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The Transcript

THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 1, 1886.

—The benefit entertainment given last week was a success. About $70 was netted.

—C. H. Baker, Esq., sells next Thursday, a small farm, located just across the river from Chestertown. It contains 30 acress and is partly set in fruit. It has about one-quarter of a mile of river shore.

—The peach buyers have already begun to look to this county for a supply of fruit this season. The *Transcript* has received a great many letters desiring papers containing peach lists. A number of buyers have been down to examine orchards. Mr. E. T. Comegys has made a contract with Western men to buy for them 100,000 baskets. By this time next week the peach question will begin to grow still more interesting.

—The wonderful caverns of Luray! The mysterious caverns of Luray! The magnificent caverns of Luray! The palatial caverns of Luray! The deep, dank, dark, weird caverns of Luray! The electric-lighted caverns of Luray! The soul-stirring, awe-inspiring, wonderful, wonderful caverns of Luray! Excursion leaves Chestertown Tuesday, the 13th inst. by Chester River boats, Ford in morning and Corsica in afternoon. Round trip from Chestertown to caverns, $4.75.

—The closing quarterly association for the present school year of the Kent county teachers, takes place in the main room of the school building at Chestertown, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow. The regular questions for discussion are: 1—What are some of the more useful lessons derived from your experience in the school room during the present year. 2—What are some of the more important helps derived from the meetings of the association during the present scholastic year? Rev. J. P. DuHamel, D. D., will deliver the address.

—The following railroad officials came down on the Kent road last week in a special car: H. F. Kenney, general superintendent P. W. & B.; I. N. Mills, sup't Del. division; Engineer Alabone, chief engineer Del. division; H. H. Carter, sup't Md. division; I. N. Wallis, general sup't motive power; George A. Dodman, general ticket agent; Engineer Feldpanche, Md. division, and Col. F. Gefker, lessee of the Kent road. Sup't Kenney's inspection car brought the party down and Engineer Strattner had charge of the engine. A number of the visitors went to Tolchester for the sight of that noted resort and were delighted with its attractions. Sup't Fleming states that the inspectors expressed gratification at the condition of the Kent road, and said there would be no difficulty in its quick and safe transportation of all the peaches that could possibly be offered this season.

—Orphans' Court met Tuesday, June 29, 1886.—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

John W. Corey and Sarah M. Usilton, admrs. of John N. Usilton, dec'd, filed their final administration account.

The appraisement of real estate of E. McQuay, dec'd, was received.

Rape in Lower District.

A young white man aged about 18 years, is charged with having committed a rape upon an aged white woman in the lower district of this county. An attempt was made to arrest him but he fled through a marsh and escaped in a boat across the bay. Efforts looking to his capture will be continued. The outrage is said to have been especially atrocious in the circumstances attending it.

Town Property Sold.

James A. Pearce, Esq., as trustee, sold the town property belonging to the estate of the late Miss Caroline Thompson, on Tuesday last at the Voshell House. All the lots lying on the west side of Cannon street, were sold as a whole to Dr. J. T. Twilley for $2,023. The lots containing the old dwellings, bounded by Cannon and Princess streets, were sold to Miss L. R. Spencer for $3,000.

The "Earnest house," on High street above Kent in Chestertown, now tenanted by Mr. V. Hendrickson, has been sold by Mr. I. Cordray to Mr. John Strattner for $1,500 cash

The double-frame building—containing two store rooms and dwelling—on High street near Kent, has been sold by Mr. S. L. Rawleigh to Hope H. Barroll, Esq., for $1,600.

Personal.

Hon. Jesse K. Hines has been re-elected Insurance Commissioner by the State Board of Public Works. Long experience and thorough knowledge of the details of the work to be done doubtless qualify Mr. Hines for performing the duties of the position with a thorough regard for the interests of the insured.

Mrs. Matilda Canby and daughter Hettie, of Wilmington, are visiting Mrs. Maxwell in Still Pond.

Mr. Gibson has recommended Mr. J. Evan Thomas of Chestertown for appointment in the custom house at Baltimore.

Quite a number of former graduates of Washington College were back again this year to attend commencement exercises.

Mr. L. J. Phaup, a student of the theological department of Randolph Macon College, Va., has been canvassing the town as agent for Hitchcock's Analysis of the Bible. The book is arranged with especial reference to convenience in consultation, and is approved by a large number of Biblical scholars.

Fruit Exchanges.

At Kennedyville on Saturday, June 19th, a branch of the Delaware Fruit Exchange was formed, and Messrs. Geo. W. Davis, E. B. Pennington and F. H. Harper elected as a local board of directors.

In Still Pond a branch of the Delaware Exchange was organized by the election of Messrs. Jas. S. Harris, C. H. Price and J. Frank Wilson as a local board.

In Chestertown and at Fairlee branches of the Delaware Exchange have also been organized. Messrs. Wilbur Eliason, Wm. Ford and S. Merritt Wilkins compose the local board for Chestertown, and Messrs. T. A. Hulme, Wm. Archibald, Jr., and J. Thomas Skirven for Fairlee.

Thirty or forty shares of the stock of the Delaware Exchange were taken at the above three points, at $10 per share. The advantage of the branch exchanges are of course not to be confined to stockholders, though these have some advantages that non-stockholders do not. Inspectors and clerks are to be selected at each branch by the local boards.

An Appreciated Pastor.

On June 6th, on receipt of the pastor's resignation, the congregation of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, passed the following:—

WHEREAS, Our pastor, Rev. William W. Reese, has tendered his resignation to the church and congregation and asked us to unite with him in asking Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relation which has for some years existed between us, therefore

Resolved, That it is with deep feelings of regret that we acquiesce in the wish of our pastor; and as he has been called to a larger field of usefulness and feels conscientiously restrained to accept that call, we very reluctantly yield to his judgment and unite with him in asking Presbytery for a dissolution of the pastoral relation.

Resolved 2d, That we will ever remember with pleasure and profit the words which it has been our privilege to hear from his lips, and pray God's blessing to rest upon him in all his future labors for the Master, and also abide with his household.

On last Sabbath, June 27th, at the close of the last service and immediately after the benediction Mr. Duhamell on behalf of the many friends presented to Rev. W. W. Reese, as an expression of their high appreciation and Christian love, a handsome gold watch, and also a purse of $50.00 to Mrs. Reese, to which Mr. Reese responded in appropriate and endearing terms.

COMMENCEMENT AT WASHINGTON COLLEGE.

Address before Mt. Vernon Literary Society by Rev. J. Edward Smith.

ADDRESSES BY STUDENTS.

When the Kent Cornet Band filed in front of the court house last Tuesday evening, arrayed in bran-new uniforms, and looking as lovely as the flowers that bloom in the spring, an admiring crowd soon gathered to gaze upon the band's resplendent beauty, which was impressive, individually and collectively. When each member set his bran-new gold-laced cap squarely on the back part of his head, and the whole band, including the bass drum, opened up on "The Golden Stairs," twelve or fifteen little colored girls, who had assembled, locked hands and stepped off the ever facinating tune. Meantime the court room rapidly filled, and by 8 o'clock a large audience had assembled to listen to the address of Rev. J. Edward Smith, before the members of the Mount Vernon Literary Society. The speaker was introduced by Mr. R. Watts, the president of the society.

The subject of Mr. Smith's address was "Transition." Mr. Smith introduced his subject in a somewhat personal and flowery preamble, that began to impress the audience that his speech was to be one of wordy emptiness. When he came to his subject proper, however, he soon demonstrated that he was a man of ideas. For his transitional period, he took a vast scope, a scope indeed that covered all the way from a white-hot world just cast off from the sun, to an evolutioned philosopher capable of reasoning upon the great questions of how he and the world came to be. Mr. Smith, however, cooled the world off very rapidly, introduced his life cell and reached the philosopher period before all of his audience knew fairly well what he was talking about. He soon made it evident that he is an evolutionist. He may be classed in the Dr. McCosh school of evolutionists; *i. e.*, while he believes in the evolutionary plan of creation, he believes that back of it there is a God who is working out an intelligent design, and that man is the design. After Mr. Smith had evolutionized his man, he discussed the transitional state from mental youth to mental manhood. The finishing of a college course, he said, is not the finishing of an education, though many college-bred young men think so, and acting upon the belief, settle down upon their acquirements to become mental nonentities. A college training is but an opening view of the boundless and fathomless depths of knowledge that lie beyond. It is like a child standing upon the brink of the ocean, that thinks it sees the ocean, but as beyond the bounds of its sight there are spread vast areas which it cannot conceive, so to the young graduate there are beyond the bounds of his mental view vast and unexplored seas. Mr. Smith drew a picture of the methods of education that prevailed largely, thirty years back, when the human mind was supposed to be something that could be filled like a barrel. Education, he said, is a process of developing something that exists, and if the something does not exist there is no possibility of getting something from nothing.

The above is but a disconnected outline reproduced from memory, and not by any means a fair sketch of Mr. Smith's address, which was attentively listened to and generally appreciated by the audience.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

On Wednesday morning, the commencement exercises of Washington College were held at the court house. The graduating students delivered addresses in presence of the faculty, the board of visitors and governors, and a large audience. The honors of the Latin salutatory were divided between Messrs. A. W. Rivers and R. Watts.

Mr. R. Garey of Caroline county followed in an address upon Man and True Manliness.

Mr. Garey opened with a stanza from Pope's essay on man, and closed with a quotation from J. G. Holland, describing the highest type of man. He began by discussing the theories, scientific and biblical, as to the origin of man. Mr. Garey adhered very strongly to what is supposed to be the biblical view of man's origin, and came out as flat-footed against modern scientific views, as has the somewhat celebrated Rev. John Jasper. He was particularly hard upon Tyndall, Huxley and Herbert Spencer, stating that they are enunciating such principles as "brand the Omnipotent God as a liar." Referring to the evolution theory of man's origin, he asked, "Can we who have hitherto looked upon man almost as a God, believe that this is a true exposition of his nature?" Mr. Garey declared as his belief, that man was in the beginning the same he is to-day, and that he was "free to climb the rugged rounds of the ladder of fame, until he should reach the shining summit of human ambition, upon which he might stand and stretch out his arms to the world." Later on, however, the orator showed a weakening in his opposition to the evolution theory. He was inclined to make an exception in favor of the modern dude, who, he declared, "plays such fantistic tricks before high heaven, as make the angels weep." The address was listened to attentively and applauded at its conclusion.

Mr. E. R. Jump of Talbot county, whose subject was "Effects of the Norman Conquest on the Social and Political Condition of England," was excused and did not deliver his address.

Mr. W. J. Bratten of Worcester county, was the next speaker introduced. His subject was, "Respective Claims of Literature and Science in Education."

Mr. Bratten made a plea for the permanency of Latin and Greek in college training. While disposed to concede a place in the college curiculum to scientific instruction, the speaker yet argued that the highest type of scholarly training is to be obtained only through a knowledge of the languages and literatures of the Greeks and Romans. He declared as his belief that the discussions that are taking place in various college circles in reference to the respective claims to precedence of classic and scientific training, will not result in the setting aside of classic literature. In conclusion he said, "Probably science will enter more largely into education, and it is well that it should but not to the detriment of literature. Probably there will be a period of unsettlement and confusion, and literature may for a while seem to lose its prominent place, but man's appreciation of all that is noble and beautiful will without a doubt restore it to its former high position. We do not desire all literature and no science. Neither do we want all science and no literature. We want in the college curiculum a harmonious mingling of both."

The subject of the address of Mr. A. W. Rivers was, "Are Revolutions Exponents of National Advancement?" Mr. Rivers argued that governmental power, once obtained, is held to tenaciously and without any disposition to relinquish, whether it be concentrated in the hands of a single individual, as in the Czar of Russia, or whether it be distributed. Governmental power, whatever the form of government, is liable to be misapplied or to be applied oppressively; and when governmental power interferes with the just rights of the people it becomes tyrannical and the general result is rebellion. Revolutions are almost invariably outgrowths of wrong and oppression, and therefore almost invariably tend to advance civilization. The speaker instanced a number of revolutions, two peaceful ones in English history—the obtaining of Magna Charta, and the Bill of Rights; our own independence revolution and the French revolution. In conclusion he said,—"The institutions and modes of government existing to-day will not answer the demands of years to come; and in a similar manner systems constituted years ago do not and cannot answer the present demands. Even the House of Lords in England, if it obstructs popular liberty, will have to yield its existence to this great and mighty tide of popular progress."

Mr. R. Watts, of Cecil county, had for the subject of his oration,—"Dangers which Threaten Our Republican Institutions." The first danger he instanced was the system founded upon the idea that private enterprises may be built up by public taxation. This he pronounced a false and unjust system, that has already resulted in enriching a few by imposing a tax upon the hundreds. The creations of rich corporations and of great monopolies—evils growing largely out of the system of protective taxation are also, he said, dangers that menace government by the people. These monopolies, enriched by government patronage, bring to bear their subtle and corrupting influences in the halls of national legislation in still further obtaining enriching favors, making government by the people a meaningless phrase. The corrupting of popular government at the fountain head—bribing at the poles—he also discussed as a threatening evil. The gradual tendency to centralize power in the national government he regarded as an unmistakable indication that our form of government as conceived by its founders was threatened with destruction. In conclusion Mr. Watts argued that the one guarantee of perpetuity in our system of government depends upon the virtue and intelligence of the masses of the people,—Keep open the doors of the public schools, educate the people as a whole, let the voice of pure religion go out from the churches,—these are the forces that alone can cement and perpetuate government by the people.

After Mr. Watts' address, Prof. A. E. Twiford read the merit list of students in all the classes.

The Principal of the college, Prof. W. J. Riverf, then delivered a learned address, having for his subject "Facts."

Mr. R. Garey delivered the valedictory address, the baccalaureate degrees were conferred, the benediction was pronounced, and the commencement exercises came to a close.

There were no flowers, and there was consequently absent the huge boquet variation.

The Kent Cornet Band, led by Prof. Holland of Baltimore, made the music, and very inspiring music it was.

ROLL OF MERIT.

Below is given a record of the students whose average reach $\frac{75}{100}$ at the intermediate and final examinations:

Seniors—Messrs. R. Watts, A. W. Rivers, R. Garey, E. R. Jump, W. J. Bratten, in analytical geometry, lectures on mental philosophy, Terence, physiology, chemistry and French. Mr. J. L. Wethered in physiology, French and chemistry. At the final examination, Messrs. Garey, Jump, Rivers, Watts and Usilton in political economy. Messrs. Garey, Jump and Watts in German.

Sophomores—Messrs. J. C. Brown, M. S. Councill L. J. Smyth, F. G. Usilton, H. W. Vansant, in Horace, English literature and compositions on the same. Mr. Wethered in the last two studies. Messrs. Brown, Councill, Smyth and Vansant in Greek and French. At the final examination, Messrs. Smyth, Usilton and Vansant in de Amicitia, de Senectute, Tacitus, logic, physics and composition. Messrs. Smyth and Vansant in French.

Freshmen—Messrs. E. F. Catlin, B. F. Flounders, A. S. Goldsborough, S. F. Miles, W. F Russell, I. L. Twilley and R. H. Murphy, in Virgil, Cicero's orations, Homer, Anabasis and written translations; Messrs. Flounders, Russell, Goldsborough, Miles, Catlin and Twilley geometry and rhetoric; Mr. W. G. Smyth in Greek and Latin; Mr. F. B. Dalton in geometry, book-keeping and commercial arithmetic.

Sub-Freshmen—At the intermediate examination, Messrs. W. W. Beck, L. L. Bounds, T. D. Bowers, J. H. Geoghegan, W. T. Henry, J. W. Holland, N. Massey, Geo. Perkins, W. G. Smyth, in algebra, Latin, history and Greek; Mr. W. S. Walker in algebra, and Latin. At the final examination, Messrs. Bounds, Bowers, Geoghegan, Henry, Holland, Massey, in algebra, history, Latin, Greek and composition; Mr. Geo. Perkins in composition; Mr. W. S. Taylor in algebra, history and composition; Messrs. Walker and W. M. Reiche in book-keeping,

Closing Exercises at the Chestertown Public School.

The Chestertown public school finished its year's work on last Tuesday, and on Wednesday afternoon (yesterday) the closing exercises were held in the main recitation room. The school turns out two graduates this year, *i. e.*, two pupils who have finished the second seventh grade course, which is equivalent to a high school course. These are Miss Annie R. Wickes and Miss Effie Taylor. Miss Wickes read the salutatory essay, subject, "Influence of Female Character," and Miss Taylor the valedictory essay, subject, "Earth's Battle Field." The programme as a whole was interesting and entertaining. It was as follows:

1—Song, "Let the Hills and Vales Resound," school.
2—Salutatory essay by Anna Wickes.
3—Where the warbling waters flow, school.
4—Recitation, First Snow Fall, by Clare Vannort.
5—The song of the farmer, by 4th grade.
6—Martha Washington Tea Party, 3d grade.
7—The New State, Lemont Thompson.
8—True Elocution—a dialogue by 3 boys.
9—Little Thumbkins, first grade.
10—Recitation, The Two Babies, Palmer Carroll.
21—Ten Little Servants, Effie Crouch.
12—Calisthenics.
13—Do it, six girls of 4th grade.
14—Marching song, 3d grade.
15—Gently fall the dews of eve—Cora Hynson, Stella Jacobs and Coe Thompson.
16—Valedictory Essay by Effie Taylor.
17—Song, Drink Water, the school.
18—Presentation of certificates to graduates by C. F. Stam, Esq.
18—Distribution of reports.
20—Song—Summer Vacation—school.

HONOR LIST.

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Willie [illegible]		[illegible]	86
Jennie Ri[illegible]		[illegible] Perkins	85
Guion Roberts	8[illegible]		83
David Perkins	86	Groome Ringgold	83

Second Sixth Grade.

Walter Lusby	88	Gertie Stewart	84
Bennie Perkins	87	Charlie Howard	84
Mamie Catlin	86	Harry Blackiston	84
Katie Smith	85	Willie Rose	84
Maggie Hendrickson	85	James Boston	82
Stella Jacobs	85	Alice Platt	81
James Chapman	85	Ellwood Baker	81
Charlie Worrell	85	Nannie Brice	80

First Sixth Grade.

Daisy Carvill	94	Marian Lusby	87
Mary Sutton	91	Coe Thompson	87
Annie Russell	90	Gussie Cannon	86
Grace Turner	90	Frank Fowler	85
Cora Hynson	88	Robert Ringgold	80
Alfred Hall	87	Daisey Brice	80

Second Fifth Grade.

Allie Shuster	94	Grace Needles	86
Clara Usilton	93	Harry Simpers	86
Normon Perkins	89	Lillie Willis	86
Fannie Baker	89	Thomas Perkins	83

Frank Davis 82

First Fifth Grade.

Clare Vannort	91	Effie Crouch	85
Nettie Stewart	90	Ward Carvill	84
Herbert Perkins	90	Alice Thompson	82
Mamie Hopkins	88	Emma Beck	82
Harry Cannon	87	Mary Elliott	81
Emma McFeely	86	John Cannon	80
Hettie Greenwood	86	Willie Sutton	80
Katie Benjamin	86	Macy Hynson	80
Palmer Carroll	85	Annie Platt	80

Willie McIntire 80.

Fourth Grade.

Howard Fowler	93	Mary Anthony	91
Bessie Stuart	88	Annie Sanford	88
Mary Burchinal*	87	Anna Burchinal	86
Addie Hampton	85	Anna DeFord	85
Violet Beck	84	Charles Turner	84
Grace Hampton	83	Viva Hendrickson	83
Paul Graham	83	James Shuster	82
Willie Clayton	82	Ollie Estes	82

Harry Sappington 80

Third Grade.

Mamie Thompson	95	Hennie Porter	85
Minnie Peregoy	93	Percy Raleigh	84
Amy Russell	91	Pearl Shuster	84
J. Albert Morriss	60	Fred Russell	84
Maud Stewart	90	Allie Wright	83
Allie Russell	90	Alva York	83
John Harris	90	James Cooper	83
Julia Elliott	89	Nora Willis	81
May Fallowfield	88	Harry Hodgkin	80

Harry Willis 85.

Second Grade.

Mamie Carroll	97	Harry Rickey	97
Mary Thompson	96	John Willis	96
Mamie Chapman	96	Foster Cannon	95
Belle Haynes	95	Willie Sherwood	92
Mabel Graham	90	Foster Perkins	92
Gertrude Sappington	90	Andrew Levinus	89
Carrie Reiche	88	Willie Usilton	88
Maggie Joiner	88	James Stewart	88
Estella Rasin	87	Garey Holden	87
Lizzie Hall	86	Harry Chapman	86
Rosa McIntire	83	Frank Wood	85

Frank Simpers 82

Second First Grade.

Mamie Kirby	96	Lillie Crow	95
Ida Cooper	95	Emma Greenwood	95
Frank Smith	93	George McFeely	93
Frank McWhorter	92	Essie Loller	92
Carrie Sappington	91	Herman Garrett	89
Rose Frazier	89	Mamie Copper	88
Harry Anthony	88	Mattie Stouffer	87
Albert Raleigh	84	Frazier Estes	82

Annie Thompson 81.

First First Grade.

Theressa Fountain	95	Waters Russell	89
Claudia Thompson	94	Bessie Cannan	88
Geneva Lewis	94	Charlie Kirby	88
Sadie Hendrickson	94	Webster McIntire	88
Harry Fallowfield	94	Lemont Thompson	87
May Pennell	92	Rob McWhorter	87
Winnie Hamilton	93	Freddie Strong	87
George Gardner	92	Addie Needles	83
John Toulson	92	Wade Hampton	82
Sallie Beck	91	Ralph Coleman	82
Grace Whaland	91	Brose Carroll	81
May Hill	90	Lottie Blackway	81
Hennie Harris	90	Snowden Maslin	80

Walter Rawleigh 80.

The Next Diocesan Convention.

A letter from Salisbury to the Baltimore *Sun* under date of June 25th, says: "Rev. Theodore P. Barber, D. D., chairman of the standing committee of the Diocese of Easton, has written to Rev. G. W. Bowne, rector of St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, asking permission to hold a diocesan convention there to elect a bishop on the 14th of July. A reply has been sent naming the 6th of July the day on which the Southern convocation will convene here."

A letter from Cambridge of same date, says: "After the declination of the bishopric of the Diocese of Easton by Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D., it was thought that a special convention of the diocese would be called for July 14, for the purpose of a new election. The idea, it is understood, has since been abandoned, and it is now stated that the election will be deferred until after the General Episcopal Convention, which meets in October."

Bishop Curtis.

It is announced that the Rev. Alfred A. Curtis, secretary of the Baltimore Cathedral, has been appointed Bishop of Wilmington, Del., to succeed the Right Rev. Thomas A. Becker, who was transferred to the Diocese of Savannah.—The news was first made public in Wilmington, where it was announced that the Rev. B. J. Kelley, rector of the Wilmington Cathedral, had received a cablegram from the Rev. Dr. O'Connell, rector of the American College at Rome, informing him of the appointment. The new bishop-elect was born in Somerset county, Md., and is about 53 years old. He was ordained a Protestant Episcopal clergyman in 1856, and stayed on the Eastern Shore until 1859, when he came to Baltimore as assistant at St. Luke's Church, remaining there two years. He returned to the Eastern Shore and was rector for several years of the church at Chestertown, after which he came back to Baltimore and was at Mount Calvary Church for nine years. In 1871 he left the Protestant Episcopal Church and went to England and was received into the Roman Catholic Church by the present Cardinal Newman. Upon his return to the United States he was assigned to the Cathedral, and has been there ever since. He is a good-looking, able and an interesting preacher.—*Balt. Sun.*

Peninsula Items.

Within half a mile of Ridgely, Caroline county, there are 175 acres of land planted in strawberries. They are choice varieties, and yield as high as 4,000 quarts to the acre.

The Centreville *Observer* records six binder accidents, which happened in Queen Anne's county last week, in all of which more or less severe injuries were sustained by persons who were either making alterations or otherwise at work with the machine. The self-binder wheat machine in motion, is a dangerous arrangement.

The Caroline *Democrat* says the survey for the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad was made through that county last week. The line laid down crosses the Choptank a little south of Dover Bridge, and runs near Bethlehem and Preston. It crosses Hunting creek a few hundred yards south of the old mill, now called Linchester. The line runs near Hurlock's and Vienna, in Dorchester, and thence to Salisbury.

Rev. T. O. Ayers, of Denton, has been appointed presiding elder of the Dover district of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, in place of Rev. A. W. Milby, who died at Harrington, Del., recently. Mr. Ayers went to Smyrna, Del., from Queen Anne's county when a boy, remaining there until 1870, when he entered the ministry. He is a gentleman of push and energy in church matters.

Mr. Charles Mann, a merchant of Easton, is minus an ear. He became involved in an altercation with Geo. S. Miller, a young man of Easton, Tuesday afternoon of last week, and in the melee Mann's left ear was bitten off and spat into the gutter. Drs. Bateman and Trippe sewed the severed ear on, but they are in doubts whether it will heal, as they fear coagulation of the blood had taken place before the operation. Miller has been arrested and locked up in jail to await the result of a trial before Magistrate Nichols.

The graduating class of the Conference Academy at Dover consisted of Joseph H. Mallalieu, [illegible]llington, Md.; Hugh Cook Brown, Wilming[illegible]; T. C. Smoot, Preston, Md.; Ella P. Sharp, [illegible]rington; May B. Martindale, Anna K. Mas[illegible] Rachel V. Massey, Alice Gibson, Gove S. [illegible]rington, Henry Ridgely and Robert B. Can[illegible], Dover. M. D. Learned, class of '79, has been appointed instructor of German in Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. W. Lee Cannon, class of '82, is one of the commencement orators at Yale, where he graduated this week. George R. Sterling, class of '85, took the gold medal in oratorical contest at Dickinson College. It is proposed to erect a ladies' building on the academy grounds. At present lady students are accommodated in a large rented building adjoining the academy campus.

The Easton *Star* says that the report that the declination of the Rev. D. Nelson, was because of the dissension between the church at Easton, is not correct. The *Star* says: "We do not believe there is a particle of foundation for it. When Dr. Nelson visited Easton he was cordially received by both congregations, preached in both churches by invitation, and appeared very much pleased with the people of the town, as our people were undoubtedly pleased with him. But before he reached Easton, while on the steamboat, on his way here, Dr. Nelson said enough to a fellow passenger, a prominent member of Christ Church, to lead him to believe there were very grave doubts about his accepting, and church rivalries had nothing to do with the matter of his declining, one way or the other. Other matters influenced him to decline."

The Baltimore *Sun* of Friday last tells the following story of the booming Col. William Henry Legg, of Queen Anne's county, the newly appointed deputy surveyor for Baltimore:—'The North German Lloyd steamship America, Capt. Gustav Meyer, tied up at pier 9 Locust Point, at 7.20 A. M. yesterday. Soon the hatches were opened and the baggage of the passengers was hoisted out and laid on the dock, where the custom-house officers examined every piece and parcel. Col. William Henry Legg, the new deputy-surveyor, was on hand. Seeing a trunk without the customary marks made after examination, he ordered the lid lifted. The owner obeyed without saying a word. As he lifted the pieces from the trunk one by one, the owner looked up and surprised the deputy-surveyor by remarking in very good English, 'I'm a government officer myself.' 'Is that so?' said Col. Legg. 'What position?' 'Postmaster at Tripoli, Iowa.' 'That so? Come in with the new deal?' 'You bet. Did you?' 'You bet I did,' replied the genial Colonel, and both looked happy. This was Col. Legg's first inspection."

From Scott Way's California Trip.

W. Scott Way continues his description of his trip to southern California in the Middletown *Transcript* of the 25th inst. From his sketch we make the following extracts:

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During nearly half the night the train glides swiftly through this magnificent pine forest, and puts you at The Needles in time for an early breakfast. Now you are on the California side of the Colorado river, here a broad and rapid stream, spanned by a substantial bridge. You are only 477 feet above sea level and at one of the two hottest places in the United States. The other is Yuma, also on the Colorado river, where the Southern Pacific railroad crosses it. John Phœnix originated the story of the wicked soldier who, dying at Yuma, went to the hottest place named in sacred or profane history, and at once telegraphed to his friends for his overcoat and winter clothes. It is a very old story but men will tell it to you out West, if you will suffer them. A man sat down by me and told this old story in all its horrible detail, but he was a tall man with big fists and carried a pistol in each bootleg, and I spared him.

There are always a lot of Mojave Indians loafing about the depot at The Needles. Sometimes they are a hundred strong. They make a business of seeing the trains come in. That is the hardest work they do. Beyond that, they toil not, neither do they spin. They lie or sit about in cool and airy costumes and seem to be the happiest people on the face of the earth. They are too lazy to steal anything they can't eat or drink on the spot. I saw one finely-built young brave who was clothed only in a cool, self-satisfied air and a gauze undershirt. He seemed perfectly indifferent to the fact that his *tout ensemble* might occasion remark. None of the Mojaves that I saw were overdressed. Fashion dictates, however, that the Mojave women must wear three stripes of dark paint reaching from the underlip to the chin. A Mojave belle, moving in the higher circles of Mojave society, must wear her three stripes of dark paint or be the object of harsh and cruel remark from the rest of her set. Society is not so exacting about the rest of her adornment, it may be extremely light and simple—a couple of yards of calico and a bracelet, for instance—but the three stripes of paint are all important. None are courageous enough to trample down the decrees of fashion and come out in the gay and giddy throng of Mojave braves and belles without them. Savagery is a slave to custom. In this respect it is but little better than civilization.

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Pretty soon you come into the garden of California, a region of fruits and perpetual bloom. The transition from the desert to the garden is a welcome one. Luxuriant orange groves and vineyards take the place of cacti and sand. The air becomes fragrant with the breath of blossoms. Snow-clad peaks rise behind you, and in front is spread out the broad and fruitful valley in which San Bernadino, Colton, Riverside and other beautiful towns are situated. You have crossed a part of the county of San Bernardino, which is a fair sized county, considering that it is larger than Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island combined.

If you are going direct to Los Angeles, now the second city of California in population your car will leave the Southern California track at Colton and take you over Central Pacific rails for the remainder of your journey. There are fifty miles of fruitful country between Colton and Los Angeles. You pass Ontario, Pomona and other growing and attractive towns, traverse a part of the beautiful San Gabriel Valley, go quite near the old Missions church of San Gabriel and reach Los Angeles at 9.10 P. M., eighty-three hours from Kansas City.

I will leave you to rest at Los Angeles.

The Young Man from College.

Of the many favored regions, where ambitious young collegians flock in fiercely phalanxed legions, to do or die with fighting.

We believe the hardest batter, and the loudest of their clatter, hits the Island of Manhattan, with an educated smiting.

The youth who's all gymnastic, with a brain that's unelastic, stuffed with knowledge periphrastic, comes to see us in our sanctum, he delights in erudition, and his present modest mission is to show a composition which in college fairly "yanked 'em."

He then proceeds to tell us that whatever he should sell us, would be breezy as a "bellus" and would win us new subscribers.

That his trenchant style of writing should be made both bright and biting, and would surely prove the blighting of the Aldermanic bribers.

But we get his worth specific, when he asks in words terrific, with a nerve that's so pacific, that it leaves us sort of weak; if we should have objection, when he felt a predilection to write up a comic section, if he did the work in Greek.

C. M. S. M. in *N. Y. World.*

Literary Notes.

Professor Richard T. Ely, Ph. D., of Johns Hopkins University, one of our most eminent political economists, is writing a course of timely articles entitled "Social Studies," in which the perplexing econmic issues of the day will be thoroughly discussed. The first part in *Harper's Magazine* for July, "The Nature of the Railway Problem," is introductory to the great subject of railway abuses and reforms. The novelist-farmer, E. P. Roe, continues his practical talks on the culture of small farms by a valuable article on "The Raspberry."

Articles of entertainment and serious timely interest share equally the space of the July *Century*. In their order the illustrated papers are a double article on "Cross-Country Riding in America," by Theodore Roosevelt and Henry Cabot Lodge, the former drawing from his experience in riding to hounds on Long Island, and the latter describing the older hunt at Geneseo, Livingston county, New York, and that of the Myopia Club in Essex county, Massachusetts; "Homing Pigeons," a finely illustrated account, by Mrs. E. S. Starr, of the training and use of carrier pigeons; "A Day in Surrey with William Morris," the English poet, artist and socialist, by Miss Emma Lazarus; and Mrs. Schuyler van Rensselaer's third paper on 'American Country Dwellings."

Lippincott's Monthly Magazine for July has a timely article by Frank G. Carpenter on "The Loves of the Presidents," which is full of pleasant gossip. Some of the information has been obtained by historical research, but a considerable portion was furnished by descendants of the parties in question. There are two notable contributors to the Experience Meeting, Madame Henry Greville, who discourses about "My Literary Career," and Joaquin Miller, who explains "How I came to be a Writer of Books."

The July number of *St. Nicholas* is not lacking in patriotism, and opens with an interesting sketch of "La Fayette" and his two visits to America, which is in a way supplementary to Horace E. Scudder's "George Washington," this month's chapters of which deal with the Conway Cabal, Valley Forge and Monmouth, in which La Fayette took a prominent part. An account of a very high and remarkable flag-raising is contributed by Dan Beard, in "Captain Jack's Fourth-of-July Kite."

FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.—In pursuance of its usual custom the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets between all principal stations on its owned, operated and leased lines, on July 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th, good to return until 6th, at greatly reduced rates. By this arrangement the great national holiday may be spent in visiting friends, or in making pleasant excursions to some of the many points of interest located on the company's lines. The intervention of Sunday gives an additional day to those whose time is occupied by business, and this with the liberal limit of the excursion tickets, affords opportunity for the enjoyment of a nice holiday trip.

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