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The Transcript.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 6, 1886.

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—Quite a number are talking of going to Barnum's show next Saturday by the Tolchester round trip.

—The Kent County Agricultural Club will have a special meeting at Worton next Monday for the discussion of the peach exchange question, and other important questions.

—Messrs. W. B. Tilghman & Co. quote the Baltimore grain market for first of week as follows,—Wheat: fultz, 90@94 cts.; longberry, 94@96 cts. Corn: white, 44@47 cts.; yellow, 45@48½ cts.

—Tolchester line has made arrangements to have the Nelly Whitelay in Baltimore Saturday, May 8th, until after the great show of P. T. Barnum's is over, giving passengers time to see the show and spend the afternoon shopping and return to Tolchester by 8 P. M.

—Mr. Wm. Cooper, popularly known as "Doctor Cooper," has quite a number of horses in training at the Worton fair grounds. He frequently drives a dashing team into Chestertown, and puts on such immense style, that his former friends scarcely recognize him.

—The *Delawarean* of last week states that, "Dr. Thos. H. Cooper, of Chestertown, Md., has purchased the old Edward Upton farm, containing near 300 acres, situated near Whiteleyburg, Delaware, from Susan Cooper, widow of the late Samuel S. Cooper, deceased."

—Fannie W., the promising trotter of Mr. Frank Wilkins, and the black gelding Frank, another promising young horse belonging to Dr. J. Wesley Cooper, of Chestertown, have been sold as a pair to the sheriff of New Castle county, Del., for $750. The sale was effected through Mr. Wm. Cooper, the Worton trainer.

—The Board of Public Works met at Annapolis on Thursday and elected Mr. Jacob Plowman, of Harford county, commander of the State fishery force, in place of Capt. James I. Waddell, deceased, and deferred the other appointments for two weeks. Mr. Plowman was put in nomination by State Treasurer Archer. Comptroller Turner also supported him. Gov. Lloyd nominated his friend, Capt. Travers, but afterwards voted to make Mr. Plowman's nomination unanimous.

—Miss Maggie Plummer, the daughter of ex-Sheriff Plummer, was driving into Chestertown last Monday morning in a phaeton. She had in with her a small child. When opposite Burchinal's store, her horse became frightened at a traction engine, and began to plunge. He crossed the gutter and ran up on the pavement in front of Bordley Bros.' store, where he was held until the young lady and her charge could alight. She was smiling and placid when she stepped out, as though nothing more than ordinary had happened. No damage was done beyond breaking the harness.

—The following is going the rounds of the Maryland press, and is presumedly correct,—"The law passed at the recent session of the Legislature in regard to the sale of cigars, &c., provides that no dealer or other person or corporation engaged in the manufacture of cigars, cigarettes or tobacco; or in any occupation in which buying and selling of such articles constitute any part of his business, shall sell, barter or give away cigars, cigarettes or smoking or chewing tobacco to any minor under 14 years of age in this State. The penalty is a fine of from $10 to $100, and in default of payment imprisonment from five to thirty days in jail. The bill takes effect from the date of its passage."

—An association in Centreville known as The Clover Leaf Club, gave a fancy dress ball at the town hall, on Thursday evening of last week. There were comparatively few in fancy dress, but the ball is pronounced by those who attended from Chestertown, to have been a very pleasant affair. The following from Chestertown and other parts of Kent were present: Misses Hallie and Mary Beck, Miss Mamie Wethered, Miss Bessie Hines, Miss Nannie Hines, Miss Madge Slaughter, Miss Lillie Anspach, Misses Hurtt, Miss Nellie Walker, Miss Ireland, Miss Crisfield, Misses Rose and Millie Comegys, Mrs. E. T. Comegys, Mrs. Dr. Hines, Dr. C. P. Gilpin and Lewen Wickes, in costumes; Dr. Cooper, Messrs. A. E. Twiford, Herman Ireland, Wm. Hines, Horace Beck, E. W. Emory, W. J. Bratten, R. Garey, W. Harper McFeely, Ellis McClellan and Des Goldsborough.

—Orphans' Court, Tuesday, May 4, 1886.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens. Sarah M. Usilton and John W. Corey, administrators of John N. Usilton, dec'd, filed account of sales of personal estate.

County Commissioners Board.

The full board of commissioners met on Tuesday.

The official bonds of Stephen Lecates and James T. Lamb, collectors of county and State taxes for fourth and fifth districts respectively, were approved by the board and directed to be filed with the clerk of the circuit court for record.

The official bond of Chas. H. Davis, constable of the fourth district, was approved, and by order of board directed to be filed with the clerk of circuit court for record.

Daniel E. Jewell, trustee to finish collection of taxes in third district, reported list of new assessments, which were approved and accepted by order of the board.

Sundry accounts were examined and passed, and sundry transfers and abatements ordered.

The board, acting as a board of health, ex-officio, under the provisions of the act of Assembly, 1886, met and appointed J. Charles Wheatley president and W. Frank Hines health officer for Kent county.

The Worton Shooting Club.

The Worton Ten-Glass Ball Shooting Club is now fully organized and ready to take the field. The following named gentlemen are its officers: Thomas Gale, president; Dr. W. B. Turner, vice-president; A. Diehl, secretary; Dr. J. B. Merritt, treasurer; M. M. Rasin, orderly. A trial match was held on the farm of W. B. Stephens, Thursday afternoon. Several noted first-class shots from Baltimore were present, among them may be mentioned Mr. C. S. Wertsner, the well-known gun manufacturer, No. 2 Light street, Baltimore; Wm. Fieles, N. Paca street, and Harry Ducker, Reistertown, Md. The wind was blowing rather too lively to make the shoot a success, but taking the wind and weather into consideration there was a remarkable display of good marksmanship. The following is the score out of 18 glass pigeons each:

Team A.		Team B.	
Thomas Gale	16	Dr. W. B. Turner	8
C. S. Wertsner	12	Wm. Fieles	14
A. Diehl	15	W. R. Gale	7
Dr. Merritt	11	H. Rimanoczy	8
John Gale	8	W. B. Stephens	7
H. Ducker	9	Jos. R. Usilton	8

After the match came the repast. The Major got there just in time to see the carcass of a big turkey—*but no turkey*, and had to go for the Pekins. It was a fine set-out, and the Baltimore visitors returned next day well pleased with their trip, and the understanding they would "call again."

News is a scarce article. Everybody is attending to his own business, and the court.

M. J.

New Advertisements.

The following new advertisements appear in this issue:

Sheriff's sale of fruit dryer.

Excursion to Barnum's show.

A vacant Kent county scholarship.

A lost hand-satchel.

Special meeting of Kent County Agr. Club.

New advertisements of C. F. Stam.

J. K. Aldridge, new hardware adv.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Hoagland Damages Case.

When the *Transcript* went to press Wednesday evening of last week, the suit of Mrs. Hannah Hoagland against the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company, to recover damages for injuries sustained by a collision at the Red Mill crossing, near Elkton, in the summer of 1884, was on trial. The case held the attention of the court during Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week, and was continued during Monday of this week. A large number of witnesses were examined, and the examinations and cross-examinations were long and searching.

The undisputed facts of the case were that Mrs. Hoagland, on the date named, was going to Elkton with her brother-in-law, in a one-horse carriage. That to reach Elkton, they were compelled to cross the track of the P. W. & B. Railroad Company, and that just as the team reached the southbound track, an express train on the north bound track dashed by; that the horse's head was turned so that the train did not strike him, but that the carriage was brought into such position that the second car of the train smashed it, and that after the collision Mrs. Hoagland was found unconscious, bleeding and dangerously injured, lying upon the track.

The main question involved in the suit for damages, was as to whether the accident had been brought about by a lack of proper precaution on the part of the plaintiff or by a lack of proper precaution on the part of the railroad. The determination of the question, involved a great many nice law points, and prolonged the case by a minute questioning of witnesses, and by lengthy arguments over the prayers.

Richardson, the brother-in-law of the plaintiff, and her chief witness, testified that the county road runs almost parallel with the railroad for some distauce before crossing the latter, but that the latter is hidden from view by a deep cut at one point, and by bushes at other points; he did not apprehend any difficulty from passenger trains at said crossing, but thought a stone train might be passing, and so looked out the side of his carriage three times when nearing the point of crossing but neither saw nor heard any sign of a train; a signal post required all trains to give warning at this crossing; he heard no whistle until the engine of a passing train—the seaside express—had gone by his team; there are two tracks here; his team was on the southbound track and his horse's fore-feet in the six foot way between the two tracks when he discovered the train and he attempted to turn his horse's head to get out of the way; the carriage was struck, he couldn't tell how; he picked himself up about thirty feet away unhurt and found his companion (Mrs. Hoagland) lying on the track unconscious and bleeding, about thirty feet from the point of collison; the carriage was broken to pieces but the horse was unhurt and the harness unbroken. The train took them to Elkton; Mrs. H. remained there two weeks, at Mrs. Giles', unconscious and in the care of physicians, when she was taken to a hospital in Philadelphia where she remained two months. It is claimed by the plaintiff that she was a hearty, able-bodied woman before the accident, 34 years of age, kept a boarding-house and attended to all her household duties, but that by the collision she is left a wreck in body and her mental faculties are seriously impaired; she remembers nothing whatever of the occurrences of that day.

Witnesses for the railroad, mostly employees of the road, testified that all the proper signals were given. The engineer testified that he never saw the horse and carriage at all, but that his attention was called to it by the fireman when about seven hundred feet from the crossing, and that at that point it would have been impossible for him to have stopped the train short of the crossing.

Witnesses for the plaintiffs testified that proper signals were not given by the engineer, and that the whistle was blown immediately at the crossing, which so frightened the horse that he threw the carriage in position to be struck by the train, which probably would not otherwise have happened.

In establishing the extent of injuries sustained, Dr. Ellis, of Elkton, testified that in his opinion Mrs. Hoagland had almost entirely recovered her former state of health, mentally and physically. Witnesses for the plaintiff testified that she is a mental and physical wreck of her former self.

The examination of witnesses and the argument of prayers, were not concluded until last Monday morning, when the argument of the case before the jury was finally begun.

A number of ladies who were anxious to hear speeches in the case filed into the court-room Monday morning and filled one of the long seats in the grand jury box. They held their position during the entire day, until the case was given to the jury at four o'clock in the afternoon, and gave as close attention to the arguments of counsel on both sides of the case as did the jury, which sat in the opposite box. Speeches were made before the jury by the two counsel for the plaintiffs and two of counsel for the railroad—Mr. Jones, one of the railroad counsel, did not make a speech. H. W. Vickers, Esq., opened the case for the plaintiffs in an impassioned speech, appealing largely to the sympathies of the jury. Richard Hynson, Esq., followed for the railroad in a logical speech that lasted an hour and a half. He discussed analytically the law points in the case, and weighed and balanced the testimony of various witnesses. The speech held the close attention of the jury and the spectators. J. Donaldson, Esq., followed him in an impressive speech, in which the strong points of the case from the defendant's standpoint were placed very forcibly before the jury. Albert Constable, Esq., closed for the plaintiffs in a speech full of biting sarcasm and keen irony. He took the weak points in the case as it was presented by the plaintiffs and twisted and turned them until they stood before the jury in the light in which he wished them to stand. He took the strong points of the case as it was presented by the plaintiffs, and these, too, he discussed in varied aspects until they stood out in glaring prominence. All the speeches made were considered by those present to be strong efforts.

The case was given to the jury a little after one o'clock, and the court adjourned.

Great interest as to the verdict was manifested among the spectators, quite a number of whom lingered about the court-house grounds awaiting the jury's coming out. At seven o'clock, it was learned that some of the jury from the country had ordered their horses fed, and had sent out an order for supper. It began to look like an all-night session. Guesses in great number were made by outsiders as to what the verdict would be. The opinion of most was that there would be damages allowed, the estimate as to amount ranging from $4,000 to $10,000. A little after seven word was received from the jury that it had arrived at a verdict. The court assembled and received the verdict, which awarded $5,833.34 to the plaintiff.

Court adjourned over from Monday until Wednesday, when the Kent county criminal docket will be taken up.

Court met Wednesday, May 5th, Judge Wickes upon the bench. The civil case of Nicholas Drear vs. George A. Bacon was taken up. The case is a suit by Drear to recover wages on alleged breach of contract by Bacon, whom he claims to have hired him, and then to have refused to carry out the contract. Barroll for plaintiff; Pearce for defendant.

Another Rich Man's Newspaper.

Washington Letter in Chicago News.

Washington has experienced the final stamp of progress. A rich and powerful newspaper man, who knows his money's worth, is about to start another Washington daily. Mr. A. S. Abell, of the Baltimore *Sun*, is the man. The *Sun* is an old, staid, easy-going paper, making money by the bushel, not spending much, and letting its capital accumulate by compound interest, until it is now one of the richest newspapers in the country. Mr. Abell himself is worth over two millions, and could take a trifling risk of $50,000 or so to start a paper. Last fall he bought a fine business property here, and has now nearly completed a magnificent marble-front building, which he calls the *Sun* Building. It was given out that it was part for Washington offices for the *Sun*, and the rest to let. Now it turns out to be for a big Washington paper.

Personal Notes.

C. H. Baker, Esq., has greatly improved in health, has recovered something of his former appetite and is able to give some attention to business. His friends, however, think that he should take a good, quiet, building-up rest.

J. S. Wirt, Esq., who was engaged in two of the Cecil county railroad cases, left Chestertown in early part of last week, rumor said to be married to a fair young lady who resides down the Peninsula, in the vicinity of Berlin. While here, his brother lawyers would frequently joke him in a veiled reference to the coming happy event.

The Misses Mary and Nannie Archer, daughters of Henry W. Archer, Esq., of Harford, and Miss Martha Washington, of Philadelphia, have been on a visit to W. S. Walker, Esq.

The ladies who were in attendance to listen to the arguments in the damage suit against the P. W. & B. Railroad on Monday began to grow hungry about one or two o'clock. A gallant young attorney made himself solid with the whole lady delegation by distributing apples among them. A paper of bon-bons, which one of the young ladies went out and secured, also made a variety in the lunch.

Miss Ada Roberts, a niece of Hon. Thos. J. Keating, and sister to Messrs. T. S. and G. C. Roberts of the Centreville *Observer*, is visiting Miss Madge Slaughter of Chestertown.

Mr. James C. Wickes, connected with the *Delawarean* at Dover, Del., was in Chestertown on Monday, on a visit to friends here, and made a short call on the *Transcript*.

Messrs. Hardcastle and Jones, of Smyrna, Del., who were large peach buyers at Worton Station last year, are now in Kent taking a look at the peach orchards. They expect to be buyers on the Kent road this season and on a much more extensive scale than last year. They either have made or will make arrangements for shipping to a large number of points at which the crop can be advantageously disposed of.

Town Talk.

The High street sewer is to be run up to the brow of the hill opposite the Catholic Church, thus draining almost the entire length of High street. A branch sewer has been run up Cross street, thus giving drainage to the jail and court house premises. Messrs. Clements & York expect to complete the work next week.

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Work is being pushed laying pavements around the sides and back part of the court house. No shade trees have as yet been planted in the grounds back of the court house. A small yard has been enclosed to the court house-end of the jail, and Mrs. Sheriff Hatcherson's Plymoth Rocks and Leghorns have now a more limited range, while the jail itself has a private front yard which it can call its own. The seats in front of the court house have been put in good shape, and the little court house park is now a very pleasant loafing place.

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For several days past the flying, downy-looking seeds of the silver poplar, have been filling the air in Chestertown—getting in people's eyes and down their throats. Careful housekeepers dare not hoist their front windows, least the cottony-looking substance cover and adhere to the carpets. The silver poplar is every year voted a ten-day nuisance, but as it is after that a six-month blessing, the odds are very much against cutting them down. There are some very mean varieties of trees, but it must be a very mean tree, indeed, that is not better than no tree. It might be wise, however, for the town fathers, in planting new trees, to put out something better than the silver poplar.

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We notice that some of our enterprising citizens still continue to deposit their dead rats in the street. It would be exceedingly unpleasant for the *Transcript* to mention names, but it really is not a very nice habit,—that of throwing dead things in the street.

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When the High street sewer is completed, it is to be hoped that every house along the street will connect with it. Or will the town commissioners compel house owners to connect with it? A sewerage system is intended to purify a town by carrying off filth under ground, and it should not be allowed to miscarry because some stubborn people who own houses do not care about purification.

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Quite a number of seats have been taken for the concert by the Chestertown Orchestra this evening. A very entertaining concert may be expected, both as to the instrumental and as to the vocal music.

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A number of persons have noticed during the past week or so, that the hydrant water has a peculiar and not altogether pleasant taste. Does the resorvoir need looking after, or what is it?

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The outlook for new buildings does not indicate that the boom will be as brisk this year as during recent past years, and yet it is likely that there will be several handsome buildings go up before the first of January.

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The matter of beautifying the town should engage the interest of every citizen who lays any claim to good taste. Beauty is an element that accompanies all high civilization. Neither the community nor the individual, who has no appreciation of beauty, can lay claim to being highly civilized. There is room for improvement—oh, a great amount of room for improvement in making Chestertown a handsome town. Two or three hundred shade trees judiciously planted would be a first step.

County Talk.

Still Pond has got a booming agricultural club. There is also a very prosperous agricultural club at Fairlee, beside the well known Worton club. The oftner farmers meet and discuss interests pertaining to their calling, the better they will be able to cope with other industries in this grasping world.

There will be peaches in this county,—an unusually large crop of them. Many growers are already turning their attention to establishing sure methods of disposing of the crop at profitable prices. This is wise,

Pretty nearly two weeks of the present session of the Kent county court has been taken up with Cecil county business. A great many people are asking just how much of the bill of costs Cecil county will be called upon to foot.

Wheat is looking splendidly, in all parts of the county, so the farmers who come to town say. If, now, wheat would only clear $1.30 per bushel, matters would be made much more cheerful.

The continued dry weather is giving farmer some uneasiness. It is about corn planting time, and rain would be very beneficial in this respect.

Agricultural machinery does not go off so briskly this year as usually. The main reason for this is, probably, that most farmers in the county are supplied with necessary machinery, which if taken care of is good for a number of years. There are many farmers, however, who do not take care of costly machinery as they should. The continuous purchase of machinery is a big drain upon a farmer's resources.

Fish are so abundant in some Maryland waters this spring that the fishermen are growling about it. Chester river waters, however, seem to be freed from this difficulty. We have not learned of any Chester river fishermen breaking their nets with a haul.

Peninsula Items.

From present indications there will be an abundant strawberry crop. The vines look well, and are full of blossoms. As the time between the blossoming and ripening of the fruit is from four to five weeks, we may expect strawberries the last week in May.—*Milford News.*

Mr. Jacob G. Brown, of Wyoming, says that any man who plows his peach orchard in March ought not to have peaches. He never commences to till his peach orchard until after corn planting. Then he keeps up the tillage until it is time to gather the fruit. He rarely misses a crop.—*Sussex (Del.) Journal.*

The *Delawarean*, of Dover, Del., has entered upon its 28th year. It is one among the most successful and most influential papers in Delaware. It is and always has been Democratic with a big D. When the *Delawarean* speaks, the other Delaware newspapers, whether they agree with it or not, listen respectfully to what it has to say.

An alarm of fire startled Cambride the other day and a gambling den was soon wrapt in flames. While the fire department worked to subdue the flames the Salvation Army gathered near and sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." The authorities had to threaten to let the hose flow on 'em before they would cease their joyous ebulations.—*Cambridge Chronicle.*

Thomas. J. Meekins, aged 18 years, and employed as clerk in the store of A. R. Lewis, at Vienna, Dorchester county, died suddenly Monday night, April 26th, from a ruptured blood vessel. Before a companion, who roomed with the young man, could summon a physician he had bled to death. The deceased was a son of J. J. Meekins, of Cambridge, and was highly esteemed.—*Cambridge Chronicle.*

A leading newspaper man of Baltimore city remarked a few days since, that after having traveled over the larger part of the United States, he had come to the conclusion that the section of country comprising Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties was ahead of anything he had seen.—*Easton Star.*

Mr. Thomas F. Garey, ex State Senator and ex-clerk of the circuit court, of Caroline county, and one of the wealthiest citizens of that county, died suddenly at his place near Denton, last Sunday morning. He awaked at his usual hour and told his wife what he wanted for breakfast. She went into the kitchen to superintend the preparation of the food, and when she returned to his room, she found him dead.

Mr. John Latchum, one of our merchant tailors, who bought a farm near the Bayshore last week, proposes to raise live stock upon it. To that end he has secured a den of young foxes, which he will let loose on the place when they are larger grown. The den is made on his lot in town and contains five young foxes about the size of cats. Our readers may expect to hear later of Mr. Latchum's success in fox culture.—*Milford News.*

The Talbot County Paper Mill—manufacturer of straw-board—has shut down, and the superintendent cannot say when work will be resumed. The immediate cause of the stop is the scarcity of coal and the great advance in price caused by labor troubles in the bituminous coal regions. The mill uses 12 tons of coal daily. When running on full time the mill has a daily output of 6½ tons of straw-board. About 45 men are thrown out of employment by the stop.

It is about time that the Democracy of Queen Anne's should make a decided protest against the manner in which it has been treated by the powers that be, both State and national. Not an office, with the possible exception of grain weigher has been received by a Democrat of the county and this is bad and uncalled for treatment by the leaders of the party to a county whose allegiance to Democracy has never failed under any circumstances. We demand better treatment and also that when our turn does come that the whole Democracy of the county be consulted in reference to who shall receive the favors.—*Centreville Observer.*

United States Marshal Newlin, Wednesday, arrested ex-Postmaster Reuben Stewart, of Milford, on a warrant sworn out by a postoffice inspector charging him with a defalcation of about $500. The marshal took his prisoner to Wilmington Wednesday evening, and he was taken before United States Commissioner S. Redmond Smith, where he waved a hearing and entered bail in the sum of $1,000. Much sympathy is expressed for Stewart on account of his family, and it is stated that the deficit would have been made good by his friends if they had known it in time.—*Middletown (Del.) Transcript.*

The Smyrna *Record* is working a lively boom for Senator Gray as his own successor in the United States Senate. The *Record* seems to be engaged in an endeavor to compel the Delaware papers to commit themselves on the Senatorial question. In its last issue it says,—"The Middletown *New Era*, Newark *Ledger*, Laurel *Gazette* and Smyrna *Record* have an opinion upon the Senatorial question and are not afraid to express it. *Every Evening*, New Castle *Star*, Middletown *Transcript*, Dover *Delawarean*, Georgetown *Democrat* and *Journal* may have opinions upon the same subject but they are afraid to express them,"

A man at Cabin Creek, Dorchester county, not far from the Caroline line, who used to keep a store at that place, tried three times to kill himself last Saturday morning and after all finally failed. It is said he had been drinking heavily of Salisbury whiskey, and returned from that town on Friday night in an intoxicated condition. Saturday morning he felt like killing himself. This he attempted to do, first with a razor, when his wife interfered and took the razor away from him. He then went up stairs and tried to shoot himself, but failed again. The barn loft was sought next and a rope was about to be employed to do the fatal work, when he was again foiled by a man on the place.—*Denton Journal.*

It has been rumored for several days that Mrs. James Cecil, who has been residing with her husband, on the farm of Mr. George DeRochbrune, between Centreville and Queenstown, eloped on Tuesday with Hezekiah Dill. Mr. Dill is also married. Report says that on Tuesday morning Dill left Centreville on the early train, and stopped over at Townsend until the arrival of the afternoon train. Mrs. Cecil came into town on Tuesday, and, after making a number of purchases, left on the afternoon train. She was joined at Townsend by Dill and the two went to Philadelphia. Mrs. Cecil is a good-looking woman of about 30 years. Dill is about the same age. It is said that Mrs. Cecil, who was entrusted by her husband with all his money, took with her about $350. She had $100 when she came to town and had a check for $250 cashed at the Centrevill National Bank. The money had been invested by Mr. Cecil, but Mrs. Cecil drew it. Mr. Cecil denies that his wife has eloped with Dill.—*Centreville Record.*

"Notes by the Way."

Drs. James M. Anderson, Jr., Morgan Brown, Jr., Robert Geddes, Edward Scott and Edward Worrell, of this county, were among the incorporators of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, which act was passed January 20th, 1799.

"Have the use of phosphates benefited the farmers of Kent?" was the subject discussed at our farmers' club meeting, Saturday, April 24. It was shown that since they were first used here in about 1850 our population has nearly doubled and our barren wastes have become the most fertile lands in the State. Of course lime did some of it.

The farmers' meeting here last Saturday was attended by about one hundred persons. Messrs. Webb, Brown and Hickman delivered addresses which were favorably received. Mr. Brown, a representative of the Delaware Fruit Exchange, will return and address the farmers on the subject of fruit exchange, on Saturday afternoon, May 15th. All persons interested in growing peaches are invited to be present. Peaches can be shipped from any station on this railroad and sold through the Delaware Exchange. An inspector at each shipping point is all that is necessary.

We are preparing to spray three hundred apple trees to destroy the Codling Moth. One pound of London purple dissolved in 120 gallons of water is the strength we shall use.—Three applications should be made between this and the 20th of May.

Fruit is setting remarkably well.

Considerable asparagus has been planted this spring.

Wheat and grass need rain.

Farmers are generally planting corn.

Fish are being caught in large quantities, and as usual, young perch have been destroyed by the wholesale.

It is rumored that Mr. Pennell intends having a wharf constructed at Fishing Valley by August 1st.

The Good Templers are receiving new members nearly every meeting night.

We propose to organize a prohibition club soon, so as to prepare for the great fight in '88, which is to bury one of the old parties. Of course we expect all temperance men to join us.

Still Pond, May 3d, 1886.

Grand Concert at Galena.

Ed. Transcript—On Easter Monday night the members of St. Mary's Philharmonic Club gave a grand concert in Galena, before the largest and most select audience ever assembled in Odd Fellows' hall. The programme was an excellent one, and its artistic rendition was even attested by the frequent rounds of applause that greeted the production of the several pieces. The concert was conducted by Prof. Wm. Kavanagh, with his son Ignatius, presiding at the piano. The exercises were participated in by (besides the above named) Misses Mary A. and G. Ferry, M. L. Flinn, Lizzie Feeney, of Cecelia, Anastasia and Genevieve McCauley and Mr. Edw. Curren. Where all acquitted themselves so creditably it would be unkind to particularize. Such a musical treat has rarely been the lot of our people, and they look forward with pleasure to an early return of St. Mary's Philharmonic Club. At the close of the exercises, Rev. Dennis J. Flynn thanked the audience for their kind attendance and attention.

Baltimore's New Postmaster.

The following sketch of Mr. Frank Brown, appointed to succeed Mr. Veazey as postmaster for Baltimore, appeared in a communication to the N. Y. *World* from Baltimore:—

Mr. Brown is a thorough Democrat and has served two terms in the Legislature, but is not actively connected with any working rings of Maryland Democracy. He inherited a large fortune from his cousin, Miss Florence Patterson, and improved on this by marrying a young widow worth a million. He entertains in great magnificence on his farm in Carroll county, where he owns a valuable stable of imported stock, and has for some time been closely connected with the Maryland Jockey Club and the State Agricultural Society.

He is well known and extremely popular in Baltimore circles, and is freely spoken of for the next Governor of Maryland. Under a provision in the old Patreson family will, Miss Florence Patterson was required to attend the Pimlico races in a four-in-hand, a pet hobby of an ancestor, and the racing turnout of this once distinguished belle was the chief feature at Pimlico. She was related to the famous Maryland beauty, who married Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte and whose grandsons move in the highest circles of Washington, Baltimore and Newport. Mr. Brown, as heir of Miss Patterson, complies with the four-in-hand requirement on Pimlico days.

A KENT COUNTY MAN TAKES A TURN AT DELAWARE POLITICS.

A MARYLANDER WHO BELIEVES IN MAJ. BIGGS.

MILLINGTON, MD., May 4, 1886.

Ed. Transcript:—In looking over the Kent *News* of May 1st my attention was called to an article reading as follows: "The administration wing of the Democratic party of the State of Delaware is very seriously considering the advisability of running E. R. Cochran, of Middletown, as their candidate for Governor next fall. Mr. Cochran is known as a shrewd politician and one who can beat Benny Biggs in his own home." Now, Messrs. Editors of the *News*, we say that the publication of such an extract is unkind; "Benny" is slang,—mean slang. In fact, the whole article is out of place. We know that Major Biggs is not with the administration in many things. The appointment of the postmaster in New York, a negro for marshal in the District of Columbia, &c. We are well assured that there are many Democrats equally as good as Major Biggs, E. R. Cochran or the *News* editors, who feel themselves disappointed in Mr. Cleveland. In fact, it is our judgment that the Democratic party never met anything but ill luck with a New York man. We elected Van Buren in 1836; in '48 he turned traitor and defeated Gen. Cass. We elected Mr. Tilden; Mr. Edmunds did for him, aided by the cowardice of Democratic brokers and bankers. So let us go West for our next candidate.

But let us return to Biggs and Cochran. The Major is well known here, as a good landlord at least. His tenants are all spoken of as making money. He treats them as equals in his intercourse with them and he shows more of the old Jeffersonian democracy than we usually see put upon exhibition in these days. We have seen much of the Major, and in our judgment he is a Democrat of the old school. Editors should be very careful in selecting extracts from papers abroad and exclude everything tainted with slang.

To depart from the Maj. Biggs question,—The fish law of the last session sets hard in the gills of many good Democrats of our town. To regulate fishing from Crumpton bridge to the head waters of Chester river is an easy task. So far as gill-nets are concerned, nature does it. The moss will put in its appearance in a few days, and a net one hour in the water presents the appearance of a pile of moss rather than that of a net. And only think of the unfairness of taxing men here the same amount they are taxed down the river. The water from Crumpton bridge to Millington will not average three feet, so the whole catch from Crumpton up, at best of times, would be a small catch for one net down the river.

Literary Notes.

Lippincott's Magazine used to be a very bum-drum affair; highly respectable, but abounding in sketches of travel that had been traveled over in print before, and in stories that were not particularly enchanting. The *Lippincott* of 1886, however, is in every respect a change, both inside and outside, and the change is for the better. The number for May is particularly attractive.

Chestertown Thermometric Record.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 3, 1886.

	6 a.m.	2 p.m.	9 p.m.	aver.
Tuesday	54	66	54	58.
Wednesday	52	67	54	57.6
Thursday	54	62	48	54.6
Friday	40	61	48	49.6
Saturday	45	55	50	50.
Sunday	54	69	54	59.
Monday	49	63	54	55.3

Average temperature at 6 a. m. 49.7
" " " 2 p. m. 63.6
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Average of the week 54.8
" " last " 59.04
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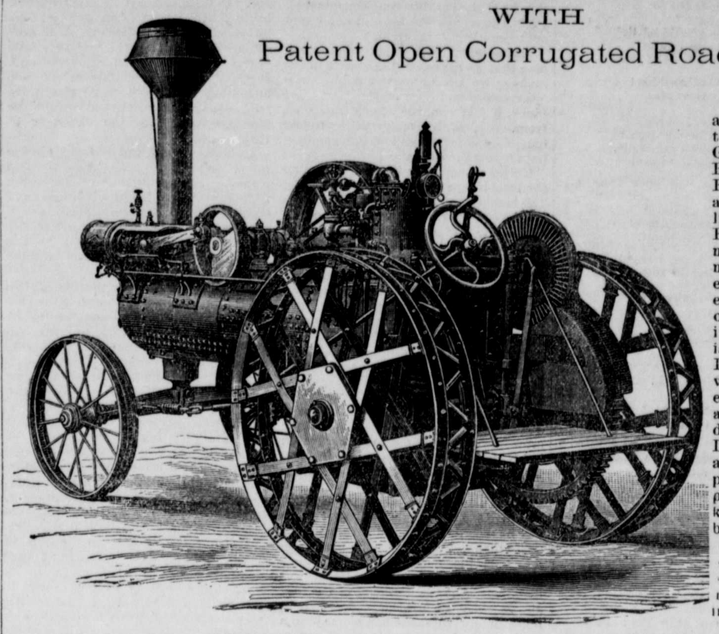

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Chestertown	6 30	2 20
Worton	6 47	2 40
Lynch's	6 53	2 50
Still Pond	7 00	3 00
Kennedyville	7 12	3 15
Blacks	7 27	3 30
Lambson	7 41	3 45
Masseys	7 53	3 55
Delanys	8 06	4 10
*Bingham	8 12	4 22
arr Clayton	8 30	4 30
leave "	8 43	5 03
" Middletown	9 04	5 37
" Wilmington	9 42	6 30
arr Philadelphia