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—Messrs. W. B. Tilghman & Co., quote wheat in Baltimore for first of week at 81½ cents for spot, 82 to 83 cents for July delivery.

—There was a brilliant fire work display at Tolchester Beach on Monday evening last, which attracted visitors from the county as well as from Baltimore.

—Next Tuesday, the 29th day of June, James A. Pearce, Esq., as trustee, will offer at public sale valuable Chestertown property, which is described elsewhere.

—The benefit entertainment for Mrs. Christopher Hynson comes off this evening. A number of tickets have been sold, and there is a prospect for a full house.

—The Worton Gun Club tied the Baltimore Gun Club in the clay pigeon shooting match which was held Thursday of last week. The Worton boys will have to try it again.

—The Thomas Rasin farm, located near Still Pond, which was offered for sale on last Thursday by R. Hynson, Esq., as attorney, was withdrawn and is held at private sale, as is also the Crawford farm.

—Mr. C.F. Stam began work the first of this week, tearing away the old building on the site where he proposes to replace a handsome brick structure. Soon the old wooden house will have become a thing of the past.

—A gentleman of Milford, Del., in which section the peach crop will be light this year, offers for sale two large evaporatoss, in good condition, which he says he will sell at about one-third cost. Some of the large peach growers in the county may find it profitable to own an evaporator this year.

—The peach crop in this county this season will be large enough to supply a basket,—five-eighths of a bushel,—to every man, woman and child in the great city of New York. It would supply four baskets to each of the men, women and children in Baltimore. As the bulk of the crop is in this county, there is not likely to be a glut this year in peaches.

—The heavy rain of Tuesday beat down and tangled the heavy wheat in the county, so that the binding reapers will work under difficulties. The ground is also so soft as to add to the difficulties of the complicated machines. The crop in this county this year will test the merits of the respective claimants to being "the best."

—The commencement exercises of Washington College come off next week. The address before the Mt. Vernon Literary Society will be on Tuesday evening and the commencement exercises proper will be on the following Wednesday morning. There are five members in the graduating class this year.

—Orphans' Court met Tuesday, June 22, 1886.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

The last will and testament of Geo. W. Nicholson, dec'd, was admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

On application, letters of administration c. t. a. on the personal estate of said dec'd were granted unto Geo. W. Nicholson, Jr., who filed bond in the penal sum of $200. Vachel Burgess and James A. Shaw were appointed to appraise the personal estate.

Simon Freeman, adm'r of Jacob Freeman, dec'd, returned inventory of personal estate.

County Commissioner Notes.

An order was passed requesting the trustees of the poor to meet the county commissioners at their meeting on Tuesday, July 6th.

The list of pensioners for the five districts was completed and pensions ordered to be provided for by levy.

Sundry appropriations for special purposes were considered and ordered to be provided for by levy.

The lists of the new assessments returned by the five collectors were approved and accepted

A number of officers', supervisors' and other accounts were examined and approved and ordered to be provided for by levy.

Badly Injured by a Reaping Machine.

Chas. O. Casey, Esq., a prominent young farmer of Millington, met with a shocking accident on Monday last. He had gone to one of his farms in Queen Anne's to start a reaper, and, in working with the machine, had his arm and hand caught by the binder. His fingers were pierced by the needle, his whole hand was very much lacerated, and his arm broken. It is said the machine had to be taken apart before he could be extricated from his painful situation.

The "Stars" Defeated Again.

Ed. Transcript:—The Kennedyville base-ball nine visited the Galena nine last Saturday, and were defeated for the third consecutive time. The game throughout the whole was anything but interesting, it being evident from the start that the Galena boys were too much for the "Stars." This being the third victory out of four games settles the championship in favor of Galena. The score stood 32 to 16. We now ask where is the first nine in Chestertown? Let us hear from them. The Junior B. B. nine expect to play the Betterton nine next Saturday at Galena. "A PLAYER."

Base-Ball.

Ed. Transcript—The Chestertown Base-ball club visited Millington on Saturday last and suffered a defeat by the nine of that town, the score standing 29 to 20. The game was not at all interesting, as heavy batting on one side and their fine fielding so easily defeated the visitors, but they took defeat very pleasantly, for immediately after the game visitors were invited to partake of a grand supper prepared by Mr. Sam I Mallalieu, which was much enjoyed. After indulging in dancing for a few hours, the visitors took their departure for home. The visitors must return their thanks to the people of Millington for their hospitality. Thomas and Wickes were battery for visitors, Springer and Colgan for home nine. A PLAYER.

A Close Game of Base-Ball.

Ed. Transcript—On last Wednesday, June 16, the 1st nine base-ball club defeated J. W. Bordley's nine at college park, the score standing 7 to 11. The same nine will play this afternoon, only J. W. Bordley's nine has much improved since last game. You may therefore look for an exciting game. The two nines are as follows: J W Bordley's—Garey, c; Hyland, p; Pippin, 1 b; Bordley 2 b; Wickes, 3 b; McFeely, s s; Urie, l f; Brown: c f; Usilton, r f. The College Base-Ball Club—Wickes, c; Thomas, p; Bratten, 1 b; Welch, 2 b; Beck, 3 b; Hynson, s s; Wethered, s f; Goldsborough, Perkins, c f; r f.

New Advertisements.

The following new advertisements appear in this issue:

Excursion to caverns of Luray.

Washington College commencement.

Notice to builders.

Evaporators for sale.

New store at Gale's Wharf.

Machine oil at M. A. Toulson's.

Notice to creditors of George W. Nicholson.

THE PEACH CROP IN KENT.

A Tabulation of Orchards Showing Where the Peaches Lie.

Through the aid of a number of intelligent gentlemen, located in various sections of the county, the *Transcript* is enabled to publish this week a very fair estimate of the probable peach yield in this county this season. Of course the report does not profess to be exact. No estimate of a crop, before the crop is harvested, can be exact. But the twenty reporters, from whom we have received the estimates given below, have carefully gone over their sections, orchard by orchard, and have obtained the judgment of numerous growers in making their estimates. From the Galena section we have no tabulated report, and there are a number of growers around Fairlee whose orchards we have not obtained an estimate upon. There are possibly other orchards that have been missed. It is difficult in estimating a great industry to attain absolute accuracy. Government statistics rarely do so. But, we believe we give below the best estimate of the peach industry in this county that has ever been collected. Without ostentation, the *Transcript* sincerely believes that the publication of the estimate will be of great service to the peach interests of this county. Kent county grows more peaches than any other equal area in the world. Delaware has always received the credit of being the great peach country, but there is no section of Delaware that can compete with this county in peach raising, taken area for area. The *Transcript* publishes this issue a large number of extra copies, and these will be sent to a great many points through the North and West where they will do most good.

We begin the tabulation with East Neck Island, the lowest point of the county:—

EAST NECK ISLAND.

Name of Grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Probable yield in baskets.*
David Jones	8,000	4,000
Spencer Harris,	12,000	6,000
Mrs. C.A. Wickes,	2,500	2,400
Mrs. A. Bogal,	2,000	2,000
Capt. S. Watkins,	1,000	1,000
T. D. Glenn,	300	300
B. F. Sappington,	7,000	15,000
	32,800 Total number of trees.	30,700 Probable yield in baskets.

ROCKHALL VICINITY.

Name of Grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Probable yield in baskets.*
W. M. Wilson	3,500	3,200
R. B. Wilson	2,500	3,200
R. B. Wilson, Jr.	1,000	1,500
Carroll Wilson	2,000	2,400
Tilden Brice (2-year-old trees)	5,000	500
Jas L Wilson, 2-year-old trees	3000	300
Jas. L. Beck	2,000	700
Thomas B. Kendall	500	800
Edw. Wilkins (2-year-old trees)	3,000	300
T. C. Maslin	1,000	800
G. L. Maslin	600	400
A. Smith	2,000	2,500
A. J. Wickes	2,000	1,500
Alex. Harris	14,000	18,000
T. R. Strong	6,000	4,500
E. H. Strong	5,000	4,000
Herbert Strong	4,000	5,000
John Kelley	1,000	1,000
T. A. Hudson	4,000	4,500
Wm. J. Porter	5,000	3,000
R. S. Jones	3,300	3,000
	65,400 Total number of trees.	51,100 Probable yield in baskets.

LANKFORD VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Probable yield in baskets.*
W. B. Strong,	3,700	4,000
J. E. Gilpin,	3,000	2,600
J. C. Wheatley,	1,200	1,900
G. H. Leaverton,	800	700
Jos. Rasin,	2,000	1,500
S. Constable,	2,500	1,500
T. Wheat on J. Vannort's farm,	4,500	2,000
R. Moffett, on J. Vannort's farm.	4,500	2,000
B. F. Beck,	6,000	3,000
George Beck,	6,000	1,500
George Bell,	8,000	15,000
Jos. W. Price,	4,000	6,000
J. W. Crew,	5,000	6,000
J. C. Taylor,	7,000	8,000
Dr. J. H. Price,	6,500	6,500
E. Clothier's heirs,	5,000	8,000
James Groves,	10,000	15,000
John Brice,	12,000	20,000
	91,700 Total number of trees.	103,700 Prob. yield in baskets.

FAIRLEE VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
William Archibald	4000	12,000
B Hatcherson	3000	4000
W H Hickey	8000	12,000
T W Skirven	4000	4000
James Rankin	4000	4000
T A Hulme	11,000	15,000
B F Legg	1000	1500
N Voshell	700	1300
L Aldridge	2500	5000
Wm Skirven on T S Wickes' farm	5000	15,000
	43,200 Total number of trees.	83,500 Total number of baskets.

There are a number of growers in the vicinity of Fairlee, whose orchards we have failed to secure an estimate upon. The yield in the Fairlee section will probably reach a total of 120,000 baskets.

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SWAN CREEK AND TOLCHESTER VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
William Stevens	2500	1500
William Thomas	2500	1000
W F Baker	2500	2000
Sterling Jones	3000	3000
L Stevens	2000	800
W P Crosley	3000	2000
Simon Smith	1000	1500
B B Adkinson	1000	1000
T A Strong	2000	1500
	19,500 Total number of trees.	14,300 Total number of baskets.

BROAD NECK VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
C. A. Leary,	4,000	7,000
John Usilton,	1,500	3,000
Thomas Fletcher,	1,600	2,000
T. J. Vickers,	4,000	6,500
James McClusky,	3,000	3,000
John Maslin,	600	400
J. Fletcher,	300	200
William Rasin,	400	300
A. T. Thomas,	500	800
R. Bennett,	400	500
Pearson Jewell,	600	800
	16,900 Total number of trees.	25,500 Total yield in baskets.

IN VICINITY OF QUAKER NECK.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
B. N S. Wilkins,	3,000	2,400
J. W. Loud,	5,000	11,200
Mrs. M. A. Wilkins,	6,000	7,200
D. McKee,	9,000	4,800
Frank Wilkins,	2,000	1,300
R. S. Emory,	2,000	2,000
G. H. Watts	7,500	4,000
Edward Bramble	800	700
William Whitely	2,000	800
J. C. Loud	1,800	2,900
W. T. Maslin	2,000	2,300
John Redue	1,200	800
R. Raker, on J. A. Groves' place	9,500	4,000
Henry Graves	1,000	0,000
S. W. Brown	3,500	800
Herbert Lamb	1,500	2,400
Walter Trew	1,000	700
James Bramble	1,000	800
J. H. Baker	5,000	3,200
Richard Strong	800	500
J. A. Groves	20,000	9,600
J. A. Groves	8,000	14,000
J. A. Groves	10,000	25,000
F. D. Lamb	3,500	3,200
T. D. France	3,000	3,200
W. E. Loud	2,000	2,400
Thomas Toulson	2,000	700
Edward Emory	1,500	1,200
C. G. Dadaway	1,000	700
W. G. Trew	3,000	2,000
J W Hine's farm	4,000	5,600
C. C. Brown	3,000	3,200
Henry Brown	5,000	4,800
Comegys Brown	4,000	2,400
B. Trew	3,500	1,600
	139,100 Total number of trees.	132,200 Total yield in baskets.

CHESTERTOWN VICINITY.

Name of Grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Probable yield in baskets.*
Wilbur Eliason	17,000	25,000
Wm. Stewart	3,500	10,000
S. Lecates	3,500	7,000
T. C. Parsons	1,000	1,000
E. Walraven	2,000	4,000
P. Jefferson	1,500	4,500
George Bacon	1,000	3,000
Mrs. Hurlock	5,000	10,000
R. G. Nicholson	1,000	3,000
Arthur Brown	10,000	15,000
Wm. Brown	2,000	2,000
Wm. B. Usilton	5,000	10,000
H. Lusby	1,200	2,000
H. W. Carvill	500	1,000
Wm. Ford	4,000	7,000
J. Blackiston	1,000	3,000
H. Nichols	500	1,000
R. Hatcherson	3,000	4,000
S. Lee	1,000	3,000
H. W. Vickers	1,000	2,000
V. Hendrickson	1,000	4,000
W. D. Burchinal	1,000	2,000
Edw. Watson	5,000	5,000
Jos. Massey	3,000	2,500
Bevans Morris	2,000	1,000
J. M. J. Byron	2,500	5,000
Newcome on Wickes farm	1,000	2,000
John Bell	2,000	2,000
T. H. Massey	1,000	3,000
Thomas S. Wilmer	2,500	1,000
John K. Bosee	1,600	4,000
J.B.Sappington farm	600	1,000
	88,300	152,000

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WORTON VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
W W Stephens	0000	3500
John W Corey	2000	2000
Mrs A Hurlock	5000	15,000
A. Crawford	2500	3500
J J Roeder	2500	2500
M M Rasin	1200	4000
L Handy	1500	3000
S A Reed	1200	1500
William Wood	1500	1500
W B Edwards	3000	3000
G R Reed	1200	2000
Charles Long	3000	6000
J. R. Peck	3000	4000
W B Stephens	3000	5000
J R Usilton	7000	10,000
Adam Diehl	2000	4000
Theodore Diehl	6000	10,000
John W Copper	5000	12,000
George Stephens	1500	1500
Thomas Roeder	4000	13,000
George Hudson	2500	2500
William J Anderson	2000	1800
H I Parsons	3000	2500
S F Cooper	1900	7000
J L Crew	1000	2000
Joseph Porter	1300	2500
William H French	4000	5000
William Carter	3000	7000
Captain Clayton	1000	2000
William Tarbutton	500	1000
Dr Beck	2500	1600
Dr. Merritt	1000	500
Mrs A O Jones	1000	600
C H Jones	600	500
	81,400 Total number of trees.	145,500 Total number of baskets.

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LYNCH'S VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
J Z Clark	3000	6000
J C Jones	800	2500
E J Kennard	2500	3000
John Scotton	3000	4000
James Chapman	5000	10,000
J H Hossinger	700	1500
Small growers	2000	4000
	17,000 Total number of trees.	31,000 Total number of baskets.

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STILL POND VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
Pennell and Meeks	8000	20,000
W G Rasin	5600	12,000
Davidson a Greenwood	1500	3000
J T Ireland	5000	10,000
Dr Kelley and Price	3000	3000
John Stokes	5000	10,000
J C Rasin	11,000	22,000
Mrs Robinson	1500	3000
Mrs Jump	5000	10,000
Daniel Crew's heirs	4500	2000
James S Harris	15,000	25,000
J W Howard	10,000	20,000
Polk & Pennington	16,000	35,000
Norris Barnard	15,000	30,000
T S Wilson's heirs	3500	5000
J H Cotton	1300	2500
J and Q Holley	900	900
R T Turner, Sr. and tenants	10,000	20,000
A R Parks	3000	3000
E D Crew	1000	1500
Edward Dempsey	1000	1500
Bryan and Richardson	1500	1500
Frank Spry	1000	2000
R T Turner, Jr.	900	3000
Around Betterton	2000	2000
Young and Canby	4000	6000
H L Crew	7000	12,000
E N Bonwell	4000	16,000
George Krebs	2000	5000
J F Beeks	1200	3000
L S Hepbron	1000	2000
George R Parrott	1000	2000
Captain Clayton	800	1200
R A Bowers	1000	2000
J F Wilson	2500	7000
Wm Watts	2000	5000
C H Price	5000	10,000
W S Maxwell	2300	6000
G W Davis	6000	15,000
Raymond & Atwell	3000	10,000
William Hurlock	1000	2000
G W Price	5000	10,000
F H Harper & tenants	20,000	50,000
John Archibald	2000	4000
Matthews & Wickes	2000	4000
Around Still Pond creek	3000	3000
	208,000 Total number of trees.	451,100 Total number of baskets.

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KENNEDYVILLE VICINITY.

Name of grower.	*Number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
Bedford Roe	10,000	20,000
McCauley & Redmile	4000	5000
Harry Hill	3000	3500
Wm Archibald	9000	6000
Samuel Roseberry	3000	3000
John Barwick	4500	4000
George Thompson	500	2000
Smith Burrows	4000	500
Mrs Maria Sutton	1000	1000
George Atwell	2000	4000
Frank Roeder	5000	3000
Chas L Gill	4200	3500
W T Hepbron	15,000	20,000
Samuel J Hill	4500	15,000
John P Vandyke	4500	6000
William Hurlock	1500	2000
Daniel Hill	1600	2000
John R Bennett	4000	500
	81,300 Total number of trees.	101,000 Total yield in baskets.

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SECTION NEAR BLACK'S STATION.

name of grower.	*number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
S A Merritt		4000
J W Hurtt		15,000
T J Shallcross		3000
W O Shallcross		3000
R Comly		2000
J A Toulson		2000
C C Morgan		1000
C S Hill		6000
D J Nowland		5000
Garrett Foxwell		2500
E B Pennington		10,000
J E Hurlock		3000
W W Hurlock		1000
W E Jarrell		1500
A Clemmnts		6000
S W Aidridge		2000
		67,000 Total yield in baskets.

The number of trees were not given by reporter of above orchards.

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MILLINGTON VICINITY.

name of grower.	*number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
James R Jones	600	500
Geo Jones on Miss S Jones' farm	600	500
C O Cacy T McGinniss overseer	3700	1500
C O Cacy, J Crossley overseer,	100	250
Clayton Wilson, E Moffett owner,	1000	100
Dr T H Crane, W Gordon tenant	2000	1000
Dr T H Crane J Cully overseer	2000	1500
Henry Spear	2000	500
John Biggs Staat tenant.	3500	2500
Wm Hurlock McKenney farm	3000	3000
Mrs Welch, J Sutton tenant,	2000	500
T J McWhorter, Biles tenant	1000	100
Jas Mallalieu	3000	500
Thos Mallalieu	5000	5000
	29,900 Total number of trees.	18,350 Total yield in baskets

Quite a number of orchards in vicinity of Millington have no peaches at all. Upon those above reported, it will be observed, the yield is for the most part light.

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MASSEY'S VICINITY.

name of grower.	*number of trees.*	*Prob. yield in baskets.*
R R Cochran	7500	15,000
S Boyer	3000	1500
S Hurlock	7000	1500
J Hodgson	1200	1000
S B Richardson	1500	1000
W S Hurlock	1200	3500
E G Clark	600	1200
R Morgan	800	1200
John Watts	1500	1500
C S Hurlock	3000	2000
E Gooding	2000	3500
H Taylor	1800	2500
J N Vansant	1500	2000
R R Cochran Jr	1500	500
T B Merritt	3000	500
S Cacy	800	200
R H Corbally	700	300
E C Comegys	600	200
	38,400 Total number of trees.	39,100 Total yield in baskets.

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GALENA AND SASSAFRAS.

The peach yield is much lighter in the upper part of the county than it is from the second district down. In the section lying adjacent to Galena and also in the rich section surrounding Sassafras there are numerous large and thrifty orchards, but the yield is generally light. We have no detailed report from Galena and Sassafras. Fifty thousand baskets will probably not be an over estimate of the crop in that section.

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Recapitulation.

	Total number of trees.	*Total yield in baskets.*
East Neck Island	32,800	30,700
Rock Hall	65,400	51,100
Lankford	91,700	103,700
Fairlee	43,200	83,500
Swan Creek	19,500	14.300
Broad Neck	16,900	25,500
Quaker Neck	139,100	132,200
Chestertown	88,300	152,000
Worton	81,400	145,500
Lynch's	17,000	31,000
Still Pond	208,000	451,100
Kennedyville	81,300	101,000
Black's Station	*50,000	67,000
Millington	29,300	18,350
Massey's	38,400	39,100
**Galena	70,000	50,000
	1,055,300 Probable number of trees in bearing in the county.	1,495,050 Probable total yield of the county.

*The reporter from Black's section gave an estimate on each orchard, but did not give number of trees. The number of trees given in list to Black's is assumed.

**We received no tabulated list from Galena, and both the estimate as to trees and yield is upon general information.

There are a great number of one- and two-year-old orchards in the county, which are not yet in bearing. In some lists these orchards were reported, but as they were not generally reported, and as they do not affect the peach crop for the present year, we have not put them in.

Personal.

Rev. W. R. Graham in his recent address before the Irving Literary Society of Western Maryland College had for his subject, "Command of Self, and Surrender to Something Which can Command us." The address is published in full in the school paper. It is a brilliant enforcement of the great Christian doctrine that life should be devoted to objects and ends that reach above and beyond one's self.

The Rev. J. Edward Smith, who is to deliver the address before the Mt. Vernon Literary Society of Washington College, next Tuesday evening, will have for his subject "Transition." Mr. Smith is a gentleman of broad views, and possesses more than ordinary ability to enforce them. The address, it may be expected, will be more than ordinarily interesting.

Mr. Wilbur Hubbard, of T.R. Hubbard & Son, has recently returned from a trip West, that reached as far as the centre of Kansas. He is very much pleased with the farm lands of Kansas, and with the booming Western towns and cities.

Mr. D. B. Stewart, of the Baltimore commission firm of D. B. Stewart & Co., has been in Kent for a week or ten days past, looking into the peach question. Mr. Stewart has built up a very healthy commission trade by promptness and general wide-awakeness.

Mr. W. P. Armstrong, formerly of Chestertown, has a position in the treasury department at Washington. Pryor's good luck, it is understood, came through the good-will of Senator Arthur P. Gorman.

Dr. Nelson Declines.

A letter declining the bishopric of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Easton was received at Cambridge from Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D. The letter, which was addressed to Rev. Messrs. Barber and Mitchell, says:

"After all the prayerful consideration which I am capable of giving to so grave a subject, I find myself unable to accept the high and holy office to which your diocese has invited me. With a full appreciation of the claims which the church has upon her clergy to fill her vacant offices, of the circumstances attending my election, of the great responsibility of my decision, in the fear of God, and, I trust, under the guidance of His spirit, I must decline the episcopate of the Diocese of Easton. I do this with great reluctance in view of the hearty greeting I received and the loyal love and friendship I was offered at my recent visit to your diocese. With the earnest prayer that God may guide your convention to the choice of some one far more worthy than myself to be your chief pastor, and with great respect for yourselves, I remain most sincerely your friend and brother in Christ and His Church. "KINLOCH NELSON."

This is the third declination of the bishopric made vacant by the death of the late Bishop H. C. Lay, Rev. Geo. Williamson Smith, D. D., of Hartford, Conn., Rev. Chauncey C. Williams, of Augusta, Ga., and Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D., Alexandria, Va., having declined in the order named. The people of the diocese were under the impression that Dr. Nelson would accept and his declination is a great surprise to them. It is said that Dr. Nelson considered the matter in a favorable light until he visited Easton, where the rivalries between the two churches in that town, the Cathedral and the Chapel, determined him not to accept.

THE PEACH CROP DISTRIBUTION FOR THIS YEAR.

The Bulk of the Crop Will be in This County.

The *Ploughshare* of Wilmington, Del., has collected some peach statistics from various points of the Peninsula, since the June drop has got in its work, and publishes in its last issue the following information:

VICINITY OF DOVER.

The prospect in this vicinity is bad, the small crop being much curtailed by rotting from the unusual wet weather and the ravages of the curculio. One of my orchards which promised half a crop on the first of June has this morning scarcely anything left. In all the orchards the ground is now covered with fallen peaches and I do not see how there can be the twentieth part of a crop from this station. The Smock and Old Mixon seem to be the most promising varieties at present. H. RIDGELY.

Dover, Del., June 12.

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VICINITY OF RISING SUN, IN DELAWARE.

As the June drop is not over with, it would be difficult to estimate what the peach crop will be as it is heavy in some localities. But the general average of the peach at present in my community is about one-half. According to my judgment there will be as many peaches shipped from this locality as last year and the prospect is that there will be more shipped from Wyoming than last year as the Fruit Exchange is drawing peaches from other sections. THOS. B. HANSEN.

Rising Sun, Del., June 14.

THE WYOMING, DEL., SECTION.

I think from the most careful estimates made of our peach crop we will have about one-fourth of a crop. At Wyoming, peaches are dropping more than usual, owing to the continual wet and cold. The yields of Troths, Old Mixon, Stumps, Fox Seedlings and the varieties that have the finest yellow fruit will be light throughout. I think there will be more peaches on the Peninsula than last year. I estimate the crop for Wyoming at about 150,000 baskets. A. N. BROWN.

Wyoming, June 9.

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THE VICINITY OF FREDERICA, DEL.

The June drop has reduced the little prospect for peach crop in this vicinity very materially. I know of but two persons near here who have a fair prospect for a crop. The orchards of Rev. Jno. S. Willis and Clarence Hopkins look the best of any I have seen. Taking the risk from now to ripening (speaking for this vicinity), I hope for not more than one-eighth of a crop. Almost the only trees set are the early and late. The middle term varieties are set very sparingly. E. DAWS.

Frederica, Del., June 14.

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ON THE BORDER LINE OF KENT AND SUSSEX, DEL.

The indications are that about 30,000 baskets of peaches, or one-tenth of a full crop, will be marketed from Milford this year. The June fall is now going on, and, as usual, farmers are frightened at the quantity they see on the ground. But the fall is proportionately no greater than usual. The earliest varieties, such as Hale's, Troth's and York's, promise the best yields. H. L. HYNSON.

Milford, Del., June 10.

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NO PEACHES AROUND BRIDGEVILLE, DEL.

Peaches all killed last winter.

Yours truly, W. P. and P. L. CANNON.

Bridgeville, Del., June 10.

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ONE-THIRD OF A CROP IN THE SMYRNA SECTION OF DELAWARE.

The crop here will average a third, hardly a half possibly, of a full crop. Some orchards full and others none at all. This being the case the varieties will be near their relative proportion. There will probably be exceeding 100,000 baskets from here. R. D HOFFECKER.

Smyrna, Del., June 11.

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CECIL AND KENT COUNTIES OF MARYLAND.

I have visited most of Kent and Cecil counties, Md., and closely examined the orchards, and in my judgment the crop is a full one in those two counties, and with the usual drop will in proportion to trees equal the '75 crop, and is about the same for this county, although we have a very few trees in comparison, which is not the case in two counties mentioued. I know nothing further to state. G. W. INGHRAM.

Middletown, Del., June 10.

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The prospect for peaches in the lower counties of Maryland about corresponds with the prospect in lower Delaware.

The *Ploughshare's* inquiries have established what the *Transcript* has before pointed out—that the bulk of the peach crop for this year, will be in Kent county, Maryland. In Cecil county the orchards are comparatively few and small, and the crop there, even though it be full for the trees in bearing, is hardly worth considering.

To Luray.

On the 14th of next July the people of this county will have an opportunity of visiting, at very small cost, a natural wonder, that people travel thousands of miles to see. The Luray Caverns are among the wonders of the earth. Not known as long as the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, the Luray is yet in many particulars even more wonderful and impressive. Think of an immense underground castle, with roof at times ninety feet high, with immense chambers and corridors and lobbies; with an area covering many acres, and the whole lit by electric lights that make it like some mysterious giant's palace. There are quite a number in Chestertown discussing the trip, and it is probable that several large parties will be organized in the county. The officers of the Chester River Steamboat Company will look after the comfort of the excursionists and will insure reserved seats on cars, and other special accommodations. Mr. Spencer Harris of the Corsica, whom every one knows as a very pleasant and obliging young man, will accompany the party to Luray.

From Beyond the Mississippi.

W. Scott Way has returned from his recent Pacific slope trip, and in the last issue of the Middletown *Transcript* gives a sketch of a portion of his trip, from which we give the extracts below:—

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During the afternoon you pass swiftly through farms and orchards and past thriving towns of Central Kansas. No prettier or more productive farming country than this can you find anywhere on Uncle Sam's ranch. Emporia will attract your attention. A few years ago I went through it when it was a straggling village almost on the outskirts of civilization. To-day it has a population of 15,000, daily papers, street car lines, fine school buildings, handsome churches and brick blocks of business houses that would look well in Philadelphia. It is a very wealthy city for its size, is growing so fast that its statistics would make an Eastern man's head swim, and it is the centre of the richest agricultural and stock country in the United States. You eat supper at Florence, the heart of the famous Cottonwood Valley and junction with the road to the fruitless counties of South western Kansas, and then, as night has closed the exhibition, you turn into your Pullman berth and go to sleep.

Sunrise finds you in Colorado. If your digestion is good and your conscience as clear as a newspaper man's you have had a dreamless night. You have slept through the great grazing region of Southwestern Kansas and now you are seeing something of the cattle ranches of Colorado. The exhilarating morning air of these elevated plains has sharpened your appetite for the breakfast you will get at La Junta, and the railroad people will see that you have thirty good minutes in which to eat it.

During the morning you may see some of Star Route Dorsey's big cattle ranch and the "wrecks" of a great many cattle that succumbed to the late dreadful winter. At noon you reach Trinidad, the cattle man's paradise and the home of more than a dozen cattle kings who are rated above a million in herds and hard cash. Here are street cars and electric lights, and draw poker is the popular amusement all the year round.

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Albuquerque is a busy place of some 5,000 people. Its business houses are large and carry heavy stocks, there is a hotel big enough to carry a seventy-thousand-dollar mortgage, and the thirsty wayfarer on the business streets may moisten his interior department every twenty or thirty steps, at fifteen cents a moist.

I had not been there 20 minutes when a mosquito came to me and bit me, just as familiarly as if I had been an old acquaintance I did not expect to meet a mosquito here, 4,949 feet above sea level, but it is always the unexpected that happens.

A good many consumptives go to Albuquerque for their health. I am told that if they stay there, and do not die within a year, they almost invariably recover from their lung trouble. But I was not favorably impressed with the climate of Albuquerque. There was two much climate crowded into the one day I was there.

You will find Delaware folks almost everywhere in the West. Albuquerque has a happy pair of them, Dr. and Mrs. Pierce, personally known to many readers of the *Transcript*. Dr. Pierce formerly lived at Kirkwood, this county. His talented and accomplished wife, formerly Miss Eva Lockwood, lived in Middletown several years. I called on them in their pleasant home at Albuquerque and found them carrying tender memories of New Castle county but with a new and strong love of the Great West. They even conscientiously defended the Albuquerque climate. Dr. Pierce enjoys a lucrative practice, built up in less than a year. He is a very companionable man and can talk to you of the future greatness of Albuquerque in seven languages. He took me in a road-cart and drove me for miles right into the teeth of a sandstorm to convince me that Albuquerque has a fine climate.

There is an "old town" and a "new town" at Albuquerque. The old town is the Mexican quarter, built of adobe, of course, around a plaza. I went out to the old town and was persuaded to taste thirteen kinds of native wine; and now I will say without mental reservation, that the wines of Albuquerque are good. I had no headache next morning. The man who samples thirteen brands of wine in the course of two