article from the Newark, N.J., *Register* which states that the wife of the Rev. S. T. Graham is dying in one of the hospitals of that city, utterly deserted and uncared for by her husband.

The Milford *Chronicle* states that a party there proposes chartering a Pullman Palace car, in which to visit the New Orleans Exposition. While there the car will be used as a hotel. The whole cost, it is calculated, will not exceed $75 for each individual.

PRINCESS ANNE, MD., Dec. 21.—News was received here several days ago by telegram from Omaha, Nebraska, of the accidental shooting of Woodland Crisfield, son of Hon. John W. Crisfield, of Princess Anne. The wound at first was thought to be fatal, but a letter received last night from the surgeon of the Union Pacific Railroad, on which Mr. Crisfield is employed, declares him to be out of danger, and states that the accident occurred while he was out gunning.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Dec. 23.—Gov. McLane today appointed Mr. Charles F. Holland, of Salisbury, Wicomico county, associate judge of the first judicial circuit, vice Judge E. K. Wilson resigned. His commission was forwarded to him this afternoon. In speaking of the appointment Gov. McLane said he had considered the case very fully in all its bearings, and had heard with patience and attention the friends of all the gentlemen presented from Wicomico and Worcester counties, and had come to the conclusion that Wicomico ought to have the appointment. Mr. Holland, he thought, was satisfactory to the business men as well as to the political friends of the Governor in that county.

Mr. Holland was born April 3, 1841, near Milton, Del., his father being a prosperous farmer of that neighborhood. His early education was received in the high schools of Delaware, but was interrupted by the breaking out of the war in 1861. During a portion of the war he occupied positions under the government, and in 1864 resumed his studies. He entered the law office of the late Judge Layton of Georgetown, Del., as a student, in 1865, and in 1868 was admitted to the bar in Delaware. In the same year he removed to Salisbury, where he soon obtained a creditable standing as a lawyer. He entered into partnership with Hon. Lemuel Malone at first, and afterwards with the late George W. M. Cooper, and for several years, from about 1871, edited an independent newspaper published at Salisbury called the *Bachelor*.

Mr. Holland has a lucrative practice and is esteemed for his genial manners and high personal and professional character. He has never been a candidate for office, and has refused the nomination for State's Attorney and member of the House of Delegates, although he has always taken a lively interest in the welfare of the Democratic party.

## Christmas Notes from Our Exchanges.

Mr. A. A. Christian, of the Greensboro *Free Press*, is another bachelor editor who has come in out of the cold. Mr. Christian was married to Miss Minnie, the daughter of Mr. Wm. C. Satterfield, Wednesday of last week. The *Transcript* extends its congratulations.

Mr. Arthur W. Emory of the Centreville *Record*, issues this year the fourth number of the *Holiday Bulletin*. It is an eight paged sheet, very tasteful in typography, and looks prosperous.

A number of our peninsular contemporaries have nominated candidates for Collector of the Port of Baltimore. The following names have been put in nomination up to date: Hon. Thos. J. Keating, Hon. Levin Waters, State Senator Bishop.

The Hagerstown *Mail* is not happy, in fact has not been happy since the Hon. Wm. T. Hamilton stepped down and out. In its last issue, the *Mail* discusses the banquet to Senator Gorman very much after the manner in which a man with the colic would discuss sour grapes. What a great and glorious country this would be, if it were run entirely by the Hon. Wm. T. Hamilton and the Hagerstown *Mail*.

The Milford *News* tries to persuade against naming bran new Sussex county babies after Grover Cleveland. It is a hopeless task. By next August Sussex county Grover Clevelands will be as plentiful as Paynter Frame watermelons, and every year, for the next four years at least, there will be a large crop of Grover Clevelands to bud and blossom in Sussex county. Our Sussex county contemporary had as well submit to the inevitable, gracefully.

The Smyrna *Record* says that Caleb Freeman, formerly foreman of the Middletown *Transcript*, and Frank Reese, of the Wilmington *Republican*, contemplate starting a paper in Middletown in opposition to the *Transcript*. These young men may find themselves in the predicament of the bull that butted the steam engine. Pluck is a very fine thing, but it does not always win.

Delaware is all a-flutter as to Mr. Bayard's successor in the Senate, assuming that Mr. Bayard will go into President Cleveland's Cabinet. The *Wilmingtonian* unfurls the flag of Congressman Lore with a regular Christmas shout. It prints Mr. Lore's portrait and nominates him in the following booming manner,—"From the Brandywine rocks the cry goes up, Hon. Charles B. Lore! and the refrain will be taken up by every hundred in New Castle county, and it will be re-echoed from Appoquinomink, Charles B. Lore—and ere the reverberations shall have ceased Kent and Sussex will be found chanting peans of adulation to the most popular man in the State of Delaware—Charles B. Lore."

## Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

*Ed. Transcript*—The Kent county organization of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union met at the M. E. Church in Chestertown, on the first Tuesday in December. The meeting was opened by devotional exercises. Secretary's minutes of the last meeting were adopted. Mrs. J. Frank Wilson, vice-president [illegible]t Still Pond, reported that the ladies who joined our Union at the meeting addressed by Mrs. McLaughlin have decided to connect themselves with the county organization, and we most earnestly invite them to be present at our meetings in Chestertown as often as possible. The secretary moved that parlor meetings be held during the winter; motion adopted. Music and readings with talk on practical temperence subjects, and objections replied to in conversational style, will be the programme for the meetings, the first one to be held at the residence of Mrs. J. N. Usilton. Mrs. J. W. Corey, vice-president of 3d district, reported distributing temperance literature at the Mission School in Worton, Sabbath school at Salem, also in the public school. Mrs. Rondo reported that unfermented wine is used at the sacremental service at Salem M. E. Church. The services on temperance day in the Methodist Sabbath schools of Chestertown were very interesting, rendered more so by the eloquent appeals of the superintendents—Mr. Wm. B. Usilton, of the M. P., and Mr. T. G. DeFord, of the M. E. school. Mr. DeFord's heartfelt address was made practical by offering a pledge to the school, to which sixty names were obtained, and over 300 pages of literature were distributed by the W. C. T. U.

The committee appointed at a previous meeting to try and introduce Temperance Physiologies into the schools of the county, called upon the professors of Washington College for the purpose of introducing Prof. Steele's Physiology containing special reference to the use of alcoholic drinks and narcotics. Prof. Rivers very courteously assured us of his great sympathy with our work, and suggested that the W. C. T. U. prepare a small pamphlet containing the above reference, in a condensed form, which could be taught in connection with the high authority now in use in the college, and which he would take pleasure in introducing.

We have not yet been able to see Mr. Perkins in regard to Mrs. Mary E. Hunt's physiology, designed for the public schools, but trust we shall be able to introduce it even before we have a law to that effect, thus little by little, through the Sabbath and day schools, we hope to educate the young up to a more complete knowledge of the moral and physical effects of all intoxicants and narcotics, for it is with them, our greatest hope lies for the future of temperance principles in our country.

The next meeting will be held on the first Tuesday in January, 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M., in the M. E. Church of Chestertown.

Respectfully submitted by the Rec. Sec'y.

REDUCED RATES TO THE WORLD'S EXPOSITION AT NEW ORLEANS, VIA THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.—The World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition will open at New Orleans La., December 16th, 1884, and continue until May 31st, 1885.

The success of this great show is now assured and in the vastness of its extent, variety of the interests involved, and the wide field from which its features are drawn, it will exceed in magnitude anything of its kind ever held in this country. Besides a full representation of the limitless industries and the unbounded resources of every State of the Union, every country of the world will display something of its resources, its arts, or its handiwork. The collection of international exhibits will be complete and that, in connection with all the richness of America, will form an epitome of the advance of civilization as perfect as it is unique. Agricultural, mechanics, science, art, commerce, trade and every branch of human industry will make a part of the great fair.

Its location at one of the foremost commercial cities of the South, as well as one of the most attractive, fitted in every way for the entertainment of a great gathering of people, lends added interest to the enterprise. The winter season at New Orleans is the most delightful portion of the year, and the inhabitant of the severer climate of the North would find a most grateful change in the geniality of Southern winter.—Accommodations will be ample, ranging in expense from the comfortable room of the visitor of limited means to the luxurious apartments of the wealthy. It will be a winter vacation where one may find not only health and pleasure, but profit and instruction.

For the benefit of the large number of visitors who will be attracted thither, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has placed on sale at all the principal stations of its system excursion tickets to New Orleans, good to return until May 31st, 1885. In consideration of the reduced rate at which the tickets are sold they are subject to certain conditions as to limitation of trips going and returning. These conditions are simple and will be explained in detail by agents. The tickets are of two classes: Those covering the same route in both directions, and those covering the same route going and a different route returning. The round trip rate of tickets going and returning the same route from Clayton to New Orleans is $43 00, and going by one route and returning another, $51.75, except where the trip is made in one direction, via Atlantic Coast Line, when the rate is $60.40.

## Literary Notes.

The January number of the *Eclectic* is a very favorable specimen of this long established and excellent magazine, which seems to grow better with its age. This number being the commencement of a volume, is embellished with a beautiful steel engraving entitled 'The lesson.' The first article is an interesting paper on 'Mountain Observatories,' and next we have a continuation of Prof. J. R. Seeley's striking study of Goethe.

The *Art Amateur* for January is a superb holiday number. Its most striking feature is a charming and genuinely artistic design in eight colors, representing a mermaid sportively teasing a fish. It is by Miss Dora Wheeler, one of the New York Associated Artists, of whose work several other pleasing illustrations are also given. The practical articles relate especially to clay modelling, wood engraving, china painting, and embroidery, and an astonishing amount of useful information is condensed in the 'Art Notes and Hints,' 'Notes on Decoration,' and 'Correspondence.' Assuredly no family with the slightest interest in art or home decoration can afford to dispense with the monthly visits of the *Art Amateur*. Price, $4; single numbers, 35 cents. Montague Marks, Publisher, 23 Union Square, New York.

The *Century* for January presents a (literally) crowded table of contents, both the body and the departments showing a wide range of topics. Chief among these, in timeliness, is the status of the negro at the South, which Mr. George W. Cable treats with much plainness of speech and much suggestiveness in a paper entitled 'The Freedman's Case in Equity,' which is likely to attract attention and give rise to discussion North and South. The same theme is touched upon, less directly, in an editorial article, 'A Grave Responsibility,' and in an 'Open Letter' from 'A Southern Democrat.' Another subject of wide interest is treated helpfully by Washington Gladden, under the head of 'Christianity and Popular Amusements,' the writer supplementing his own suggestions with an account and commendation of an experiment on the part of the Cleveland Educational Bureau to supply wholesome entertainment to workingmen.

The *Art Interchange* of December 4, 1884, has, as a supplement, one of the most exquisite studies in color ever published, entitled the 'Lute Player.' It shows the full length figure of a beautiful girl, with a lute in her hand, standing against a background of forest trees. The coloring is strong and brilliant, and the drawing is exceptionally good. Besides this charming supplement there is a large sheet of designs in black and white. This contains a study of golden rod for panel decoration, and another study of the cardinal flower. An embroidery band is also a feature of this sheet of designs. This latter is a most attractive and novel pattern. This very full and interesting copy of the *Art Interchange* can be had by enclosing 15 cents in stamps to William Whitlock, publisher 140, Nassau Street, New York. The subscription price is $3 per annum.

The capital winter number of *St. Nicholas* opens with a poem by Celia Thaxter, entitled 'The Child and the Year.' Another timely article is the breezy and exciting ice-yachting story by E. Vinton Blake, which introduces us to our old friends, the Dalzells; while John R. Coryell contributes a bright and home like story, called 'Baby Deb "P'ays" for the Christmas Goose,' which tells how the feast was kept in a New England light-house.


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Unique and beautiful designs—an elegant Christmas gift.

In Library and Hall Lamps we have the most beautiful styles ever brought to town. Come and look, it will cost you nothing and may save you money.

Fine china tea sets, cups and saucers, mugs, mustache and shaving cups.

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Dec. 11, 1884. opp. Court House.

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PHILADELPHIA, December 22.

The peculiar weather, fall in the midst of winter, cuts short the sale of warmer clothing of every sort. No matter how cold the end of December and January and February and March may be, the fact is fixed already by the warm beginning that thousands of people will bear the cold with less precaution, because it comes so slowly. We are hardened to the winter by long expecting winter, and by its slow approach.

We therefore change the condition of trade by making prices so low as to attract unwilling buyers. The change is gradual, very gradual. Indeed the change is less, because we made low prices months ago; lower than ought to be made in prosperous times; lower than *can* be made in any but calamitous times.

There is every reason to believe that wholesale prices have got to the bottom. Raw materials of several sorts have begun to be firm; and some have begun to rise. The prices of nothing in trade have risen. Prices are therefore at the very bottom. The only further downward movements are reasonably sure to be exceptional. Chances are overwhelmingly the other way on everything.

On the other hand the probable behavior of retail merchants with bills to meet and stocks of goods on their hands is worth your thinking of. The instant the stay of holiday trade is over there is sure to be a general scramble. Had you better wait for the chance of buying for less?

That is your question. We have answered it already; and this is only to keep the answer in mind.

In the midst of holiday trade upon goods adapted for gifts, when the store is looking uncommonly bright with the glitter of gifts, when thousands of givers are thinking of bric-à-brac (Everything is bric-à-brac to us that belongs to a month before Christmas), when people throng the store to see the spectacle, we are thinking of the solidest merchandise we deal in.

We advertise cloths and dress-stuffs, dresses and wraps, furs and overcoats, clothing for man, woman and child, gloves, hosiery, underwear, neckwear, laces, handkerchiefs, linens in general, bedding, mattresses, furniture, carpets and rugs, housekeeping conveniences, china, lamps, upholstery, books, writing-papers, stationery wares, pocket-books, bags, hats, shoes, umbrellas, Japanese wares, baskets, toilet articles, playthings, and a thousand more.

Why? Because we are selling these things. Because people are buying them. We are giving the news of things that people are eager to hear about; such news as develops from day to day in the store.

The great majority not only of people but of prosperous people are buying substantial merchandise. Everybody seems to think it the time to buy.

And this is our answer. It *is* a good time to buy. We know it from you. We have done what we could to make it a good time to buy. We did it, first, by gathering bravely when most of the merchants were croaking about hard times. We did it, next, by selling for cost what we'd rather sell without profit than not sell at all. We did it, third, by taking out of the market whatever was tumbling. It is a good time to buy.

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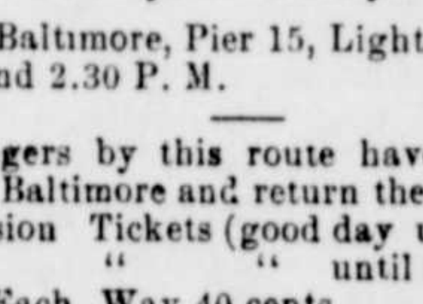
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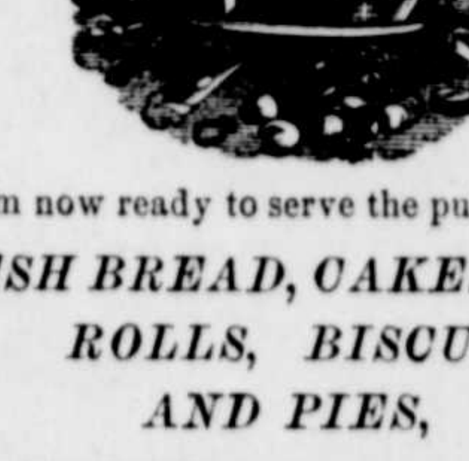
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