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The Transcript

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JOB WORK.

Handbills, large and small, flyers, dodgers letterheads, billheads, envelopes, cards, tags programmes and other kinds of job work wil be done neatly and reasonably.

—Bishop Curtis will administer confirmation at Sacred Heart Church, Chestertown, 7.45 o'clock A. M., next Sunday, and will preach in the evening at same church.

—Mr. N. Lieberman, of Melitota, claims to have a sure remedy for hog cholera. If he has, he will be a benefactor to Kent county and other parts of the State. See Mr. Lieberman's advertisement.

—Mr. C. F. Stam has just placed in the new hall a Weber concert grand piano. It is a fine instrument and its tone fills the hall splendidly. An impromptu gathering Wednesday morning was treated to a number of airs performed on the new instrument by an accomplished pianist.

—The committee on town clock and bell will give an entertainment on Tuesday evening, Feb. 22d, to raise a fund to meet a carpenter's bill for extra work, amounting to over eighty dollars. The programme has not as yet been fully arranged, but more definite particulars will probably be announced next week.

—Mr. James F. Melvin has sold the Cambridge *Chronicle* to Messrs. E. C. Harrington and J. R. Pattison. Mr. Harrington is principal of Cambridge academy and Mr. Pattison is a member of the Dorchester bar. The *Chronicle* under Mr. Melvin was greatly improved typographically, and its business was put upon a sound basis. We wish the new proprietors increased success.

—Into the most carefully regulated newspaper under the sun errors will sometimes appear, and when they do appear, it may be added, no one feels more like tearing his hair about it than those who are responsible for the existence of the newspaper. In our last week's issue, in connection with Mr. and Mrs. Hulme's silver wedding, there were a number of omissions. Our apology in such cases must be, that in such matters it is almost impossible to prevent mistakes occurring.

—The following pupils led their grades at the recent examinations for promotion in the Chestertown public school:

Second seventh grade, Annie Carvill 87.
First seventh, Walter Lusby 90.
Second sixth, Daisy Carvill 95.
First sixth, Clara Usilton 89.
Second fifth, Carl Westcott 93.
First fifth, Howard Fowler 94.
Fourth grade, Percy Hendrickson 92.
Third grade, Mamie Carroll 92.
Second grade, Lilly Crow 94.
Second first, John Toulson 97.
First first, Katie Shuster 95.

—The law of 1886 giving magistrates jurisdiction in land ejectment cases was made use of for the first time in Kent on Tuesday last before Esquire Wheatley. N. McQuay sued W. M. A. Lynch for the possession of certain land. Lynch claimed that a verbal contract for the tenancy of the property in the year 1887 was entered into in September last. Afterward McQuay concluded to change his tenant, and gave Lynch thirty days' notice to move. The Esquire agreed with Lynch that a man who made a bargain in September, should stick to it in January. Under the old law the sheriff was required to summon a jury. The case was argued before the 'Squire by J. D. Urie, Esq., for Lynch, and S. T. Wickes, Esq., for McQuay.

—Orphans' Court—Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1887—Present, Judges Walker and Hyland. J. W. Hubbard, executor of Hiram M. Hubbard, dec'd, obtained an order of the court authorizing him to sell the personal property of said dec'd.

—County commissioners met Tuesday, Feb. 8th. Full board present. There being no special business the board was engaged in examining, approving and passing sundry accounts. Adjourned to meet February 15th.

Death of a Prominent Citizen.

On Thursday morning of last week, Mr. Wm. F. Baker of the fifth district of this county, died in the 69th year of his age. Mr. Baker came to this county about twenty-nine years ago, from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He was of a very prominent and influential Pennsylvania family, and was at one time a wealthy man, being largely identified with important iron interests. Those who know best, say that he owned property at one time valued at something like a half million dollars. He and his two brothers were intimate friends of James Buchanan, and are said to have been influential in securing the nomination and election of Mr. Buchanan to the Presidency. George W. Baker, a brother of deceased, read law in Buchanan's office, and afterward became a judge in the court of San Francisco. Joseph Baker, another brother, was appointed under Buchanan, Collector of the Port of Philadelphia, Joseph Baker gave bond in the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, and the deceased, Wm. F. Baker, was taken as a sole bondsman to secure that amount. Samuel Houston Baker son of deceased, is a commander in the United States Navy, and is one of the most distinguished officers in the navy. He held for a number of years a position in the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and has a distinguished reputation as a mathematician. Mr. Baker's remains were intered on Saturday last, at St. Paul's church-yard in this county.

Death of Prominent Physician.

Dr. Thomas H. Crane died at his residence in Millington on Tuesday morning, Feb. 8th, aged about 65 years. Dr. Crane was born in Church Hill, and was the son of Dr. Jonathan Crane of that place. He practiced medicine a short time in Queen Anne's. After his marriage with Miss Sophie Massey he moved to Kent, and located, living on what is known as "The White House Farm," near Massey's. Shortly afterward he removed to Millington, where he succeeded in establishing a large and lucrative practice. His second wife, who survives him, was Miss Annie E. Smyth, daughter of Mr. F. Smyth. Dr. Crane was universally esteemed, and his death will occasion a heartfelt sorrow throughout the community in which he lived.

A Golden Wedding.

Silver weddings often occur, but it is not often that a couple are spared to reach, in the journey of life together, that more distant point, a golden anniversary of the wedding day. On Tuesday of last week Mr. and Mrs. Dennis J. McCauley of the first district celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding, which took place in St. John's Church, Philadelphia, Feb. 1, 1887, Rev. Father Gartland, afterward first bishop of Savannah, officiating. For thirty-four years of the time the couple have resided in this county, and have won respect and esteem. May the happy couple yet celebrate the diamond anniversary of their wedding.

BALL AT STAM'S HALL.

A GATHERING OF BEAUTIFUL WOMEN FROM MANY SECTIONS.

Some of the People that Were There, and Some of the Costumes that Were Worn.

The dance of last Thursday evening was the christening ball of Chestertown's new opera house. A large number of invitations were issued, and the attendance was large. There were persons present from Delaware, nearly every Eastern Shore county of Maryland, from Baltimore, from a number of Western Shore counties, and several from Philadelphia and New York. The costumes of the ladies were generally handsome and most of the gentlemen who danced, were in full evening dress. Before nine o'clock, the hall was too packed for comfortable dancing. Couples jostled against each other at every turn, dress trains suffered violence, and waltzing especially, was conducted amidst exceeding difficulties. Chairs were placed against the wall, entirely around the hall, and a great many who were present, merely looked on. At every corner, too, there were standing groups of observers. It is estimated, that fully four hundred people were present. The music was by Duncan's orchestra, of New Castle, Del. The dressing-rooms back of the stage were reserved for the use of the ladies, and adjoining the hall, were two rooms used as gentlemen's cloak-rooms. Supper was served in the third story. Among those present, were:

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Westcott; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Walker; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Stam; Mr. and Mrs. B. N. S. Wilkins; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. A. Hulme; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Comegys; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hines; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks; Dr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Perkins; Mrs. James A. Pearce; Mrs. Meteer; Mrs. Barroll; Mrs. George Beck; Miss Bertie Hines; Miss M. Gambril; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Turner; Mr. and Mrs. George Jessop; Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson Constable; Mr. and Mrs. M. deK. Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rose; Dr. and Mrs. Frank Hines; Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Whaland; Mr. and Mrs. Comegys Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. L. Beck; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Woodall; Mr. and Mrs. W. Harper McFeely; Mr. and Mrs. John Cochran; Dr. and Mrs. Catlin; Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Stam; Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Hiram P. Brown; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Vannort; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rickey; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hynson; Mr. and Mrs. John N. Dodd; Mr. and Mrs. Carville Maslin; W. M. Slay, Dr. Samuel Beck, H. H. Barroll, M. T. Goslee, Dr. T. H. Cooper, H. C. Chase, Josias Ringgold, B. F. Beck, Sr., B. F. Beck, Jr., W. H. Cacy, C. O. Cacy, John R. Gray, Allan Harris, Richard D. Hynson, A. C. Twiford, W. W. Hubbard, John D. Urie, P. G. Wilmer, Wm. Brown, Jr., Bartus Trew, Jr., Thomas Trew, Jr., S. Merritt Wilkins, Spencer Comegys, John Comegys, Herman Ireland, Julian Hurtt, Harry Deringer, Woodland Hurtt, Edward Beck, Louis Alrich, Lee Alrich, Richard Diehl, E. O. Corey, Jesse Usilton, Albert Hulme, John Brice, Jr., Townsend Crew, Dr. James Urie, J. Stokes, Wm. Price, John Janvier, Wm. Janvier, C. P. Gilpin, Horace W. Beck, H. C. Brown, P. B. Hollis, Simon Wickes, T. W. Wickes, Wm. Hines, W. S. Walker, Jr., Albert Rivers, Lewin W. Wickes, L. C. Justis, Jr., R. S. Emory, Edw. W. Emory, T. G. Wroth, E. S. Wroth, Clinton Wroth, John D. Welch, Snowden Thomas, John Aldridge, Thomas Blackiston, George Webb.

FROM A DISTANCE.

The following were in attendance from a distance: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Evans, Church Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Downes, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins Massey, Sudlersville; Dr. and Mrs. Peter Cooper, Wilmington, Del.; R. W. L. Rasin, Jr., Balt.; Wm. Enichson, Elk Ridge Landing, Md.; R. F. Ellis McClellan, Old Chester, Pa.; H. P. Dashiell, Princess Anne, Md.; H. H. Baker, Winchester, Va.; Urie Townsend, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. Wesley Cooper, Elkton, Md.; H. C. Darby, Seaford, Del.; Wm. Knight, Balt., Md.; Nelson Stevens, Balt., Md.; Augustus Martin, Balt., Md.; Claggett Pyle, Balt., Md.

From Centreville, Maryland, were the following: P. B. Hopper, W. Hopper Gibson, W. Holton, Lock Goldsborough and daughter, Harry Foreman, Sam'l Emory, T. Sudler Roberts, T. Emory, Robt. Feldeman, Findlay Collins, Wm. Collins.

From Greensborough, Md.: Dr. Frederick Malone, A. L. Hardcastle, R. Garey, F. R. Armstrong, F. R. Roe.

From Middletown, Del.: Dr. T. H. Gilpin, Dr. W. F. Kennedy, Frank Watkins, Cuthbert Green, Wm. Biggs, Frank Biggs.

SOME OF THE LADIES WHO DANCED.

There were so many people present, and such a general crush, that it is of course difficult to describe accurately the dresses of the fair dancers. If there should happen to be errors of omission or commission in what follows, the *Transcript* hopes to be pardoned as not having intentionally committed them:

BALTIMORE:

Miss Maggie Mitchell: white surah silk with lace trimmings and natural flowers.

Miss Florence Gambril: blue surah silk with cream lace drapery, bouquet de corsage of Marechal Neil roses and smilax, diamond ornaments.

Miss Crisfield: white satin, bouffant drapery, decollete bodice.

Miss Gist: light wood-colored silk, with long full drapery of Egyptian lace, square neck bodice filled in with lace and natural flowers.

Miss Moore: cream lace over cream silk, Spanish waist, corsage bouquet of white roses.

Miss Darrell: white silk with full drapery, decollete corsage.

Miss Julia Brown: black satin with bouffant drapery of black tulle, decollete corsage, full folds of tulle across the top, fastened on the shoulders with bows of black satin ribbon, bouquet de corsage of natural flowers.

Mrs. J. L. Downes: black lace, decollete bodice, the top of the bodice draped with black Saragossa net held on the shoulders with jet ornaments, from which jet pendants extended half way to the elbow, topaz and diamond ornaments.

Miss Minnie Day, of Baltimore county: pink silk, with full drapery of the same, tulle and cream lace trimmings.

Miss Bettie Knight, of Cecil county: white tulle over white satin, decollete corsage.

Miss Carter, of Cecil county: cream silk with drapery of same, high corsage, natural flowers.

Miss Heuber, of Westminster, Md.: blue crape cloth, square neck bodice edged with light grey fur.

Miss Goodwin, of N. Y.: cream silk.

Miss Gertie Gallagher, of N. Y.: pale pink and blue silk combined, bouffant draperies of same material, high corsage, with round neck finished with a jabot of cream Spanish lace.

DELAWARE:

Miss Lou Cochran: pink cashmere, drapery bouffant, lace trimmings.

Miss Lizzie Cochran: lilac satin combined with lace; natural flowers.

Mrs. Cochran: black silk and lace.

Miss Hattie Darbee: cream corded silk with panels of satin and moire, long black drapery of the silk, front drapery and high corsage of cream Spanish guipure lace. A garland of natural flowers consisting of Marechal Neil and Jacqueminot roses, and smilax, extended from the left shoulder down the entire length of the bodice.

Miss Mollie Wilson: cream silk with full back drapery, crystal front, decollete corsage, pearl ornaments.

Mrs. Dr. Peter Cooper: blue and gold embossed velvet.

Miss Biggs: white corded silk.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY:

Miss Grace Moore: blue silk with cream lace front and trimmings, low bodice.

Miss Maggie Keating: Poppy red crepe cashmere, square neck corsage, skirt dancing length.

Miss Bessie Keating: bright red albatross cloth, with black lace yoke and front drapery.

Miss Hennie McKenney: pink satin, with cream lace over dress, high corsage of lace over satin.

Miss Elva Perry: blue kyber cloth cut square neck, trimmed with blue feather trimming.

Miss Lollie Emory: black satin de Lyons, bodice with V-shaped neck filled in with black lace, pink moire sash.

Mrs. W. J. Evans: pearl white satin, the long train of which was edged with white silk cord and fell over a petticoat of the satin trimmed down the left side and front with pearl ornaments. The high corsage was edged with pearl beads, and had a square floating collar which revealed a necklace of Rhinestones.

Miss Rose Comegys: pink albatross, bodice with V-shaped neck, lace trimmings.

Miss Merrick: blue silk, with full overdress of tulle, high corsage trimmed with folds of tulle.

Miss Merrick: cream silk, bouffant drapery of tulle, high corsage of silk trimming with tulle.

Miss Goldsborough, of Centreville: white nun's veiling and lace, square neck bodice.

GREENSBOROUGH, CAROLINE CO.:

Miss L. Satterfield: pink satin with lace overdress, the bodice cut round at the neck and filled in with lace; pearl ornaments.

Miss Mary Satterfield: Nile green satin with cream lace drapery and waist trimmed lace.

Miss Schofield: cream satin, full drapery of the same, lace at the throat.

Miss Hurtt, from Prince George's county: black lace and orange ribbon, with velvet bodice and beaded lace neck and sleeves (black).

KENT COUNTY:

Miss Annie Cacy, white silk, en train, crystal panels on either side of the front of the skirt, high corsage trimmed with crystal ornaments.

Miss Bessie Boyer, old-gold satin petticoat with black lace overdress and bodice.

Miss Flora Bean, pink satin and lace.

Miss Ida Camp, pink kiber with panels of black velvet, round waist with black lace trimmings.

Mrs. P. M. Brooks, blue satin, full drapery of same with cream lace trimmings, corsage bouquet of white roses.

Miss Stokes, lavender surah with black lace overdress and trimmings.

Miss Fannie Janvier, cream silk bouffant drapery, lace trimmings.

Miss Sue Wilkins, cream silk and lace.

Miss May Price, cream albatross with over dress of black lace.

Miss Blanche Constable, cream albatross with cream lace flounces and apron drapery, waist cut square, neck with lace chemisette.

Miss Lilly Constable, cream cashmere with clinging drapery of the same, embroidered with cream silk.

Miss Lelia Jessup, pink silk and lace, decollette corsage.

Miss Mollie Alrich, moss green silk trimmed with pink plumes.

Miss Stella Stephens, black satin with jet trimmings.

Miss Florence Hurtt, pink satin and cream lace.

Miss Alice Hurtt, pink satin and cream lace.

Mrs. E. T. Comegys, cream albatross and lace.

Miss Ella Emory, black silk, the full pointed draperies held with jet ornaments, high corsage trimmed with jet ornaments and finished with lace at the throat.

CHESTERTOWN:

Miss Madge Wethered, pale pink corded silk en train, the entire front of pink embossed velvet; high corsage with a garniture of tulle with chenille dots, at the throat boquet de corsage of choice roses.

Miss Mamie Wethered, pale blue corded silk en train, the front of alternating stripes of satin and moire; decollette bodice with folds of chenille dotted tulle extending around the neck and shoulders; corsage, boquet of roses.

Miss Anna Hubbard, "English pink" crepe Kiber with bouffant back drapery of same material; the entire front covered with a drapery of black Marquise lace, peasant waist of the crepe with a round yoke of shirred lace fastened at the throat with a jet dog collar, boquet de corsage of Marechal Neil roses.

Miss Mary Beck, cream Kiber cloth with flounces of cream lace, decollette corsage, natural flowers.

Miss Lucy Robertson, black silk with over dress of black lace, high corsage, boquet of Marechal Neil and pink roses.

Miss Lilly Anspach, black satin with jet sleeves and trimmings, bouffant draperies of satin.

Miss Effie Pearson, white silk with white lace over dress, decollette corsage; a white India silk shawl formed a full drapery around the top of the corsage and was fastened with satin ribbon bows and flowers.

Miss Helen Welch, crimson albatross with panels of black velvet and full draperies of the cloth, high corsage with black lace trimmings and fichu.

Miss Nelie Walker, cream silk, bouffant drapery, decollette corsage, natural flowers.

Miss Nannie Hines, pink silk, bouffant drapery, high corsage, finished at the throat with a jabot of cream lace, natural flowers.

Miss Daisy Welch, black cashmere with embroidered front drapery, high corsage edged with jet beads.

Miss Lottie Burruss, black satin with full draperies of satin, high corsage with black lace trimmings.

Miss Sadie Burgess, pale blue under dress with long full draperies of white Brussels net elaborately embroidered with white silk, decollette corsage of pale blue under white lace.

Miss Emma Gilpin, cream Kiber trimmed with pearl ornaments, V-shaped bodice with lace chemisette.

Miss Hope Wickes, Nile green cashmere; the front apron drapery bordered with a wreath of smilax, full back drapery, V-shaped corsage edged with white rosary beads, tulle at the throat.

Miss Gussie Carvill, red albatross combined with black lace, Spanish waist of the cloth trimmed with black lace.

Miss Anna Welch, brown cloth, bouffant drapery, high corsage with cream lace at the throat, natural flowers.

Miss Emily Ringgold, cream albatross, flounces and apron drapery of cream Oriental lace, full back drapery, V-shaped corsage filled in with lace.

Miss Maria Gambol, black silk with panels of black velvet, apron drapery of the silk bordered with a deep flounce of black lace, high corsage trimmed with lace, natural flowers.

Mrs. Harper McFeely, black satin, bouffant pointed drapery, jet ornaments extended down either side of the skirt holding the drapery in place and forming panels of jet, high corsage trimmed with jet ornaments.

Mrs. Dr. J. Frank Hines, seal brown silk combined with brown velvet, panels of velvet extended down either side of the skirt, full draperies of the silk, high corsage with velvet revers, cream lace at the throat.

Mrs. Hiram Brown, black satin with jet front, full back drapery of satin, high corsage ornamented with jets.

Miss Millie Comegys, black silk with full draperies of black lace and silk, V-shaped corsage filled in with cream lace.

Miss Alice Wilmer, black silk with lace drapery and trimmings, high corsage.

Miss Rena Wilmer, black satin.

Miss Nannie Brice, peacock blue silk, skirt dancing length, high waist trimmed with lace and tulle.

Miss Editha Hines, smoke blue silk, skirt dancing length with round drapery, high waist finished with cream lace at the throat.

Miss Florence Burgess, bluish drab silk, short skirt, high waist finished with crepe lisse.

Miss Lilly Hynson, cream cashmere, skirt dancing length trimmed with flowers of Oriental lace, apron drapery of lace, full back drapery of cashmere, pointed waist with round yoke of lace fastened at the throat with cream satin ribbon.

Miss Morgan Beasten, a short skirt of cream albatross with panels of garnet velvet, draperies of albatross, pointed waist with round yoke of garnet velvet finished with cream lace.

Miss Lilly Rivers, light blue cashmere combined with black velvet, lace trimmings.

Proprietary Medicines.

A visit to Dr. Green's Laboratory, at Woodbury, N. J., has considerably changed our views, and esocecially our prejudices in regard to what are generally known as "Standard Patent Medicines." Of course we are getting to that age in life when we are forced to conclude *Life* itself is a humbug, and naturally distrust anything that has not withstood long and tried experiences. Being a physician I had the curiosity to know how such a sale of two medical preparations could be sustained for so many years. The perfect system upon which the business is conducted, and the pharmaceutical arrangements for the manufacture of the two receipes with which we were made acquainted, are sufficiently convincing to us that the AUGUST FLOWER, for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaints, and BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP, for Throat and Lung Troubles, were for the complaints they are recommended, most excellent remedies, and only regret that in much of our practice, medical ethics prevent us from prescribing them without making the formulas public. When we were shown the great quantity of voluntary letters having been forwarded Dr. Green from all parts of the country, and from all classes of people, lawyers, ministers and doctors, giving a description of their ailments, testimonials of their cures, etc., I feel like endorsing Dr. Green's suggestion that the Government accept such valuable formulas, and license them for general use by giving protection to the inventor same as patents generally.—*Copied from N. Y. Druggists' Circular of Oct., 1886.* Adv—1t.

Personal Notes.

Almost daily there is inquiry at the *Transcript* office, which adjoins that of Mr. C. H. Baker, as to his condition. Mr. Baker, we learn from his physician, remains very much without change. Wednesday morning, he was reported as being not so well as on previous day.

The condition of Mrs. Joseph A. Wickes has very much improved since the serious attack of last week. She is yet confined to her bed, but her general symptoms are very much more assuring to her family.

Mr. Wm. Stevens, of the Orphans' Court, was again too sick on Tuesday to attend the meeting of the board. Mr. Stevens is under the care of a Baltimore physician. His illness, we understand, is not of a nature to occasion uneasiness.

Miss Maud Thomas, daughter of Mr. J. Evan Thomas, was reported so dangerously ill yesterday as to occasion her family immediate alarm. [Since the above was written, we learn that the young lady died shortly after noon yesterday.]

James A. Pearce, Esq., is absent in Alabama, on a trip, partly for health and partly for business. He is expected home this week.

Insurance Commissioner J. K. Hines came from Baltimore last Saturday, and remained in Chestertown until Wednesday. He is looking well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gale on last Tuesday evening celebrated their tin wedding anniversary.. The *Transcript* has not been able to obtain particulars of the occasion, which was undoubtedly a very pleasant one.

Jesse K. Hines, Jr., has been visiting friends in Chestertown during the past week. He leaves to-day for New York city, to make arrangements for his European trip, on which he will start somewhere about the middle of March.

Another Swindle.

The latest swindle reported on the Peninsula, and one which may soon be worked on our farmers, is as follows: A man ostensibly with a wire fence for sale makes his appearance upon the farm and secures the privilege of exhibiting his wire stretcher machine to the farmer, for which privilege he agrees to build the farmer thirty rods of good fence for exhibition. All he asks in return is that the farmer shall board him, go after the machine at the nearest station and pay the charges. As a warrant of the farmer's good intention the operator requires him to sign a written contract on a postal card, which he mails to his partner. This agreement invariably proves to be an order for the machine, price $200 and worth about $20. After the machine arrives a new man turns up with the postal order for the machine and requires payment of $200 as per agreement on the card, threatening a suit in the United States court in case the money or a note is not given.—*Centreville Observer.*

From Still Pond.

STILL POND, Feb. 8, 1887.

The Good Templars of this neighborhood installed their officers last night for this quarter as follows: C. T., Louis Lamborn; V. T., Eva Busick; Sec., T. L. Norris; Treas., M. R. Wilson; F. S., Harry P. Griest: Chap., J. B. Keith; Mar., Thomas Lusby; guard, G. B. Baker; sentinel, G. W. Harper; deputy mar., Annie Roeder; A. S., Nettie Howard; R. H. S., Lizzie Quimby; L. H. S., Maggie Harper; organist, Laura Webb.

It is to be noted that the most of these are young people, and this is proper and right. They are ready and willing to do the work, but should not the older members hold up their hands in every way possible in this work, to help the fallen and help others from falling?

Looking over the by-laws of this organization a few days ago, I observed that the minimum age of membership was 14 years. This (if a true friend may be allowed to criticise) I think is a serious mistake.—Open your doors a little wider, and let the children in at least as low as 12 years. Suppose you *should* loose one of your wonderful secrets but save one boy from a drunkard's life, what would be the gain? I judge from the number entering the hall last night that the attendance is encouraging.

Messrs. Editors—can you tell a curious one what use is made of baskets containing mountain-like heaps; buckets of water; tropical fruit; a crystalline substance of vegetable origin; earthenware, silverware and a peculiar looking tub holding a can embedded in ice—I ask you, can you tell me what use these are in a temperance society? Were they laying in provisions for the *goat*? Well, if they were, that must be a fat and happy goat.

The return of Rev. E. C. Macnichol for the next conference year was requested, we understand, by the unanimous vote of the quarterly conference of this charge.

We learn from an official that the charge was never in better condition financially.

Mrs. Susan K. Howard, one of, if not our oldest resident, will be intered in the cemetery to-day. Truly, a mother in Israel. AMMI.

Kennedyville and Vicinity.

Eds. Transcript:—On Thursday last a very closely contested shooting match for a purse of $25 came off here. The contest was between one of our old residents, who has measured arms with Miles Johnson and Bogardus, and one of our most promising young sports, who expects in the near future to compete with Dr. Carver for the champion belt of the United States. The day was most unpropitious. In addition to the ground being covered with ice and snow the atmosphere was thick with fog—in fact almost approaching rain. But nothing daunted they faced the elements and went out to the field together with a great concourse of followers. The betting was greatly in favor of the old champion, who by the way has stood the summer's scorching suns and the winter's blasts of near three score years and ten. Bird after bird came to grass, until the entire supply on hand was exhausted, when it was mutually agreed to postpone the match until they could procure birds. Some of the followers procured guns, expecting to pick up outside birds, but were greatly disappointed, as bird after bird came to grief within bounds. The final shooting will no doubt cap the climax of success. It will come off soon and will be shot at double birds to a finish.

The recent mild weather has greatly retarded the shipment of grain from our station, the roads being in such a condition as to render hauling rather laborous.

The M. P. Church supper, given at the town hall, was quite a success, and exceeded the most sanguine aspirations. Much praise is due to the managers, and especially to the cooks for their most delicious repast.

It is about time to have the peach prospect discussed. Usually at this time they have them down fine to one-fourth, one eighth of a crop, or all killed. So far, all the prophets are quiet. Perhaps they are waiting for further developments. We may not reasonably expect two successful crops, but let us hope for the best—and be thankful for past favors. CRUSO.

A Runaway Team Dashes Off a Wharf and is Drowned.

Two valuable horses belonging to Mr. Walter F. Harman were drowned on Friday night last by running into Wye river. Mr. L. Moore, an employee of Mr. Harman. was returning from a delivery trip in Talbot and Caroline counties, driving two horses to a heavy wagon. When near the road leading from Easton and Centreville road to Wye Landing, a piece of harness broke, frightening the horses and starting them into a run, turning off the home road and into the road leading to Wye Landing. Mr. Moore tried to stop them by reins and brake, but one of the reins broke and the horses swerved into the fence. Here the wagon struck a tree and threw Mr. Moore out and the horses continued on a full run towards Wye Landing. The night being dark the horses plunged off the wharf into fourteen feet of water, drawing the wagon after them. Mr. Moore hurried to the wharf, obtained assistance and endeavored to rescue the horses, but one was dead and the other dropped dead upon being pulled ashore. The wagon remained in the water until Saturday evening, when it was gotten out.—*Centreville Record.*

Why Should These Things Be?

Eds. Transcript:—I have often looked with wonder at the large numbers collected on our sidewalks to see the trotting during the winter races which take place in our town, on the most frequented thoroughfare, during a sleighing season. How crowds of men and boys would stand for hours in the cold and enjoy it, and how those engaged in the racing were willing to endanger their own lives and that of their fellow-citizens by their mad, reckless driving, and why the town authorities allow a plain direct ordinance of the town to be violated, has not been easily explained. The following, clipped from one of our leading dailies, lets in a flood of light on the subject:

"The American's taste for trotters is thus explained by Mr. Sampson, editor of the London *Referee*: 'In America swells buy trotters and breed them, too, not only to race with, but to show off with in private life. To illustrate the difference in celebrity to be obtained out of possession of the crack trotter and the swell race horse, let us suppose that the English nation worshipped the race horse as universally as the American does the trotter, which it does not. Then suppose that when Ormonde was not wanted for training or racing his Grace of Westminster rode him, and that he did not happen—Ormonde, I mean—to be wanted during the London season. Further, suppose that when Westminster and Ormonde, or Ormonde and Westminster, took their jaunts abroad in Hyde Park, the steed were allowed to show his paces, not his very, very best, but getting on that way, in the Row, and that this being their natural custom of an afternoon everybody who cared—and everybody did care—assembled to look on and approve. Then we should understand what, for instance, possession of Maud S. means to Mr. Robert Bonner, and also how, grade by grade, worship of the trotter extends down to horse owners of the humblest rank in America. Until we can tolerate what would be undoubtedly considered furious driving, within the meaning of the act, and indisputably dangerous, we never shall get trotting popular.'"

This is the solution of the toleration of the unlawful and dangerous practice, "worship of the trotters." Why not transfer the annual Worton fair and racing to our town? The winter racing secures a much larger number of entries than the fall races, without any premiums, and the trotting is every way equal, and the spectators almost as numerous. The town authorities cannot consistently object, for the danger is no greater in October than in January. The bells might be used. The restriction taken off then would not interfere with the enforcement of the law against fast driving during the peach season, when there is some excuse for a loaded wagon to make time for the steamer. I think, from a remark that I overheard the late president of the Worton club make, it strikes him that the change would secure more and better entries.

Let us have a fall meeting on our town course by all means, when the old and those of tender years may enjoy the sport from the sidewalk without danger of exposure.

WATER-works are very good things to have, and a water company is a desirable institution, but the existence thereof seems to give rise to the inquiry whether the rest of the community have any rights of way which a water company is, in law or morals, bound to respect. The streets and the pavements are ripped up ad libitum and pipes inserted. The excavated dirt is then piled loosely over the place and nature is allowed to take care of the rest, and the convexity is followed by a concavity. The explanation of the convexity is the abnormal condition produced by the insertion of the pipes, and the impossibility of ramming the earth. This is doubtless brought about by the powerful pressure of the water inside of the pipes acting through the interstices of the metal and thus loosening up the earth. I cannot account for it in any other way, for it is tolerably well known to a farmer that a post hole will hold the post and more dirt than came out of the hole, if well rammed. There is one difficulty about my explanation. In the course of time the embankment becomes a ditch. To explain this the metal pipes must solidify under the constant powerful pressure which thereby ceases to act through the interstices. The pipe in front of the Masonic Hall building has reached this state, and the ditch or concavity greatly exceeds the former convexity and will soon require bridging, for this will be cheaper for the corporation than to pay the damages for some broken leg or twisted ankle.

I have not read the charter of the water company. Its privileges may be above and beyond the authority of the corporate authorities, and if so we humbly and cheerfully submit to the powers that be.

Peninsula Notes.

Centreville as well as Chestertown is about to erect a Methodist Protestant Church. The Centreville *Observer* says,—"The plan which meets with general favor and will in all probability be finally selected is of the semi-Gothic style of architecture, to be built of red brick with stone trimmings and a tower that will rise 72 feet from the ground. The proposed structure as it appears from a glance at the drawings of the architect, will be an imposing and peculiarly convenient building and will be a decided improvement over the present house of worship.

The Crisfield *Leader* says the outlook for oysters in Tangier Sound is a gloomy one, as "it is conceded that no young spat caught last season and that no new supply of oysters will be available next season. The Maryland Oyster Company, whose main house is in New London, Connecticut, and who own an oyster house in Crisfield, which they have run for many years, have suspended business and closed their house. They can buy stock in New Haven of the same quality at less money than they can pack it for in Crisfield."

The Snow Hill *Messenger* publishes a report that the "Old Furnace" property near Snow Hill has been sold to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The tract contains 5,000 acres and is said to embrace a large quantity of bog iron ore, which years ago was manufactured into pig iron, hollow-ware, &c. The *Messenger* thinks that if the Baltimore and Ohio has bought the tract, it "is hatching some railroad project which will interest the people of this Shore."

Peach-growers on the line of the Chesapeake and Delaware, Cambridge and Seaford and Queen Anne's and Kent railroads state that thus far there is no fear that the peach buds have been injured anywhere in Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Caroline or Dorchester counties, and unless there is a spell of bitter weather, or a day of freezing sleet during the remainder of the winter, the peach owners will come out in the spring with no harm done.—*Centreville Observer.* Ay, ay. But wait about six weeks and then give us a little peach talk.

The Wilmington *Morning News* tells the following,—"A lady who resides on Delaware avenue has a girl in her employ fresh from some region far removed from the theatre. Thinking to give the girl a grand treat, and knowing that she had never seen a theatre, the lady purchased a ticket for a play at the Opera House. The girl went, but returned before 9 o'clock. 'What is the matter? Did you not like it?' asked the mistress. 'Oh, I liked it ever so much; it's a fine painting.' 'But,' inquired her mistress, 'why have you returned so soon? Surely you didn't see it all.' 'Yes, ma'am, I did. I went in and sat down and looked at the large picture hanging up in front. People kept coming in, and pretty soon there was quite a crowd, all looking at the picture. Then they took it away, and some men and women went to talking up there where it had been about something that didn't concern me, so I got up and came home. But I enjoyed the picture."

The Cambridge *Democrat* says: "A new oyster bar has been discovered below the mouth of Little Choptank river, near James' Point, extending nearly half way across the Chesapeake bay, and that from 400 to 500 bushels of oysters constitute a day's catch on the new dredging grounds."

The colored people of this town are having a tearing down revival in the Ebenezer M. E. Church. There were 55 penitents at the altar on Monday evening, and 30 conversions.—*Snow Hill Messenger.*

Richard Smith, a successful peach-grower of Caroline county, Md., says that the old idea that peach trees could not be planted on land upon which peaches had formerly been grown successfully is exploded; there being but one thing to do to make the second growth as successful as the first, and that is to supply the required potash which the old peach trees had exhausted. This could be easily done by growing several crops of corn, wheat and clover, and applying potash to every crop. Then plant your second and it will grow as thrifty as ever an orchard did upon virgin soil.

Kennedyville Personals.

Miss Minnie Day, of Balt. county, and Miss Sallie Darrell, of Balt. city, are visiting Miss Mary Janvier.

Miss Nannie Robinson, of Easton, is visiting Miss Carrie Jacobs.

Miss May Walker, who has been visiting friends in Talbot, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gault, of Washington, have been visiting Mrs. P. Brooks.

Free Trade.

The reduction of internal revenue and the taking off of revenue stamps from Proprietary Medicines, no doubt has largely benefitted the consumers, as well as relieving the burden of home manufacturers. Especially is this the case with *Green's August Flower* and *Boschee's German Syrup*, as the reduction of thirty-six cents per dozen, has been added to increase the size of the bottles containing these remedies, thereby giving one-fifth more medicine in the 75 cent size. The *August Flower* for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, and the *German Syrup* for Cough and Lung troubles, have perhaps, the largest sale of any medicines in the world. The advantage of increased size of the bottles will be greatly appreciated by the sick and afflicted, in every town and village in civilized countries. Sample bottles for 10 cents remain the same size.—*Adv.*

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