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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1890.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—The Lenten season commenced yesterday.

—Fox chases have already commenced, and the musical hound is now in his glory.

—There will be service at St. Paul's church on next Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

—Arbutus parties have already commenced. Just think of it, spring flowers in midwinter.

—Spring almost here and no ice harvest yet. The largest amount of ice harvested last year was between Feb. 11 and 22.

—Mr. Louis K. Stam of Chestertown has, made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors, and requests us to state that he will pay dollar for dollar.

—The vestries of St. Paul's and I. U. Parishes have called the Rev. George C. Sutton, rector of the Episcopal church, at Circleville, O., to become their rector.

—Feddeman & Collins, the energetic young hardware merchants of Millington, anticipate leaving Millington and will open a handsome store in a New Jersey city of about four thousand inhabitants.

—Shipments of fish by the Chester river steamers have continued large during the entire winter. Herring have been shipped nearly all winter and the catch is now increasing. A rare experience for Chester river fishermen.

—The entertainment by Acme Dramatic Co., of Baltomore of "Rip Van Winkle" given at Stam's Hall on Tuesday evening last, we are pleased to note, was thoroughly satisfactory and much enjoyed by those in attendauce. We can endorse and recommend this company's plays to all lovers of theatrical amusements.

—Lenten services for Emmanuel P. E. Church are as follows: The first Sunday in the month, services, sermon and holy communion, 11 A. M. The other Sundays, holy comnunion 7.30 A. M. Service and sermon 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Mondays, and Tuesdays 5 P. M. Wednesdays, 12 M. and 5 P. M. Thursdays, 5 P. M. Fridays, 12 M. and 5 P. M.

—The Centreville *Record* comes with a remedy for frosted feet. What's the matter with the *Record*, has the bride-groom of the firm been on a bridal tour and struck a western blizzard? In Kent, "sweet violets," "trailing arbutus," japonicas, etc., are in full blossom. No need for arctic Lotion or frosted feet remedies.

—The first shipment of spring lambs made from Kent this season was made from Rock Hall on Friday last. The lambs were of good size and in fine condition. On account of the advanced condition of vegetation the wheat fields have been the winter pasture for sheep, and has had the effect of advancing the growth of the early lambs.

—Saturday next, February 22, Washington's birthday, will be a legal holiday, and all state banking and other institutions will be closed on that date. In the cities the day is usually celebrated by a cessation of business during a portion of the day. Falling on Saturday, as it does, it is probable that the day will not be observed at all in Chestertown.

—Mrs. Caroline Hynson purchased at mortgagee sale on Tuesday last, the Whitting farm a valuable property situatdd in the first district, for $12,550 which is considered very cheap. The Bean property at Massey's was sold on the same date, at mortgagee sale, under mortgage held by the Building and Loan Association. The Association became the purchaser at $1,060,

—The public sale of the personal property of James R. Sudler, deceased, on Thursday last near Sudlersville, is said to have been the most largely attended sale ever known in the county. Several gentlemen from Kent said that they had never seen a greater number of persons at the Worton Fair Grounds, than was at the sale on Thursday last. Proper advertising did it.

—Edward Emory, Esq., of Quaker Neck, who has built up an extensive oyster business with Pittsburg and other northern cities, has enlarged his facilites for supplying an increasing demand, and now sends a boat direct to the oystering grounds for the purpose of buying the finest stock from the best bars on the river. Mr. Emory makes shipments of fine shucked and oysters in the shell each boat day.

—A move has been on foot for years past to have Chester river between Crumpton and Millinton cleaned out giving a sufficent depth and width of channel to allow large vessels to approach the latter town. This is a pet scheme of the enterprising men of Millington, and would result in a most desirable boom for the now inland town. A delegation of citizens left for Washington last week to push the matter and see if an appropriation cannot be secured.

—The heavy southeast storm of Friday last was particularly severe in Kent. The wind blew a gale, and for a short time rain fell in torrents. The steamers Emma and B. S. Ford had stormy trips across the bay, and a number of passengers indulged in the doubtful luxury of seasickness. The police schooner Baughman was caught out, and being unable to make harbor in Chester river in the face of the gale and heavy sea, was forced to scud across the bay and find harbor under the western shore.

—Miss Fannie Smith, daughter of County Commissioner Wm. D. Smith, of Queen Anne's who has been visiting at the home of S. Frank Smith, Esq., was tendered a most pleasant entertainment on Wednesday last. The evening was most pleasantly passed in singing, animated conversation and exciting games. At eleven o'clock refreshments were served and duly enjoyed, after which the evening's pleasures ceased and all repaired to their homes with many good wishes for "mine host" and his guest.

—The M. E. Parsonage at Galena was ceably entered on last Saturday by ut fifty persons; who made a royal do- on to their pastor. Hams, sugar, ggs, beef, coffee, lemons, oranges, e, sausage, etc. Even the horse not forgotten. A beautiful waste basket and a "Life of Christ" calender were given the pastor for "study" use. Mrs. Fosnocht was the recipient of a beautiful knit shoulder cape. Song and prayer over, all left for their homes about 10 o'clock. Noros can never express the feeling of love and gratitude cherished for these large hearted people by their pastor and family. A glorious meeting is now in progress—4 seeking Monday night and 3 converted, tide still rising. We never intend to let up. A CHURCHMAN.

—Some of the days which we have kept and will keep during the present year are as follows: St. Valentine's day, Friday, February 14, Ash Wednesday, February 19, Washington's Birthday, Saturday, February 22, first Sunday in Lent, February 23, St. Patrick's day, Monday, March 17, Palm Sunday, March 30, Good Friday, April 4, Easter Sunday, April 6, Holy Thursday, May 15, Decoration day, Friday, May 30, Trinity Sunday, June 1, Independence day, Friday, July 4, First Sunday in Advent, November 30, Christmas day, Thursday, December 25.

—Wesley Jarman, Esq., and old and respected citizen of Millington died at his home in that town on Monday last, about eighty years of age. Mr. Jarman was originally of Kent, but about twenty-five years ago went to Queen Anne's and engaged in farming at which he was very success ful and succeeded in amassing a handsome property. Twelve years ago he returned to Kent and engaged in milling at Millington this county, but last fall he sold his valuable mill property and retired from active business. Though never having taken any active part in public affairs Mr. Jarman was widely known and generally respected by a large circle of friends. He leaves a wife and several children.

—Shakespeare says: "He who steals my purse steals trash," but what *does* the man get who finds a locomotive whistle? Why that which "benefiteth him not," and leaves the engine poor indeed. The novel occurrence actually took place on the B. & D. B. R. R. last week of an engine losing her whistle. When just above Lynch's it was discovered that the tooter on the engine drawing the morning train was a thing of the *passed*. As the whistle had gone *back* on the engine the engine was forced of course to go back on the track, and a short run brought the train to the absconding debtor of the engine, the cylindrical piece of metal which had been guilty of a breach of trust and had absconded with the voice of the iron horse. United they blow but divided they are silent.

—Postmaster Brown, after a detention of several weeks, received his new boxes on Saturday last and has them put in place. The new boxes are made of ash and white wood; are highly varnished, and are a vast improvement on the old ones. The "call" boxes run from No. 41 to 192, and the lock boxes from 1 to 36, while on the side of the new case next the entrance to the office a window and desk for money order business will be placed for the convenience of both the portmaster and the patrons of the office. The new boxes are more roomy and far more attractive than the old outfit, and Mr. and Mrs. Brown say that no trouble will be spared to thoroughly equip the office. Ex-Postmaster Fowler is still assisting Mr. Brown, and always has a genial smile for the host of friends whom he has so faithfully and acceptably served during his term of office.

—The first fight this season between dredgers and the oyster police force in Chester river took place recently off Wickes' Beach between the police sloop Helen Baughman and the schooner Lightning. Says the Queenstown *News*: The Baughman surprised the schooner at work in illegal waters. A command to surrender was derisively laughed at and replied to by a volley from small arms. Captain Horney instantly got down to work and soon the Lightning was flying before the wind all sail set and intent on self-preservation. The Lightning was overhauled and several cannon shots caused her captain to heave to. A prize crew was put aboard and the captured oyster boat towed into the little bay town of Winchester, where a justice of the peace gave the captain a hearing on Monday morning and fined him $50 and cost, for having unculled oysters on board. The fine and costs were paid on Tuesday and the vessel released.

SOCIAL PLEASURES.

A Delightful Dance at Fairlee—The Close of the Social Season.

The social season was formally closed on Monday evening, preparatory to the quiet which always accompanies the season of Lent, by a delightful dance in the town hall at Fairlee. About two hundred invitations were issued, and the votaries of the fascinating dance from every section of the county sent representatives to grace the occasion. Music was engaged from Pennsylvania, but the musicians failed to make the train, and but for the presence of an abundance of home talent the merry dancers would have suffered sad disappointment as regards the evening's pleasures. No such disappointment, however, entered into the enjoyable programme, and at 8.45 o'clock the hall presented an animated scene of grace and beauty. Never did the proverbially handsome ladies of Kent look more beautiful, and never did her gallant sons do the honors of the occasion in more knightly fashion. The full evening dresses of the ladies were in some instances elaborate and rich. With a floor as smooth as the surface of a lake, most excellent music and many gracefully beautiful dancers, the hours passed only too rapidly for those who so forcibly realized, "How noiseless falls the foot of time, which only treads on flowers."

The ladies present were, so far as we could learn:

Miss Burgess, the Misses Gemmill, the Misses Carvill, the Misses Camp, Miss Wickes, Miss Harvey, of Baltimore; the Misses Clothier, Miss Brice, the Misses Wallace, Miss Wilkins, Miss Laura Jessop, the Misses Strong, Miss Bertie Lambson, of Wilmington; Miss Lillie Cosden, Mrs. Jester, Miss Julia Brown, of Baltimore; the Misses Cleaver, Mrs. Thomas D. France, Miss Anna Price, Miss Alrich, Miss Blanch Constable, Miss Mary Parrott, Miss Kellinger, of Baltimore; Mrs. Roeder, Miss Eva Gresham, Miss Shaw, Miss Julia Parrott, Miss Bowers, Miss Mamie Norris, Miss Brown, of Baltimore; Miss Mary Wilkins.

About twelve o'clock an elegant supper was partaken of, after which the dance was continued until an early hour. It is but justice to the gentlemen of the committes, Messrs. Lou Alrich, Howard Turner, J. T. DeCorse, Jesse Usilton, committee on invitation; John Parrott and John Brice, floor managers; to say that the dance was in every way a success and one of the most enjoyable social features of the season.

Locust Grove Items.

LOCUST GROVE, MD., Feb. 19, 1890.

It seems as though our little village has been very quiet for some time, as there have been no letters in the TRANSCRIPT from the Grove for several weeks.

Quite a pleasant surprise was given to Miss Lillie Boggs last Thursday evening. There were quite a number present from different portions of Kent, and all seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

Miss Ida Houston, of Middletown, Del., is visiting Miss Helen Hayes.

Mr. George Beasten is much better at this writing, and we hope he will continue to improve so that he may be able to be out soon.

Rev. R. W. Todd, of Chestertown, will lecture in the M. E. Church to-night, (Thursday). Subject: "The Love of Woman, or How to Choose a Wife."

There will be preaching in the M. E. Church Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

RING.

THE GRATITUDE SOLD.

But One Steamboat Line on Chester River.

The purchase of the steamer Gratitude, wharf property and the franchise of the Centreville and Corsica river steamboat company was the surprise of the season and no occurrence of the year has caused more varied comment and has opened a broader field for wholesale speculation. The first question demanding attention is in regard to the price paid, the conjectures on this point ranging from twenty-five to one hundred thousand dollars; then comes distribution of the boats on the respective routes which are already in being or may be in the future created. The great 13, 15, 14 puzzle sinks into insignificance and the results of the many combinations are as numerous as in the numerical puzzle. The sale was a thorough surprise. No one had reason to anticipate any change whatever in the business management of the company as it was generally supposed that the new line was financially holding its own and there was no desire to effect a sale with the Chester River Co. Rock Hall, where the Gratitude had many friends has given expression to her regret at the change of management, while Centreville and other portions of Queen Anne's have furnished their share of critics upon the causes and final outgrowth of the purchase and sale of the valuable property.

The Corsica River Line was organized in July 1888 with a capital stock of $40,000 with privilege of increasing same from time to time as exigencies required. All the stock was held in Philadelphia by about half dozen capitalists, with the exception of $500 which was held by citizens of this county.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The old bell which has done service for the last twelve years has been replaced by a new one. During the past freeze the old one was cracked in such a manner as to destroy its melody, if melody can be said to reside in a farm bell swung to the top of a college. The six o'clock A. M. notes of the old bell were never considered extremely harmonious.

The Shakespeare Circle met at Dr. Reid's on last Saturday evening and read the first two acts of "Romeo and Juliet." There was a full attendance and the Circle spent a very pleasant evening. The next meeting will be at the residence of Miss Anna Hubbard, Saturday, Feb. 22.

Owing to the examinations there has been no time for the arrangement of any especial exercises for the celebration of Washington's birthday anniversary, but the Mount Vernon Literary Society promises an especially interesting program on next Saturday evening, and they would be glad to see any of their friends who may choose to visit them.

The Young Men's Christian Association mas well attended on Sunday and the doctor was fully up to his usual standard as an interesting lecturer. His subject was "David," and he spoke of that period of his life when he was fleeing from Saul, and finally of his assumption of the kingly power. The lecture is to be continued next Sunday.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Visitors it was determined to take some steps toward increasing the accommodations of the college. We are not informed as to the nature of the changes proposed, but we understand that the building now occupied by Profs. Reid and Micou will be made into dormatories for students, and the Professors will be otherwise provided for. Some important changes are to be made, and we think that next year we can bid with confidence for the support of our Peninsula people.

Personal Mention.

Miss Anna Brown has, during the past ten days, been visiting Miss Marshall, of Philadelphia.

Miss Fannie Wilkins was present on Friday evening last at a delightful entertainment given by Baltimore friends.

Miss Mary Sudler and Miss Brown are the guests of the Misses Wilkins.

Miss Eunice Gemmill has been visiting Miss Josephine Wickes.

Mrs. Phil. Brooks and Miss Eunice Gemmill were present at the enjoyable dance given by the young gentlemen of Middletown, Del., last week.

L. W. Sparks, who until recently was a compositor on the TRANSCRIPT's staff, spent last week in Baltimore, where he is desirous of getting on a city paper.

Mrs. Lena S. Stephenson, wife of Rev. R. K. Stephenson, formerly of Millington, but at present stationed on Smyrna circuit, died last week at her home in Smyrna after a long illness of bronchial consumpton. She leaves two children. Mrs. Stephenson had many friends in Kent.

Miss Darby, who has spent a pleasant two-weeks visit, the guest of Miss Anna Hubbard, returned to her home at Seaford, Del., last Wednesday, accompanied by W. W. Hubbard, who is off on a trip combining pleasure with business.

Miss Julia Emory is now in Washington, D. C., studying painting under the instruction of one of the finest artists of that city.

Miss May Green, of Millington, is visiting friends in Smyrna, Del.

Miss Nannie Hackett, of Sudlersville, is the guest of Mrs. Mollie Cacy, of Millington.

Miss Hattie Adkinson, of Greensborough, is the guest of Miss Dora Powell, of Millington.

Miss Edith Hines, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Florence Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitspatrick, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. E. C. Reiche.

Miss Mamie Gemmill is visiting friends in Baltimore.

J. F. Wilson of Still pond, who has been quite ill for several weeks past but had somewhat improved, suffered a relapse several days ago and is at present dangerously ill at his home.

Mr. Walter Chapman, the efficient receiving teller at the Chestertown National Bank, is on an extended tour north. Mr. Chapman we are informed, expects to visit Montreal and Quebec, Canada, and participate in the winter gayeties of their icy clime. He will return about the middle of next week.

Mr. Harry L. Rose, a former student of Washington College spent several days with friends in Chestertown this week.

Eupepsy.

This is what you ought to have, in fact, you must have it, to fully enjoy life. Thousands are searching for it daily, and mourning because they find it not. Thousands upon thousands of dollars are spent annually by our people in the hope that they may attain this boon. And yet it may be had by all. We guarantee that Electric Bitters, if used according to directions, and the use persised in, will bring you Good Digestion and oust the demon Dyspepsia and install instead Eupepsy. We recommend Electric Bitters for Dyspepsia and all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Sold at 50c. and $1.00 per bottle by Colin F. Stam, Druggist.

THE FARMERS' LEAGUE.

The Farmers Urging Economy—The Alliance Represented.

The Farmers' League of Kent county met pursuant to adjournment in the Court House Tuesday and was called to order by President W. J. Vannort. Roll-call and preliminary proceeedings having been disposed of the regular discussion of questions was taken up. N. Barnard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Farmers' League of Kent county that mortgages should be taxed, and that our Senator and Representatives in the Maryland Legislature be requested to use their influence to have a bill passed securing that end.

The mortgage tax question was then fully discussed in its various bearings upon agricultural interests.

R. S. Griffith advocated economy in the several departments of the county government, and paid special attention to the collection of taxes in Kent county, and stated that the collector for each of the five districts received $960, making a total of $4,800 for the county. However economical this might be for ordinary times under existing ciriumstances it was declared to be extravagant. The Cecil county system of having the clerk to the county commissioners act as collector upon a stated salary was referred to as being much cheaper and highly satisfactory: The speaker said that for $1500 a competent party could be secured and would be glad to assume the duties of collector for the county for that amount. We have it however from good authority that the Cecil county plan is not so satisfactory as Mr. Griffith has been lead to believe, at any rate the matter is a mooted question. The speaker said that he could not dismiss a discussion of the question of tax reduction "without giving Chestertown a rap." He said that he was surprised that any such law had ever been passed as that providing that the county commissioners shall "pay over to the commissioners of Chestertown that proportion of the entire county levy for roads and bridges which the total property assessed within the limits of Chestertown bears to the whole amount of assessed property in Kent county. So that the commissioners of Chestertown may receive and disburse the amount levied upon the property within the limits of Chestertown for roads and bridges by said commissioners of Kent county." This is unjust and inequitable, having but about six miles of streets that she should have gotton $2,200 last, and $1,800 this year. The speaker claimed that the amount was not necessary, and said that in a few years the streets, at that rate, could be paved with silver dollars.

C. T. Westcott, Esq., in defense of the law insisted that the law was equitable and entirely just. Chestertown pays about one-sixth of the total amount of the taxes of Kent county, or in other words, the taxable property of the town is about one-sixth of the entire taxable basis of the county, and the provision simply amounts to a return of the taxes paid by the town to the town commissioners to be used for the improvements within the town limits. Many of the citizens of Chestertown pay taxes upon real estate in distant sections of the county and pay their proportion of the taxes for county improvements, and, indeed, for improvements which but few, if any, of the citizens of the town ever enjoy. Independent of a pride which every citizen of the county should feel in the shire town, the improvements are enjoyed to a greater or less extent by the entire county. Mr. Westcott's exposition of the law was clear and satisfactory.

Mr. James Brice, following up the remarks of Mr. Griffith, said that the public roads of the county were neglected. The supervisors pay high wages, go out to work long after the farmer's hands have been at work and stop long before the farm hands leave the field. The levy of $14,500 for puplic roads of the county is thus improperly expended.

Mr. Griffith, in answer to Mr. Westcott in regard to the law providing for the payment of the sum of money to the commissioners of Chestertown for town improvements said that he did not desire too much pride in Chestertown. The provision was class legislation and is unjust.

Bevan Morris spoke upon the taxation of mortgages and said that he was surprised that some of those present did not favor universal taxation upon bonds, mortgages, etc. Farmers have either made so much money that they are themselves money lenders, or they are so much under the thumb of the money lenders that they are afraid to speak.

Mr. J. W. Hurtt, in referring to the free bridge, said that it would be decidedly to the advantage of Kent county. More will come to Chestertown, through a free bridge at Chestertown, than is carried across the river at Crumpton. Mr. Hurtt also said: "Tax the mortgage and we will see the last cow and horse driven from the poor man's door amid the wail and tears of the women and children. Tax mortgages and you change each mortgage into an absolute deed." He favored sending the Legislature a petition asking that if they cannot sell the Chesapeake and Ohio canal to give it away.

L. C. Justis, Jr., offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Legislature now in session should enact a stringent law compelling the burial of all domestic animals which may have died from diseases, within twelve hours after their death; believing, as we do, that the hog cholera and other fatally contagious diseases are communicated by means of buzzards, dogs, etc., and that a copy of this resolution be sent to our Representatives with the request that they use their efforts to secure the passage of the law for Kent county, and for the State at large, if possible.

Judge Joseph A. Wickes offered a petition asking the General Assembly of Maryland to provide by legislation for a reduction of the allowance made to the sheriff of Kent county for the board of prisoners while in the county jail. The present price allowed is fifty cents per day, and the petition asks that it be reduced to thirty-five cents. An amendment to this was offered which was carried, that it be further reduced to thirty cents. The petition was numerously signed, but upon motion of Mr. Roland providing that the change should not go into effect until the expiration of the term of the present sheriff, which created some discussion a number withdrew their names and others refused to sign being unwilling to have the reduction made at any time other than the commencement of the term. Judge Wickes said that he would regret exceedingly to see such an amendment pass. That if reform were needed it should be instituted at once, irrespective of persons or political affiliations. If it is right to make the change it is right to make it at once, if it is not right it should not be made at all. He was glad that the party of his own affiliations was in power and would be effected so that no charge of prejudiced motives could be brought.

L. C. Justis contended that it would be unjust to make any such reduction as that suggested during the term of office. The office had been held out to the present sheriff with certain emoluments. He had surrendered his other interests to assume the responsibilities of public office and certain benefits, which he had a right by established precedent and legislative enactment to expect, and to deprive him of these rights would be unjust and unreasonable.

While all present, with scarcely an exception, were for the reform advocated the feeling was almost unanimous against it going into immediate effect. The matter will be further considered.

As recommended by the petition of Judge Wickes recommending that a committee of investigation be appointed, the chair appointed the following gentlemen: James A. Pearce, C. T. Westcott, Thomas D. France and George Beck.

W. B. S. Chapman, Esq., representing the Natinal Farmer's Alliance, at the afternoon session made a statement explaining the operations of the organization and is hopeful of securing the cooperation of the League and farmers of Kent County.

W. H. Stewart, Norris Barnard, G. W. Davis, Samuel Mann, Bedford Roe, Stephen Lecates, Tilghman Shafer, E. W. Hepbron, G. N. Roeder, J. S. Harris, J. W. Hurtt, J. W. Copper and E. N. Roland, joined the League.

Court News.

C. W. Crisfield, a merchant of Morgan's Creek Neck, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Rev. Alfred Melvin, charged with selling intoxicating drinks. Tried before 'Squire Burgess on Monday afternoon last. The testimony for the State was as follows: Rev. Alfred Melvin: I went into Crisfield's store one day last week and asked for a bottle of pear cider. Crisfield said to Mr. Croney, who is his clerk, "sell it to him." Croney set the bottle on the counter. I asked the price. He said, "If you want to drink it here, it is ten cents, but if you carry it away it is fifteen cents—five cents extra is for the bottle." I laid down the money. Crisfield said to Croney, "Don't let him have it for any sum of money." Croney then grabbed up the bottle and refused the money. Crisfield then said, "I know what you want; you want to present me." "Yes, I intend to present you," and I then walked out of the store.

James McKee: I never bought any pear cider from Crisfield and never saw but one bottle sold in his store. Have drank pear cider that came from there, and can't see nor taste any difference between it and lager beer.

John McKee: I never bought nor drank any pear cider that came from there. Know nothing of its being sold there. Have seen barrels addressed to Crisfield from the Bayside Bottling Co.

Wesley McCleary, Hurbert McCleary, Theodore Davis and Frank Harris, all testified that they have bought and drank pear cider there in various quantities, and that it had no more intoxicating effect upon them than cold water.

Joseph Cotton, Isaac Cotton and Wesley Caulk, all colored, also testified that they had bought and drank pear cider there and that it had no intoxicating effect.

Simmons Davis, witness for the defence: Have bought and drank pear and apple cider from Crisfield, and believe it as intoxicating as any other drink of the kind. Mr. Davis was the only witness for the defence examined.

Verdict not guilty. Smith for State, Slay for defence.

Levy Court. Full board present.

The application of sundry citizens of 2d district for new road heretofore published was received and laid over. Messrs. Shallcross, Morgan and Rodenhiser were appointed as committee to examine and report whether in their judgment it would be expedient to open said road, and if so to confer with the parties who own land through which said road would pass with a view to purchasing right of way, and report their action and interview to said board.

It was ordered that an order be drawn on Wm. H. Ford for levies in his hands for Mt. Hope Retreat and balance for Md. Hospital, which was paid by check and deposited in bank.

It was ordered, upon recommendation of Dr. Wm. S. Maxwell that Amelia Raben, daughter of Frank Raben, of Kent county, be appointed to the free bed in Samaritan Hospital, Baltimore.

It was ordered that the annual notice as amended be published in the TRANSCRIPT and *Kent News*. It was ordered that a check be drawn in favor of Mt. Hope Retreat for levies for attendants for insane paupers for 1889. The board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for levy.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, Feb. 18, '90. —Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett. The last will and testament of Mrs. Annie E. Jacoby was filed for probate.

Wm. M. Miller and Dominick K. Ayres were appointed to appraise the personal estate of Christopher Wilkinson, dec'd.

Preamble and Resolutions of the County Temperance Alliance, Held February 11.

WHEREAS, Our laws for Kent county forbid the disposal of "any spirituous or fermented liquors, or alcoholic bitters," or any "intoxicating drinks of any kind or description," and provide for the prosecution of offenders either before a magistrate or the circuit court; and

WHEREAS, It is currently reported that said laws are violated in several localities, and notably so in Chestertown, with apparently little recent effort to interfere therewith; and

WHEREAS, This general indifference and inaction greatly encourages enemies of these laws to violate them, thus tempting the weak, corrupting the youth, wronging the innocent, inflaming the vicious and ministering to the disorder and unhappiness of society; and

WHEREAS, Despite these infractions of the laws, and the indifference and inaction in reference thereunto, Prohibition has accomplished great good in many sections of our county, greatly lessening the aggregate of intoxicants consumed, shielding a large per cent. of our youth from exposure, confineing the wicked traffic to the disreputable and lawless, and branding it as a crime; and

WHEREAS, License for this traffic, low or high, is "vicious in principle," on the ground that the State ought not for any price to sell any person or class the right to debauch and injure any other person or class of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, It is shown by experience that high license is as notoriously evaded and violated as are prohibitory laws; that it does not lessen drunkenness and crime; that it does not remove temptation and exposure from the weak and the young; that it does not prevent suffering to the victims of drink or to their families, and that it is, therefore, "powerless as a remedy;" therefore

Resolved, By the Temperance Alliance of Kent county, in delegated convention assembled, and representing 2,588 persons, that while we commend all efforts heretofore made by our sworn officers, who in this matter, are our lawful protectors, to secure the enforcement of this law, we respectfully and most earnestly call their attention to these reported violations, and assure them of our active cooperation and moral support in the performance of their lawful duties in the premises; and we also earnestly request all good law-abiding citizens, as fully as able to aid our officers, magistrates and the Circuit Court in the faithful execution of the law.

Resolved, That we believe the charter of the so-called "Chester Social, Musical and Literary Club of Kent County" was obtained and is used for the fraudulent purpose of evading and violating our prohibitory laws; that this club is the chief inspiration to other violators; that it is doing incalculable mischief, and is a public nuisance; and we hereby respectfully petition his Excellency, Hon. E. E. Jackson, Governor of Maryland, to order our State's Attorney, Hon. M. deK. Smith, to take the necessary measures for the forfeiture of the said club's charter on the ground of nonuse, misuse and fraud.

New Advertisements.

The advertisement of Messrs. Smith & Clements, dealers in agricultural implements can be found in another column. They are now offering the celebrated South Bend Chill plow. These plows are manufactured at South Bend, Ind. They have them in all sizes, and keep on hand a stock of extra repairs. Read their advertisement and give it careful consideration. They have located in the Eliason building on Main street, opposite the Court House.

James A. Pearce, assignee of mortgage will offer at public sale on Tuesday next, 25, the house and lot on Queen st., Chestown now in the possession of Thomas J. Mann. This is desirable and well located.

James A. Pearce, executor, advertises notice to creditors of Christopher Wilkinson, deceased.

Samuel Comegys, sheriff, advertises the property of Jos. W. Thompson, consisting of real and personal.

T. W. Eliason, Jr., offers by change of adv. a large assortment of building lumber, cypress fencing etc. Read advertisement for particulars.

The Kent County Mutual Fire Insurance Company's statement appears in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT.

Capt. Joseph W. Thompson places a card in this issue.

DIED.

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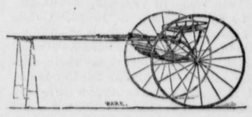

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Sire—ADMINISTRATOR, 357.
- Hambletonian, 10.
  - Abdallah I
    - Mambrino
      - Imp. Messenger
        - Mambrino.
        - Daughter of Turf.
      - Daughter of
        - Imp. Sour Crout.
        - Daughter of Imp. Whirligig.
    - Amazonia
  - Chs. Kent Mare
    - Imp. Bellfounder
      - Bellfounder.
      - Unknown.
    - One Eye
      - Hambletonian (Bisphop's)
        - Imp. Messenger.
        - Pheasant, by Imp. Shark.
      - Silvertail
        - Imp. Messenger.
- Daughter of
  - Mambrino Chief II.
    - Mambrino Paymast'r
      - Mambrino
        - Imp. Messenger.
        - Daughter of Imp. Sour Crout.
      - Daughter of
        - Imp. Paymaster.
    - Dam of Goliah.
  - Daughter of
    - Arabian Tartar.
      - Duroc Messenger
        - Diomed, by Duroc.
        - Daughter of Messenger II.
      - Daughter of s. t. b.
        - Not traced
    - Mambrino Chief II.
      - Mambrino Paymast'r
        - Mambrino
          - Imp. Messenger.
          - Daughter of Imp. Sour Crout.
        - Daughter of
          - Imp. Paymaster.
      - Dam of Goliah.

Dam—EFFIE DUNN.
- Garrard Chief, 2253
  - Dolly Dusie
    - Frank
      - Sir Charles
        - Sir Archy.
        - Daughter of Imp. Citizen.
      - Betsey Archer
        - Sir Archy.
        - Weasel, by Shylock.
    - Daughter of
      - Aratus
        - Director.
        - Roxana, by Imp. Sir Harry.
      - Daughter of
        - Hamlintonian.
        - Daughter of Imp. Diomed.
- Puss
  - Grey Eagle
    - Woodpecker
      - Bertrand
        - Sir Archy.
        - Eliza, by Imp. Bedford.
      - Daughter of
        - Imp. Buzzard.
        - The Fawn, by Alfred (Craig's).
    - Ophelia
      - Wild Medley
        - Imp. Medley.
        - Daughter of Wildair.
      - Daughter of
        - Sir Archy.
        - Lady Chesterfield, by Imp. Diomed
  - Daughter of
    - Sir Peter
      - John Stanley
        - Sir Hal.
        - Ariadne, by Imp. Citizen.
      - Lady Chesterfield
        - Richmond.
        - Daisy Cropper, by Oscar (Ogle's).
    - Daughter of
      - Hamiltonian
        - Sir Archy.
        - Bellona, by Muckle John.
      - Daughter of
        - Aratus.
        - Daughter of Americus.

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J. H. WALLACE, Editor American Trotting Register.

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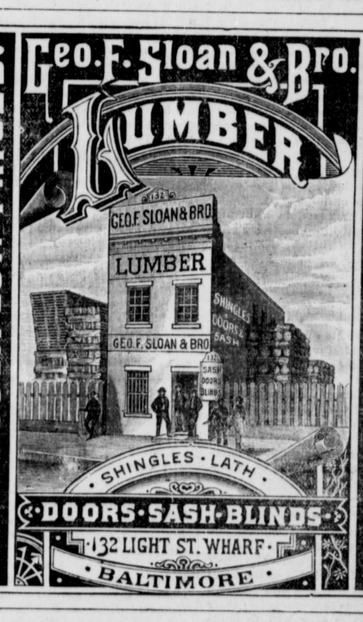

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