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LOCAL MATTERS.

Two full mo ons this month.

orstep receptions are now popular.

oads of Kent were never in better n than now.

John McKee has a private course arm where his fast colts are trained.

prices of small fruits in our have ranged high during the entire

first watermelons of local growth the market on Monday, and were ize and quality.

ays raising the racket—lawn tenusiasts. Whence that pun?? Me, sir! not I, sir!

cool days of the past week have fans to back seats, and in their rcoats forged to the front.

Harper McFeely, while driving on e road recently, had his carriage and one of the wheels cut off.

ntleman on Eastern Neck Island en "an ode to the luscious peach" by the anticipated crop of 1891.

w of the frequent losses of grain ring the present month, it would at grain insurance is now in

will be service at St. Andrew's alena, Sunday next, July 27, at and at Shrewsbury church at

f the wheat crop in the upper county has been stacked as a against a possible protracted f weather.

ng Elder Wilson, [illegible] E. s had his salary raised one hun-rs, and now receives nineteen llars a year.

e of base-ball will be played the college grounds between lub of Chestertown and the of Church Hill.

breaking commenced last week r who had finished threshing crop took advantage of the afforded by the rain storm of

. Ford made the regular trip Ford on Saturday. The n the ways undergoing some and made her regular run

ling, of Baltimore city, has d by Governor Jackson, man for the protection of e Tolchester Beach Improvey.

ttee composed of gentlemen d Queen Anne's counties are a mammoth excursion to d Annapolis on Thursday

has become a popular sum- quite a number of summer ow enjoying the pleasures of [illegible] head-, of the firm of Rice, o., so favorably known in he county making definite in regard to opening his the tomato season [illegible] Thos. [illegible]

—Capt. [illegible] Epson, is giving his fine schooner Remittance, a thorough overhauling in her cabin apartments, and with a new coat of paint and varnish put on by the captain himself, will look neat and inviting.

—On Saturday night the fountain of the gasoline street lamp at Bacchus' corner sprung aleak and was in a full blaze. The fluid ran down the post and ignited, and for a few minutes the blaze assumed threatening proportions.

—Mr. George Bell, living near St. Paul's, has raised this year a crop of about one thousand bushels of orchard grass seed. Mr. Bell's crop last year cleared him eighty-five cents per bushel. This he claims beats wheat and corn by far.

—The prospects for a heavy tomato yield throughout the county are good and ever before has there been so large an ac age in plants. The Crumpton canne ry has been particularly well provided for. The vines, however, are needing rain.

—At a recent meeting of the school board, a reduction of ten per cent, in the salaries of the public school teachers of Kent county, was determined upon, to take effect the next scholastic year. Assistant teachers will be discontinued at Kennedyville, Catt's Corner, Betterton and Piney Neck.

—During a meeting at the colored church, Emmanuel chapel, in Quaker Neck, on Monday night, the horse and buggy of Wm. H. Perkins were stolen. Diligent search has been made but so far as heard from the team has not been recovered. It is thought that the thief or thieves made toward the upper portion of the county.

—The most satisfactory reports from the present wheat crop come from the first district. Garrett Foxwell raised over 4000 bushels, being a yield of over twenty bushels per acre. Dennis Nowland, reports in a large crop, an average of nineteen and a half bushels on his fallow and twenty-two bushels per acre on his corn ground. Mr. John Gale also got a heavy crop.

—The national base-ball contest still wages fast and furious with an up and down tendency, which renders the uncertainty of the final result a matter of intense interest. The standing of the clubs of the Atlantic Association at the close of last week was as follows:

	Won.	Lost.		Won.	Lost.
New Haven	49	18	Washington	35	35
Baltimore	33	20	Jersey City	27	46
Newark	38	32	Wilmington	23	46
Worcester	33	30	Hartford	18	49

The Baltimores went ahead on Tuesday.

—Thomas Cecil, living on the Spaniards' Point farm of Capt. R. S. Emory, in Queen Anne's [illegible] reported to have shipped over one [illegible]dred baskets of fine peaches. Mr. Cecil has gained a wide-spread reputation as being one of the most successful peach growers in the State, and long after the prospects of a great majority of orchards had been ruined, Mr. Cecil's orchard held its fruit and promised an abundant crop. His crop is about half gathered.

—Mrs. Chas. T. Westcott, while crabbing with a party under the bridge on Thursday last, dropped a handsome bracelet overboard in water about fifteen feet deep. The current was running very strong at the time and but little hope of recovering the lost ornament was entertained. Two colored boys, who were near, however, secured a pair of oyster tongs and instituted search, and the most remarkable part of the finding is, that though there was nothing to mark the exact spot of the losing, the boat having drifted away, the boys put down their tongs and at the very first cast drew up the bracelet, a thing which possibly would not occur again in a thousand attempts.

—Three fishermen were on the river last week, whose ages averaged over seventy-five years. They have formed what is known as "the antiquated fishing club." Judging from their success these gentlemen are older in the ways of the world than they are in the ways of fish.

—A small colored boy living with Mr. Walter Hurlock, caught his hand in a cob crusher on Wednesday of last week, and received injuries of such a nature as to necessitate the hand being amputated about an inch above the wrist. The child's fingers and lower portion of the hand were so small that they were not crushed in the least, the teeth of the crusher striking only the upper part near the wrist.

—A serious accident was narrowly escaped on the threshing yard of Mr. Atwell, tenant on the farm of Dr. Hirons, near Locust Grove, on Wednesday of last week. The crown sheet of the engine blew out, thus serving as a safety valve, which probably saved the engine from being blown to pieces and a serious loss of life and property. The threshing outfit belonged to W. O. Shallcross, who was running his own engine. Repairs were promptly made.

—A new tomato worm has put in an appearance in Cecil county. The usual green worm preys on the tomato vine. The new worm is smaller, and buries itself in the fruit. It is like the ordinary cut worm, but unlike the cut worm, which is brown or black, it is a bright green. No remedy has as yet been suggested for this new plague, and with our extensive plant of tomato vines this latest intruder should be watched for and a prompt check given to its headway.

—Now that the harvest is over preparations are in progress for the approaching fall seed-time. The buzz of machinery and the excitement of active works holds full sway at the factory of T. R. Hubbard & Son. Two large cargoes of fertilizing material have already been received and several others are in course of shipment. Some of the most satisfactory harvest results of the present season have been from the use of the goods manufactured by the Messrs. Hubbard.

—The following is a brief camp meeting calendar for the present season: Spring Branch, Del., July 18–29; Landisville, Pa., July 22–; Chester Heights, Pa., July 22–31; Tilghman's Island, July 25–; Frankford, Del., July 26–Aug. 5; Beckwith, Md., July 28–; Pittman Grove, N. J., July 29–Aug. 14; Camden, Del., Aug. 2–10; West's Woods, Gumboro', Del., Aug. 2–; Brandywine Summit, Aug. 4–15; Sharptown, Md., Aug. 8–; Mt. Vernon, Md., Aug 8–18; Woodlawn, Md., Aug. 12–22.

—William Davis, colored, was arrested on Monday upon a charge of having stolen a carriage from Mrs. Redmiles. Davis was given a hearing before Esquire Parr, found guilty and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction. The prisoner was confined on Monday night in the town hall at Galena, awaiting transporation. During the night he succeeded in sawing his leg-irons off and effected his escape from the building by sawing the bars from a window. He was last seen at large in a branch in Shrewsbury Neck.

—The steamer Emma Giles landed a large party of colored excursionists from Baltimore, in town on Sunday to attend the protracted meetings which were being held under the directions of the Bethel A. M. E. Church. The conduct of the visitors, as well as that of the large number of persons from Kent and neighboring sections, was exceptionally good, and the religious exercises passed off quietly and pleasantly. Two other excursions were expected by water and one by rail but failed to materialize.

—Of the five farms of E. B. Emory, Esq., advertised by Messrs. J. B. & E. H. Brown, of Centreville, attorneys, to be sold last week, only one of them were sold, and that at a very low figure. The "Murray Farm," containing 160 acres was sold to J. Hersey Hall, Esq., for $14.05 per acre, aggregating $2,248, while the "Myers Farm," a tract of 310 acres, was withdrawn at a bid of $15.75 per acre. The three other tracts were not offered. These were desperately low figures for very desirable property.

—In connection with the death of Mrs. R. C. Tilghman, which we mentioned last week, it is stated that an old superstition prevails at the old homestead on the Chester river in reference to a clump of trees in which fish hawks for many years have built their nests. The tradition goes that for several generations, whenever one of these trees dies, one member of the family meets the same fate. One died a short time previous to the death of the late Col. Richard Cooke Tilghman, and the last one died this year.

—The truth of the old expression, "Many men of many minds," has been verified during the present season in the world of local tennis. The Centreville ladies have objected to the young men of town that wearing tennis shirts, and as a consequence the merchants who were unwise enough to lay in a full stock, have been forced to advertise a "slaughter sale" of the fashionable fads. In Chestertown, however, the tennis blouse denotes a high degree of æsthetic taste and is quite the thing. No accounting for taste, you know.

—There are three or four things that will help to keep the precious nugget of ice from melting away if the housekeeper will only remember them. One is that to keep ice warm is the way to keep it cold. A piece of ice in a pitcher, with a pail over the pitcher and a rug over the pail, will keep all night. A piece of ice in a refrigerator, covered with a snug white blanket, will cheat the greedy iceman every day and snap saucy fingers at the milk that does not dare to get sour, or the beefsteak that dares not fail. These things are admirable in their way, and should be in every hat-band, but the greatest trick of all is newspapers. With plenty of newspapers above, below and on every side, the way a piece of ice will keep is a joke.—*Ex.*

—Building improvements are still progressing in town. Charles S. Smith is improving his property at the corner of Main and Cross street, by tearing out the partition in the small storeroom recently occupied by R. Bergen, and will enlarge it to the dimensions of 38 by 18 feet. The room will then be a very desirable one and will be occupied by Mr. Smith about September 1, as a confectionery, cigar and tobacco store. The two cottages at the college have both been raised and are being pushed rapidly forward. The new store on Queen street has been raised and will shortly be completed and occupied by Mr. A. Benjamin. Marian deK. Smith's beautiful cottage, on College avenue, is weather boarded and is fast assuming proportion and will be ready for occupancy during the fall. The most important addition to the list of new buildings, the paper basket factory buildings are approaching completion. Some of the machinery has been put in place and though not ready for work as a whole, baskets have already been made by hand, and during the fall the works are expected to be in full operation.

—Quite an excitement was created at Tolchester on Tuesday afternoon by the explosion of a gasoline tank. The tank was one of several which had been placed in a pit under the music stand, near the hotel. The precaution of placing the cans where it was supposed they would be out of harms way, was taken to avoid any possibility of accident. The flames burst up fully ten feet in the air, and Elmer Phillips, a colored man who crawled under the stand, was severely burned in his efforts to put out the fire. The tank held several gallons. The damage was trifling.

—Mrs. Elizabeth A. Corbaley, who died near Queenstown on Thursday last, was a widow of the late Samuel J. Corbaley, a prominent farmer of the first district. Mrs. Corbaley, for the past fifteen or twenty years, has been in delicate health, and since the death of her husband has lived with her son Wm. O. Green, a farmer, living near Queenstown. She was always a consistent member of the Catholic church. Samuel J. Corbaley was most favorably known throughout Kent, and was a brother of Richard Corbaley, at present living in Chestertown.

—There is some fear in upper Maryland, near the Delaware line, that a disease which has attacked cattle in Brandywine Hundred, Delaware, may make its appearance in this State. Veterinary Surgeon H. P. Eves, of Wilmington, thinks the disease is Texas fever. A possible explanation is offered in the fact that a rabid shepherd dog passed through that section recently and bit a number of cows, all of which have died. The cows go dry, lie down, and are continually butting their heads against a hard surface and other causes. They drop dead suddenly. No rabid dogs have produced the fever in Kent.

—The members of last week's cruise met at the "Armstrong House," Monday evening, July 21, and organized a permanent yacht club under the name of "Chester River Yacht Club," with the following members and officers: Admiral and president, Harry V. Kieff; comodore and vice-president, W. T. Arrington, Jr.; captain and secretary, Dr. J. L. Wethered; paymaster and treasurer, John D. Welch; commissary, Carroll Perkins; asst. commissary, Fred. W. Gerker; first mate, R. G. Ringgold; second mate, O. J. Connelly; purser, Chas. M. Newnam; wheelsman, William Welch; life guard, R. Lloyd Nichols. The idea of the members is to make an annual cruise of two weeks or longer. Hon. members, Captains Joe and Tom Hogan.

—We were shown this week a photograph copy of the original pen-drawing of the old Washington College, which was built about 1784 and destroyed by fire in 1827. The building was of brick and had a frontage of 160 feet by a depth of the main building of 100 feet. The main hall of the present college is built upon the exact site of the destroyed structure. It is not known definitely whether or not the work was ever completed. Duke De La Roche Foucault Lean Court, an Englishman who traveled through the Atlantic States in the years 1795–97, among many interesting references to Chestertown and vicinity says of Washington College, that the building, which was a very large one, was like most public institutions in America, though in an unfinished condition already falling to decay.

—Thursday last inaugurated what are known as the Dog Days, or Canicular Days. Says Chambers: "Canicular was an old name of Canis Minor; it was also used to denote Sirius or the Dog-star, the largest and brightest of all the stars, and which is situated in the mouth of Canis Major. From the Heliacal Rising of this star (Sirius) the ancients reckoned their Dog-days, or *Dies Caniculares*, which were forty in number—twenty before and twenty after the rising of the star. The rising of the dog-star was in ignorance supposed to be the occasion of the extreme heat and the diseases incidental to these days. It was by mere accident that the rising of the star coincided with the hottest season of the year, in the times and countries of the old astronomers. The time of its rising depends on the latitude of the place, and is later and later every year in all latitudes, owing to precession. In time the star will rise in dead of winter."

—For the benefit of those who declare that "there never was such weather anywhere," as the several warm days of the present summer, we give the following: The hottest region on earth is on the southwestern coast of Persia, where Persia borders the gulf of the same name. For forty consecutive days in the months of July and August the thermometer has been known not to fall lower than 100 degrees, night or day, and to often run up as high as 128 degrees in the afternoon. At Banrin, in the centre of the torrid belt, as though it was nature's intention to make the region as unbearable as possible, no water can be obtained from digging wells 100, 200 or 500 feet deep, yet a comparatively numerous population contrive to live there, thanks to copious springs which break forth from the bottom of the gulf more than a mile from shore. The water is obtained from these springs by divers, who dive to the bottom and fill goatskin bags with the cooling liquid and sell it for a living. The source of the submarine fountains is thought to be in the green hills of Osman, some five or six hundred miles away.

Dedication Services.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—The dedication services of Mowbray Chapel were held on Sunday last, and as expected were of a most enjoyable character. The day was cool, bright and beautiful, and at the hour for the opening of the services the neat little chapel was fill to its utmost capacity. Rev. W. W. W. Wilson, of Smyrna, Del., preached an eloquent sermon in Bond chapel in the morning, after which a collection was taken up amounting to fifty-five dollars.

In the afternoon Rev. Dr. Willey, as had been previously advertised, preached in the new chapel. The sermon was eloquent and impressive. Following this a collection was taken up, which amounted to one hundred and twenty-five dollars in cash and subscriptions. This amount was sufficient to meet all the obligations of the building committee and the chapel was dedecated to its glorious field of usefulness clear of debt. No shadow of financial embarrassment now hangs over the little church and with an unclouded sky it commences its glorious work of disseminating the saving doctrines of Christ.

The pastor, W. R. Mowbray, as also the congregation, are justly proud of their substantial and beautiful building, which is valued at $2,200. At night Rev. A. S. Mowbray, a brother of the pastor, preached a very interesting and forcible sermon, after which Rev. Mr. Wilson conducted the regular dedication services. Revs. Dr. Willey, J. D. Rigg and Prof. J. D. Robinson, son of Dr. John Robinson, of Baltimore, assisted in the exercises of the day. The exercises throughout were in every way successful and thoroughly enjoyed. The music rendered by the choirs at the respective services consisted of choice selections beautifully produced.

—The Clayton *Call* publishes a reliable estimate of the number of trees in Peninsula orchards and of the peach crop for the present year. The data was obtained from Superintendent I. N. Mills, of the Delaware division of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, and Gen'l Manager E. P. Stacey, of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay R. R. The number of trees along the Delaware division and branches is estimated at 6,110,903; Baltimore and Delaware Bay Road, 95,950; Baltimore and Eastern Shore, 500,000; New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk, 250,000; along the water courses and other points, 2,000,000; total, 9,811,653. It is estimated that over 3,000,000 of these trees are not yet in bearing. Most of the young trees are in the lower part of the Peninsula. The estimate of the crop is but 12,375 baskets, over 11,000 of which are credited to the Queen Anne's and Kent Railroad. There has not been such a failure since 1881, when but fifty-five carloads were shipped from the Peninsula. The following year—1882—gave the largest crop since 1875, over 6,000 carloads being shipped. The Queen Anne's and Kent Road will draw from Queen Anne's and from some of the finest peach districts of Kent. The Baltimore and Delaware Bay Road will draw only from Kent, and is set down with the paltry mite of two hundred and fifty baskets of fruit.

Personal Mention.

Judge Joseph A. Wickes and Miss Josephine R. Wickes left for the Green Briar White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., on Monday, where they will remain during the summer.

William G. Fallowfield, principal of the Chestertown public school, and family are spending a few weeks with friends in Queen Anne's.

Miss Lucy Robertson is the guest of the Misses Roberts on Queen street.

Mrs. Elmore, mother of Prof. Oscar F. Elmore, visited Chestertown last week. Miss Alice Elmore, after a short but pleasant visit, returned with her mother.

Miss Anna Hubbard is visiting friends in Easton.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Reid, of Washington College, are enjoying the piscatorial sports of West Virginia mountain streams.

Prof. R. Watts, of Washington College, after a short but pleasant holiday, has returned to Kent for the purpose of pursuing a course of study and doing some canvassing work for the college.

Mr. Charles Newman, of Church Hill, is spending a portion of his summer vacation in Chestertown.

Mr. Donaldson and brother, of Baltimore, have been the guests of Josiah Massey.

Miss Holliday, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Thomas on College avenue.

Emory Barry, of Baltimere, has been the guest of Kent county friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Worrell, of Philadelphia, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Carvill.

Dr. Price and wife have been visiting at the beautiful home of H. W. Vickers, Esq.

Mr. Louis K. Stam, who is agent for the *very* readable book "In Darkest Africa," by the great explorer of the Dark Continent, Henry M. Stanley, is now canvassing Queen Anne's and has met with fair success in his new field.

Surveyor Wm. D. Burchinal frequently spends his Sundays in Kent, returning to the duties of his office on Monday. Mrs. Burchinal has gone to Baltimore where she will spend the winter.

Mrs. Wm. Munford, wife of Rev. Wm. Munford, formerly of St. Paul's, but now stationed at Salisbury, is visiting Mrs. J. W. Corey.

Miss Mamie Ringgold, of Kent Island, who was visiting Miss Jeannette Shallcross, returned home last week.

Miss Jeannette Shallcross is visiting her friend Miss Allie Simper, at North East, Cecil county.

Mr. Thos. A. Hulme and family, formerly of Kent, but now of Baltimore, are spending the summer at Ocean City, Md.

Mrs. Sullivan and little daughter Mary, and Mrs. Myers, of Clayton, Del., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Purnell B. Darrel in town.

Mrs. Hubert Smith and son Raymond, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson on High street.

Mrs. Julia A. Wright, mother of Robt. H. Wright, of Chestertown, died near Dover, Del., July 21st., in her 65th year.

Mrs. Walter Beck, of St. Louis, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Walker.

Miss Mollie Ricaud, who has been visiting Miss Nelie Walker, is now the guest of Mrs France.

Miss Lillian Anspach, of West River, Anne Arundel county, after a pleasant visit to friends in Chestertown, has returned to Hanesville where she will spend the summer.

Walter W. Chapman, receiving teller of the Chestertown National Bank, and his brother James, who have been sick with typhoid malaria fever for some weeks, we are glad to state have sufficiently recovered to be down stairs.

Miss Belle Newell, of Baltimore, has been appointed principal of the Female High School in Hagerstown, in place of Miss Anna Barkdoll, resigned. Miss Newell is a daughter of Professor Newell, and has been principal of the model school attached to the State Normal School.

From Melitota.

MELITOTA, July 22, 1890.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Please allow us space in the TRANSCRIPT to say something pertaining to our work on Melitota circuit. We have for some time been working on our new church, and at last we have completed it, excepting the seating arrangements, which we expect to complete soon. Sunday, July 13, was the day we had appointed for our dedication of the new church, but owing to the weather being so unfavorable we were compelled to postpone it, and will dedicate it at the earliest date possible. We had with us the following ministers: Rev. W. J. Parker, P. E.; Rev. C. H. Horsey, Rev. T. B. Mason and Rev. I. H. Elbert. Considering the unfavorable weather the collection was very good. Every one appeared to be interested in the work and responded liberally. Mr. N. Lieberman, merchant at this place, presented to the church ten dollars and a beautiful chandalier, which was received with sincere appreciation and many thanks to the donor. The collections during the day were seventy-five dollars.

REV. W. J. PARKER, P. E.;
REV. E. NICHOLS, Pastor.

A Pleasing Sense

Of health and strength renewed and of ease and comfort follows the use of Syrup of Figs, as it acts in harmony with nature to effectually cleanse the system when costive or bilious. For sale in 50c and $1.00 bottles by all leading drugg ists.

FREE AT LAST.

The Chester River Bridge Formally Declared Free—The Chester Toll Bridge a Thing of the Past.

As the hands on the town clock were slowly drawing round to the hour of three on Tuesday, the flag on Stam's Hall was run up and in less time than it takes to tell it, the news spread that "the bridge is really free." A messenger at a quarter to three o'clock bore instruction to the veteran bridge-keeper Kelley that the bridge was free and that no more tolls should be collected, and after nearly a century as a regularly chartered corporation the Chester Bridge Company was dissolved on Tuesday. Major B. B. Wroth, a citizen of Kent, took a Queen Anne's team and was the first person to cross over Chester river on the "Free Bridge." The act of the Legislature which brought the Chester Bridge Company into existence, was passed Jan. 12, 1805, and was entitled, "An Act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Chester river at Chester-town."

In 1808 a supplemental act was passed, by which the right to organize a scheme of lottery to raise $10,000 to be applied towards erecting said bridge. This act was supplemented by an act in 1812 granting the right to raise the amount of $10,000 granted with the lottery right to $15,000 to be drawn in Baltimore city, free of tax, since it was found impracticable in Kent and Queen Anne's counties. In 1821 a supplemental act in referance to the width of draw, states that "the contract for erecting the said bridge was actually entered into on or about the fourth day of December 1819. The bridge as originally built was an arch bridge with spans of sixty feet; in 1846 it was changed into its present form of a stringer bridge with spans of 30 feet. The draw was a raised instead of, as at present, having a pivotal construction. In 1861 the draw was found insufficient to accomodate the then new steamer Chester, and was widened to its present size of 40 feet on either side of the platform upon which the draw works. In 1857 the Legislature passed an act allowing Kent and Queen Anne's to each subscribe $600 and have the bridge freed to certain sections of each county, this was not acceded to by Queen Anne's. Wm. Barroll, great grandfather of Hope H. Barroll, was the first president of the company and was succeeded by Judge Chambers, he by George Perkins and Mr Perkins by the last President W. N. E. Wickes. The price paid was $11,400.

New Advertisements.

The cheapest excursion on record will be given on Thursday next from Chestertown to Bay Ridge and Annapolis. The excursion will be under the management of responsible and reliable gentlemen, and the fare for the round trip will be 50c. Arrangements have been made to have the passengers' baskets checked and taken care of free of expense, thus relieving them of all care and uneasiness. Every possible convenience and inducement has been offered those desiring to visit these attractive points.

In this issue will be found the advertisement of Frederick Fountain, Esq., as agent for R. J. Baker & Co., Baltimore. This firm is one of the most reliable in the State, and their high grade fertilizers compare with any competitor. They have justly enjoyed the confidence and a large share of the fertilizer patronage throughout Kent county and the entire State. Mr. Fountain is a pleasant and genial gentleman, and will be glad to show his fertilizers and explain their respective merits.

Wm. H. Cacy, Esq., one of our largest, most reliable and widely-known local fertilizer manufacturers, places his advertisement of Standard, New Life and Reliance, in this issue. These brands are favorably known to wheat-growers throughout this and adjoining counties as being good crop producers. Mr. Cacy is a popular, well-known and reliable gentleman who has justly won the confidence and esteem of all with whom he has been associated in business or social life. His factory is located on Chester river just below Chestertown, and represents enterprise and business thrift.

W. Frank Hines, M. D., secretary of the Local Board of Health for Kent county, publishes a card in this issue containing extracts from the Acts of 1890, relating to deaths from contagious, epidemic or infectious diseases. We recommend a careful perusal of his important and timely notice.

Eben F. Perkins, Esq., secretary of school board, publishes notice to teachers that the county board has reduced their salaries ten per cent. for the coming scholastic year except in a few special cases. He also publishes notice to builders for proposals to build two frame school houses.

The Small Fruit Crop.

The time-honored but threadbare hot weather advice in regard to feasting abundantly of fruit, is of about as much use to the average Kent countian as to start him by suggestion to Bar Harbor or the White mountains. The fruit crop not only in Kent but throughout the State, is lighter than has been known before for years, owing to the late cold snap of early spring and the hot dry weather of the past month, consequently he can't get the fruit. With the absence of the peach crop, the crop of apples, pears and all the stone fruit are very short or a total failure. Strawberries and raspberries came in with prices ranging high and though they temporarily dropped in exceptional cases to five cents the average for the season held its own at 8c. per quart. Blackberries and whortleberries are in market, and though the crop of the first named berry seems to be a fair one, instead of selling at twenty-five cents a bucket, as is often the case, good berries find a steady market at six cents a quart, and whortleberries eight. The Baltimore *Sun*, last Saturday, in speaking of the fruit prospect says: The scarcity of blackberries and whortleberries, which are now in season, has driven the price up very high, the Maryland blackberry selling from 55 to 65 cents a bucket and the Virginia berry from 42 to 50 cents. The comparatively low price of the Virginia berry is due to the fact that it is generally soured by the heat during carriage to Baltimore markets. The whortleberry does not sour and was selling yesterday from 90 cents to $1 a bucket, or from 9 to 12 cents a quart. The Maryland apples are also beginning to come in, and are of fair quality but the crop is also short, the blossoms having been killed off by the early March frosts. Apples yesterday sold from $2.50 to $3.50 a barrel. A few cantaloups are coming in, the drought having been assisted by bugs in diminishing the crop. The ripe fruit sold from $2 to $2.50 a basket, the green variety bringing from $5 to $8 a hundred. Mr. Walter Snyder, commission merchant, said yesterday that he did not believe 10,000 boxes of peaches would come to Baltimore this season. The crop promised to be an unusually large one, but the March frosts have destroyed nearly everything. Mr. Snyder expected a short watermelon crop also, caused by the drought, and said that friuts were already so much burnt and dried up that a steady rain would scarcely benefit them now.

AN OUTING.

Pleasant Days Spent on Shipboard.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Having seen your mention of the Egerton's trip and her crew of jolly tars, I send you the enclosed brief minutes of our cruise:

It was 5.45 P. M. Sunday when we let go our lines and started for a cruise of a week on the bugeye "Wm. A. Egerton," and a jolly crowd were we. Our intentions were at first to start for Old Point Comfort, but on reaching the Chesapeake and finding the wind unfavorable, we headed for the city of monuments. We enjoyed the all night sail under a very stiff breeze hugely, while "L." and "W." held tight to their life preservers. Arriving in Baltimore, after breakfast we all took a stroll, some going one way and some another. One of the crew in his hurry and excitement to let his "Papa" know where he was, mailed his postal in a cracker dish in a restaurant, and becoming awfully sick of his mistake asked for Settilized water (Seltzer water) to settle himself. Hiring a tug to tow us out of the basin, we left Baltimore at 1 P. M. and there being no wind we laid in Rock Creek all night. In the morning we sailed for Tolchester Beach. Arriving there, we anchored opposite the hotel and laid our plans of action. All of a sudden there was an awful stir on board and "J. E." was seen to hurriedly dress and cry aloud for some one to take him ashore, as he had espied his Maude. He was taken ashore and all went forty degrees merrier than the much-talked-of marriage-bell. Our friend was sockless, having lost both overboard the night before. After "Dutch" had succored in and gotten a good supper on shore, and the "windy man" from the State brought the towel back which he had used for a sash, we weighed anchor again and started down the bay, but a terrible storm overtook us and we were compelled to shorten sail and lay to under Steelton for harbor. The morning broke beautiful, and after a hearty meal we started for the city of "Niggers & Dogs," Annapolis, where we spent the night and started next morning for Bay Ridge, here we meet some old friends and spent a pleasant day. Thinking there might be another storm we laid in Annapolis another night, and had a beautiful sail next morning up the bay to Tolchester Beach, where we staid until next day. On going ashore that night at the Beach, one of the boys, Bob asked, "If the tide had not been high," he saw the ground all wet from the sprinkler, of course, we gave him the laugh. This is only one of his many "funny breaks," and Billy wanted to know, in case of distress, if the captain turned the masts upside down. Having a splendid breeze on Saturday we started for home, where we arrived at about 8 P. M. the same day, after one of the most pleasant trips of our lives, slightly disfigured it is true but still in the "ring." After bidding our captain good-bye, we departed for our respective homes, hoping next summer to again meet and do the same trip, only longer. Yours, etc.,

COMMISSARY OF THE TRIP.

Crumpton Notes.

CRUMPTON, July 21, 1890.

EDS. TRANSCRIPT:—Our cozy little town, it seems, has settled down, and, if we except a few summer visitors, who *will not* forget us, we are entirely lost sight of. But with the reestablishment of our summer intercourse with Baltimore and the annual revival of trade which comes in to make glad the heats of farmers and truckers, we Crumptonians are just as happy as the average colony of village folk anywhere else.

Harvest is over and the yield has been a sore disappointment to all interested, but with the prospect of our cannery and a large acreage in tomato vines with hopes for a good crop and good season for the harvest, we can afford to be as bright as the general farming fraternity. The prospect for a corn crop is in many instances very poor. The wet spring and the hot, dry weather, which has followed, has been too much for even the sturdy Indian crop, and, indeed, the very cool weather of the past ten days has been rather against than favorable to corn. The small fruit season has not been an abundant one but prices have been good. Business with our merchants is very dull and they are lustily joining in the old song of hard times. Grain shipments are being made and everybody is trying to arrange matters so that he may strike the floodtide of the market and get in on the fancy price of ninety-eight cents—just think of it! ninety-eight cents as a *fancy* price for a bushel of wheat, yet, it is so, and the poor farmer and his village friends find it impossible to make it otherwise. Our section is suffering for rain and this is particularly the case on this side the river. Some of our lovers of real animated hot-weather fun occasionally go out on the river to try their luck with rod and line, but fish are running poorly so far up the river. The TRANSCRIPT finds its way around every week. But few village improvements are going on.

JOAN.

Work of the W. C. T. U.

A quarterly meeting of Womans' Christian Temperance Union, called by President Mrs. J. W. Corey, was held in the lecture room of the M. E. Church, Chestertown, June 24. Five of the eight unions of the county were represented. Arrangements were made for the annual convention. It was decided that, although Chestertown is more central and for some reasons the most suitable place, on account of the little interest *felt* and the usual small attendance there, the convention would meet at the Grange Hall, Fairlee, August 28. Arrangements are being made for a large and interesting meeting. During the morning session the executive committee will meet, officers will be elected and reports of superintendents read. Dr. Willey and others will give addresses in the afternoon.

Some interesting exercises of the Loyal Legions will be conducted by Miss Anna L. Leaverton, the county superintendent of that department. The evening will be devoted to a gold medal contest participated in by the ten successful contestants for the silver medals. The last of the Demorest contests for the silver medal was held at Worton under the management of Mrs. Wm. Stewart, President of the Chestertown Union, July 11. The medal was awarded Miss May Matthews.

REPORTER.

Baltimore Market.

WHEAT.—Tuesday's sales were for new southern after a decline from 2 to 3 cents for grade from highest figures of Monday—for from 80 grading up to 98, with steamer in 2 93½ and No 2 red at 95½.

CORN.—Southern easier with larger receipts, at 54 @ 55. Yellow 50c. Western, dull but steady, ungraded yellow at 50c., rejected at 40½.

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Court News.

County commissioners. Full board present. Board passed an order fixing the charges of delivering prisoners to the House of Correction by county constables at $15, to include all expenses in every case when only one is taken, and $12 only, where two or more are taken at the same time. Messrs. W. N. E. Wickes, president, and John H. Simpers, treasurer of Chester Bridge Company, appeared before the board and delivered deed for Chester Bridge, rights, franchises, etc., and received payment therefor $11,400, by which the transaction was consummated. Deed was turned over to the commissioners and the checks of the two boards paid to the treasurer, and deed filed with the clerk of the circuit court to be recorded. Robert J. Catlin, president, having brought the check for the board of Queen Annes.

Orphans' court, July 22, 1890: Present Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett. S. J. Wickes and Fannie A. Wood, administrators of B. F. Sappington, passed their first administration account. Letters of administration, upon the estate of W. T. Milvin, were granted unto J. W. Milvin, who filed his bond. Wm. T. and Jeremiah Miller, administrators of John A. Miller, filed list of debts due their decedent. George Kennedy was appointed guardian to Warren Simkins, and filed his bond.

JOINT SESSION.

Wednesday, July 23, 1890.

WHEREAS, the purchase of Chester River Bridge has been made by the county commissioners of Kent county and the county commissioners of Queen Anne's county, and

WHEREAS, In view of the increased travel over said bridge that will result in consequence thereof, and in view of the contemplated repairs necessary to make on said bridge, to stand general use, it is hereby ordered by the commissioners of Kent and Queen Anne's county assembled, that public notice be given by publication in the papers of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, that until said repairs are completed and notice thereof given, all persons using said bridge must do so at their own risk.

Amos B. Kelley was appointed keeper for the remainder of year 1890.

DIED.

CORBALEY.—On Thursday morning last, of general debility, at Bloomingdale, near Queenstown, Elizabeth A. Corbaley, wife of the late Samuel J. Corbaley, in the 69th year of her age. Buried at St. Peter's Catholic church near Queenstown on Saturday.

WRIGHT.—Near Dover, Del., July 21, in her 65th year, Mrs. Julia A. Wright, mother of Robt. H. Wright, of Chestertown.

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