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THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1890.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—The thermometer at 7.30 o'clock A. M. yesterday registered 20°.

—Grip is on the decrease so are the sales of antipyrine and quinine.

—No divorces and but few marriages in Kent. What's the matter ?

—Lent, one of the most important religious seasons of the year, will begin on February 19.

—John Dent, the butcher, killed a beef on Friday last which tipped the beam at the modest figure of seventeen hundred pounds.

—The cold wave of last Saturday induced a Grip victim to leave home with a straw hat. Where was his jewel of consistency?

It is claimed by an exchange that the winters of 1841 and 1854 were as warm and summer-like as the present. Can any one inform us in regard to the matter?

—shipments of clover and other seeds have commenced by our steamers, and in the course of a few weeks the work of seeding will be at its height.

—An encampment of gypsies is rusticating across the bridge in Queen Anne's. Some young men and maidens fair have been out to hear their fortunes.

—Duck shooting at Kent county ducking shores has not been good since early in the season. Several gunners were down last week but met with poor success.

—The rain which commenced on Sunday night broke the most protracted spell of dry weather which has been enjoyed in Kent during the past ten or twelve months.

—A number of farmers have embraced the opportunity offered by the warm, open winter to do their spring plowing, and many others expect to commence this week.

—The bright, warm weather has had the effect of bringing crabs from their winter quarters and they have put in an appearance down the river. None at Chestertown as yet.

—Snow fell in a hesitating, unsatisfactory kind of way during the greater portion of Tuesday. The weather bureau signalled a "cold wave," but a shadowy snow storm came instead.

—While Chester river oysters are reveling "in the soup" to the tune of fifty and sixty cents per bushel, numerous violating dredgers are reveling in jail, or are out to the tune of fifty dollars fine.

—The January non-jury term of the circuit court for Kent county, which was to have met on Monday, was postponed until to-day, owing to the indisposition of his Honor Judge Joseph A. Wickes.

—The first cargo of oysters brought to Chestertown during this season was brought up last week. The oysters were caught on the river beds and were very fine. They were taken on board near Quaker Neck.

—Teachers and many school children have already commenced to express their indignation that the next legal holiday, Washington's birthday, February 22, will fall on Saturday. The young as well as the old have their sorrows.

—Dr. Allen Jarman, who has been attending one of the most severe cases of Grip which has attacked the horses of the upper portion of the county, says that it effects horses in almost identically the same way that it does persons.

—Still Pond and Kennedyville take the lead as being energetic, live agricultural sections. Their farmers have organized and meet regularly for the discussion of questions of interest to the farming community. Why cannot other sections follow their good example?

—May-poles have commenced sprouting, but as yet they are peculiarly adapted to the uses of the sturdy school master. "Moral suasion" is in use by the school marms, with occasional breaches of their golden rule, when they too use may-poles regardless of the name of the month.

—A number of gentlemen near Black's Station propose to petition the county commissioners to make a public road from Black's Station running parallel to the D. & D. B. R. R. to Hibernia school house. The road to be petitioned for, it is claimed, will be a great convenience, and enhance the value of property in the section through which it is expected to pass.

—W. J. Vannort, as vice-president of the State Farmers' Association, has issued an invitation to the farmers of Kent county to meet at the court house, Chestertown, at ten o'clock, on Tuesday, Jan. 28, for the purpose of a general interchange of views upon a number of subjects of importance and interest to farmers. The attendance should be large and represent each section of the county. Meeting at 10 o'clock A. M.

—Mr. Anthony Peterson, a blacksmith of Thomas' shops, while on his way from Chestertown with a load of lumber recently was thrown from his wagon and one of the wheels passed over his left arm above the elbow, crushing it badly. The wound was painful, but it is thought not serious. The injured man was removed to Baltimore on Monday of last week for medical treatment, and at last reports was improving.

—A fire at Crumpton on Monday night January 13, entirely destroyed the blacksmith and wheelwright shops of Mr. Geo. W. Butler. A new dayton belonging to Simmons & Hendrix, a carriage belonging to Miss Laura Carson, and a dearborn of Mr. Butler were burned, with a number of tools, etc. The shops occupied an isolated position and a spread of the fire was with but little difficulty prevented. The shop was owned by Simon Swartz, Esq., whose loss will be about $150. Mr. Butler carried no insurance. The origin of the fire is a mere matter of speculation.

—James Foster, who was convicted in the Criminal Court of Baltimore city in August last, was sentenced last week to two years and six months in the State penitentiary. Foster was indicted jointly with Jeremiah Payne for the larceny of a pocket-book and $50 from Captain Henry H. Wilson, of Rock Hall, Kent county, Md., on the 22d of last June. The larceny occurred in a saloon on Marsh Market [illegible] While Foster was dancing with the captain he took the pocket-book and tossed it over the bar to Payne. The cases were severed. Payne was tried before Judge Wright on the 29th of November, and was also convicted. Sentence of the men was postponed on account of an appeal to the Court of Appeals on exceptions to the indictment, which claimed that the stolen notes were not fully described. The Court of Appeals overruled the exceptions and affirmed the judgment of the lower court. Payne will be sentenced in a few days by Judge Wright.

—Hope H. Barroll, Esq., bought at sheriff's sale on Tuesday last the Worton Fair Ground property for twenty-five dollars ($25), subject to a mortgage of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500). The property contains 28 acres, more or less, and has substantial buildings and improvements.

—In view of the fact that by a persistent violation of our State oyster laws by oyster pirates, the oyster grounds of the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries have become greatly depleted and in places entirely destroyed. Baltimore packers are sending crews to Mississippi Sound. It is claimed that more than two hundred have already left Baltimore for New Orleans and Biloxi. This will, however, occasion no regret with the unhappy tongmen of Kent and Queen Anne's.

—Yesterday's Baltimore *Sun* in its Washington items contained the formal announcement of the confirmation of Mr. Hiram Brown as the future postmaster of Chestertown. The appointment was confirmed on Tuesday, over a protest from Mr. Brown's opponents. The postoffice, after a change of postmasters will have taken place, will possibly be removed to the store-room adjoining the store of J. S. Bradley, and recently occupied by F. J. Carter. The matter has not been positively settled, but in case of a failure to perfect that arrangement the office will be kept in its present quarters. Mr. Brown will put in new boxes and perhaps make some other improvements.

—Dulany Rasin one of the oldest and most generally respected citizens of the third district died at the home of his son-in-law, Samuel F. Cooper, near Worton Station, on Tuesday, Jan. 21. of pneumonia aged seventy-four years. Mr. Rasin was first taken sick about Christmas but improved somewhat and was able to leave his home, but about a week ago was taken with pneumonia and died on his seventy-fourth birthday. He had always been a farmer and took much interest in agricultural affairs. Though not strictly a politician, he was always an earnest democrat, and once ran on the democratic ticket for sheriff, but was defeated by Jno. W. Parsons, Esq. Mr. Rasin had many friends throughout the county.

—Henry D. Godwin, Esq., the leading merchant of Centreville, spent Friday last in Chestertown visiting friends and attending to business. Mr. Godwin left for home in the evening, and the Centreville *Observer* gives the following account of a most unpleasant experience on his way home: Last Friday night while Mr. Henry D. Godwin, of Centreville, was returning from Chestertown he met with an accident at Salem, about half way between Church Hill and Centreville. Mr. Godwin was driving a spirited young horse when he was run into by a party who was racing, cutting down the wheel of his carriage and causing the colt to run away. The horse dragged the carriage some distance and ran into the woods, throwing Mr. Godwin out and tearing the vehicle into small pieces. Mr. Godwin was considerably bruised and scratched, but sustained no serious injury. In order to reach home Mr. Godwin presented the remains of the carriage and harness to a gentleman, who brought him to Centreville. The loss to Mr. Godwin will be fully $250. It is not known who was the driver of the team that collided with Mr. Godwin's carriage.

—A painful accident occurred at the home of George Biddle, Esq., who lives about two and a-half miles from town, on Saturday last. Mr. Biddle was engaged in grinding or crushing ear corn in a steam cob-crusher. The hopper becoming nearly empty, the 13-year-old son of Alex. Crew, Esq., who was standing near by, attempted to feed the remaining ears into the crusher by means of a switch which he held firmly in his hand, the switch was caught in the rapidly revolving cylinder, and before the unfortunate boy could release his hold, the entire hand and the arm nearly to the elbow joint were drawn into the works and horribly torn. One bone of the wrist was broken and the flesh of the arm so badly mashed that the bones were plainly seen. Young Crew gave one outcry, and in an instant Mr. Biddle appreciated the situation and threw the band which stopped the machinery. The arm was so tightly wedged in the teeth of the crusher that it took fully ten minutes to cut it out with a cold chisel. The little fellow endured the painful ordeal without shedding a tear or giving expression to any outburst of suffering. Dr. Cooper was called in and dressed the wound, and says that nothing serious is anticipated, but had the arm been drawn in just a little further amputation would have been necessary.

—Mr. N. Barnard, one of the most prosperous and experienced peach growers of Kent county, has joined Mr. William D. Hughes, of Keedysville, Washington co., in leasing a valuable piece of land lying on the Williamsport turnpike, a short distance from Hagerstown, where they propose to establish a nursery of peach trees to meet the demands of a rapidly enlarging peach section. Says the Hagerstown *Mail*: About ten thousand dollars will be invested in this enterprise, and it is designed that this extensive nursery shall produce annually some four hundred thousand trees. They will use nothing but the pure Tennessee natural peach seed, a sample of which can be seen at the Hotel Hamilton. The operation of "bedding" the seed has already been begun and will be continued, as, in addition to those on hand, a car load is now on the way here. The bedding operation consists in the formation of layers of seed mixed with earth and separated from each other by thin tiers of earth so arranged as to be accessible to frost during the winter, which causes the shell to burst and thus, in the spring, they are drilled or dropped in rows and produce scion for budding. Then the different varieties of fruit are attached to the scions, and any of our farmers having choice varieties of fruit which they wish to propagate can furnish the buds for the purpose.

Fairlee Grange.

FAIRLEE, Jan. 16, 1890.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Owing to the sudden change in the weather and the disposition of our members to take care of themselves just at this time, there was a very slim attendance at the Grange to-day—so small indeed that we did not call a meeting. We, therefore, did nothing, nor did we undo anything. The date of the approaching special meeting remains the same, Jan. 30. The time for proper arrangements maybe will be somewhat limited, as there will be only one more regular meeting before that time. Members of standing committees, and also those likely to be appointed on special committees, would do well to prepare themselves for the occasion without further orders. We would be pleased to have a large turnout at our next regular meeting, as we have plenty for all to do. We have not even elected officers, which ought to have been done some time ago. Come out and make a choice. Yours, truly,

SECRETARY.

Personal Mention.

Olin Bryan, Esq., clerk to the Queen Anne's board of county commissioners, was married to Miss Anna Lucile Dodd daughter of John Dodd, Esq. of the Orphans' Court of Queen Anne's county, yesterday morning, January twenty-second, at seven o'clock A. M. The ceremony took place in the Methodist Protestant Church, Centreville, Rev. T. O. Crouse officiating. Both Mr. Bryan and Miss Dodd have visited Kent and have a large circle of friends who extend their congratulations.

Miss Sue C. Wilkins and Miss Anna Rasin were present at the elegant reception given by Mrs. R. W. L. Rasin, at her beautiful home on Hamilton Terrace, Baltimore, last week. Miss Rasin is spending the winter in the city.

Miss Nelie Walker and Miss Rasin were among those present at the large dance given at Annapolis last week. None of the Chestertown gentlemen were there.

Miss Davis, who recently visited Mrs. Josias Ringgold, was married to a Russian gentleman at Savannah, Ga., a few days after leaving Chestertown.

On account of sickness, Rev. W. R. Graham was unable to fill his pulpit at the M. P. Church on Sunday, and both morning and evening Professor Watts, of Washington College, gave the congregation earnest and practical talks.

Owing to the fact that a number of the congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church have been suffering from the grip the protracted services which were expected to have commenced several weeks ago have been postponed by the pastor, Rev. R. W. Todd.

Frank R. Scott, Esq., President of the Scott Fertilizer Company, of Elkton, has spent several days in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Smith moved into their new home in the Burchinal building on Tuesday last. Mrs. Smith's mother from Raltimore came over in honor of the occasion and will spend a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Smith in their beautiful new home.

M. A. Toulson, who has been very sick during the past two weeks, is much improved.

Hynson's Chapel.

Hynson's Chapel, which has stood for a number of years as a familiar landmark in the lower portion of the county, has been torn down and the material of the old structure removed to the site of Walton Chapel, which was destroyed by fire in October last. The brick and other material, so far as possible, will be used in the building of a new church. Hynson's Chapel was originally situated about one mile below St. Paul's, but in 1863 the church was removed nearer Lankford, on the land of Comegys Cosden, a devoted Methodist, where it flourished for a number of years, but with the death of a number of the most earnest workers of the congregation and the building of a Methodist church at Rock Hall and at Fairlee, both of which absorbed some of the energies of the Hynson congregation, it finally collapsed, and has for some time past remained unoccupied. Forty-five thousand bricks and twenty-four loads of lumber were moved a distance of nine miles at an expense of less than ten dollars. Rev. R. W. Mobray has been an industrious worker, and his efforts have been nobly seconded by many willing hands. Mr. Mobray wishes us to extend his most sincere thanks to all who have assisted in any way in labors of the past two weeks.

Logs Again.

The log question which has been productive of so many perplexities and novel combinations of legal points has again shown itself in Kent, and this last appearance will not be one of the least interesting of the series. About two weeks ago the Williamsport and Chesapeake Lumber Company, after having paid the required salvage, twenty-five cents each, for a number of logs which had lodged in Herring Pond and on the shore of John Gale, Esq., boomed them for removal to their mills on the shores of the Patapsco. On the following night a storm arose and the logs were scattered, and, it is claimed by the lumber company, drifted back on Mr. Gale's shore. The men proceeded to collect them, and refused to comply with the demand of the owner of the shore that they pay salvage. The claimant said that they were not the same logs for which he had already been paid, while the lumber men protested that they had watched the logs and saw them drift ashore, and further, that a number of logs which did not belong to their boom were left on the shore untouched. This was offered as an evidence of their honesty of purpose. Mr. Gale had the men arrested and placed in jail for stealing logs. On Monday last the men were released on bail to await the action of court. Mr. Gale says that the logs were never paid for, while, on the other hand, the men protest that they were, but have no way by which the property in question may be identified as the recently rafted logs. James A. Pearce and R. D. Hynson have been retained to represent the lumber company, and the case will be an interesting one, since numerous technical points of law will be involved.

Items from Locust Grove.

LOCUST GROVE, MD., Jan., 21, 1890.

Nearly all the inhabitants of the Grove have been afflicted with La Grippe; a number having been very ill, but all, we are glad to say, are recovering.

Many of our farmers are taking advantage of the fine weather to do their plowing.

Mr. George M. Beasten has been suffering with La Grippe, but is much better now.

Miss Ettie Kelley returned to the Normal School Wednesday. She has been at home since the holidays indulging in La Grippe.

Miss Belle Redmile has returned from a visit to the country.

Mr. G. Harvey Beasten, of New York, is visiting his parents.

Mr. G. Spencer Comegys, of Queen Anne's, is home for a week, visiting his old friends.

Mr. William A. Comegys, of Middletown, Del., has been spending several days with D. J. Nowland, Esq.

Mrs. C. Goodwin, of Hartford, Conn., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Moore.

Mr. S. Shallcross, of New York, is visiting his parents and his brother Will, of Dover.

A pleasant surprise party was given to Miss Etta Bramble, January 16, there being quite a number present. All seemed to enjoy themselves.

Service at the M. E. Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock A. M. Subject: "Temperance."

There is to be a series of lectures in the the M. E. Church, beginning January 30.

A MERRY BEE.

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COLLEGE NOTES.

Before the holidays there were very few absentees, but since January 2 the La Grippe has broken the good record. Many of the students have been absent. It seems, however, that those living at the college have suffered least, there being no cases among them.

The examinations commence on the 27th instant, and the students in the various departments are reviewing and preparing for them.

The new session commences February 5. Some students are expected to enter about that time. The beginning of the session is a very favorable time for entrance, and we hope quite a number will avail themselves of the opportunity.

The Tramp Club has not yet begun to tramp. We suppose they think the present condition of the roads not favorable. They prefer macadamized roads, no doubt, but should not be too particular.

The official treat offered by the officers of the Mount Vernon on Saturday was pronounced by the epicure a success.

The Shakespeare Club at its first meeting read the first and second acts of the Merchant of Venice. The meeting of last Saturday evening was not a success, or rather was not held, because of sickness among the members. Nothing happening to prevent, we anticipate a pleasant meeting next Saturday evening.

Mr. A. H. Reid, of Philadelphia, manufacturer of creamery and dairy fixtures, has offered twenty-five dollars as a prize to the best declaimer in the college. The money is to be given in one or more prizes as the faculty may decide. The contest will take place during the commencement week, and is open to any student of the college or preparatory school. Mr. Reid is a brother of Dr. Reid, and is well known all over this country as a manufacturer of dairy fixtures.

The meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association was not quite so well attended on last Sunday as usual. The gloomy appearance of the weather had something to do with it, no doubt. The Doctor, after locating the various tribes of Israel on a map drawn upon the blackboard, showed the location of the Philistines, and told of their oppression of the tribes of Simon and Judah, until they were not allowed even to sharpen their own implements. He then related the story of the life of Samson, telling of many of the more remarkable exhibitions of his power. The Doctor deplored the fact that Samson did not possess strength of intellect commensurate with his physical powers. The lecturer said that Samson's troubles seemed to come always through his weakness for the smiles of the fair sex. Samson was continually falling in love and as often getting into trouble, and finally met his ruin at the hands of Delilah. The Doctor then spoke of the sad spectacle of a Samson playing clown to amuse the heathen rabble, and of the final act of his life, which brought death to himself and ruin to his enemies. The Doctor then related that incomparable little story of Ruth, and recommended all to read it and to read the Samson Agonestes of Milton. The lecture was interesting throughout. The Doctor continues the lecture next Sunday. Meeting at 4.30 P. M. All are welcome to attend these lectures.

Court News.

County Commissioners met on Tuesday, Jan. 21, with full board present.

Thomas J. Shallcross presented a written report relating to Crumpton bridge. Thereupon it was ordered that Thomas J. Shallcross and R. C. Morgan, Esq., be, and thereby were appointed a committee on the part of the Kent county commissioners to meet a similar committee, to be appointed on the part of the Queen Anne's county commissioners, on a day to be agreed upon to confer together in relation to such action as said committees may agree upon in regard to Crumpton bridge.

Letter received from Robert J. Catlin, a commissioner of Queen Anne,s county, giving notice that he, with Mr. Robert N. Boston, had examined said bridge, etc., and an estimate of the lumber required was presented by Mr. Boston with Mr. Catlin's letter.

A petition of Hope H. Barroll, Esq., committee appointed for Sarah E. Sparks, now in Maryland hospital, was presented and in pursuance thereof and of a former order of the county commissioners an order was passed ratifying and affirming an order passed Sept. 1889, directing that Sarah E. Sparks be placed in the Maryland hospital as a county patient, provided her trustee guarantee to Kent county annually $150, during the continuance of the arrangement entered into between the trustees and the county commissioners.

On petition of Hope H. Barroll for repayment of taxes paid by him on personal property assessed to Garey H. Leverton in conjunction with assessment on his farm, which said Barroll purchased. An order was passed directing the payment of same by levy of 1890.

Alexander Taylor's recommendation for pension was considered and a pension of $25 ordered to be provided for by levy of 1890, subject to taxes.

An order in favor of Laura Baker for an additional pension of twelve dollars was passed.

Orphans' Court met Jan. 21, 1890. Present Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett.

The last will and testament of Dennis McCauley was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary granted to B. J. McCauley, who filed his bond, and George W. Jacoby and Henry J. Gray were appointed to appraise the personal estate. Wm. M. Slay, administrator of George W. T. Perkins, and acting guardian to A. Herman, Carrol C. and Genevieve L. Perkins, passed a guardian account. Wm. M. Slay, administrator d. b. n. of Caroline C. Perkins and acting guardian for Carrol C. and Genevieve L. Perkins passed guardian accounts for his said wards.

Baltimore Grain Market.

Southern wheat active and higher. Steamer No. 2 red at 77 cents, and samples of rejected at 70 cents; fair, 75a76 cts.; good to prime, 80, 83 and 84 cents. The receipts of Western wheat light, and the market quiet but slightly firmer. The sales were 1'000 bushels on track at 75½a77 cents for steamer No. 2 red, and 80 cts. for ungraded, and 20,000 bushels No. 2 red for May at 85 cents, closing steady at 80¼ cents for spot and January, 80⅞a81 cents for February, 82½a82¾ cts. for March, and 84½a85 cts. per bushel for May.

The market for Southern corn is dull and lower to sell, the bulk of the offerings being withdrawn. A small lot of white at 41 cents, and damp and blue-eyed yellow at 30a32 cents. Western corn quiet and steady. The sales were 4800 bushels rejected 8a13 cents for hot up to 22a31 cts.; 6,000 bushels steamer mixed spot at 33⅞ cents; 50,000 bushels mixed for January and 50,000 bushels do. for February 36¼ cents, and 5500 bushels No. 3 spot at 31 cents. The closing quotations for spot, January and February 36¼a36½ cts., March 36⅞a37 cents, April 37¼a37½ cts., and May 38a38¼ cents per bushel.

THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A Meeting of Great Importance to Peach Growers and Farmers.

The Peninsula Horticultural Society will meet at Stam's Hall, Chestertown, on Tuesday, January 28, and will continue in session for three consecutive days, closing its session on the 30th instant. Messrs. R. J. Nicholson, James S. Harris and Norris Barnard compose the committee of arrangements. A number of prominent gentlemen have been invited to be present, some of whom have expressed their intention of coming. The most important subject for consideration will be peaches and their cultivation. Should Professor Erwin Smith be present, as is now expected that he will be, much reliable information upon the subject of yellows and their cure will be given.

In addition to the great uncertainty which has always surrounded the peach crops of Kent, in the upper portion of the county the yellows has done great injury, and indeed the peach interests of the entire peninsula of Maryland and Delaware have suffered seriously from its ravages. The Peninsula Horticultural Society has done much good since its organization and has met in several of the larger towns of Delaware but has never before held a session within the borders of Maryland. It is expected that a through discussion of the peach question from its various stand points and a free interchange of thought upon the subject of fruit culture,—what to grow and how to grow it—will awaken an interest in our fruit growers and result in organization and much good.

The following is the interesting program as arranged for the session of each day:

TUESDAY, JAN. 28TH.

2.00 P. M.—Calling to order, calling roll of members, enrolling new members.

2.30 P. M.—Address of welcome, by J. Alfred Pearce, Esq.

3.00 P. M.—President's annual address, by J. W. Kerr.

3.30 P. M.—Report of the general committee on fruits, Dr. W. S. Maxwell, chairman.

4.00 to 5.00 P. M.—Discussion, question box or fruit list.

EVENING.

7.00 P. M—Address, "Special Plant Feeding," by Henry E. Alvord, director of the Maryland Experiment Station.

8.00 P. M.—Discussion, question box or fruit list.

WEDNESDAY.

9.00 A. M.—Address, "Tomatoes, their Study and Improvement," Prof. W. H. Bishop, of the Md. Experiment Station.

10.00 A. M.—Report of the committee on nomenclature, John S. Barnhart, chm'n.

10.30 A. M.—Report of committee on peaches, S. H. Messick, chairman. Discussion.

11.30 A. M.—Report of committee on pears, Dr. J. J. Black, chairman. Discussion.

AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M.—Address, Arthur T. Neale, Ph. D., director of the Delaware Experiment Station.

3.00 P. M.—Address, "Fungus Diseases of Fruit and Their Treatment," by Prof. B. L. Galloway, chief of the section of Plant Pathology, Washington, D. C.

4.00 P. M.—Report of committee on apples, N. Barnard, chairman.

4.30 P. M.—Discussion. Queries.

EVENING.

7.00 P. M.—Report of the committee on grapes, J. D. Scout, chairman.

7.30 P. M.—Address, report of committee on small fruits, A. W. Slaymaker, chairman.

8.00 P. M.—Report of the committee on crates, implements and fertilizers, John Heyd, chairman. Discussion.

THURSDAY.

9.00 A. M.—Report of the committee on flowers, Dr. R. W. Hargadine, chm'n.

9.30 A. M.—Report of the committee on vegetables, Theo. L. Townsend, chm'n.

10.00 A. M.—"Injurious Insects and How to Prevent Their Ravages," by Prof. M. H. Beckwith, Del. Experiment Station.

11.00 A. M.—Reports and election of officers.

AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M.—"Fruit Growing in Michigan," G. H. LaFleur, secretary Western Michigan Horticultural Society.

2.30 P. M.—Address, Prof. F. D. Chester, Delaware Experiment Station.

3.30 P. M.—Discussion and miscellaneous business.

Rock Hall Locals.

Between twelve and fifteen houses have been built and improved in the village during the past eight months as the direct outgrowth of the log industry. Two of the most substantial and attractive buildings have been built at the Chester river steamboat wharf. The prospects are that a village will soon spring up at that point which will prove a serious rival of the older village. Building lots have been laid out, rows of shade trees have been planted leading to the two wharves, and with beautiful water situations there is no reason why the growth of a new town should not be rapid. A store has already been built by Edgar Strong, Esq., in anticipation of a decided increase of population in the vicinity. An eating-house is on the grounds, and the next and most decided improvement it is held by some will be the building of a handsome hotel for the accommodation of summer boarders. The situation is held by many to be superior to that of Tolchester, and would be a more desirable point for summer excursionists.

The question of having a cut-off channel across the bar separating the waters where the steamers now land and the bay, is being seriously discussed. This improvement would lessen the time of each trip by steamer fully thirty-four minutes.

Some objections are entered in regard to having steamers run into Rock Hall harbor upon the ground that during the winter, on account of ice blockades, the boats could run with no regularity.

The war between the respective lines of steamers is quiet, so far as the companies are concerned, but is being pushed by the numerous friends and admirers of the two boats.

Fishermen are now busy mending and getting their nets ready for work. Some herring have already been caught, and if the open weather continues but a short while longer shad are expected.

The postoffice is now in the right place, and the people generally are satisfied.

Mrs. Ballard, of the Chesapeake House, has been quite sick, but is convalescing.

William Maslin, Esq., who has had a severe attack of pneumonia, is better, and with care will soon be able to attend to business.

Prof. L. Roe reorganized his commercial night school on Friday evening, and has the promise of an increase of scholars.

J. A. Hersch, the old and reliable manufacturer of handles for oyster tongs, has made over two hundred and sixty pairs this season, the largest number that he has ever made during any previous year.

A peach tree in the orchard of Mr. Jones is in full bloom, and Mr. Hersch has a damson tree covered with blossoms.

The drift logs have been removed from the shores near Rock Hall, but large quantities of trashy lumber and wreckage are piled in every direction.

A good oyster season and consequent financial prosperity is being enjoyed.

The four dredge boats whose captains were arrested last week on Swan Point, after having been at anchor in Rock Hall harbor for nearly a week, were taken in charge by their respective captains and set sail on Saturday morning.

FROM ROCK HALL.

Death of Christopher Wilkinson—Flowers in Bloom—New Buildings and Prosperity.

ROCK HALL, MD., Jan., 21, 1890.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—One of our old and well-known citizens has recently passed away at a good, ripe age, but up to a few days of his death was a well-known figure among our citizens. Mr. C. Wilkinson lived to see his long wish gratified—a daily steamboat to Baltimore from his shore. He was a kind neighbor, and one who *appreciated a favor*. Peculiar in his views, and fixed in them, he was always willing for others to enjoy them, and would listen and sometimes be convinced when wrong; where his intuitive knowledge, as he called it, led him astray. To visitors he always extended a hearty welcome, and the best he had was freely given. He will be missed by many, and especially by the writer, who has been on friendly terms with him for many years. His remains were taken to Centreville for interment. Among his last requests was one asking that the remains of his wife, who died a few years ago, be buried along side of him. She was a true Christian, faithful wife, and loving mother, retiring in her nature, and universally respected by all classes.

The season, so far, has been such that our oldest citizens fail to remember one like it. Winter is half over and hardly a sign of ice to be seen, and the grass still affords fair pasture with occasionally a flowerto be seen—violets—in full bloom, sending forth their delightful odor.

The open season has been fine for the oystermen, and the prices have been such as to make them feel cheerful and happy, which the stores have enjoyed along with them, for money which comes easy goes easy, and roast beef and luxuries take the place of hog and hominy. Our enterprising store keeper and butcher has done a fine business and finds it necessary to take regular visits to the cattle sales in Baltimore as good beef is demanded.

Among the recent sights to be seen and heard in the village is the milk wagon and bell, calling the citizens to get their usual supply of morning milk. For children there is no substitute for good milk, and Mr. John Rodney says he will furnish nothing but the pure milk from well-fed cows.

The owner of the Crank Doodle Lake and meandering streams connecting it with the frog pond, so beautifully described by our wit and critic, and now all full of fresh water, fears there will be no use for a supply of ice, but hopes the experiment will not fail to prove that oysters and fish can be propagated in artificial ponds when arranged for the tide to ebb and flow in them as is to be done when there is no further use of the fresh water. The frog pond is for vegetable eating fish, and the crank pond for oysters and carniverous fish. The frog pond, so named by our wit, drains about forty acres and the supposition is there will be enough vegetable matter enter it to feed both fish and oysters, as the latter feeds on such material. Many natural locations can be found for the same purpose out of the way of dredgers if it can be proven that the plan is practical. No objection to a supply of frogs as they usually sell well.

The building boom still continues. Mr. James Durding has just purchased a lot in the heart of the village and the carpenter will soon be at work. Most of the buildings started in the fall are occupied by their owners, and the records of Chestertown will continue to show that real estate owners are rapidly increasing in this neighborhood, as it is a great desire of most of our young men to own their homes and improve and ornament the same free of all landlords.

Poor Gray's Inn is no longer thought of or mentioned, and since the last boat has been withdrawn few persons are drawn in that direction. They say history repeats itself. The same event occurred one hundred and eighty-three years ago (1707), when New Yarmouth or Gray's Inn, was removed to Chestertown, which did a shipping business before Baltimore was thought of. The old Colonial Custom House still remains as of old, with some of the side-walks paved with stones brought as ballast by the ships which came to Chestertown and other points with English goods in exchange for tobacco, etc. No greenbacks or silver dollars in those days and there would be none of the latter now, if Free-trade England had her way.

By the new arrangement of the Chester River line passengers reach home for dinner, as they leave Baltimore at 11 o'clock and are at this wharf by one and Chestertown by three o'clock, when met at the wharf. It is quite often that this route is taken to avoid the long steam boat route.

The road from the wharf is being shelled, which is badly needed along the musk rat swamp. OBSERVER.

New Advertisements.

Dr. T. H. Cooper gives notice that on account of failing health, brought about by exposure, he will, in the future, be compelled to restrict his practice to his office and the vicinity of Chestertown. Read his notice for office hours and particulars

Joseph Turner announces a large supply of fence rails and choice yellow pine lumber, specially adapted to the manufacture of oyster rake handles.

Harrison W. Vickers, as trustee, will sell at public sale on February 7, 1890, valuable property lying on Quaker Neck Lane. See advertisement.

James S. Ford will sell valuable personal property on February 7, 1890. See advertisement for particulars

Harry L. Boyd, Esq., calls attention to the change of assets in his insurance advertisement. The assets of both the Ætna and Phœnix have been largely increased. It is claimed that the Ætna is the largest resident fire insurance company in the United States.

Bernard McCauley gives notice to creditors of Dennis McCauley that they present their bills with vouchers on or before July 25, 1890, or they may be excluded by law from all benefits

Syrup of Figs.

Produced from the laxative and nutritious juice of California figs, combined with the medicinal virtues of plants known to be most beneficial to the human system, acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels, effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds and headaches, and curing habitual constipation.

DIED.

RASIN.—Near Worton Station, January 21, of pneumonia, Dulany Rasin, aged 74 years. Funeral services at the Union M. E. Church Thursday, at 2 o'clock P. M.

RASIN.—In Chestertown, Jan. 16, 1890, after a long illness of consumption, Mrs. Laura C. Rasin, wife of C. C. B. Rasin and daughter of James Kelley, aged 41 years, 5 months and 2 days. The husband and two children and a large circle of relatives and friends are left to mourn, while the departed one has entered upon the peace and joys of eternal rest.

Funeral services were held at the residence of her husband on Cross street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock; interment in Chester Cemetery.

The Verdict Unanimous.

W. D. Sult, druggist, Bippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Belleville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at Colin F. Stam's, druggist.

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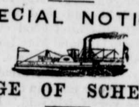

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE!
The daily round trips of steamer
EMMA A. FORD
will be discontinued after Tuesday, October 8, and will leave Chestertown for Baltimore (beginning Wednesday, October 9), at 8 A. M., and thereafter every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at same hour.
Will leave Queenstown at 9.45 A. M.
RETURNING, will leave Baltimore every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 11 A. M.
THE B. S. FORD
Will leave Centreville every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning, at 8.30 A. M., stopping at landings on Corsica river, Bogles, Queenstown, Kent Island and Rock Hall. Will leave Kent Island at 8.30, Rock Hall at 9.15, arriving in Baltimore at 11.15 A. M.
RETURNING, will leave Pier 7, Light Street Wharf, at 11 A. M., alternate days.
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" Rock Hall..... " ..... 9.15 "
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