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LOCAL MATTERS.

—School children are yearning for vacation.

—Whew! hot, hotter, hottest, last Thursday and Friday.

—The hammock girl with her "hammock gown" is out.

—The census enumerator is called a walking interrogation point.

—There was no meeting of the Tariff Reform Club on Saturday last as expected.

—The Rock Hall folk were regaled for several days last week by a semi-free show.

—Arrangements for the proper celebration of the "Glorious Fourth" will soon be in order.

—Mosquitoes are due at their summer places of retreat. We don't have them in Chestertown.

—Some of the last year's hay crop is still being received in town, but goes at reduced prices.

—The Maryland State Fair will be held at Bel Air, Harford county, on September 30, and Oct. 1, 2 and 3, 1890.

—A colored merchant is building a spacious store building at Georgetown, a small colored settlement near Fairlee.

—The strawberry season is on the wane and the beautiful queens, of early summer, will soon be superceded by the tempting raspberry.

—It is claimed that some wheat will be cut in the county by the 15th inst., which date will be closely followed by the rush of general harvest.

—James Startt, Esq., sold on Tuesday a fine pair of young horses, belonging to Charles Long, of Worton, to a Mr. Moore of Baltimore, for $400

—On our front page will be found a number of valuable recipes for the preparation of berries which are now or will soon be at the zenith of their glory.

—Several excursions to Cape May are to be run, during the summer, by the B. & D. B. R. R. The exact dates, however, have not, as yet, been definitely determined upon.

—The B. & D. B. R. R. has had new and very substantial stock pens built at all the stations on the road, and at several stations new platforms have been put in place.

—The Farmers' League and nearly every one of the similar organizations throughout the county have abandoned their meetings during the busy and heated term of summer.

—It is asserted, without evidence, that a Chestertown young lady of questionable age, spent three days of last week in rubbing her wrinkles out to face down the census man.

—A hive of bees swarmed in the weather boarding, of Mr. Coleman's house on Queen street, last week. The bees entered through a knot-hole and were troublesome during the entire day.

—The Kent county ballot-boxes were [illegible]d and their contents burned, pre[illegible]ry to the election of May 10. The [illegible]re required to remain in the sealed bo[illegible]or a specified time after each election.

—As a precaution against weevil in grain the granary ought to be entirely cleared every year and old grain stored elsewhere. This is a suggestion to the agriculturist which he would do well to observe.

—Good fishing is reported by bay fishermen. Some fine rock were caught last week at Tolchester. River sport is as yet at the minimum, and local fishermen have not indulged to any great extent in their favorite sport.

—The new paper basket factory, which has already received some of its machinery and is steadily approaching completion, when finished will be the only factory of the kind in the world. Good for Chestertown and Kent.

—Drift logs and great quantities of wreckage and debris brought down by the Williamsport flood of last year, continue to mar the beauty of the beach at and near Tolchester, and, indeed, along the entire Eastern Shore of the bay.

—Several pack-peddlers have been arrested in Queen Anne's for trading and selling their wares without a license. Let our Kent county officers look out for these violators of the law, they will possibly try the same experiment here.

—During the storm of Thursday last, lightning struck the colored church at Georgetown, a colored settlement near Fairlee, tearing off some of the weather-boarding and damaging the sash to the extent of about fifty dollars.

—The delightful rain of Friday last came as a blessing to the entire community, and all, irrespective of occupation or special interests welcomed the shower, which was followed by the exit of the hot and oppressive weather.

—The oat crop of Kent promises to be a decided failure. Throughout the county, the very wet spring had the effect of blighting the prospect, and the growing oats are yellow and have the appearance of having been subjected to the action of fire.

—It is stated that the Chesapeake bay furnishes immense quantities of seed oysters for planters outside the borders of Maryland and Virginia. This matter should be guarded by many restrictions, and closely watched if allowed at all.

—Mr. Crosby, living on the fine Tolchester estate, is directing special attention to the raising of highbred cattle and Percheron horses, and is increasing his facilities for more extensive stock raising by the erection of more spacious buildings, sheds, etc.

—Potato bugs are reported as being comparatively scarce, and but little damage has been done to the crop in Kent by these pests. Many patches have been scarcely touched, and with the advance of the season but little damage will be feared from the Colorado beetle.

—Joseph Downey's sloop, the John R. Carroll, which was capsized in a squall in the Patapsco river recently, was promptly raised with no further damage than the loss of her hatchways, doors and some minor injury to rigging, etc. The loss will amount to about one hundred dollars.

—Harry C. Dunster, a son of Mrs. J. S. Ford, living on the Wamsley farm, died at the City Hospital, Baltimore, last week, in the twenty-second year of his age. Mr. Dunster was a second-class apprentice on the cruiser Baltimore, and was taken sick during the recent visit of the vessel to Baltimore. He was for a number of years connected with the Boys' Home, of Baltimore city.

—Rev. J. H. Willey will preach at Fairlee on Tuesday at 10½ A. M. on Sunday, and administer the sacrament of the Lord's supper. He will also preach at the Union in the afternoon. His place in Chestertown will be filled by Rev. Mr. Geoghegan. Mr. Willey will fill his own pulpit in the evening.

—The main road, leading past the home place of H. W. Vickers, near the paper mill, is being straightened. By this the road bed will not only be straightened and thereby improved, but the lines of Mr. Vickers' property will be given a more desirable direction, relieving it to some extent of objectionable angles.

—Firefles have never been known to be more numerous in Kent county than at present. During the warm evenings, of last week, the country was made luminous and beautiful by the presence of the fiery sviitor and special excursions were made in order that the peculiar nocturnal beauty of the occasion might be enjoyed.

—A number of shipments of strawberries have been made to Chestertown by an extensive berry grower on South East creek. The berries were brought up by sail boat and were readily disposed of. There is one thing, which Kent county would sorely miss, and that is "the State" as a reserve from which to draw a portion of her fruit and vegetable supplies.

—The army worm, which has struck the lower peninsula where it has done great damage, has put in an appearance in Queen Anne's. Kent so far has been entirely free and at the present advanced stage of the crop, the invasion of the worm could result in but slight injury to the wheat crop prospect. Corn, however, would not be free from its incursion and might suffer seriously.

—Every cloud may have its "silver lining," but one thing is certain, that it is not accessible to the vision of all. A few happy mortals, however, catch glimpses of it, and here is what our neighbor, the Dover *Index* promises: "Keep up your spirits. It is estimated that the 'ruined' Maryland peach crop will yield 3,000,000 baskets with Delaware yet to hear from."

—How can a man say a woman has nothing to do? In one year she gets dinner 365 times, washes the dishes 1,095 times, gets the children ready for school twice a day for 180 days, gets the baby to sleep 1,460 times, makes about 300 calls, and as she wishes for something she hasn't every minute, she wishes 60 things an hour, or 4,380 things in a year. Who says a woman has nothing to do?—*Ex.*

—During this and last week, Kent county farmers were busy harvesting their heavy crops of clover and orchard grass. The crop is very large and much of it has been harvested in fine condition. Timothy will be the next grass to be cured. In view of the extensive and very successful hay harvest farmers will be to a great extent relieved of the necessity of risking the saving of the usual blade supply.

—We are indebted to the Hon. Chas. H. Gibson, for a copy of the two eloquent speeches delivered by him in the National House of Representatives on the contested election, Mudd vs. Compton, and the World's Fair, February 21 and March 19. Mr. Gibson, during his three terms in the House, has been the indefatigable champion of many material improvements to Maryland waterways, and among them several for Kent county.

—A. W. Greely, chief of Signal service at Washington, D. C., it is stated, claims that an accurate record of his weather predictions will show that seventy-six per cent of his weather forecasts will be found correct. During the month of May, just closed, a daily account was kept and the signal officer missed but three days of the month and those days were only partial misses as the weather forecast for a portion of each of the three days was accurate.

—It was currently reported yesterday, that the directors of the Second National Bank, had completed negotiations with T. W. Eliason, for the purchase of the property formerly occupied by J. Lloyd McFeely. The lot was bought as a site for their new bank building, and has a frontage of 25 feet, with a depth of 65 feet. The price agreed upon is $3,500. The purchase has not, however, been formally consumated and though these are generally conceded to be the facts in the case they are not official.

—Washington Hudgens, a popular citizen of Chestertown, died on Wednesday morning, June 11, 1890, at five o'clock, in his fifty-fifth year. Mr. Hudgens has been engaged in the baking and confectionery business in Chestertown for twenty-eight years. He was a member of Amicable Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F., of Chestertown at the time of his death. His remains were carried to Baltimore this morning on the steamer Emma A. Ford where they will be interred. A widow survives him.

—The Messrs. Nicholson commenced their ice delivery wagon on Monday morning. The ice which they will deliver until their ice factory is gotten into operation will be natural northern ice, but as soon as possible ice of their own manufacture will be substituted. But for the death of the father of one of the machinists in charge of the work of putting the machinery in place, which necessitated the absence of the workman for sevesal days operations would possibly have commenced by the 25th inst.

—Joseph Turner, the enterprising and progressive lumberman, of Scott's Point, independent of the work of building a fine new schooner for himself, has a force of men at work repairing one of the large schooners belonging to the fleet of Capt. Joseph Thompson. Capt. Thompson says that the work is being done at the Turner dock equally as satisfactorily, as it could be done elsewhere and at much less expense. Every new enterprise inaugurated in Chestertown is a desirable stride in advance. Success to the new ship-yard.

—The prevalence of large quantities of cockle in many of our wheat fields is noticable this year. While it is claimed by some that a reasonable quantity of cockle in wheat is not an objection so far as its value for milling purposes is concerned, with facilities for cleaning grain, the farmer with an average amount of pride, should see that the small black grains are not cultivated to any greater extent than is possible, and he should also remember that clean wheat rarely, if ever, fails to command better prices than wheat mixed with grains of any kind.

—On Monday last while several children were playing on the abutment at the Kent county approach to the Chester bridge, Cecil, the little four-year-old son of Deputy Sheriff C. C. Morgan, fell overboard and made a narrow escape from drowning. The only account of the accident is that of the little fellow's six-year-old brother, who says that Cecil fell overboard and was swimming up and down under the water, and he being afraid he would swim away jumped over after him and brought him to shore. The water though not deep was over the child's head and but for the timely rescue by the brother, more serious results might have followed, what proved only a pleasant ducking for the two boys.

—Mrs. J. T. Brice, living in Chestertown, in examining a setting of hen's eggs on Sunday last found that from one of the eggs there had hatched one perfect chicken and the perfect half of a second one. The body was intact from just in front of the wings back, having the legs and feet completely formed. There was no sign of a head or any of the front portion of the body. The whole chicken (No. 1) is strong and healthy.

—It is stated on what appears to be reliable authority, that the preject of building the Maryland and Delaware Ship Canal has been revived, that French capitalists have organized a company with a capital of $8,000,000 to prosecute the work, and that the operation of the canal may be looked for at an early day. The "Sassafras route" has been selected, as the least expensive, by which to build the canal. By this route the Sassafras river will be followed for ab[illegible]16 miles. The desirability of this route is questioned by some eminent authorities.

—The property containing 180 acres, adjoining Chestertown, and formerly known as the Ringgold property, but later belonging to Mrs. Mary R. Perkins, deceased, was sold on Tuesday last at mortgagee sale to Hope H. Barroll, at $55. per acre. The Dr. Peregrine Wroth house, now owned by Mrs. Cecilia Howard, and fronting 88 feet on Cannon st., Chestertown, was offered at public sale on Tuesday, but was withdrawn at a bid of $5 per front foot. Buck Neck wharf property was sold as a whole at mortgagee's sale on Tuesday, June 10, to the Mutual Fire Insurance Company for $8000. The Kent Mutual Insurance Company also purchased at mortgagee's sale the valuable property of Wm. T. Burgess, being what are known as the Home farm and the Rollison farm for $5000.

—During the the thunder gust of Friday last, T. Romie Strong, a farm-hand and two children, received a severe shock from lightning. Mr. Strong and seven others were sitting in a peach shed which stands in his yard near the dwelling, when the electric current struck the lightning rod on the shed, ran down the rod, tore the sill into splinters and passed through the midst of the parties sitting in the peach house. Mr. Strong was severely stunned and his feet were knocked from under him. He has recovered, however. One man was severely stunned and has not, yet, entirely recovered. Two little boys were shocked, but have only dark spots on each thigh, as evidences of their narrow escape. The shed was a small affair, 16x32 feet, 16 feet high, with a loft above the open shed portion.

—At the recent meeting of the board of visitors and governors, C. W. Procter, A. M. was elected professor of natural sciences of Washington College. Prof. Procter graduated at Allegany College, Meadville, Pa., in 1885 since that time until the summer of 1888 he engaged in teaching the natural sciences in Missouri. During the past year he has been studying physics and chemistry at the University of Berlin. He comes among us with the highest recommendations both as a scholar and teacher. By the addition of this new man the teaching at the College will hereafter be much better classified. Dr. Reid will teach Greek and German; Prof. Micou will teach French and Latin, both in the College and the preparatory department. Prof. Watts will teach the mathematics of the College and the preparatory department.

—A Kent county official, less versed in the modes, customs and peculiar series of mollifications indulged in by his Chester river crabship, determined last week to take a trip in search of that tempting delicacy, the soft crab, which has time out of mind, received a peculiar epicurean homage on the Eastern Shore. The aforementioned official, accompanied by his little son, started on the exciting chase. Armed with a net, divested of shoes and stockings and presenting an ideal picture of one who was "native there, and to the manor born," our hero was soon enjoying the excitement of scooping up the desired game. After taking in a number of supposed crabs, which were carefully packed away in grass and sprinkled with water, the would-be fisherman sent the fruits of his excursion to his home to be prepared for supper, but in a short time was horrified by the announcement that the good wife had deposited the expected supper in the slop-bucket, as the crabs were all hollow inside. The "lone fisherman" had endured the burthen and heat of the day in catching the empty honors contained in "sheds" or the sloughs of crabs after the more tempting morsel had departed.

AN EVENING OF PLEASURE.

The Shakspeare Circle Disbands for the Season—The Chester by Starlight.

Though so beautifully situated on one of the most picturesque streams in the State, excursions from Chestertown are of rare occurrence. The only one of the season so far was enjoyed by the members of the Shakspeare Circle on Saturday last. The meeting of the Circle during the winter and spring were not less profitable than pleasant, and there could have been no more thoroughly enjoyable way of closing the series of readings, than by an evening in the midst of pleasures such as those offered by a trip on "some fair and crystal river," or "under the greenwood tree."

On Saturday afternoon the Circle boarded the large lighter of Mr. Joseph Turner at Scott's Point, and a few moments thereafter, in the escort of the steam launch Gracie, the commodious lighter with its merry party of excursionists was slowly moving down the Chester. The evening was bright and pleasant and even the most æsthetic devotee of the classic bard could have asked no more. Romance and poetry joined hands to crown the festive occasion with pleasure and beauty. Soft breezes toyed with the nervous waves which in sportive glee chased each other to the shelving shore, where they murmured out their little lives in a sigh of discontent to the pebbles of the beach.

After a delightful run, during which mirth held high revel and laughed at the flying minutes, North West Point was reached and the Gracie, the tiny consort of the burly lighter threw anchor within the cooling shadows cast from the wooded shore. The party landed, and after tracing poetic names upon the not less poetic sands, the more practical busied themselves about that better part, preparing the supper. However much we might be tempted to stray into the realms of dreamy romance with those more romanic spirits of the party, the tempting odors of supper would recall us to our matter-of-fact selves. Shakspeare had been temporarily dismissed from the mind, but when conversation was interrupted by "No, pray thee, let it serve for table-talk;" or "Pray you, sit down: For now we sit to chat as well as eat," etc., the highly æsthetic menu seated the English bard at each and every plate and as Shakspearean delicacies were discoursed a feast of practical substantials was enjoyed.

The festive board fairly sparkled with Shakspearean gems. The æsthetic menu we hope to procure and give in our next issue. The evening was delightfully pleasant, and beneath a flood of mellow starlight the party returned about 9.30 o'clock.

CHILDREN'S DAY EXERCISES.

A Beautiful Observance of the Day in Chestertown.

One of the most striking characteristics of the various churches of Chestertown, is their determined effort to crown each and every anniversary or festival occasion with a degree of success rarely seen outside of vast and wealthy city congregations. The Children's Day exercises of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Sunday last was no exception to the unbroken rule, and the evening's exercises were in every way enjoyable and beautiful. Long before the hour for the opening of the programme the church was crowded and many were forced to forego the pleasures of the evening's pleasure. Extra seats were brought in and every effort made to accommodate the large audience. Around the altar beautiful pot flowers and foliage plants were tastefully arranged, and though the floral decorations were not elaborate, they were in excellent taste, and the general effect was most pleasing. Just back of the altar stood a cross formed of evergreen which figured beautifully in the evening's programme. The exercises opened with an instrumental quartette by Messrs. W. C. Orrell, D. P. Jones, A. C. Whaland and L. B. Russell, which was rich, full and beautiful. This was followed by the beautiful processional hymn, "Hail to Children's Day," by the school, after which Dr. Willey offered an impressive prayer. The appropriate responsive Scripture reading by Superintendent M. A. Toulson and the school was most appropriately followed by the coronation hymn, in which the entire school, numbering about one hundred and seventy scholars and twenty-three teachers, joined, forming a grand chorus which filled the entire church with beautiful music. Mr. W. T. Henry, of Washington College, made the introductory statement, in which the sublimely heroic efforts of the church were spoken of as the conquest of an army having the world as its field of battle. The exercise of the "Grand Army Review" was as appropriate as it was beautiful. Miss Jennie Vickers, representing the Pastoral division of the great army of religious conquest, and bearing a burnished shield upon which was the word "Pastoral," took position at the foot of the cross, and in a clear, rich voice stated that she came as the representative of the Methodist army as a vast and beautiful whole, the perfection of its organization and most noble efforts, and especially the Pastoral system. The banner was then placed by Assistent Superintendent W. B. Copper as the brightest and crowning point of the cross.

However pleasant and instructive it might be to give in detail extracts from each of the respective parts represented, space will preclude the pleasure to ourselves and our readers.

Conductor Henry then said that next to the *pulpit* in power in these days stands the *press*. Miss Bessie Stuart as the representative of the vast division of Christian literature, and bearing a bright banner of blue with the word Literature upon it, was introduced, and with scarce a sign of hesitancy, told of the vast work of reformation which is daily being done through the potent influence of books, which glow and burn with a beauty of religious fervor such as the world has never before known. The banner was then placed in the cross as an addition to its beauty and strength as a perfected whole in the salvation of the world.

Miss Anna May Downey, bearing a banner, beautifully represented the far-reaching work which is being carried on by the grand army of church societies. She said: "I speak for our *Frontier fortresses*, the great benevolent societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church and secretaries." Another banner was then added to the aggregation of Christian strength as concentred in the Cross of Christ.

Harry Anthony and Wilbur Eliason, Jr., two manly littly fellows, representing the Recruiting System of the church, and bearing respectively banners upon which were the words Epworth and Sunday Schools, came forward. Each told of the work being carried on, by which the young are brought into the most intimate relationship with the warfare for the world's salvation.

The most beautiful exercise, if we may be excused for the comparison, was the singing by the Infant Class. Two little girls, Hallie Toulson and Ollie Hill, each bearing a banner, sung a duet in which a large class of beautiful and bright-faced little girls took part. Though the entire programme was interspersed with attractive selections, the music of the Infant Class in its sweetness, simplicity and beauty was not surpassed.

The last system represented was the Educational system represented by Miss Mary Burchinal, who in a clear sweet voice spoke of the schools of the church and their mission in the great work of enlightment. The dialogue which followed was participated in by Eugene Lucas, Miss Minnie Peregoy and Claudia Thompson, all of whom sustained their parts in a most satisfactory manner.

When the seven banners had been placed on the cross it stood out bearing on its arms whole volumes of meaning and was rich and beautiful as a symbol fraught with a profound fulness of instruction. The entertainment was in short an eminent success in every way.

FROM TOLCHESTER.

The Kent Summer Resort Enjoying a Boom.

TOLCHESTER, June 10, 1890.

EDS. TRANSCRIPT:—The hot weather of the past week gave this place a boom. The attendance has been over 1200 daily, and the company expects that with good weather, this will be the most satisfactory June they have ever had. The refreshing shower of last week gave things a new lease of life, and they look as fresh as ever. The Baltimore Light Infantry Band gave a second concert with twenty-one pieces, on Sunday last to thousands of people from the city and county.

Despite the fact that ice is so very high, the company is making its own ice cream, and our farmers find a ready sale for their dairy product, as well as other farm produce, at good prices.

Pawnee Bill with his great Wild West show have been engaged at great expense, and are billed for Tolchester June 28. Due notice will be given in your paper when they arrive. It is stated that a small fee will be charged to that part of the grounds to see the performance.

Mr. W. P. Crosby, on the Tolchester farm, has a force of carpenters at work enlarging his hay and cattle sheds. He expects to enter largely in hay and stock farming. This farm contains over 1000 acres of good land for this purpose.

Mr. J. W. Hubbard, of the Gresham Hall farm, boasts of having the best wheat fields in the 5th district.

W. M. Singerly, editor of the Philadelphia *Record*, has spent several days at Tolchester during the past month, and declared that were Tolchester located within a short run of Philadelphia it would be worth $100,000 a year. We evidently have the Long Branch of the Chesapeake. HAPS.

A BEAUTIFUL EXERCISE.

Children's Day Observance at Christ M. P. Church.

At Christ Methodist Protestant Church on Sunday last, the beautiful Children's Day exercises were enjoyed by an audience, which more than crowded the combined seating capacity of the body of the church, the Sunday school room, aisles and every available space where seats could be temporarily placed. Around the altar and within the chancil rail, rich foliage plants and the beauty and fragrance of bright flowers completed a scene, which was in every way delightfully pleasant, and the gorgeous coloring of banks of full-blown blossoms, could scarce surpass in pleasing effect the flood of mellow light, which during the day and early evening was sifted through beautiful memorial windows of brightly colored glass. At an early hour, the large audience awaited the opening of the exercises and from the moment the first note welled forth from the deep-toned organ until the close of the programme, the attention of those present was undivided. The organ voluntary, which was first enjoyed, was a composition of fascinating sweetness. The opening singing exercise, by the entire school, teachers and friends, was a burst of bright music which pealed forth and reverberated from column to column, losing itself among the polished angles of the ambitious ceiling. The prayer by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Graham was an earnest and impressive appeal for the continued success of the glorious work, which is being carried on by the Sunday school children, of Chestertown, and throughout the world. Following this was singing by the school. Master Waters Russell made the opening address, and to say that the little orator did *well*, would be feebly expressing the full success which he achieved, it was unsurpassed during the evening's exercises. The responsive service, which included verse singing, was specially worthy of note and was both impressive and enjoyable. Miss Ella Thompson, in her recitation, "The last command," did beautifully and the piece fraught with such fullness of meaning, suffered but slight loss in her rendition. The exercise by Miss Mamie Kirby, Miss Rose Frazier and Mamie Thompson, three bright little girls, was an eminent success. Little Miss Wheatley, in her clear sweet voice, gave her recitation, "My Work," to the evident satisfaction of everyone who heard her. Following this, Miss Clare Vannort's chant was a production which was most thoroughly enjoyed, and has received most favorable comment for its beauty, as rendered by her. The address by the pastor had special reference to the connection of Sunday school work and the broad field of Foreign missions, which the day's exercises were to commemorate and to which cause the collections were to be appropriated. The duet by Georgie Thompson and Carrie Sappington was prettily sung and the youthful vocalists may be proud of their flattering success. The collections for the month, which will be devoted to the cause of Foreign missions, was about $37. The banner awarded to the class giving the largest amount of money was returned to Mr. Rickey's class, which really is and has been for months, the banner class of the school. A number of beautiful pieces of music were interspersed throughout the programme which added not a little to its brightness and consequent attractions. To sum up in a few words the evening's exercises, we might simply say that, as usual it was a most decided and enjoyable success.

Court News.

County Commissioners: Full board present. Commissioners filed a written report of visit to almshouse in which they reported everything relating to the management thereof in good order. There are 20 white and 9 colored inmates—the smallest number for several years. They further reported the farm as rented to Mr. James C. Bennett, and as being well cultivated. It was estimated that there will be a saving in the almshouse expenses of $700 this year. Trustees request a levy of $1000 to enable them to make purchases on a cash basis. The trustees were congratulated as being practical business men. Ordered that an advertisement be inserted in the papers, notifying all engines going over the bridges on the road from Millington to Smyrna, and the bridge over Chester river at Millington, that they do so at their own risk until said bridges are repaired. Recommendation of Mary Travers for pension be approved for $15, and that it be provided for by levy. William H. Coleman's collector list of new and additional assessments for fifth district, was examined and approved and accepted by order of board. W. H. Coleman, collector, returned coupons for interest on jail bonds paid by him, which were destroyed by order of board. President Thomas J. Shallcross, on behalf of the board of county commissioners, executed contract and agreement for the purchase of Chester River Bridge. Board further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for orders on the treasurer for road work, to be provided for by levy in 1890.

Orphans Court, June 10—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett. Mrs. Rachael Redmile, admin'x of Benjamin Redmile, filed inventory of the personal property of her decedent, and obtained an order of sale. Miss Helen Russell, of Baltimore city, was appointed guardian to Jas. Russell, Olivia Russell and Maria W. Russell. Letters of administration upon the personal estate of N. G. Westcott were granted unto Charles T. Westcott.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The last recitation for this scholastic year has been made and the students are in the midst of their examinations. While some appear confident others are anxiously striving to make amends for past indolence or neglect by a fitful and pernicious system of skull cramming for the examination occasion.

Those interested in the oratorical contest are preparing their recitations and we will have a creditable display of oratory. Some of those who were to have entered the contest have since drawn out because of a rush of work. We fear there is too much straining for points in examination.

The brick work on the west building has been completed and it presents a very substantial appearance. The rooms will be ready for students in the fall.

The young athletes are slowly getting into form for field day.

The Kennedyville base-ball team came down on Saturday to play the third game of the series and were again defeated by the College team. The visitors when here last made such a close fight that they felt certain of victory on their last visit. They found, however, that Stevens had just been playing with them before. It was amusing to see them punch out. The visitors made one run in the first inning and made no more until the ninth, when the College boys became careless and allowed them to score three runs, making the score 14 to 4 in favor of the College. There was some good playing on both sides, however.

COLLEGE.

Personal Mention.

Mr. J. A. Copper, who has recently connected himself with the clothing house of I. Hamberger & Son, Baltimore, was in town last week looking after the interests of his employers. Mr. Copper is a pleasant young gentleman, and those calling at the store of I. Hamberger & Son will find him courteous and agreeable.

Miss Emily Yoeder, of Mohanoy city, Pa., is visiting Miss Idel Baker.

Mrs. Archer, of Belair, Hartford county, is visiting Mrs. W. S. Walker.

Mr. John Roberts has returned to New York.

Miss Isabel Pagels, of Columbus, Ohio, and Miss Grace Gundry, of Catonsville, Md., are visiting the Misses Hines.

Miss Jennie Hines, after a pleasant visit to Miss Krouse, of Williamsport, Pa., and friends in Baltimore, has returned to Kent.

Messrs. M. A. Toulson, Howard Anderson, two grip sufferers, and S. F. Smith, started for Old Point Comfort on Tuesday last. The gentlemen during their holiday will visit Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Richmond,

Mr. John Davis, of Kent county, has been reappointed a guard at the House of Correction.

Mr. Horace Johntson, of Philadelphia, and Emory Barry, of Baltimore, spent Sunday last in Chestertown, the guests of Mr. A. J. Hynson.

W. Laid Goldsborough, a former student of law in the office of James A. Pearce, has graduated and received his diploma at the Law School of the University of Maryland.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Timely Precautions Against Fire.

At a meeting of the commissioners of Chestertown, on Friday afternoon last, Jos. N. Wheatley was re-elected clerk to the board and collector of town taxes for Chestertown; Frank E. Duyer re-elected bailiff and A. A. Benjamin and John Benton re-elected lamp lighters. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the bailiff be and he is hereby directed to inspect the fire apparatus and fire plugs of the town at least once a month; see that the fire plug valves are clear and in working order, and that the flow of water is not obstructed, and report to the president of the board of commissioners monthly as to their condition.

Resolved, That the president of the board of commissioners of Chestertown be and he is herely requested and authorized to purchase one hundred feet of new 2½-inch rubber fire hose.

After considerable discussion as to the best course to pursue to facilitate the use of the fire apparatus, and render the same more effective in the extinguishing of fires, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Under the regulations of the Chestertown Water Company it is understood to be the duty of the engineer of the water company, in case of an alarm of fire, to see that the company's fireman is at the water work's engine house, steam made and pump started, and then said engineer is to go to the fire plug nearest the fire, and turn on the water as soon as the hose is attached and laid; and

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the bailiff of Chestertown, at the first alarm of fire to go at once and have the hose and the fire apparatus brought to the fire; therefore,

Resolved, That we request the said engineer and bailiff to select ten, twelve or such other number as they on consultation with the commissioners of Chestertown, think necessary, of good, active citizens of the town, as assistant firemen to aid them and under their advice and direction to aid in handling the fire apparatus for the extinguishment of fires in Chestertown.

Resolved, That the regular days for meeting of commissioners of Chestertown be the first Wednesday in each month.

THE BRIDE IN PORT.

The Ambitious Undertaking of a Colored Sailor—Energy's Achievement.

Capt. King, of South East creek, who is widely known in Kent and elsewhere through his novel undertaking and completion of a staunch and goodly vessel *without any help whatever*, has finished his work, and with his perfected boat, the Bride, has spent a portion of the present week in Chestertown. Capt. King is a colored man about sixty years of age, and says that he conceived the idea of building his boat while following a sailor's life years ago. The keel of the present boat he says was laid in April, 1873, others, however, who claim to know, say that the work was commenced more than twenty-one years ago. With a few rude tools the ambitious sailor has cut, fashioned and put in place each and every timber, from the smallest to the heaviest, except the two masts, without any assistance whatever. It was similar to putting new wine in old bottles or new patches on old garments, for long before the last timbers and symmetrical spars were put in place, decay had eaten away other portions of the slowly growing boat. These imperfections, however, were cut out and renewed by perfect wood. In this way the future bride by degrees threw off the swaddling clothes of infancy, developed into maidenhood and old age at almost one and the same instant, and about two weeks ago blossomed into a bright womanhood at the same moment that she crossed the threshold of old age. She was launched about five years ago, and has been periodically on "the ways" receiving repairs and lying quietly at her moorings. Several years ago a suit of sails was bought, but before they were ever set the mould and mice had to a great extent destroyed their value. After a tedious waiting the patient captain made sail on his prize, which he had literally captured from destroying years and many days of earnest toil and set sail for Chestertown, to show the "child of his old age," and receive congratulations from friends. The boat is of goed model, and though rough and somewhat irregular in some of her lines, when everything is taken into consideration, she is truly a wonderful work, and her builder and owner has cause for pride. He says she is the only "Bride" he has ever had, and he is sure that she is far cheaper and more satisfactory than "the other kind" that he could get.

The Bride is 35 feet long on keel, 46 over all, 15 feet beam, 4 ft. 7 in. deep, draws 3 feet of water aft. She is sailed by her owner alone and with some anticipated improvements she will be entered and her papers gotten from the Custom House at Baltimore.

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The Bridge to be Free.

After a series of delays running through nearly two years, it seems that the bridge spanning Chester river at Chestertown is to be free, and the contract of sale was signed on Tuesday last by Thomas J. Shallcross, president of the board of County Commissioners for Kent county, and W. N. E. Wickes, president of the Bridge Company. The contract was then forwarded to the commissioners of Queen Annes to be signed and returned. It is now impossible to state the exact date of the transfer, but it will certainly not be by July 1, and probably not so late as August 1. The following clauses are from the contract of sale:

Contract of purchase made 10th day of June, 1890. Bridge Company, by chapter 85, of assembly of 1890, covenants and agrees to convey and assign to the County Commissioners of Kent county and the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's county, jointly by a valid deed, the drawbridge spanning the Chester river, at Chestertown, the approaches thereto and the lot of land at the Kent county side of said bridge, upon which the toll-house stands and all the capital stock, property, franchises rights and privileges of and belonging to the said the Chester Bridge Company, not including, however, any judgments, mortgages, bank stock, securities, investments or claims or accounts against persons, partnerships and corporations belonging to the said the Chester Bridge Company and not including the value of the proceeds of sale of any of the corporate stock of the Chesterter Bridge Company held by said corporation. And it is mutually agreed between the parties hereto, that on or before the first day of August next, shall be the day for the tender of the aforesaid purchase money by the said County Commissioners," etc.

MARRIED.

WHEAT—YARNELL.—In Wesley Chapel, May 28, 1890, by Rev. D. W. Bates, D. D., Wallace W. Wheat and Miss Gertrude P. Yarnell, both of Kent county.

POOR—TUCKER.—In the M. E. Parsonage, Smyrna, May 29, 1890, George Poor and Miss Mary E. Tucker, of Golt's Station.

ADKINSON—BRAMBLE.—At Pomona M. E. Parsonage, On June 4, 1890, by Rev. W. R. Mowbry, Enoch D. Adkinson and Miss Annie L. Bramble, both of Chestertown.

DIED.

JOINER.—In Chestertown on Tuesday, June 10, 1890, Elsie V., daughter of Robert and Mary E. Joiner, age 18 months.

MILVIN.—In Chestertown, on Tuesday, June 10, William, son of J. W. Milvin, aged 19 years.

HUDGENS.—In Chestertown, on Wednesday June 11, 1890, Washington Hudgens, aged 54 years.

HENRY.—At Pomona, on Sunday afternoon, June 1, 1890, after a lingering illness of consumption, Joseph A. Henry, in his 51st year.

COPPAGE.—Near Kennedyville, May 27, 1890, after a lingering illness, Edw. C. Coppage, in his 40th year.

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To know a good man is to like him. I love a young man who is not ashamed of his tears that flow for other's sorrows. I love a young man who cannot be laughed out of a duty or ridiculed from a purpose. I love a young man who hates whiskey as angels hate Satan, and thinks too much of his brain

TO MAKE SMOKED MEAT OF IT.

I despise a goody-goody young man, but I love a good one. I would rather lay me down in my little grave than be even

THIRD COUSIN TO A DUDE.

As for the brave maidens, I love the working woman—those who go out into life and pick their own apples, not those who sit in the parlor and wait to be fed on the cook's sweetened apple sauce. If I had forty girls and each was an heiress to a fortune, I'd give them something to do in life, and I wouldn't crowd them all into the overflowing ranks of teachers and professionals, either. There are women today casting up accounts or fingering a typewriter or garment making who will make more of themselves and

WILL REAP A RICHER HARVEST BY AND BY,

Not the girl that sits down and allows an over-worked father to support her, but the one that goes out into the world and fights her own battles.

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