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LOCAL MATTERS.

—The barefooted boy is about on the sly.

—The rowing season will commence after just a little more of warm bright weather.

—The old Whaland mill has been torn down, and work on the new mill structure commenced.

—The strawboard mill is now running on full time, with a force of from fifty to sixty employees.

—Queen Anne's county licenses, says a correspondent, number about one thousand issued to tongers.

—Easton may have a silk factory, a gun factory, and a car factory.—*Easton Star.* And she *may have* a good deal less.

—Bicycling increases in favor, and a number of new machines have recently been purchased by Chestertown cyclists.

—Among the improvements reported as being made at Tolchester, is a toboggan slide terminating in the bay, to be used by bathers.

—U. S. Fish Commissioner Gay says the Delaware is the best shad stream in the world. What's the matter with the Chester and Tuckahoe creek?

—A Kent county prophet says that an abundant supply of violets in April means s largs peach crop. The violets are here, may the prophecy prove true.

—Capt. Joseph Downey has rented the canning property of Capt. Wm. D. Burchinal for the canning season, and is making preparation for a heavy business.

—According to the prediction of Weather Prophet Devoe, the spell of good weather ended on April 25, and the king of all blizzards is about to descend on us.

—A number of the younger ladies and boys have formed the Junior tennis club, with a membership of thirteen. They have a pretty court on a lot on Queen street.

—Some Caroline county peach-growers are offering to sell their crops for fifty cts. per basket. The average Kent countian holds his crop several degrees above that.

—Strawberries promise a good crop unless another frost strikes them such as visited this vicinity on Friday and Saturday night. Some report that their crop was injured.

—The Easton *Ledger* of last week says that Rev. W. L. Dolly's little boy, 4 years old, fell head foremost in a cistern of rain water, and was nearly drowned when rescued.

—A Sunday school convention will be held in Talbot county, under the auspices of the Maryland Sunday School Union, at Oxford, on Saturday and Sunday, May 2 and 3.

—The commencement and ninth anniversary exercises of Westminster Theological Seminary of the Methodist Protestant Church will be held in Westminster May 3, 4, 5, and 6.

—Harrison W. Vickers, Esq., is making a decided improvement in his handsome property near Chestertown, by grading and sodding the once unsightly hill near the paper mill.

—Mr. John R. Bennett, whose large barn was burned last fall, commenced rebuilding on Monday. This will be the third building which has stood on the same site within the past four years.

—What is expected to be the most enjoyable dance of the season, will be given in the college chapel to-morrow evening. It is proposed that the music shall be a striking feature of the occasion.

—The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association of Maryland will be held at Ocean City, Md., on July 7, 8 and 9. Prof. M. A. Newell will prepare an historical sketch of school matters in the State, covering the period since 1864.

—The board of school commissioners for Kent county at their session on Tuesday, granted the request of the petition asking that the noon recess of the public school of Chestertown be made one hour and a half, and the afternoon session be closed at half-past four instead of 5 o'clock as formerly.

—Matrimony has been running below par in Kent during the present month, only the following four licenses having been issued: Robert S. Crew and Mattie Moffett; Wm. E. Brown and Mary C. Stoops, white. George Addeny and Margaret Demby; Frank Foreman and Ellenore Stanley, colored.

—Mr. William H. Stewart, living near Chestertown, had a valuable colt injured in a barbed-wire fence on Monday last. The colt was in the pasture and when discovered had its foot caught in a wire of the fence. The flesh was cut through to the bone, and one of the leaders severed The colt is possibly injured for life.

—Mr. James Tucker, living in Queen Anne's, met with a narrow escape last week while out sailing in the yacht "Hesperus." For some purpose Mr. Tucker got into a yawl, which subsequently capsized and precipitated him into the water, and but for the timely aid of Captain Edward Smith, who was in company with Mr. Tucker, a sad drowning might have resulted.

—The planting of the row of maples along market house square was completed on Saturday. In the course of a few years a row of beautiful trees will be an adornment to the spot which was until recently disfigured by the ghostly forms of once stately poplars. The young trees in the court house yard have also been topped, and a number of poplars were planted by Mr. J. S. Vandegrift in front of his barber shop.

—The circuit court for Queen Anne's county will convene at Centreville on Monday, May 4, and promises to be of short duration. The dockets will number about as follows: Civil trials, 112; references, 7; civil appeals, 5; appearances, 34; criminal trials, 2; criminal appeals, 21. These latter cases are principally appeals from justices in cases where persons have been charged with violating the oyster-culling laws.

—The Cecil county telephone system it is safe to say, is the most extensive in the State except Baltimore city, and possibly the system of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, owned and conducted by C. T. Westcott, Esq. The Cecil county company is considering the advisability of establishing a long-distance wire between Chestertown and Elkton. An exchange is located at Elkton with a switch-board capacity of fifty wires.

—An effort is being made by the wife and friends of Thomas L. Primrose to have a jury summoned as soon as possible for the purpose of considering his sanity or insanity. The move has been inaugurated for the purpose of having Mr. Primrose sent to an asylum should it be found necessary, instead of awaiting in jail the action of the court. Young Primrose, who was shot, is much improved, and it is thought will soon recover from his wounds.

—A meeting of the Still Pond tennis players was held at the Misses Covington recently, and a regular set of by-laws adopted, and the following officers elected: President, Howard Turner; vice president, Miss Sadie Bargess; secretary, Miss Helen Covington; Treasurer, Miss Gulie Parrott. Board of Directors composed of officers, and Dr. W. E. Barnard and Mr. Max, Price. A committee was appointed to select a name and colors. They had a club last year, but this is entirely a new organization.

—Mr. Samuel A. Copper, a former clerk in the store of Rufus F. Parks, Chestertown, but at present a successful carpet dealer and upholsterer of Roanoke, Virginia, and Miss Lizzie M. Gardner, were married at Pittsburg, Pa., on Wednesday of last week by Father F. L. Tobin. Mr. Copper left Chestertown about seven years ago, and after having received a thorough education in his business in Baltimore, Washington and elsewhere, he opened a successful business in Roanoke about April 1, where their future home will be.

—A game of ball was played between the town and college teams yesterday afternoon. A game will be played this afternoon, commencing at three o'clock, between the college team and a picked nine from Locust Grove. It is expected that the college men will meet their old and most formidable rival, the Still Pond club, on Saturday afternoon. The game of yesterday was *the* event of the season, the town team being composed of some old material, which, after being remodeled and renovated, was brought out. The players were as follows: Reed, Wickes, Dr. Dodd, Barnett, E. Perkins, S. Beck, C. Perkins, McFeely, H. Perkins. The club is styled the Alerts of Chestertown.

—We were shown an interesting old curiosity several days ago, which, could its history be traced back through the one hundred and twenty-seven years since it was first made, would unquestionably form a most interesting chapter. The curiosity in question is an old iron shot and bullet mould made in a most substantial manner. There are two rows consisting of thirty-six moulds, which range in size from that of a bullet to that of large duck shot. On one side is an engraved brass plate bearing the name of John Williamson and the date 1767. The workmanship is remarkably fine. This interesting relic of antiquity was found in a mass of old junk iron at Betterton last week, and was presented by Mr. William Hepbron to Mr. W. F. Wroth, who kindly showed it to us. Col. Hanson, in his history of "Old Kent," mentions a John Williamson, but he died two years prior to the date of the plate.

—Mr. P. Moller has just completed a contract for putting in one of the handsomest organs in Washington city. The new instrument will be placed in Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church South. It will stand twenty-seven feet high, twenty-two feet wide and twelve feet deep. It is of the three-manual type, and will have 2,007 pipes, thirty-nine stops and ten composition pedals. It will have what is known as the pneumatic action, the exclusive invention of Mr. Moller. The Hagerstown *Mail* declares that: "The sale of this organ is quite a victory for Mr. Moller, as all the large manufacturers of organs were represented, and a committee visited different churches throughout the country before making a decision." Mr. Moller was the manufacturer of the handsome organ in Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown, which has given such entire satisfaction, and has been pronounced one of the sweetest toned and finest organs in any country church in the State.

—The body of John Elburn, who was reported several weeks ago as having been drowned in Chester river, was found on Monday morning on the shore of W. L. Ford, in Queen Anne's county. Capt. B. S. Evans discovered the body and, with Mr. Ford, towed it to Jackson's creek wharf and landed it. Blanchard Emory, of Centreville, was called by telephone, and, with Constable Whitely and Dr. Davidson, of Queenstown, repaired to the place and held an inquest. Chas. O. Ford was foreman of the jury, who found that Elburn came to his death by accidental drowning in Chester river on April 1. The body had been in the water since that time, and was much decomposed. On the morning of April 1 Elburn left his home on Lankford's bay, Kent county, and sailed to Queenstown, and thence started home, and was seen by oystermen sailing up the river. The next morning his boat was found on the Kent shore, and although diligent search was made, the body could not be found. The remains were brought to Kent for burial.

—Mr. J. K. Aldridge held a very pleasant reception at his handsome hardware store on Thursday. The queen of the summer kitchen and pre-eminently the belle of the occasion was the "New Process Vapor Stove," in whose honor the reception was held and right graciously did she receive her numerous guests. The common folks in the stove line were given back seats, and four tables were arranged in their places, on which silver and bright flowers vied with each other in making the temptingly prepared luncheon all the more tempting. The New Process Vapor Stove operated beautifully, and independent of economy (it costing but 2c. an hour to run it), it does away with the unpleasant odor of smoke, and other undesirable features of so many other stoves; in fact, it is a jewel in any household, and particularly so during the heated months of summer. The free lunch was in every way a success, and fully forty ladies and gentlemen partook of the savory dishes prepared on the new stove. Mr. Aldridge was particularly fortunate in having a most efficient corps of gentlemen to assist in doing the honors of the occasion—Messrs. John H. Aldridge, Clinton Wroth and Eben F. Perkins.

—The eighteenth annual convention of the Maryland State Temperance Alliance will be held (D. V.) in Baltimore on Tuesday evening, May 5, Wednesday, May 6, and Thursday, May 7, 1891, in the old First M. E. Church, corner Charles and Fayette streets. All temperance associations, churches, Sabbath schools, colleges and academies, religious reform associations are entitled and requested to send delegates one for every fifty of its members (or fractional part thereof), but not less than two or more than four for any one organization, and to furnish them with certificates of election, stating what organization they represent. All ministers whose churches or Sabbath schools, shall send delegates are by virtue thereof delegates to the convention. Friends of the cause are requested to give notice of this convention in their respective churches, Sabbath schools and other associations entitled to send delegates, and also, as far as possible, to secure publication of the notice or appropriate reference to the convention in their city and county secular and religious papers. A free collation on Wednesday and Thursday to delegates from the counties will be served by the lady friends of temperance. The following were appointed on Sunday last to represent the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chestertown: Mrs. Mary E. Brown and Charles S. York, delegates; Mr. John Bordley and Mrs. M. A. Toulson, alternates.

—Look out for a gang of men traveling around the country making contracts for painting roofs, says the Hagerstown *Globe*. If they offer to paint your roof for $5, or any price, don't fail to ask them how much they charge for the paint they put on before you close the contract. In the price of the paint the fraud exists. The moral is this, if you have painting or other work to be done give it to home workmen who will charge honest prices and give value received. The lowest in price is not always the cheapest.

—In speaking of the recent short term of court in Kent, the Centreville *Record* says: "Generally, it takes about three weeks for the Kent countians to settle their differencies in court, but as the peach crop was a failure last year, they probably have not much money to pay for troublesome litigation and thus settle their grievances within themselves. A sensible conclusion, brethren." Now, friends of the *Record*, you evidently recognize a good thing when you find it. You, too, have suffered a series of peach crop failures. Now see to it that an absence of wealth has likewise rooted out the mommon of unrighteousness in Queen Anne's and close your court in three days.

—The board of county commissioners met on Tuesday, with John A. Groves absent on account of sickness. J. F. Ernest, Geo. W. Jacoby and Barnard McCauley were appointed a committee to examine new road leading from Galena road to Sassafras across to Massey's. Jas. H. Hurtt, Harry C. Henderson and Anthony H. Johnson were appointed examiners on widening mill road. Mary A. E. Hepbron, executed a deed to the county commissioners for right of way over her land at Still Pond Station. Deed ordered to be filed for record. Josephine H. Roeder's recommendation for pension allowed for $20, and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1891. Board further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for levy in 1891, and noting transfers and abatements.

—Misses Sallie and Isabel Beck, Rose Frazier, Marie Westcott and Anna Brice gave an enjoyable entertainment on Friday evening, in the unoccupied store-room adjoining the store of Mrs. Cummins. The young ladies assumed entire control and, though unassisted by older persons, gave a very successful entertainment. The programme was opened by a full chorus, singing, "Swinging Under the Old Apple Tree"; Miss Mamie Patterson and Miss Sallie Beck sung the beautiful duet, "Maid of the Mill"; Miss Rose Frazier and Miss Sallie Beck were not less successful in their rendition of the very popular song, "Lilacs." Miss Anna Brice and Miss Sue Ford gave a remarkably pretty rendition of the well-known, but beautiful song, "You were false, but I'll forgive you." Miss Marie Westcott, in a nameless but beautiful recitation, was almost inimitable. Miss Grace Whaland read very prettily a selection from Tennyson's beautiful poem, Enoch Arden. The young ladies are to be congratulated upon the marked success of their entertainment.

Personal Mention.

Messrs. T. B. and D. B. Perkins, of Philadelphia, visited their parents on Queen street for several days last week.

Miss Dora Bramble, of Centreville, is visiting Miss Minnie Satterfield at Rock Hall, Kent county.

Rev. W. R. Graham is expected to arrive in Chestertown to-day and will return to Georgetown to-morrow with his family.

Mrs. Dr. Hines, Miss Jennie and Miss Katie Hines attended the funeral of Dr. Richard Gundry, at London Park Cemetery, Baltimore, on Monday. Dr. Gundry was superintendent of Spring Grove Asylum and was an authority upon mental diseases. He was the father of Miss Gundry, who has on several occasions been the guest of friends in Chestertown.

Miss Florence Burgess, after a pleasant visit of several months in Chestertown, returned to her home in Baltimore yesterday.

Mr. W. N. E. Wickes, who has been confined to his bed for some time past, has so far recovered as to be out.

James A. Pearce, after a rather serious illness, is still unable to attend to business, but is able to leave his room.

Capt. Wm. D. Burchinal and Mrs. Burchinal, of Baltimore, have been the guests of Chestertown friends this week.

Miss Shallcross returned from a protracted visit to her brother near Centreville, on Tuesday.

Rev. D. L. Greenfield went to Baltimore yesterday, and will return to-day accompanied by his sister. Upon their arrival a delightful reception will be tendered them at their new home on Water street, by his congregation. Owing to the condition of the parsonage, the pretty house of Mr. B. F. Fleming has been rented for the new paster.

Rev. S. C. Roberts was in attendance upon the Episcopal Convocation held in Port Deposit last week.

States Attorney P. B. Hopper and Miss Bessie Keating, of Centreville, were the guests of of Mr. W. H. McFeely, on Queen street, for several days this week.

OYSTER REVENUES.

What the Tongmen and Scrapers Pay Each Year for Licenses.

During the oyster season just closed 8,120 tonging and scraping licenses were issued in the ten oyster-producing counties of Maryland, comprising Calvert, Anne Arundel, Talbot, Charles, St. Mary's, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Wicomico and Somerset. The receipts from these licenses, aggregating $39,860.29, will, in accordance with law, be distributed to the respective counties for the use of the public schools. The licenses issued and the amounts turned over, less the commissions of the court clerks, are reported to be as follows: Calvert county, 521 tonging licenses, $1,866; Anne Arandel, 645 tonging, $1,976; Talbot, 1,337 tonging and scraping, $6,790; Charles, 142 tonging, $398.05; St. Mary's, 757 tonging, $2,182; Dorchester, 1,554 tonging and scraping, $10,049.74; Kent, 769 tonging, $3,076; Queen Anne's, 1,103 tonging, $4,412; Wicomico, 304 tonging, $1,168.50; Somerset, 988 tonging and scraping, $7,942.

The receipts of the State oyster fund from October 1, 1890, to April 1, 1891, were $51,949.73, of which amount $50,275.03 were received from oyster-dredging licenses. The disbursements for the same period were $33,330.93.

New Advertisements.

Mr. John Weist, of Millington, advertises vegetable plants for sale in this issue.

D. T. Williamson, the Cross street jeweler, has a new advertisement in this issue.

The statement of the town commissioners will be found in another column.

Examiners' road notice.

The Y. W. C. T. U., of Chestertown, advertise an entertainment to be held at Stam's Hall, on Tuesday next.

FROST AND THE PEACH CROP.

The Prospect Still Bright.

The decided frosts of Friday and Saturday nights came as unwelcome visitors to the peach-growers of Kent county, and serious apprehensions were entertained by many that the crop was seriously injured. A decided skim of ice was reported in some sections, and most depressing reports were received from other sections in regard to the extent of the damage to the fruit buds of all kinds. Further investigations, however, have disclosed the fact that the crop is still safe, and if any injury at all was done, it was so slight as to cause no reason for any serious fears.

One gentleman stated that his trees were so full that they were almost breaking down with blossoms, and with scarce an exception Kent county orchards have more blooms than they could possibly bear fruit. A number of orchards have been examined, both peach and pear, and the fruit is safe. The caps have not as yet fallen from the young fruit, and with a heavy foliage to afford protection, the prospect is as safe as such things can be. Of course there are possibilities of a destruction of the crop, but the probabilities are strongly in favor of a heavy crop. Canners should be ready at least for a heavy crop from Kent. Our peach-growers have become more optimistic than formerly, and will not offer their apprehensions as facts. We feel warranted in saying that at present there is promise for a heavy crop of all kinds of fruit.

LATER.—Some growers report serious injury done, but in a majority of cases the crop is fair. The injury has been greatest in the lower sections of the county.

A despatch from Middletown says: "A slight frost the last three nights has caused considerable apprehension as to whether the peach buds have been injured, but the farmers generally are of the opinion that no damage has been done them."

COLLEGE NOTES.

A Delightful Reception—Preparations for Commencement—Base-Ball, etc.

In last week's TRANSCRIPT we announced that the Shakespeare Club would meet at Dr. Reid's, if there was no thunder storm. The evening was beautiful, but the club did not meet, and I will tell you why. Dr. and Mrs. Reid gave a reception to the students of the college and others, and invited the club. The college hall was beautiful and redolent with flowers. The black-board, that necessary but unattractive feature of the room, was concealed behind festoons of tastefully arranged curtains and draperies of various beautiful shades. The windows were curtained with heavy crimson, and each corner of the room was banked with apple blossoms and dogwood flowers, interspersed with green. From the once bare walls hung festoons and garlands of graceful vines, while vases of flowers ornamented the brackets which have been prepared for the busts, which each Senior class is to present as a parting gift to their Alma Mater. Potted plants in bloom were arranged in the rear of the room; on the left of the door as you enter were the large letters W. C, made of the stars and stripes; while to the left hung a grand painting of Dr. Smith, the first president of Washington College. The benignant counteance of Washington, shaped by the deft fingers of the sculptor, beamed over all. The old general never in life could have been so garlanded with flowers. In the bright light of swinging lamps of pretty design, the scene was of a most inspiring nature; the graceful touch of woman was everywhere apparent, and the light shone upon "fair women and brave men." We cannot stop to meditate upon the bright possibilites. The young men looked brave enough, and we are sure the fair ones are surpassingly fair. Nor can we tell how they were dressed, for while this is a very interesting topic, unfortunately, it is not our forte. Mrs. Williams assisted Mrs. Reid in receiving the guests, while the genial doctor greeted all with a cordial welcome. A quintet of the "Boys' Band" furnished some very acceptable instrumental music, and a quartette consisting of Misses Hallie and Mary Beck, Prof. Clarke and Jas. W. Chapman, Jr., sang two appropriate selections; Miss Mary Hurtt presided at the organ. Mr. E. A. Robinson recited "Carleton's Bicycle Man," in fine style, and Mrs. Williams favored us with "The Last Leaf," by Oliver Wendall Holmes. Refreshments were served in Prof. Watts' recitation room. The mellow light of candles, mingled with the brighter lights, brought back the memories of long ago; but the ices, etc., etc., soon brought us back to the vital present. At eleven o'clock the guest departed, and the students repaired to their couches, feeling that at least one pleasant event of their lives was now a thing of the past, and could live only in their dreams.

The Church Hill small boys came over on Friday to play the return game with the Preps, and were defeated to the tune of 28 to 22. There were few good plays made by either side. Reynolds, the college catch, is a plucky little fellow, and will make a good player. Leaverton and Brice are, we think, candidates for positions on the first nine, and the manager can make no mistake in putting them on. Both are vigorous and skillful players.

Jacob Todd, D. D., of Trinity M. E. Church, Philadelphia late of Christ Church, Wilmington, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon this year on the Sunday morning before commencement.

Rev. Wm. Munford, who was rector at St. Paul's, in this county, will preach before the "Young Men's Christian Association" of the college, on the evening of the same day.

Prof. Clarke is making rapid progress with his entertainment, and will have it ready in two weeks. COLLEGE.

Our Millington Letter.

MILLINGTON, April 28, 1891.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Gov. B. F. Biggs was in town on Monday looking after his peach prospects, and reports that they have not been hurt by the late frosts, which will be quite a relief to some of our dispondent farmers.

Miss Matthews, of Baltimore, is visiting the family of W. H. Scotten. Miss Hallie Crane is visiting her brother, in Philadelphia. Miss Cacy spent one day of last week with friends in Baltimore. Miss Lillie Cacy is visiting friends in Philadelphia. John McWhorter, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Jeter, near Roanoke, Va., for the past few weeks, returned home on Friday night last.

One day last week two gentlemen of town, having imbibed a little too freely, got into a fuss over money matters, and not until one of them had been pretty freely pummeled, could they arrive at a definite understanding.

Most of our farmers are now done planting corn. C. C.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

A meeting of the enrolled members of the Board of Trade, of Chestertown, met at Stam's Hall on Monday evening. Since matters have gotten in position for practical operation, the enthusiasm of the citizens is less emphatic, and work is left to a great extent to be vigorously pushed by the respective committees and the board of trustees. The papers of incorporation are ready, having received the signature of Judge John M. Robinson, and the subject of a formal incorporation was referred to the committee on legislation. The treasurer reported that $120 of the amount subscribed had been paid, whereupon a soliciting committee consisting of three was appointed by the chair. The duties of this committee are to make collections and report to the board of trustees on Monday next. It is a highly important matter that all dues be promptly paid in order that the committees may not be retarded in their operations, by an unnecessary want of funds.

Several communications have been received by the secretary during the past week in regard to putting in an electric light plant, but as that matter had been referred to the executive committee, the letters were not read. The board of trustees will meet twice each month in the supper room of Stam's Hall. Unless special meetings are called by the chair, there will be no further meeting of the members of the board until the first Monday in April, 1892. The printing committee was granted an extension of time. This is one of the most important of the committees, and much depends upon the thoroughness with which the advantages of Chestertown and the county at large are set forth.

TEACHERS IN SESSION.

Profitable Discussion—Resolutions of Respect—An Interesting Address.

The public school association of Kent county, met in the school-room, Chestertown, on Friday last, and was called to order by the president, Eben F. Perkins. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. Irving Watkins. The roll was called, and it was found that 55 of the 59 teachers were present.

After the reading of the proceedings of the last meeting, the literary committee submitted the following questions to be discussed at the next regular meeting, which on motion by Mr. Long, were adopted:

1st. Shall a subject be taught with a view of making the student a master of it, and thus enable him to gain a utility from it, or shall it be taught with the purpose of producing the greatest effect upon the mind and culture of the pupil?

2d. How much is included in "Good Behavior," which the law requires us to teach?

Under the head of unfinished business, it was decided by a vote of 24 to 3 that district libraries are desirable, but under the existing circumstances they are not practicable.

The first regular question, Are our annual examinations, as heretofore conducted, conducive to the greatest good?—provoked a somewhat animated, yet highly interesting discussion. There were many strong advocates for the long-tried plan; but after viewing the question from every possible standpoint, the association decided to make a slight departure from the practice of the past by having the president appoint a committee of five—one from each election district—to select the questions for the next examination.

Prof. Proctor, of Washington College, addressed the association, taking for his subject "Science in the Public Schools." The professor dealt in ideas sublime. He spoke eloquently of the immeasurably remote heavenly bodies, and told how science has traced them through space, analyzed them and even found their weight to the fraction of an ounce. He spoke of what a marvel the world has in the subtle, almost indefinable fluid, which people call electricity, and predicted still greater wonders for it in the near future. He closed his address by giving some very interesting experiments in chemistry.

The first thing after the assembling for the afternoon session, Mr. Thos. B. Long, in very becoming language, offered to the association, as a tribute of respect to the association's late recording secretary, Mr. William G. Fallowfield, the following resolutions, which on motion, Mr. T. H. Topping, and seconded by Mr. I. R. Starkey, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, Death has stricken from the roll of this association the name of Wm. G. Fallowfield, and has taken from us one to whom we had become much attached, through long service in a common cause, and

WHEREAS, It is proper that we should give some expression to our sorrow for the loss which we have sustained in this bereavement, and give some testimony of our appreciation of a life so well spent, and a duty so well done; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Mr. Fallowfield, we feel that one has left us whom we could not well spare; and we now bear willing tribute to the exemplary character, exalted worth, and efficient labors of our steady friend and faithful fellow-teacher; he needs no other rosary, whose thread of life is strung with beads of charity and love; to his widow and children, we offer our sincere sympathy and condolence, and commend them to the provident care of Him who feeds the raven and clothes the lily of the field.

Resolved, That we enter these resolutions upon our journal, and send a copy of them to the family of the deceased.

It was ordered by the association that the following greeting be telephoned to the teachers of Queen Anne's county; but, owing to some derangement in the wires, it could not be transmitted:

CHESTERTOWN, MD., April 24, 1891.

To the Teachers' Association of Queen Anne's, CENTREVILLE, MD., GREETING:—The Teachers' Association of Kent county, Md., in session now assembled, send best wishes for a pleasant and profitable meeting, and extend their hearty congratulations that you have present with you Prof. Prettyman, the eminent principal of the State Normal School.

Miss A. Cephelia Hackett read the essay, the subject of which was "A Kind Word." It was well written and particularly well read, making it a very interesting, as well as a very enjoyable feature of the meeting.

The second regular question, Why is it that our pupils learn so much and know so little?—was called up and discussed to some extent, but owing to the lateness of the hour, it was decided to carry it over to the next meeting.

After a few minor matters which claimed the attention of the association for a short time, the president declared the association adjourned.

Baltimore Market.

WHEAT.—Southern No. 2 red, $1.16a$1.17. Western, $1.14a$1.15.

CORN.—Southern corn 80a82½c. Western, 79a80c. Yellow, 80a82c. Ear corn, market quiet. Yellow in round lots $4.20a$4.25, and white $4.05a$4.10 per barrel of five bushels.

OATS.—58a60c.

THE OYSTERMEN'S MEETING.

Measures Taken for an Active Campaign.

It is but fair to presume that the active campaign inaugurated by the oystermen of Kent county two weeks ago, has come to stay. The interest in the fight against the leasing or sale of the State oyster beds instead of decreasing, is becoming more active and is increasing in intensity of the feeling of indignation which has given birth to the movement now being carried forward. The tongmen of Kent are now thoroughly organized, and declare that the fight shall never abate until the oyster beds are assured to the State and its citizens. In pursurance to the adjournment of the meeting two weeks ago an enthusiastic business meeting was held at Rock Hall on Wednesday of last week, and a permanent organization effected, with the following officers: Chairman, Captain Jas. B. Willson; secretary, J. R. Ryan; vice-chairman, Isaac Briden, treasurer, Wm. W. Coleman. The following named gentlemen were added to the original delegates to represent the Kent county oystermen at the mass meeting to be held in Baltimore to-day: Wm. J. Vannort, Daniel Haddaway, R. L. Hynson, J. M. Downey, J. T. Stevens, W. P. Durding, W. T. Harrison, T. E. Sewell, T. R. Strong, T. A. Hudson, Geo. Vickers, T. J. Fletcher, J. B. Downey and B. H. Coburn.

The following was unanimously passed by the meeting:

WHEREAS, By the lax execution of the oyster law in the past dredging was carried on principally in forbidden waters, and the supply of oysters carried to Baltimore, was in consequence very large, and

WHEREAS, By reason of the recent enforcement of the law against unlawful dredging, the supply of oysters has not equalled the demand and certain parties have gotten up the hue and cry that the oyster beds and bars are exhausted and ought to be sold or leased by the State—

The oystermen of Kent county, in mass meeting assembled at Rock Hall, declare:

1st, That the oyster beds and bars of the Chesapeake bay and Chester river are not exhausted as alledged.

2nd. That the bars are depleted and run down and have become so by illegal dredging.

3rd. That the beds will soon replenish themselves if allowed proper rest and freedom from dredging and scraping.

4th. That the tonging interest of Kent county is one of the largest and most important industries in the county. Over seven hundred men are engaged in this industry, who own two hundred thousand dollars' worth of property, and pay five thousand dollars for school, State and county taxes, and who bring into the county not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually, as the result of their toil, which is distributed among the merchants, mechanics and farmers for necessaries and supplies.

Be it therefore Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that the contemplated sale and giving away of the bottoms of the bay and rivers is revolutionary and contrary to the principles of common justice and violates the common rights of fishery which belongs to the people of the State in common and which would be destroyed when exclusive privileges are granted.

H. W. Vickers was present and gave a practical talk in regard to the situation. Geo. E. Leary also addressed the meeting. A series of meetings will be held throughout the season, and the campaign kept active. Another meeting was held last night.

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