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THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1891.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—The almanac's spring is due on March 21. Until that date some wintry weather may be expected.

—The Sassafras creamery is reported as having paid one dollar and sixteen cents per hundred pounds for milk during January.

—The Galena M. E. Sunday-school will hold a missionary anniversary on the evening of the 8th inst., and Locust Grove in the afternoon and evening of the 15th.

—Some of Chestertown's ambitious blossoms, crocuses and a few others were nipped in the bud by Mr. Greely's diminutive blizzard of last week, and the decided storm of Monday and Tuesday.

—On Saturday next, Hope H. Barroll, Esq., assignee of mortgage, will sell at public sale in Centreville, a valuable property known as the "Clark farm," situated near Roesville, Queen Anne's county.

—Dr. Robert Ward, State veterinarian, states that there is absolutely no Pluro-pneumonia in the State of Maryland. Serious apprehensions had been felt in Washington county, but were without foundation.

—The meanest man is Kent county, it is said, bribes his children with a cent to go to bed without supper, and next morning says: "Who will give a cent for buckwheat cakes for breakfast?" Of course it's not you.

—J. W. Cooper, father of Dr. Thomas H. Cooper, of Chestertown, died at his home in Kent county, Delaware, on Saturday night, after a lingering illness, resulting from an attack of the grip contracted about one year ago.

—Steamer Emma Giles of the Tolchester Steamboat Company, came off Woodall's dry-dock recently where she was repaired. She has been thoroughly repainted, preparatory to renewing her trips on Friday, March 6th.

—The Maryland State Temperance Alliance will hold its annual convention in the old First Church, Charles and Fayette streets, Baltimore, April 21, 22 and 23. Elaborate preparations are being made, and distinguished speakers will be present.

—Monday last was the one hundredth anniversary of the death of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. The Christian churches of his establishment on ten thousand hills, are the speaking and most eloquent memorials of this great and good man.

—A new version of George Washington's cherry tree experience as set to music by the New York *Herald*:

"Father, I cannot tell a lie"—
Did the truthful boy begin,
But the old man only peeled his coat
And murmured, "That's too thin."

—Some spring songsters had put in an appearance before the present low temperature of the weather. A fourth grade boy suggests that the poor little things have caught cold, while a fifth grade young lady says that the cold has caught them. Both are right.

—A difficulty occurred on the oyster bar near the mouth of Corsica river Thursday among white and colored oystermen. Solomon Brown, colored, was struck on the head with an oar and injured by Thomas Murray, white. We have been unable to ascertain the cause of the difficulty.

—A Michigan fruit-grower stated at a public meeting the result of his experiments in general terms. On his unsprayed trees, two-thirds of his crop of apples were second rate in quality, or culls; on his sprayed trees two-thirds of his crop were of first quality, and only one-third of second quality.

—William D. Lucas, a Queen Anne's farmer, last week found a ten-inch alligator in his yard. The curious visitor was found immediately after a heavy dash of rain, and Mr. Lucas claims that his alligatorship had been enjoying a Jule Verne trip in a cloud, and was landed in his front yard.

—Rev. Thomas Dewing died at Roseville, California, Feb. 24, 1891. He was pastor of the Worton Presbyterian church, this county, and Church Hill Presbyterian church, Queen Anne's county, several years ago, and is well known throughout this State. We have been unable to ascertain the particulars of his death.

—A number of fine white perch and some herring were caught in Chester river last week. The run of herring in the bay is increasing and in a few weeks the Baltimore and other markets which have been drawing their supply from Florida and North Carolina waters, may be supplied with fish from the Chesapeake and its tributaries.

—Good white potatoes are selling in the county at one dollar and twenty cents per bushel, which is at the rate of about two potatoes for one cent. Farmers, try a few potatoes, and see if they won't pay as well as wheat and corn or even the disappointing peach crop, with about ninety-nine chances to one against a crop oftener than once in five years.

—In answer to query, we would state that Kent county has four hundred and ninety miles of public roads, distributed by districts as follows: 1st district, 140 miles; 2d district, 120 miles; 3d district, 80 miles; 4th district, 70 miles; 5th district, 80 miles. The total cost of roads and bridges to the county last year was twenty-four thousand dollars.

—While Paul and Walter Graham, sons of Rev. Walter R. Graham, were handling a cat and rat rifle on Saturday last, the spring of the hammer broke and the rifle was discharged, the ball taking effect in the index finger of the right hand of Master Walter. The nail and a portion of the end of the finger were shot off, making a painful but not severe wound.

—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Byron, relect of the late William Byron, which took place at Christ M. P. Church, on Friday last, Rev. Walter R. Graham officiating, was, we are informed by Undertaker John N. Dood, who had the interment in charge, the first funeral which has ever taken place in the church since its dedecation in October of 1888. This is, indeed, a remarkable record.

—The thermometer dropped to sixteen degrees during Sunday night, and Monday morning may safely be said to have been one of, if not the coldest morning of the year. The thermometer in sections of the county registered as low as fourteen. About half-past nine o'clock on Monday evening, snow commenced falling and continued during the night. Some sleighs were out during the morning and throughout the entire day, but the sleighing was poor, and many lovers of the sport were disappointed at the rapid disappearance of the snow, which promised so much of pleasure and afforded so little.

—Mr. John A. Groves says that the recent cold spell was just the thing for peaches. He further says that so far the crop is safe, and that the buds can at this time stand a fall in the temperature to about six degrees. T. J. Shalleross and other peach authorities say that the crop it safe.

—Esquire C. W. C. Johnson, of Chestertown, was given a pleasant serenade on Monday evening last, the occasion being the fourth anniversary of his marriage. The serenaders were received most hospitably by the genial defender of "the majesty of the law." Many happy returns to you and yours, Mr. Johnson.

—"Guest" kindly informs us that Miss Gussie Cannan, daughter of Mr. George Cannan, of Chestertown, was given a delightful masquerade surprise party last Friday evening, in honor of her birthday. About twenty-five persons were present, and a most joyous evening was passed in dancing, plays, games, etc. Refreshments were served at twelve o'clock. At half past one o'clock all wended their way homeward, hoping for Miss Gussie many returns of the joyous occasion, and that each may return with increased brightness.

—A correspondent from Rock Hall to the *Peninsula Methodist*, thus speaks of the wonderful work accomplished by the Mite Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church of that village: "They have papered the parsonage throughout, and painted it all except the parlar; purchased a handsome suite of parlor furniture, and a brussels carpet for the parlor, hall and stairway; an ingrain carpet for sitting-room and upper halls; with rocking chairs, and many other smaller articles for convenience and comfort.

—The steamer Emma Ford, during her trip across the bay on Saturday last, experienced some damage to her forward bulkhead. The wind was blowing very hard and a heavy sea on, and when about the middle of the bay a heavy wave struck the steamer on her starboard bow, crushing a large pannel of the bulkhead in and flooding one side of the steamer as far back as the lower saloon aft. Mate Webb repaired the damage until a more experienced hand could complete the work. The steamer Gratitude also had a stormy passage, but suffered no damage.

—One of the most remarkable occurrences of the past winter was the vivid lightning of Saturday evening. The flashes were first observed about seven o'clock and continued until between ten and eleven o'clock, and at times followed each other in quick succession. Lightning was of frequent occurrence during the winters of 1888-1889, but always accompanied warm spells of weather, whereas on Saturday night the thermometer stood very much below the freezing point. The sky was almost cloudless at the time, and in every respect the visitation of the vivid lightning was a repetion of an occurrence, under similar circumstances, during the winter of 1864.

—Shakespeare Reeves, the negro who is now in New Castle jail awaiting the noose which will be placed around his neck tomorrow as an explation for the crime of having committed an outrageous assault upon a little girl last fall, was for a time a resident of this county, and only last fall had his name stricken from the registration list of the second district. He was employed by County Commissioner Shallcross as a farm laborer, and during his stay received a most substantial whipping at the hands of a gentleman of the second district. The two negroes, Jesse Porter and Frederick Young, who were executed at Dover on February 14 for the murder of Stephen Lindsey, last fall, were also at one time in Kent county, and one of them received a whipping at the hands of the same gentleman who had the encounter with Reeves.

—The Annapolis city council will at its next meeting take up for consideration the lighting of the city. The two years' contract with the Annapolis Electric Light Company will expire in July. The city at present pays $3,500 a year for lighting streets, and it is said the electric light company will not renew its contract unless an advance of nearly one-half is made over the present figures. As the same company controls the Annapolis Gas Works, it is claimed that the city will also have to pay an advanced price if it concludes to adopt gas. The subject of electric lighting has been several times discussed for Chestertown, and this state of affairs at Annapolis is a suggestive pointer for electric light advocate here. Chestertown is now lighted by 55 gasoline lamps, at an annual cost of about three hundred and fifty dollars. The lowest bids given for the lighting of the town by electric lights, have been more than double this amount.

—Maior Henry E. Alvord, president of the Maryland Agricultural College and director of the United States Experiment Station, has addressed a letter to the Governor and Board of Public Works, sending a duplicate copy to Commander Seth, of the Maryland Oyster Navy, stating that a scientific expedition has been organized, consisting of representatives of the Johns Hopkins University, the Maryland Agricultural College and the United States Geological Survey, for the purpose of visiting the navigable waters and the tidewater regions of Southern Maryland, accessible from the Chesapeake bay, and making examinations of direct interest to the material welfare of this State. At this time, it is desired to examine, somewhat rapidly, the condition of the oyster beds in the regions named and ascertain something as to the possibilities of extending the breeding-grounds of the oyster in places where protection can be easily afforded, and also look into the marl deposits and economic geology of the same region and make a preliminary study of its agricultural soils. For this purpose an order is asked, placing one of the steam vessels of the State oyster police force at the service of the expedition. The request will be granted.

—The McKendrian Missionary Society of the Chestertown Methodist Episcopal Sunday school, held its first meeting on Sunday afternoon. The officers of the society are: Eugene A. Robinson, of Washington College, president; William McIntyre, secretary, and Benjamin F. Perkins, treasurer. After the reading of the various reports Mr. Robinson gave a short but interesting talk, which was followed by a prettily-rendered dialogue by six little girls. The beautiful chorus, "Dropping Pennies," by a number of little girls, was one of the most interesting features of the programme. The double quartette, composed of: Miss Fannie Stuart and Miss Lillie Bramble, altos; Misses Annie and Sue Lambert, sopranos; John W. Bordley and Snowden Thomas, bassos, and Joseph Downey and Wilbur Thomas, tenors, sung the magnificent musical composition, "Awake! Arise!" most effectively. Mr. M. S. Harper, of Washington College, in a neat and appropriate speech presented the banner to Miss Laura Thomas' class, it having raised the greatest amount for the cause of missions. The total amount raised was $18.71. Sunday next will be the annual missionary Sunday, and a specially arranged programme will be given by the school. In the morning, the pastor, R. Irving Watkins will preach a missionary sermon.

—Orphans' Court met March 3d, 1891. Present Judges Walker and Moffett. Hope H. Barroll, administrator of James W. Greenwood, passed his first administration account. Mary R. Wilson, administratrix of J. Frank Wilson, filed an account of sales of the personal property of her decedent. Cornelius J. Scott, executor of John F. Watts, filed release from Mrs. Mary J. Robinson.

—A very pretty morning wedding took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Jennie Moody, on Mill street, at half-past seven o'clock yesterday morning, the contracting parties being Miss Nettie Moody and Mr. Jacob Thompson, both of Chestertown. Rev. R. Irving Watkins, of the M. E. Church, was the officiating minister. The bride wore a beautiful lawn-colored suit of broadcloth with hat and gloves to match. The hat was ornamented with a diamond pin. A number of the friends and relatives of the bride and bridegroom were present. Numerous beautiful presents were received. The couple took the steamer yesterday morning for a trip to Baltimore and Washington, D. C.

—County commissioners met March 3d, 1891, all present except Mr. Morgan. Wm. B. Usilton, county treasurer, presented his report for February, which was accepted and filed by order thereon passed. Messrs. Shalleross, Rodenhiser, Groves and Dickinson presented a list of their respective road supervisors in nomination, all of which were appointed by order passed thereon. H. W. Vickers, one of the sureties of Geo. S. Biddle, collector for 1884 and 1885, presented a list of insolvents, etc., for said years, which were allowed as to county taxes, and directed to be certified as to State taxes by order endorsed thereon. Capt. A. L. Corey's proposition was read and referred to commissioner of 5th district. Order passed directing deed of right of way, etc., from Capt. Charles R. Kerr and wife to county commissioners, to be filed with clerk of court for record.

—In view of the fact that several hives of particularly industrious bees have recently ben found in Kent, the following points of law from the Pittsburg *Bulletin* will be of interest, as touching the rights of neighbors to the recently discovered families of workers: "The supreme Court of the State of New York has decided that it is a trespass for honey bees to revel in flowers growing upon land not belonging to the owner of the bees. The ruling is just, but the fun will begin when the owner of the land tries to avail himself of this law, and to find out just whose bees are standing on their heads in his flowers or pirating the honey from his own bees in his own buckwheat field. There are difficulties in the way of his getting his wife to stitch his initials in the wings of all bees from his own apiary, as she would mark the corners of his handkerchiefs or the northern zone of his stockings. Nor would it be a pleasant job to use a rubber stamp and mark each one of his honey making insects. The latter would object to this—pointedly. Cattle may be branded, and sad-eyed sheep can be frescoed with a brush and paint, but the bee is not formed by nature to wear the monogram of its owner. Neither has nature fitted the bee with a safe handle whereby it could be held while undergoing the process of marking. The most amiable boy would decline holding a bee for such or any other purpose, at least would refuse to hold more than one. Even to catch and insert a healthy bee in a device made for the holding process would entail unpleasant results to the catcher. The trespassing of honey bees in New York State will go on in spite of the supreme court, and the busy and buzzing trespassers will go unstamped.

Items From Still Pond.

STILL POND, March 3, 1891.

MESSRS. COLLINS & HOPPER:—Rev. J. D. Rigg filled the pulpit of the M. E. Church last Sunday, for the first time in several weeks—much to the satisfaction of his congregation.

The Still Pond M. E. Church will hold their missionary anniversary next Sunday evening, the 8th inst. The usual large attendance is expected, which always includes a number of persons from Chestertown and different sections of the county.

The steamer Tockwogh has resumed her regular route. We have excellent water accommodations in the Ericsson line and the steamer Tockwogh.

We note in Monday's paper, the 2d inst, thd death of Mr. J. Alexander Shriver, president of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Steamboat Company, (the Ericsson Line) also of the Baltimore and New York Transportation Line.

The people of this vicinity should turn their attention to the condition of a family of eight small children in the neighborhood, and in some manner arrange homes for them and look after their education. Much has been done in providing them with food, clothing, etc., but it is necessary that they should be given homes.

Dr. W. E. Barnard, we hear, has decided to locate permanently in Still Pond for the practice of dentistry. Dr. Barnard graduated at the University of Pennsylvania with the highest honors; has had considerable experience, and has given entire satisfaction in this neighborhood.

We agree with the TRANSCRIPT, that Mr. James A. Pearce, of Chestertown, would make a most eminent successor to the late Senator E. K. Wilson, and Gov. Jackson could make no better selection.

Unexpectedly, we are visited with quite a snowstorm, sufficient to give us some good sleighing. X.

Rock Hall Items.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—The principle talk now with farmers is the peach. While some think the buds have started enough for the cold weather to hurt them, others think that their orchards are all right yet. Mr. Charles Smith, who lives on the S. A. J. Wickes farm at Grey's Inn, says that his orchards are all right yet, and if we have cool weather during the month of March, thinks he will have a crop of the much desired fruit.

Mr. Jacob Kendall, who has been suffering the past nine months with a stomach complaint, left here Tuesday, February 24, for the Johns Hopkins Hospital, of Baltimore, for treatment.

Miss Mary Camp, second assistant teacher of the public school at this place, has been quite sick, but at this writing it out again.

Johnny Ayres, the youngest son of Mr. Dominick Ayres, while playing with a cat and rat rifle one day last week, accidentally shot himself in the foot.

Miss Ida Browne, of Baltimore, who has been spending the winter with her sisters at this place, returned to the city last Tuesday.

Mr. W. W. Coleman is now building one of the largest canoes of the fifth district. He is building her for his son, Ulysses G. Coleman.

Some of the oystermen who have bought the patent tongs and tried them, have laid them aside, as there are very few oysters in the deep waters, and where they can reach with the old-style rakes, it doesn't pay to work with patent tongs.

Mr. Elmer Leary, of Greys Inn, has built himself a boat, or sharpy, as they are commonly called, which is hard to beat. There are but very few out of the fine fleet of canoes owned at this place that can out sail him.

Mr. Frank C. Wilson, of south Rock Hall, is visiting relatives and friends in Baltimore.

Mr. Jackson Davis gave a birthday reception last Friday afternoon, in honor of his twenty-fifth birthday.

A good way to invest *one dollar* is to *subscribe* for the TRANSCRIPT, and you who do so will never regret it.

Yours truly, X.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Chestertown is just three miles above the highest point at which oysters are caught in Chester river. The oyster-grounds cease altogether at Rolph's wharf.

Washington College is the only chartered college on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

The largest paper basket manufacturing plant, and the only one of its kind in the United States, is located at Chestertown.

"Muddy Lake" is the latest name for the, what should be beautiful, square running through the shire town of Kent.

The new patent process flouring mill, to supplant the antique old structure now known as Whaland's mill, it is said, will be one of the improvements assured for the spring season.

The recent high tides did some damage to the public wharf property at Chestertown by undermining and washing out large quantities of shell and earth from the waterfront.

The Cecelia, the new vessel launched from the Scott's Point shipyard last summer, is said to be one of the speediest vessels sailing out of Chester river.

One of the oldest men in town is one of the finest skaters.

A two-year-old tot last week said that she had worn her hat *over* two cars, and wanted to know where the catch was.

Fannie Nichols, the aged colored restaurateur on Cross street, was moved to tears by the sweetness of the music at a complimentary concert, given her by the Schubert Quartette during their recent visit. The quartette has always been given an oyster feast at her restaurant on the occasion or their annual visits.

The most needed improvement in Chestertown are flag-stone crossings for our side streets.

When will the ghostly forms of the defunct shade-trees, near the old market house, receive decent burial at the hands of our town fathers? Plant others if you will but remove the old ones, *please*.

Will not the owner of the dilapidated old building on Queen street have it removed, and give the long-covered cellar a few rays of genial sunlight?

New boxes have been put around the young trees planted along the board-walk, leading to Washington College.

The piece of road leading from the head of town to the paper mill, is very holey and badly in need of a supervisor.

Let our town lamp-lighters remember, that the reflex action of the average Maryland moon, rising at two o'clock A. M., does not assist the average pedestrian who is necessarily on the streets at nine o'clock P. M. This fact, however, is being borne in mind.

How long! how long! oh, ye goodly town fathers, will you allow the old market house to stand; to undergo the punishment of presenting to the world such caricatures of human nature, as those which it has this week borne!

Why has the lamp which was until recently at Mrs. Watts' corner, on Front street, been allowed to remain from its post?

For Stockmen.

For the benefit of those who may be in doubt as to the advisability of the spring clipping of horses, we give the following facts in regard to the matter from Mr. Frederick Welsh: When horses are casting their heavy coats of hair, they suffer more or less from anæmia and debility, and are incapable of performing the same amount of work as at other seasons of the year. A little rest and gentle treatment at this period often prevents the accession of disease; again horses whose coats are very long, if kept in stables of even ordinary warmth, suffer from anæmia, with anasarca and even dropsy of the serious cavities, which will increase, notwithstanding the most powerful tonics and the most nutritious food, until their heavy coats are removed by clipping. There is not the least doubt but that the lives of many valuable horses have been saved and escaped these blood diseases, etc., by timely clipping.

In last week's issue we reported the loss by Mr. Zinker, of near Tolchester, of five out of seven calves from some unknown disease. The symptoms were not given, but we find mention of the "Black Leg" as being particularly fatal to calves and possibly the disease has struct our county. The affection centres principally in the back near the spine, and in the hind or fore legs. The disease is considered by some incurable. The preventives as given in the *Country Gentleman*, are: Reduce the animals' condition (all the healthy ones) and give general cow drink as recommended for "black-leg." Mix in the drink of each a teaspoonful of powdered chlorate of potash, daily for a week.

Resolutions of Respect.

As an evidence of the high regard in which William G. Fallowfield, late principal of the Chestertown public school was held by the trustees of the school, the following resolutions were unanimously passed at a special meeting held on Wednesday of last week:

WHEREAS, By the permission of the Great Teacher, the Tyrant Death has removed a subordinate in the persons of WILLIAM G. FALLOWFIELD, principal of public school, No. 3, of Chestertown; and the trustees of said school desire to give expression of their appreciation and esteem of his character and services, therefore,

Resolved, That the public school of Chestertown has been thus deprived of an exemplary character and of an efficient, painstaking and patient teacher.

Resolved, That we highly appreciated his worth as principal of said school, and feel his loss very deeply.

Resolved, That we sympathize with his bereaved family, and also with his assistants and pupils of said school in their loss; and commend his widow and orphans to Him who promises to be a husband to the widow and a father to the orphans.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published and entered upon the proceedings of the trustees, and a copy thereof delivered to the family.

Signed, JAS. W. CHAPMAN, COLIN F. STAM, T. W. RUSSELL, } TRUSTEES.

New Advertisements.

The Compendium of Cookery and Reliable Recipes give full directions for making bread, pastry, soups, preserves, pickles, sauces, and condiments, and the most improved methods of cooking all kinds of meat, fish, fowls, and vegetables, together with a treatises on confectionery, ice cream, etc., etc.

Mr. Wm. B. Usilton, treasurer, gives in this issue his final notice to tax-payers, and urges them to come forward and settle their tax bills for 1890.

The annual statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, will be found in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT.

Auditor's notice in the case of Wm. A. Wilson, et ux. vs. M. Kate Wilson, et al.

Messrs. McWhorter and Deford advertise the services of their fine French stallion, McLean, who will travel in this and the upper portion of Queen Anne's.

Turner & Son advertise boat and shad net for sale in this issue of TRANSCRIPT.

Confirmed.

The favorable impression produced on the first appearance of the agreeable liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs a few years ago has been more than confirmed by the pleasant experience of all who have used it, and the success of the proprietors and manufacturers, the California Fig Syrup Company.

Mr. Topping's Appointment.

The trustees of the Chestertown public school on Tuesday last, elected Mr. T. H. Topping, for the past six years teacher of Lankford public school, to the principalship of the Chestertown school, recently rendered vacant by the death of Mr. Wm. G. Fallowfield. Mr. Topping commenced teaching in Kent county in the fall of 1879 and excepting two years and a half spent in Philadelphia, has most acceptably filled the position as teacher of a Kent county school in Kent since that time. The selection of Mr. Topping to the responsible position was one of the best that could have been made. A teacher of experience, a gentleman of ability and evident fondness for his chosen profession, the instruction of the young, his work has been of a most satisfactory character in every instance. We congratulate the trustees upon their selection, and to the patrons of the school we predict a most satisfactory stewardship from the new principal. Mr. Topping will assume his duties under his new appointment, just as soon as the school to be vacated by him can be supplied, which may be by the first of or during next week. There were five applicants for the position.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE.

The Great Meeting of Ministers to be Held in Centreville March 19, 1891.

Through the kindness of the Centreville *Observer*, we are enabled to present what is pronounced to be a striking likeness of the presiding officer of the approaching conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be held at Centreville, Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D. D., LL. D.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

BISHOP FOWLER.

The Rev. Charles Henty Fowler, D. D., LL. D., elected and ordained one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church in May, 1884, is descended from a good old Scottish ancestry, and was born in Burford, Canada, August 11, 1837. His parents removed to the States while he was still very young. He was educated at Genesee College, and was graduated in 1859. His purpose was to devote his life to the practice of law, and he commenced its study in Chicago immediately upon his graduation from college. His conversion, by God's grace, to the faith of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, occurring on the evening of December 25, 1859, changed all his purposes in life. Moved thereto by the Holy Spirit, he consecrated himself to the work of the Christian ministry, and was graduated from the Garrett Biblical Institute in 1861. The same year he was admitted to the Rock River Conference, and since then he has been an earnest, thorough worker. In 1866, while pastor in Chicago, the Centenary M. E. Church, one of the finest architectural structures in the city, was erected largely through his efforts and toil. The great fire of 1871 swept out of existence many church buildings in Chicago and left their congregations houseless and homeless. Dr. Fowler devoted himself to their restoration, and while collecting funds visited the large Eastern cities. He met with a hearty reception wherever he went and carried home with him $40,000. In 1872 he accepted the presidency of the North Western University, but was soon called by the church to the editorship of the *Christian Advocate* in New York, and continued to occupy the position until 1890, when he became *Missionary Secretary*. In 1884 he became bishop of his church. His scholarly attainments found expression in a work entitled "Colenso's Fallacies," and in other writings of which he has contributed not a few to Methodist literature.—*Centreville Observer.*

For the benefit of those who may anticipate attending the conference, we give each day's programme, in order that they may be enabled to select the most desirable day or days for the anticipated visit. Space precludes any mention further than that of the visiting ministers and where they are located, with a mention of those ministers and laymen of the conference who are well-known to our readers.

VISITING MINISTERS.

Bishop C H Fowler, D D, LL D, Mrs Anna M C Palmer.

Chadwick, J S, D D, Assistant Secretary Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, J Hersey Hall.

Doherty, R R, Ph D, Epworth League, Hon E H Brown.

Hunt, S, D D, New York Book Concern, J Hersey Hall.

Miley, John, D D, Drew Theological Seminary, Mrs E Wilkinson.

Moffett, Rev Mr, N J and Delaware Bible Society, W O Fiskwen.

Payne, C H, D D, Ll. D, Sec'y Board of Education, W J Price.

Peck, J O, D D, Sec'y Missionary Society, Wilmer Emory.

Reed, Geo E, D D, Ll. D, President Dickinson College, Dr J Bodley.

Spencer, W A, D D, Ass't Sec'y Board Church Extension, Dr. R M Price.

Wagner, F J, D D, President Morgan College, M E Parsonage.

Willis, J S, Hon W T P Turpin.

VISITING LAYMEN.

Browne, Mrs C C, Mrs A M C Palmer; Cox, A G, Eugene Pennington; Gooding, W L, Ph D, Mrs E Wilkinson; Mallalieu, Thomas, C F Rich; Sudler, Dr A E, J H Hall; Eliason, T W, E M Forman at Mrs Moore's; Biggs, Hon B T, P B Hopper at Mrs Moore's.

THE CONFERENCE.

Arters, J A, Martin Thawley; Ayers, T O, Presiding Elder, F H Phillips; Browne, N M, Mrs Annie Palmer; Fogle, J W, T E Bryan; Fosnocht, I G, W J Price; France, John, Presiding Elder, W J Price; Houston, J L, not coming; Kemp, J D, J R Cook; Maenichol, E C, Mrs Mollie Earle; Martindale, T E, Chas H Walters; McQuay, N, James Bramble; Melven, A T, Mrs Turpin at Miss A Wrights; Merritt, Jas B, John T Smith; Mowbray, W R, Addison Emory; Murray, W L S, W W Bryan at O D Bryan's; Nelson, E H, Presiding Elder, W B Earle; O'Brien, T A H, J T Covell; Quigg, John B, W Bryan, Jr, at O D Bryan's; Reese, J D, J M Mason; Rigg, J D, Mrs Mollie Earle; Roe, Robert, Isaac Davis; Sheers, William, the Rev J A Mitchell; Smith, Alfred, Chas H Walters; Stephenson, R K, J H Hall; Todd, R W, Hon J B Brown; Todd, John R, John T Smith; Todd, G W, J T Smith; Valiant, W T, Michael Keating; Watkins, R I, Hon W P T Turpin; White, E E, C F Rich; Wilson, J A B, D D, Presiding Elder, M E Parsonage Wilson, W W W, Elliott & Dever at J E Elliott's; Wood, G E, R E Erdman.

The candidates for admission are: Gardner, Edwin, Col W H Legg; Geoghegan, J H, W L Lowe.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17.

7.30 P. M., Examination, (private.)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18.

7.30 P. M., Temperance Anniversary. Chairman, the Rev. J. H. Caldwell, D. D. Speaker, the Rev. A. S. Mowbray.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19.

9.00 o'clock A. M., Opening of the Business Session; 11.00 A. M., Statistical Session; 3.00 o'clock P. M., Missionary Sermon by Rev. S. N. Pilchard; 7.30 P. M., Church Extension Anniversary. Chairman, the Rev. J. E. Bryan; Speakers, the Revs. T. E. Terry and W. A. Spencer, D. D.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20.

8.30 A. M., Devotional Exercises conducted by the Rev. Wm. M. Warner. 9.00 A. M., Business Session. 3.00 P. M., Anniversary of the Womans' Foreign Missionary Society; President, Mrs. E. B. Stevens; Speaker, Mrs. Green. 7.30 P. M., Anniversary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society; Chairman, the Rev. T. H. Haynes; Speakers, F. J. Wagner, D. D., and J. S. Chadwick, D. D. 7.30 P. M., Anniversary of the Epworth League at the Town Hall; Chairman, the Rev. R. K. Stevenson; Speakers, Bishop Fowler and R. R. Doherty, Ph., D.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21.

8.30 A. M., Devotional Exercises led by the Rev. J. W. Hammersley. 9.00 A. M., Business Session; 3.00 P. M., Stewards Anniversary; Chairman, Charles E. Harman; Speakers, Hon. W. F. Causey and Prof. H. S. Goldey. 7.30 P. M., Educational Anniversary; Chairman, the Rev. J. T. Van Burkalow; Speakers, W. L. Gooding, Ph. D. and the Rev. Charles H. Payne, D. D., L. L. D.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22.

9.00 A. M., Conference Love Feast, conducted by the Rev. Charles Hill; 10.30 A. M., Sermon by the Rev. Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D. D., L. L. D. After the sermon the ordination of Deacons. 2.00 P. M., Memorial Service. After the memorial service the ordination of Elders. 3.30 P. M., Address, "The Church and the Liquor Traffic," by W. T. Mills. 8.00 P. M., Missionary Anniversary; Chairman, Thomas Mallalieu; Treasurer's Report, A. G. Cox. Address by the Rev. J. O. Peck, D. D.

MONDAY, MARCH 23.

8.30 A. M., Devotional Exercises conducted by the Rev. Joseph Robinson. 9.00 A. M., Business Session. 3.00 P. M., Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; President, Mrs. C. C. Browne; Speaker, Mrs. Mary E. Griffith. 7.30 P. M., Anniversary of Historical Society; President, the Rev. B. F. Price. Papers read by the Revs. C. A. Hill, C. Hill, W. E. England, C. F. Sheppard, J. B. Quigg and J. H. Caldwell, D. D.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24.

8.30 A. M., Devotional Exercises, conducted by the Rev. James Carroll. 9.00 A. M., Business Session.

Any changes which may be made in the foregoing programme will be duly announced on the floor of the Conference.

IN CONFERENCE TIME.

First of the Meetings Have Begun—Dates for the Bodies.

Spring conferences have begun with the meeting of the Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church at Ronceverte, W. Va., on the B. & O. Railroad, with Bishop Joyce presiding; and the meeting of the United Brethren Conference, now in session at Mechanicsburg, Pa. The Washington M. E. Conference meets in Baltimore on March 12, with Bishop Fitzgerald presiding. This includes the colored M. E. churches.

The Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church met in Washington on March 4, with Bishop Joyce presiding.

The Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South meets in Roanoke, Va., on March 11.

The Methodist Protestant Baltimore Conference meets in Baltimore on April 1, at Lafayette Avenue Church, President W. M. Strayer presiding.

The Newark M. E. Conference meets at Washington, N. J., on April 8, Bishop Mallalieu presiding.

The Wilmington M. E. Conference meets at Centreville March 19, Bishop Fowler presiding.

The Delaware M. E. Conference meets at Cambridge, Md., April 1, with Bishop Joyce presiding.

MARRIED.

THOMPSON—MOODY.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Chestertown, on Wednesday morning last, by Rev. R. Irving Watkins, Miss Nettie Moody and Mr. Jacob F. Thompson, both of Chestertown.

DIED.

LEWIS.—At the residence of her son-in-law, Daniel F. Cox, Calvert street, Chestertown, Monday, March 2d, 1891, Mrs. Mary E. Lewis, in the 93d year of her age. Interred at Chester cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Rev. W. R. Graham officiating.

BYRON.—In Chestertown, Feb. 26, 1891, Mrs. Ann Byron, relict of the late Wm. Byron, aged 70 years. The deceased was one of the oldest members of the M. P. Church, in which her funeral took place on Friday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Graham. Interment in Chester Cemetery.

MULFORD.—At Rock Hall, Feb. 1, 1891, after a short illness, Irvin Shepard, son of Freman J. and Agnes V. Mulford, aged 1 year, 1 month and 1 week.

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